

# Approved changes to the SkillsUSA Nebraska By-laws

Updated April 12th, 2024

Elect a Treasurer and Secretary to the Board

Add (I) to Article III: Develop partnerships with business and industry to help foster career awareness and understanding for students.

Article IV Section 2: Local SkillsUSA chapters affiliated with the Association may be established in all ~~High School~~ 7-12 EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS and College/Technical schools ~~and educational institutions~~ within the State of Nebraska which provide systematic instruction in career, trade, industrial, technical and health-related education and occupations. Each local ~~high school~~ SkillsUSA chapter affiliated with the Association shall have an advisor who shall be a staff member of the applicable school or educational institution who teaches a course relating to career, trade, industrial, technical or health education and/or occupations.

Article V Section 2: Any ~~High School~~ student in grades 7-12, or any College/Technical student, who is currently enrolled in a career, trade, industrial, technical, health-related, or technology education course/program (or who has been enrolled in such a program or course in the past) shall be entitled to become an active member of his or her locally chartered SkillsUSA chapter.

Article VII Section 1: To qualify for an office in the Association, each candidate must BE CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN GRADES 9-12 ~~complete~~ and submit an application (the form of which shall be approved by the Board of Directors) to the Association in accordance with guidelines and procedures established by the Board of Directors.

~~No SkillsUSA State Officer may hold the same state office for two consecutive years.~~

*Joe LeGrand motioned to accept report; Jason Novotny seconded. No discussion, moved to vote; motion carried during the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Board of Directors meeting.*

Article VIII Section 1 (a): All advisors of local SkillsUSA chapters ~~PRESENT~~ affiliated with the Association shall be entitled to vote at any such meeting.

(b) & (c): The State Officer Team High School President and the College/Technical Vice Presidents shall have ~~1/4~~ 1/2 vote each. If only one of these officers attend the Board of Directors meeting, their ~~1/4~~ 1/2 vote is counted as one; if more than one officer attends the meeting they will have to come to a consensus on their vote or abstain from voting.

(d): The State SkillsUSA ~~Director~~ STATE ADVISOR AND NDE REPRESENTATIVE(S) ~~who~~ shall serve as a non-voting ex-officio memberS of the Board.

Add: ( d . 1 ) The State Officer Team Advisor shall be a voting member of the Board. Add: Up to two Educational Administrators shall serve as voting members.

(e): ~~An~~ UP TO FOUR individuals ~~who~~ CAN BE ~~has been~~ designated as a "Corporate Member" by the National Organization, and ~~who is~~ ARE appointed by the Board of Directors. The Corporate MemberS shall serve as a non-voting ex-officio member of the Board, and shall serve until his or her successor is duly appointed and qualified.

(g): Two college/technical advisors of local SkillsUSA chapters affiliated with the Association, who shall be elected by a majority vote of PRESENT advisors of local ~~college/technical SkillsUSA~~ chapters present at a meeting of such advisors held during the Association's Annual State Leadership and Skills Conference in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors.

Section 13: Only VOTING members of the Board who are advisors of local SkillsUSA chapters affiliated with the Association shall be eligible to serve as Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

*Bill Hitesman motioned to accept report; Leon Finecy seconded. No discussion, moved to vote; motion carried during the September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016, Board of Directors meeting.*

*The above changes were proposed and approved by the 2017 Nebraska Leadership & Skills Conference delegates on Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2017, during the Delegate Assembly.*

Article VIII Section 1: ADD: (j) An individual representing alumnus of SkillsUSA State of Nebraska, who shall be appointed as needed by the Board of Directors to serve as voting member. The alumni representative shall serve a three-year term beginning on the date of becoming a board member with no term limits, or until his or her successor is appointed and qualified.

*Matt Hurt motioned to amend the bylaws to add: An individual representing alumnus of SkillsUSA State of Nebraska, who shall be appointed as needed by the Board of Directors to serve as voting member. The alumni representative shall serve a three-year term beginning on the date of becoming a board member with no term limits, or until his or her successor is appointed and qualified.; Lisa Bohaty seconded. No discussion, moved to vote; motion carried during the January 25th, 2023, Board of Directors meeting.*

*The above changes were proposed and approved by the 2023 Nebraska Leadership & Skills Conference delegates on Friday, April 14th, 2023, during the Delegate Assembly.*

Proposed changes for 2024 Delegate Assembly

Amend the following changes:

Article VIII Section 13: The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall each serve a one-year term. Only voting BOARD members of the Board who are advisors of local SkillsUSA chapters affiliated with the Association shall be eligible to serve as Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson.

*Alex Kemnitz motioned to amend Article VIII Section 13 to read: The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson shall each serve a one-year term. Only voting board members shall be eligible to serve as Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson. Todd Enck seconded. No discussion, moved to vote; motion carried during the January 17th, 2024, Board of Directors meeting.*

Article VIII Section 1 (d.1) An individual representing the State Officer Team Advisor shall be a voting member of the Board. A SECOND STATE OFFICER ADVISOR CAN SERVE IN AN EX-OFFICIO BOARD MEMBER POSITION, WHO CAN VOTE IN THE ABSENCE OF THE VOTING STATE OFFICER ADVISOR.

*Ed Mills motioned to amend Article VIII Section 1 (d.1) to read: An individual representing the State Officer Team Advisor shall be a voting member of the Board. A second state officer advisor can server in an ex-officio board member position, who can vote in the absence of the voting state officer advisor. Will Tietmeyer seconded. No discussion, moved to vote; motion carried during the January 17th, 2024, Board of Directors meeting.*

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