

CONSTITUTION
of the Association for European Education in Computing
(AEEC)

ARTICLE 1. Name

This organization shall be called the ***Association for European Education in Computing.***

ARTICLE 2. Purposes

The purposes of the Association are:

- a) To promote the free interchange of methods, approaches, technologies and information about European Education in Computing to the public using the best educational, scientific and professional traditions.
- b) To develop and maintain the integrity and competence of individuals engaged in the practice of computing education in European or others Universities and high schools.
- c) To advance the processes, sciences and arts of education and training in computing.
- d) To be a European Association in Education in Computing. (I'm not sure what this is supposed to mean. DEH.)

ARTICLE 3. Membership

Item 1. Eligibility. Any European or other person or institution, accepting the purposes of the Association and eligible for membership in accordance with this Constitution and Bylaws, will become a member upon the approval of the completed application form for membership and the payment of dues in accordance with the Bylaws.

Item 2. Classes of membership. The Association has three classes of membership:

2.1. *Members.* Persons qualified to be Members are those who accept the purposes of the Association and have professional experience by demonstrating intellectual competence and ethical conduct in the area of computing education and training. Members shall have voting rights.

2.2. *Student Members.* PhD students and full-time students in an accredited educational institution are the only persons qualified for student membership.

2.3. *Institutional Members.* Institutions qualified to be institutional members are those that accept the purposes of the Association. The institutional member will nominate one person who will be a Member.

Item 3. Resignation. A member may at any time file a resignation application in writing with the Secretary, and it will become effective as of the date it is filed.

ARTICLE 4. Officers

Item 1. Titles. The officers of the Association are:
President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

The officers of the Association are the members of the Association Council.

Item 2. The President. The President is chairman of the Executive Committee and the Council of the Association.

Item 3. The Vice-President. In the temporary absence of the President, the Vice-President shall act as chairman of the Association main Committees.

Item 4. The Secretary. The Secretary will keep a record of all proceedings and meetings of the Association, Council and Executive Committee. The Secretary has the general supervision of arrangements made by the Association in connection with the business meetings. The Secretary will maintain a list of all members at the business office of the Association.

Item 5. The Treasurer. The Treasurer will have responsibility for the charge, protection and spending of all funds of the Association. The signature of the Treasurer is the main financial signature of the Association. The Treasurer will see that accurate accounts are kept in all books belonging to the Association, that dues and other sums are collected, that all properly approved bills are paid, and that financial statements and budgets are prepared.

ARTICLE 5. Executive Committee

Item 1. Composition and Authority. The Executive Committee of the Association shall consist of the President, the Vice-President and the Secretary. The Executive Committee shall appoint representatives of the Association for specific goals and shall manage in general the affairs of the Association between Council meetings. The President shall call a meeting of, or cause questions to be presented to, the Executive Committee upon the request of any member of the Committee.

Item 2. Place of Meeting. Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be at the principal office of the Association, or at the place of and in connection with a meeting of the Association, or at such places as the Executive Committee may determine.

ARTICLE 6. Council

Item 1. Membership. The Council includes Members of the Association only and consists of the Association officers, the Past President of the Association, the representatives from each European country which has at least one Member of the Association as defined in the Bylaws, and the Chairman of the Publications Board.

Item 2. Authority and Duties. The Council shall define the policies of the Association and supervise their execution by the officers of the Association.

Item 3. Meetings. The Council shall meet at least once a year It will meet when the Association has a Meeting, upon the call of the Executive Committee , or if half the members of the Council call a meeting. Meetings of the Council shall be at the principal office of the Association or at the place of the Association meetings in general, for example at the annual event of the Association.

Item 4. Annual Report. The Council will report annually to the members of the Association by e-mail or by one of the Association's publications which is sent to all members.

Item 5. Annual Budget. Each year the Council shall adopt an annual budget for the Association for the following year. The budget must be published in one of the Association's publications, which must be distributed to all members.

Item 6. Code of Professional Ethics. The Council shall adopt and conspicuously publish to all members a code of professional ethics.

ARTICLE 7. Elections

The Association Officers (without the treasurer) and all Council members (without the Chairman of the Publications Board) shall be elected as of June in each third year. The Treasurer and the Chairman of the Publications Board will be elected from among the Members of the Association by a majority of all members of the Council. No person may hold two Council positions.

ARTICLE 8. Nominations

Nominations will be made by a notice mailed to the members as provided in the Bylaws. Prior to distribution of the ballot, nominations by petition of at least one percent of the Members of the constituency shall be received and entered on the ballot described in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE 9. Association meetings by Ballot

Each Member of the Association will be notified of a meeting of the Association where the ballot will be implemented. Each Member may cast a vote personally at the meeting or they may return a proxy ballot to the authorized secretary by ordinary mail, e-mail, or other on-line technology.

ARTICLE 10. Bylaws

Bylaws may be adopted or edited by an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all members of the Association. The Council has the authority to interpret the Bylaws.