GUILFORD ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL LIBRARIANS
BYLAWS

I. NAME

The name of this association is The Guilford Association of School Librarians (GASL).

II. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of the association is to promote school library media programs; to foster and enhance the professional growth of the membership; to address common problems and concerns of library professionals in the Guilford County School System.

III. MEMBERSHIP

Membership in GASL is open to all current and past library professionals employed by the Guilford County School System.

IV. OFFICERS

1. The following officers will serve the association:
   President, Vice-President/President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer.

2. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of proposed officers to the association's membership during the last nine weeks of the school year. Write-in nominations will also be accepted.

3. Officers will be elected by ballot and will assume their duties on June 1st. They will serve until May 31st.

4. The Executive Board will appoint a member to fill any unexpired terms of office.

V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS

1. The President will serve as the official spokesperson for the association; will have the authority to call and will preside at membership meetings; will appoint all quadrant representatives, standing and ad hoc committee

members; will serve as an ex-officio member of all committees except Nominating Committee.

2. The Vice-President will serve as the President-Elect; will assume the office of President in the event of a vacancy in that office; will preside at meetings in the absence of the President; will serve as chairperson of the Legislative Committee.

3. The Secretary will record the minutes of all membership and Executive Board meetings; will keep all records of the association; will attend to all general correspondence of the association as directed by the President.

4. The Treasurer will collect dues and disperse them in accordance with the policies of the association; will keep all financial records; will be a member of the Courtesy Committee.

VI. MEETINGS

The association will meet as needed at the direction of the President.

VII. EXECUTIVE BOARD

1. The elected officers, chairpersons of the standing and ad hoc committees, the past-president, and quadrant representatives will serve on the Executive Board. Ex-officio members may be appointed by the Executive Board.

2. The President will have the authority to call meetings of the Executive Board.

3. The Executive Board will serve as liaison between the Media Services Department and the association.

VIII. COMMITTEES

1. The Courtesy Committee will extend courtesies as set forth in the Courtesy Committee guidelines; coordinate social functions; work with Treasurer who will administer funds.

2. The Professional Development Committee will strive to promote and enhance the professional growth of the members of the association by coordinating professional development activities and encouraging attendance/participation in state, regional and national conferences.

3. The Legislative Committee will monitor the activities of the Guilford County School Board and will inform the association of issues before the School Board of importance to the association.

4. The Technology Committee will identify issues and needs in the area of technology; promote the use of technology; serve as liaison between GASL and the Instructional Technology Department.

5. The Communications Committee will promote and facilitate communications between members of the association and promote a positive image of school library media programs and professionals.

6. The Nominating Committee will be chaired by the Past-President of the association.

IX. DUTIES OF QUADRANT REPRESENTATIVES

Quadrant Representatives will facilitate communication and courtesies within their quadrants and serve as liaison between quadrant members, the Courtesy Committee, and the Executive Board.

X. PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in the current edition of *Robert's Rules of Order* will govern the association in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the Bylaws.

XI. AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the association members voting. (Amended August 17, 1998)