



## **GAY-STRAIGHT MEMBERS' ALLIANCE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

*Established May 6, 2010*

### **ARTICLE I: NAME AND MISSION STATEMENT**

#### ***Section I: Name***

The name of the organization shall be the "Gay-Straight Members' Alliance," referred to herein as the GSMA.

#### ***Section II: Mission Statement***

1. To provide a supportive, safe environment for District 16 OSSTF members who are gays, lesbians, bisexuals, transgendered, questioning (GLBTQ) and straight to meet.
2. To provide a voice to the district regarding issues of sexual diversity.
3. To provide a vehicle of social and political action in regards to sexual diversity.
4. To act as an ally to other organizations dealing with issues pertinent to the GLBTQ community.
5. To respect the confidentiality of all members.

### **ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP AND MEETINGS**

#### ***Section I: Membership***

GSMA is open to all members of District 16 OSSTF.

#### ***Section II: Meetings***

Meetings shall be free and open to all members of District 16 OSSTF.

GSMA will meet on a regularly scheduled interval throughout the school year.

GSMA will be chaired by the chairs of the District 16 Political Action Committee and/or the Human Rights Committee.

### **ARTICLE III: VOTING**

#### ***Section I: Eligibility***

All District 16 GSMA members who are present are eligible to vote.

#### ***Section II: Procedure***

All votes will be conducted based on the OSSTF policies and procedures.

### **ARTICLE III: AFFILIATION**

***Section I:*** OSSTF workgroup supported by the Human Rights and Political Action Committees