

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

NON-STOCK

as of 1 October, 1970

Executed by the undersigned to form a corporation under the provisions of the Wisconsin Non-Stock Corporation Law, Chapter 181, Wisconsin Statutes.

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be WISCONSIN COUNCIL OF TEACHERS OF ENGLISH, INC. and the location of its principal office be at Wisconsin State College, in the City of Oshkosh, Winnebago County, Wisconsin. The initial registered agent under the Non-Stock Corporation is Jarvis F. Bush, Wisconsin State College, Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

ARTICLE II

This corporation is organized and shall be limited exclusively for educational, charitable, scientific, and literary purposes and shall be

- a) to improve the quality of instruction in the English language arts and English at all school levels in the State of Wisconsin;
- b) to encourage research and experimentation in the teaching of the English language arts and English;
- c) to advance the professional status of teachers of the English language arts and English;
- d) to furnish opportunities for the study of and research in educational problems in the field of the English language arts and of English and to facilitate the exchange of ideas on subjects of special concern to Wisconsin teachers of the English language arts and of English;
- e) to sponsor publication of desirable articles, books, and reports of particular interest to Wisconsin teachers of the English language arts and of English;
- f) to integrate the efforts of all those who are concerned with the improvement of instruction in the English language arts and in English;
- g) to inform the citizens of Wisconsin of the aims and purposes of the English language arts and English instruction at all school levels;
- h) to cooperate with the National Council of Teachers of English and other affiliated organizations in the furtherance of the above stipulated purposes.
- i) In the event of dissolution, all assets will be distributed for exclusively educational and charitable purposes.

ARTICLE III

The corporation shall receive, hold, use, or dispose of property and funds acquired by it from time to time and income therefrom, by contributions, gifts, devises, bequests, and fees, exclusively for the purposes of its organization in Wisconsin or in any other of the states of the United States of America. No part of the net earnings or net income of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of any individual having a personal or a private interest in the activities of the organization. No part of the activities of the corporation shall consist of attempting to influence legislation by propaganda or otherwise.

ARTICLE IV

The corporation shall be non-stock and no dividends or pecuniary profits or liquidating dividends or distributions shall ever be declared or paid to the members thereof.

ARTICLE V

Membership in the corporation shall be open to all teachers of the English language arts and of English, to school and public librarians and to teachers, supervisors, and administrators interested in the teaching of the English language arts and English at all school levels. Membership in the corporation shall also be open to students in Wisconsin colleges and universities while they are in training to become teachers in the fields of English language arts and of English, provided, however, that such members shall be designated junior members.

ARTICLE VI

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the corporation shall be nine (9) and may be increased by the by-Laws, and shall be elected by the members of the corporation in accordance with the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII

These articles of Incorporation may be amended by the members, by such vote as may be required by Wisconsin Law.

ARTICLE VIII

The name and address of each of the Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors and constituting the incorporators of this corporation are hereinafter set forth this seventh day of November, A. D. 1963.

Virginia M. Burke, U. W. M. - Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Richard Greivell, Waukesha Public Schools, Waukesha, Wisconsin

Frederic B. Baxter, West Bend High School, West Bend, Wisconsin

Faye Espaseth, Prairie Farm Public Schools, Prairie Farm, Wisconsin

Erna Rideout, LaCrosse Public Schools, LaCrosse, Wisconsin

Betty Hanson, Sturgeon Bay Public Schools, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin

Sister Mary Hester, Mount Mary College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Lee A. Burrell, Jr., Stevens Point State Colleges, Stevens Point, Wisconsin

Margaret E. Zielsdorf, Wausau Senior High School, Wausau, Wisconsin