CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE WYOMING PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

Article A-I

Name: The name of this organization shall be the:

WYOMING PUPIL TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION.

Article A-II

<u>Purpose</u>: The purpose of the organization shall be to promote and maintain the highest

level of safe and efficient transportation for the pupils of public schools and non-public schools, contracted carriers and other pupil transportation providers

in the State of Wyoming.

Article A-III Membership:

Membership is available on a District level. Each member district shall appoint a person from the Transportation Department as their representative, whose primary responsibility is for the direction of all phases of pupil transportation or who supervise the work of employees assigned to their department.

1. Non-school Membership:

Any representative meeting the requirements set forth in the first paragraph of this section from an educational group (non-public school or group providing an educational program) providing transportation in school buses meeting the most recent edition of the Minimum Standards for Wyoming School Buses may be a member of the organization.

2. The Wyoming Pupil Transportation Association shall not be obligated to any entity regardless of membership status.

Article A-IV Officers:

The officers of the organization shall be a President, a Vice-President / Government Liaison, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.

1. Term of Office:

Newly elected officers shall take office January 1st and serve for a term of four (4) years for the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and four (4) years for the Board of Directors.

1a. (these were decided by a draw) For the 2009 election, the President, Secretary and Director #1 shall be elected for the purpose of staggering elections, the Vice President, Treasurer, Director #2 and #3 will be elected at the Fall 2011 meeting.

1b. There shall be a limit of 1, four year term per office.

2. Election of Officers:

Officers shall be elected at a Fall meeting by a majority vote of members present, and those who have submitted an electronic absentee vote, and take office January 1st.

3. Nominations of Officers:

Nominations of officers shall be presented to the membership present at the summer meeting. Nominations may also be made from the floor at the summer meeting.

Article A-V Meetings:

The organization shall have no fewer than two (2) meetings annually, such meetings to be scheduled whenever possible, at the direction of the President.

Article A-VI Voting:

Roberts Rules of Order (Revised) shall govern this organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not in conflict with the adopted by-laws.

- 1. Voting shall be limited to active members.
- 2. Only members in good standing are allowed to vote.
- 3. Each member District receives 1 vote.

Article A-VII By-Laws:

Appropriate By-Laws to carry out the provisions of this constitution shall be adopted.

Article A-VIII Amendments:

This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the organization by a 2/3-majority vote of the attending membership, provided that written notice of meeting has been sent to all members not less than ten (10) days prior to the date of such meeting.

Article A – IX Organizational Dissolution:

In the event of dissolution of the organization, no part of the organizations earnings or assets shall inure to the benefit of any of its members; the residual assets of the organization shall be distributed to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in sections 501(c)(3) and 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the federal, state or local government for exclusive public purpose.

Executive Committee:

- An eight member executive committee shall consist of the officers and three elected members (Directors at Large). The immediate Past President will be on the Board in an advisory, non-voting capacity. The Directors at Large shall assist the officers in decision making relative to matters of the association.
- 2. Election of the Director at Large #1 shall be at the same time as the President and Secretary. Directors #2 and #3 will be elected at the same time as the Vice President and Treasurer.
- 3. Each person shall serve a term of four (4) years.
- 4. Executive committee members may be nominated and/or hold office if they are transportation supervisors or mechanics from member districts.
- 5. In the event of a vacancy of an Officer or Board member, the board will appoint an active district representative to the Association to serve out the term of that office.

BY-LAWS

Article B-I Membership

- 1. This organization shall consist of all members in good standing as shown by paying the \$3.00 per licensed bus on an annual basis as shown by the WDE transportation inventory.
- 2. Districts that are in fiscal arrears to the WPTA for longer than 6 months are not considered in good standing.

Article B-II Duties of Officers:

1. President:

 a. The President shall preside at meetings, and shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.

2. Vice-President/Government Liaison

- a. In the absence of or by reason of the inability of the President to perform his duties, the Vice-President shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the President.
- b. The Vice-President shall be the liaison member between the organization and the State Department of Education, the Wyoming Safety Council, the Highway Department, the Wyoming Highway Patrol and the Wyoming Association of School Business Officials.

3. Secretary:

a. The Secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the organization, read such notes if requested, issue notices for meetings, and complete correspondence on behalf of the organization.

4. Treasurer:

- The Treasurer shall supervise the administration of all funds and securities of the organization and shall keep an account of these transactions.
- b. The Treasurer shall collect dues from the members and provide an upto-date list of paid-up memberships to the President.

Article B-III Meetings:

The meetings of the Wyoming Pupil Transportation Association shall be rotated among the home districts represented in the membership that have expressed the desire to host a meeting.

- 1. The place of meeting will be determined by the Officers.
- 2. The date and time for all meetings will be determined by the Officers.

Article B-IV Committees:

1. The WPTA Board may appoint committees as necessary

Article B-V

Amendments: These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a majority vote of

those members present and voting.

Adopted (10-08-71) Organizational meeting.

1st Amendment (3-19-77)

2nd Amendment (2-23-80)

3rd Amendment (12-5-81)

4th Amendment (10-2-85)

5th Amendment (6-13-91) (corrected 10-10-91)

6th Amendment (6/96)

7th Amendment (4/2003)

8th Amendment (5/2/2007)

9th Amendment (4/29/2009)

10th Amendment (4/20/2011)