

## **CONSTITUTION OF ALBANY COUNTY READS**

### **ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of this committee shall be the Albany County Reads Association.

### **ARTICLE II: OBJECT**

The object of this committee shall be to further the literacy of all residents within Albany County. By:

Section 1: working with schools, child care professionals, the public library and other organizations dealing with youth to encourage reading.

Section 2: providing books, ideas, and expertise in the area of literacy as well as reading to the residents of Albany County.

Section 3: encouraging reading as a lifelong activity through scheduled activities throughout the year.

Section 4: developing a schedule of volunteers to read to children and work with adult literacy.

Section 5: encouraging residents of Albany County to participate in reading literacy programs sponsored through all agencies.

Section 6: fostering an increased awareness of the importance of literacy and reading in the daily lives of all Albany County residents.

Section 7: coordinating activities of all literacy/education agencies within our community.

### **ARTICLE III: OFFICERS AND THEIR DUTIES**

Section 1: President

A: Call and preside at all meetings of the Association.

B: Appoint all committees.

Section 2: Vice-President

A: Perform duties of the President in absence of the President.

B: Become President of the committee following tenure as Vice-President.

C: Assist the president in appointments to committees.

Section 3: Secretary-Treasurer

A: Appointed by consensus of the committee.

B: Record and maintain a record of all meetings.

C: Collect and account for all monies of the committee.

D: Issue a financial statement of the committee at the end of the fiscal year ending June 30.

### **ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS**

Section 1: Regular meetings will be held on the first Friday of every month.

Section 2: The place and time of all meetings shall be by consensus of the committee.

ARTICLE V: AMENDMENTS

Section 1: Any amendment to the Constitution and/or by-laws of this Association shall be subject to a three-fourths (3/4) majority vote of the members at the meeting when the proposed amendment is presented.

ARTICLE VI: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Membership will include anyone interested in improvement of literacy within Albany County, as defined in Article II.

Section 2: Members should attend all monthly meetings.

ARTICLE VII: GROUP DISSOLVES

Section 1: If group dissolves all money will be distributed to on-going programs the committee has funded.