

# House of Delegates Standing Resolutions

## **Resolution No. 1**

SUBJECT: Resolution Process

YEAR ADOPTED: 2006

RESOLVED, that the ATPE Board of Directors and officers administer the resolution process to facilitate timely consideration of resolutions and written notification of pre-filed resolutions prior to discussion on the floor of the House of Delegates.

RESOLVED, that the ATPE Board of Directors shall review the status of standing and current resolutions following each annual House of Delegates meeting and direct the appropriate action. Standing resolutions shall be limited to philosophical positions and/or procedures related to the ATPE House of Delegates business. Current resolutions or motions will be directed to the appropriate committee and/or placed in the ATPE Governance Guide as administrative procedures. In the event that the Board determines to place a current resolution in the ATPE Governance Guide or to discontinue a resolution that has been placed in the ATPE Governance Guide, that action will be reviewed by the next year's Resolutions Committee. Current resolutions adopted by the House of Delegates will be in effect and in force for a period of one year, after which time they will expire, unless renewed by a majority vote of the House of Delegates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Resolutions Committee shall review progress and content of all resolutions and present its annual report to the House of Delegates.

## **Resolution Number 2**

SUBJECT: ATPE Convention

YEAR ADOPTED: 1991

RESOLVED, that ATPE will open the state convention with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the Pledge to the Texas Flag and a prayer, excusing those whose beliefs are in conflict with this act.

## **Resolution Number 3**

SUBJECT: Business and Education

YEAR ADOPTED: 1991

RESOLVED, that ATPE supports business and education communities working together for an excellent education system that will prepare public school students to meet the needs of a highly technical, industrialized and global environment.

## **Resolution Number 4**

SUBJECT: Consultation Training

YEAR ADOPTED: 1992

RESOLVED, that it be the official policy of ATPE to educate members of ATPE as to the pros and cons of consultation committees and communication committees at the district level. Additional leadership may be provided to locals that may demonstrate a need for special assistance beyond the program of general education; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it be the official policy of ATPE to include consultation committee member training at its leadership workshops and state conventions.

## **Resolution Number 5**

SUBJECT: Cooperation with Other Independent Educator Organizations

YEAR ADOPTED: 1992

RESOLVED, that the experience and history of ATPE be shared with other independent educator organizations throughout the country in an effort to establish and continue nonunion influence in education policy-making in the United States.

## **Resolution Number 6**

SUBJECT: Legislator Involvement in Public Schools and Classrooms

YEAR ADOPTED: 1997

RESOLVED, that ATPE encourage and support regions and local units in developing ways to actively involve legislators in local public schools and classrooms to keep them knowledgeable about current educational issues and conditions.

## **Resolution Number 7**

SUBJECT: Political Participation

YEAR ADOPTED: 1992

RESOLVED, that it be the official policy of ATPE to encourage members to be politically active individually; and be it further

RESOLVED, that it be the official policy of ATPE to discourage local units from endorsing candidates in the name of the organization.

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## **Resolution Number 8**

SUBJECT: Professional Status

YEAR ADOPTED: 1992

RESOLVED, that ATPE accept both the obligations and rights of professionals; and be it further

RESOLVED, that future legislative action by the association seek to secure for Texas educators the rights, privileges, benefits and respect befitting a true professional.

## **Resolution Number 9**

SUBJECT: Professional Rights

YEAR ADOPTED: 2000

RESOLVED, that ATPE supports vigorous enforcement of due process laws.

## **Resolution Number 10**

SUBJECT: Right to Work

YEAR ADOPTED: 1992

RESOLVED, that ATPE supports networking with other state and national nonunion groups that support the right-to-work philosophy.

## **Resolution Number 11**

SUBJECT: Student Members

YEAR ADOPTED: 1992

RESOLVED, that the local and regional units of ATPE work in conjunction with the state staff to continue efforts to support, educate and provide funds to help college students within their respective regions attend the region and state convention each year.

## **Resolution Number 12**

SUBJECT: Election Process

YEAR ADOPTED: 2010

RESOLVED, that ATPE shall begin conducting runoff elections for state officer positions 15 minutes after the need for a runoff election is announced to the House of Delegates.

## **Resolution Number 13**

SUBJECT: Overturning Exclusive Consultation

YEAR ADOPTED: 2011

RESOLVED, that ATPE state staff work proactively and provide financial support to local units to overturn exclusive consultation in districts where it exists and work to prevent it in districts with an increased potential for exclusive consultation. Financial support can include political action committee (PAC) monies (where not prohibited by state and federal laws) for school board candidates aligned with ATPE's belief on exclusive consultation.