# CATHCART PARENT ORGANIZATION STANDING RULES

## Corporation

- 1. The name of this Organization shall be Cathcart Parent Organization.
- 2. This Organization is a non-profit corporation in the State of Washington.
- 3. Federal Employer Identification Number is 91-1401672.
- 4. This Corporation has filed with the IRS as a tax-exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3).
- 5. This Corporation shall keep at least three (3) copies of its legal documents in three (3) separate locations. The President(s), Secretary and Treasurer shall maintain the documents.
- 6. This Corporation operates under the authority of the Bylaws of Cathcart Parent Organization. These Standing Rules are used in conjunction, but not in conflict, with these bylaws.
- 7. The budget shall be prepared by the Treasurer and approved by a majority vote of the general Membership. The approved budget may be reallocated by vote of the Board of Directors.

## **Membership**

- 1. Membership is free.
- 2. The students of Cathcart Elementary School shall be considered honorary members of this Organization without voice, vote or privilege of holding office.

#### **Elections and officers**

- 1. The elected officers of this Organization shall be President(s), 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-president(s), 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-president(s), Secretary, Treasurer and Volunteer Coordinator. These elected officers shall constitute the Executive Committee.
- 2. Officers shall be elected on or before May 31, and shall assume their offices on the following July 1 for a one (1) year term. Each elected officer can only serve two (2) consecutive years in one position.
- 3. An office shall be declared vacant if that office misses three (3) consecutive meetings unless excused by the presiding officer.

## **General Membership Meetings**

- 1. General membership meetings of this Organization shall be held at least six (6) times during the year.
- 2. A majority shall constitute a quorum.

## **Committees**

- 1. The standing committees shall be as deemed necessary annually.
- 2. All committee chairpersons shall be current members of this Organization and can serve as chairperson for a term of two (2) years on a committee unless no one else steps forward to chair said committee.
- 3. The Executive Committee may create ad hoc committees as necessary.

### General

- 1. The Standing Rules shall be adopted annually by a majority vote at the first general membership meeting.
- 2. The Standing Rules may be amended at any regular general membership meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote or by a simple majority if previous notice is given.
- 3. Parliamentary authority shall be "Robert's Rules of Order."
- 4. CPO is not a forum for addressing complaints regarding staff and administration. Such complaints shall be addressed through administrative channels.