

SkillsUSA Oklahoma

January 16, 2025 Executive Council

Proposed constitutional changes

Three official items were postponed for action until the November 15, 2025 meeting.

Article XI Section 1 States: This constitution may be amended at any Executive Council Meeting by a two-thirds vote, provided that the proposed amendment in writing has been submitted and sent to Executive Council members at least six weeks prior to the Executive Council Meeting. Once approved by the Executive Council, a written copy of the changes will be sent to all local chapters.

- Proposed constitutional change #1: Amend the constitution to read the following:

Article VI Section 1- Officers

At the annual state meeting, the secondary delegates of the Oklahoma Association of SkillsUSA shall elect a secondary state officer team consisting of the eight candidates with the highest total score.

- Proposed constitutional change #2 :

Article VI Section 2 - Officers

At the fall leadership conference, the postsecondary delegates of the Oklahoma Association of SkillsUSA shall elect the postsecondary state officer team consisting of the four candidates with the highest total score.

- Proposed constitutional change #2 :

Article V Section 5

The Officer candidates will be required to pass a PDP test with a score of 80% or above to an officer candidate.

First Read Proposals (2)

Operations Policies

Current:

We will operate contests for any competitor that registers for SLSC contest, as long as they meet qualifying requirements (regionals/districts).

Revision:

To ensure that SkillsUSA SLSC competitions maintain relevance, engaging, and use efficient resource allocation, this proposal establishes a three-year review and registration cycle for contests with consistently low participation.

Reasoning:

To be able to better plan/organize, be fiscally responsible with association funds and continue to send highly qualified competitors to NLSC.

- **Minimum Participation Threshold**

- A contest must have a minimum of registered competitors each year to remain active.
 - Number may vary by contest type and will be established by the SkillsUSA State Advisor and T&I Staff based on resources, industry support, and historical averages.
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- **Three-Year Cycle Monitoring**

- 1st year registration does not meet requirement by SLSC registration deadline: Contest is notified of possible closure.
 - 2nd year registration does not meet requirement by SLSC registration deadline: Contest is put on probation.
 - 3rd year registration does not meet requirement by SLSC registration deadline contest will be cancelled for that year.
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- **Closure of Contest**

- On 3rd year contest will be removed from the active contest list.
 - Resources, judges, venues, and materials for the contest will be reallocated.
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Notification Timeline

- Association will be notified of at-risk contests after second consecutive low-participation year.
- Final closure decisions will be communicated no later than 6 months prior to the next competition cycle.

Review & Reinstatement Process

- Closed contests may be reconsidered for future inclusion by submitting a formal petition.
 - The petition must demonstrate:
 - Renewed contestant interest
 - Verified industry & advisor support
 - Justification for the contest's relevance to trade and industry education pathways.
 - State Advisor and T&I staff will review petitions and make decision.
 - Renewed contests become active 1 full year after they are reinstated; to give time for planning, new funding and industry partnerships to be built.
 - Renewed contests that fail to meet registration minimum the year they are reinstate by the SLSC registration deadline will be cancelled and will have to go through the reinstatement process in the future.
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Constitutional

Current:

Article IV- Membership

Section 4. Classes of membership which will be recognized by the Oklahoma Association of SkillsUSA are:

- **ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP:** Full-time preparatory students, secondary and post-secondary, enrolled in courses offered in Trade and Industrial Education or Technical Education meeting the requirements of the state plan for career and technology education.
 - **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP:** Persons associated with or participating in the professional development of SkillsUSA as approved by a state association. Such members shall include chapter advisors, teacher-educators, supervisors, and potential Trade and Industrial Education Staff and Technical Education Educators. Professional members will pay dues as established by SkillsUSA, but members will be ineligible to serve as a national voting delegate, hold a national office, or otherwise represent his/her state association in National SkillsUSA.
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Reasoning:

Align membership with T&I career clusters as defined by ODCTE. Would go into effect for memberships in the 2026-2027 year.

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