



Dear Prospective Affiliates,

The board of the National Association for Bilingual Education (NABE) is pleased to know that you are interested in applying as an affiliate of NABE. Attached is a letter to request to the Board to review your application, an application form, and affiliation procedures. The NABE Bylaws can be found at: www.nabe.org. Once your application is approved, your affiliate organization and its members will receive these benefits:

- ▶ NABE News - the online news magazine covering the latest developments regarding policy and practice in bilingual education;
- ▶ Bilingual Research Journal – paper copies published by Taylor and Francis, is one of the tier one journals where to submit research manuscripts to be considered for publication; The journal is also published online at <http://www.tandfonline.com>;
- ▶ Professional Development Opportunities - NABE's annual conference is the largest and most comprehensive national gathering of persons interested in the education of language-minority students and their families;
- ▶ Networking Opportunities - through special interest groups, at the annual conference, and at NABE affiliate meetings;
- ▶ Representation and advocacy at the National - Level - NABE continues to represent the needs of students and educators in a variety of meetings, conferences, forums, listservs relevant to the profession;
- ▶ NABE Website - bilingual education information, news, and resources available to the public in at www.nabe.org.

Throughout the next year, NABE will be representing the interests of the profession as we work to:

- ▶ ensure that the reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act provides for equity and excellence for language-minority students;
- ▶ promote educational policies and programs which give all students the opportunity to become bilingual;
- ▶ defend the rights of language-minority Americans threatened by English-Only extremists as needed.
- ▶ support the affiliate organizations to defend anti-bilingual actions in their respective states as requested as well as other requests where NABE representation is needed;
- ▶ update the NABE website to provide more resources for its members.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact me at 940-391-4800 or at rossana.boyd@unt.edu.

Sincerely,

RBoyd

Rossana Ramirez Boyd, Ph.D
NABE President

DATE: _____

Dr. Rossana Ramirez Boyd
President
National Association for Bilingual Education
Silver Spring, MD _____

Dear Dr. Boyd,

We hereby petition the Executive Board of the National Association for Bilingual Education for approval of our application to become an official affiliate of NABE representing _____ (name of state or U.S. territory).

The (name of the ABE organization) _____ pledges to uphold the purposes of NABE as set forth in its bylaws. The (name of ABE organization) _____ reserves the right, however, to function as an autonomous entity so long as its actions do not conflict with the NABE Constitution and Bylaws.

Enclosed, please find a completed application, a copy of our bylaws, a list of the names and addresses of the executive board members (President, Vice-president, Treasurer, and Secretary), and the names and addresses of twenty-five (25) paid NABE members (the executive board members included) residing in this (U. S. state or territory) _____, and a check for \$100 made out to NABE to cover the annual affiliate fee.

We understand that the president or one of the executive board members will represent our affiliate organization at the affiliate meeting held at NABE's annual conference.

(Signature of Affiliate President)



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APPLICATION TO BECOME AN AFFILIATE OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR BILINGUAL EDUCATION

I. Contact Information

Official Name of ABE Organization:
Official Mailing Address:
Telephone:
E-mail:
Website Address (If available):

II. Current Executive Officers (Name, Address, Telephone, Email):

President
Vice-President
Secretary
Treasurer

III. Other Board Members - If available, attach the names and contact information of up to five other officers (at large, parent representative, parliamentarian, etc.),

IV. Terms of Office:

V. Membership Categories and Dues (Period is from July 1 to June 30)

Individual Institutional Commercial
Dues Dues Dues
Number of Members (Please attach a current list of names and contact information of at least 25 NABE members residing in your state or territory).

VI. Bylaws - Attach a copy of your bylaws with this application.

VII. Annual Affiliate Fee - send a check of \$100 payable to NABE with this application (to be paid on a yearly basis on July 1 to maintain affiliation).

I, _____ President of the _____ Affiliate confirm that all the information provided for this application is accurate.

Signature Date

Please mail all documents to NABE, Attn. Dr. Rossana Ramirez Boyd, 8701 Georgia Avenue, Suite 611 Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 240-450-3700, Fax: 240-450-3799 or email scanned copies to rossana.boyd@unt.edu.



AFFILIATION PROCEDURES

Representatives from U. S. states or territories shall petition the NABE Executive Board for affiliate membership in writing by stating their intention to uphold the purposes of NABE, and by submitting a copy of their bylaws, a list of the elected officers and bonafide members, a list of at least 25 members of NABE residing in the area, including the executive board members, and the first annual affiliation fee of \$100. The NABE Executive Board will review the affiliation application at the first duly called Executive Board Meeting after receipt of the application. Acceptance of the application by the NABE Executive Board will be by majority vote.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF AFFILIATES

On July 1 of each year, the following must be submitted to the NABE Central Office:

- Membership Fee of \$100;
- List of Affiliate Executive Board members, terms of office including their names, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mails;
- NABE membership numbers;
- Annual Affiliate Activity Report to NABE;
- Date, location, and theme of next annual conference (If known);
- The affiliate president will keep the NABE Office informed about any changes that occur during the year;
- The affiliate president will request to the NABE vice-president assistance with advocacy efforts on behalf of bilingual students and their families in his/her state of territory;
- The affiliate president will encourage its membership to attend NABE's annual conference, membership meeting, nominations meeting, and resolutions meeting; and
- The affiliate president will inform its membership about the benefits of becoming a member of NABE.

ADVISORY DUTIES

Each Affiliate is expected to advise NABE in the following ways:

1. Keeping the NABE Executive Board informed of local/state issues relevant to the national organization that need to be supported or opposed;
2. Sending a different representative to each of the following meetings held at the Annual Conference. Representatives of the Affiliate must be NABE members in good standing,
 - Membership Meeting
 - Resolutions Committee
 - Nominating Committee
3. Recommendations for consideration by the NABE Executive Board relative to all aspects of the national organization and its relations with NABE Affiliates shall be transmitted in writing by the affiliate president to the NABE president or vice-president.