

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
Twin Cities German Immersion School  
Parent-Teacher Organization**

The undersigned incorporators are individuals 18 years of age or older and adopt the following articles of incorporation to form a nonprofit corporation (Chapter 317A).

**ARTICLE I — NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be Twin Cities German Immersion School Parent-Teacher Organization.

**ARTICLE II — REGISTERED OFFICE ADDRESS**

The place in Minnesota where the corporation's principal office is to be located is at 1745 University Ave. W, St. Paul, Minnesota 55104.

**ARTICLE III — PURPOSE**

This corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes as specified in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

The purpose of the TCGIS PTO is to foster the relationship between school, home, and community for the academic success of all of the students of the Twin Cities German Immersion School. To that end, the organization works in partnership with the school's administration, board, and committees and organizes events, programs, and fundraisers in support of that mission.

**ARTICLE IV — EXEMPTION REQUIREMENTS**

At all times the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the corporation:

1. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions to further the purposes identified Article III, above.

2. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall constitute the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, or any initiative or referendum before the public, and the corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office.

3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future tax code, or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code.

ARTICLE V – MEMBERSHIP/BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have members. The eligibility, rights and obligations of the members will be determined by the corporation’s bylaws. The management of the affairs of the corporation shall be vested in a board of directors, as defined by the bylaws. No director shall have any right, title, or interest in or to any property of the corporation.

The number of directors constituting the initial board of directors is four (4); their names and addresses are as follows:

- 1. Leslie Watson, 3504 Architect Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55418.
- 2. Gina Vader, 4138 Jefferson Street NE, Columbia Heights, MN 55421.
- 3. Molly McBeath, 1736 Berkley Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55105.
- 4. Nicole Grenz, 3574 Snelling Avenue, North Arden Hills, MN 5511.

Members of the initial board of directors shall serve until the first annual election, at which their successors will be duly elected and qualified, or removed as provided in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VI – PERSONAL LIABILITY

No member, officer, or director of this corporation shall be personally liable for the debts or obligations of this corporation of any nature whatsoever, nor shall any of the property of the members, officers, or directors be subject to the payment of the debts or obligations of this corporation.

ARTICLE VII - DURATION/DISSOLUTION

The duration of the corporate existence shall be perpetual until dissolution. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, its assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATORS

In witness whereof, we, the undersigned, have hereunto subscribed our names for the purpose of forming the corporation under the laws of the State of Minnesota and certify we executed these Articles of Incorporation this **5th day of March, 2009**.

/s Leslie Watson  
Leslie Watson, Interim President  
3504 Architect Avenue  
Minneapolis, MN 55418

/s Molly McBeath  
Molly McBeath, Interim Secretary  
1736 Berkley Avenue  
St. Paul, MN 55105

/s Gina Vader  
Gina Vader, Interim Vice-President  
4138 Jefferson Street NE  
Columbia Heights, MN 55421

/s Nicole Grenz  
Nicole Grenz, Interim Treasurer  
3574 Snelling Avenue North  
Arden Hills, MN 55112