

LOS RIOS COLLEGE FEDERATION OF TEACHERS

POLITICAL ACTION FUND COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION

Article I. Name

This organization shall be known as Los Rios College Federation of Teachers (LRCFT) Political Action Fund Committee (hereinafter PAFC). PAFC is a voluntary, non-partisan committee and shall abide by the laws governing political action committees in the State of California.

Article II. Purposes

The purposes of PAFC are as follows:

1. To support and strengthen the public commitment to excellence in public education.
2. To promote educators' knowledge and understanding of, and active participation in, legislative processes, actions of their government, and the important political issues pertaining to public education.
3. To organize campaigns and activities such as endorsements, legislative advocacy, civic engagement to achieve the purposes stated above.

Article III. Committee

The affairs of the PAFC shall be managed by a committee consisting of the Executive Board and Staff of the LRCFT and other LRCFT members in good standing who volunteer and are appointed by the LRCFT president.

- A. The appointed members of the PAFC shall serve for a term of two years, which shall be concurrent with that of the term of the LRCFT president.
- B. Membership shall be verified prior to the end of each calendar year.

Article IV. Officers

- A. The officers of the PAFC are chair, vice chair, secretary, and treasurer.
- B. The PAFC Chair must not be an elected member of the LRCFT Executive Board.
- C. The PAFC chair is nominated by the LRCFT president and confirmed by the LRCFT Executive Board.

- D. The PAFC chair is a non-voting member of the LRCFT Executive Board.
- E. The remaining officers of the PAFC must be elected for the successive year by the members of the PAFC at its final regularly scheduled meeting of the fiscal year.

Article V. Meetings

- A. The committee will hold at least one regularly scheduled meeting per semester.
- B. Additional meetings may be convened by the chair or any three members of the committee, two of whom must be members of the LRCFT Executive Board.

Article VI. Parliamentary Authority and Procedure

- A. All meetings of PAFC will be governed by Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.
- B. The chair or designee may conduct a vote by telecommunications or online.
- C. A quorum for all meetings of the PAFC shall be at least five (5) PAFC members, representing at least three (3) of the four (4) colleges. Three of the five PAFC members must be LRCFT Executive Board members.
- D. Any appointed member missing three regularly scheduled meetings in a 12-month period may be recommended for suspension of PAFC voting rights by the LRCFT Executive Board.

Article VII. PAFC Authority

See PAFC Bylaws Section IX. Authority.

Article VIII. Financing

- A. The PAFC fund is based upon voluntary and solicited contributions as allowed under California state law, and funds as allocated by the LRCFT Bylaws Article 1, Section A5 and A6.
- B. The committee, under authority of Article VII, may develop and adopt programs of solicitation of funds as deemed necessary and proper.
- C. No contributor shall have any rights to, or vested interest in, the funds held by PAFC by reason of her or his contribution thereto.

Article IX. Liability

See PAFC Bylaws Section XII. Liability

Article X. Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. If any of these provisions is so construed by a court or agency of the State of California to be invalid, the committee shall amend this constitution, in conformity with the requirements of California state laws and regulations, to preserve the sponsored existence of PAFC.

Article XI. Amendments

- A. Amendments to this constitution may be proposed by a two-thirds vote of the PAFC.
- B. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the LRCFT president no less than thirty (30) days prior to the next regularly scheduled Executive Board meeting.
- C. Amendments become effective immediately upon ratification by the LRCFT Executive Board.