

Southeast Region Association  
Of the  
American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association

Constitution

Article I.                    Name

The name of this organization shall be: Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association.

Article II.                    Purpose

Section 1.        The Purpose of the Southeast Region, in keeping with that of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association, shall be to promote traffic accident prevention and its concomitant benefits by means of improving and extending driver education and specifically related activities in Traffic Safety Education in schools, colleges and other institutions. The purposes of Driver and Traffic Safety Education shall be in harmony with those of general education.

Section 2.        The Association shall work toward accomplishing its purposes through an annual conference for improving teaching, through programs of teacher education in colleges and universities, through dissemination of materials designed to improve teaching in this field, and through other activities appropriate to carry out the purpose of Section 1.

Article III.                    Member States

The Association shall consist of the nine states and two territories which make up the Southeast Region of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association. The nine states are as follows: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia; and the territories of: Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Article IV.                    Membership

Membership in this association shall correspond directly to membership in the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association, ie. Members of ADTSEA residing in the states listed in Article III are automatically members of this association.

Article V.                    Elective Officers

- Section 1.        The elective officer shall be:
- (A)    A President
  - (B)    A President-Elect
  - (C)    A Vice President
  - (D)    A Recording Secretary

The election of officers shall be held during the official business meeting of the association at the annual conference.

Section 2.        The President shall preside at all meetings of the association (with the exception of the Southeast Region meeting at the annual ADTSEA Conference at which time presiding privileges are extended to the Senior ADTSEA Board Member for the Southeast Region.) He shall preside over all meetings of the executive committee; perform all duties as are by custom and parliamentary practice required of the office, and serve as an ad hoc member of all standing committees. The President shall appoint the executive secretary with the approval of the executive committee.

Section 3.        The President-elect shall perform the duties of that office and shall assume the duties of the president in the event of the absence or disability of the president. He shall serve as program chairman of the annual conference and shall serve at the discretion of the president when called upon to do so.

Section 4.        The Vice-President shall be in charge of and make all the arrangements for exhibitors for the annual conference.

Section 5.        The recording secretary shall keep record of all meetings of the association and shall submit a complete copy of official minutes of the business meeting of the association held during the annual conference within 30 days to the President and Executive Secretary. In addition, the recording secretary shall provide the President with a copy of the transactions of the Southeast Region Section meetings of the annual ADTSEA Conference within 30 days of that meeting.

Section 6.        The term of the office for the President and President-elect shall be for one year. The President shall not be chosen from the same state more frequently than once in three years. The President-elect shall not be chosen from the same state more frequently than once in three years. Therefore, the President, President-Elect and immediate past President must be elected from different states. These officers will assume their duties at the conclusion of the business meeting of the annual conference.

Section 7. At the conclusion of the President's term of office, the President-Elect shall become the President.

In the event of a vacancy in the office of President, the President-Elect shall complete the vacated term at the conclusion of which he shall commence and complete the term for which he was elected.

In the event of a vacancy in the office of President-Elect, the Executive Committee, as described in Article VI, shall conduct a special election or appoint a person to carry out the duties of that office until the office can be filled at the annual election.

In the event of a vacancy in the office of Secretary, the Executive Committee shall conduct a special election or appoint a person to carry out the duties of that office until the office can be filled at the annual election.

Section 8. Only persons who have been active members of this association for a minimum of one full year immediately prior to official nomination and who have been in attendance previously for at least one region or ADTSEA Conference shall be eligible to serve as an elected officer.

#### Article VI. Executive Secretary

The Executive Secretary shall serve as corresponding Secretary and Treasurer of the Association. He shall perform all duties pertaining to and required of that office, including maintenance of a detailed account of all receipts and disbursements. Disbursements of Association funds shall be made by the Executive Secretary under the authority of the Executive Committee. The Executive Secretary shall give a written financial report to the members present at the annual association business meeting. The Executive Secretary shall serve as an ad hoc member of all standing and appointive committees. The Executive Secretary shall serve as a non-voting member of the Executive Committee.

#### Executive Committee

Section 1. There shall be an Executive Committee composed of the following:

- (A) The Elected officers of the Association
- (B) The Immediate Past President
- (C) The Executive Secretary

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall:

- (A) Formulate and/or approve the policies for the association;
- (B) Interpret the provisions of the Constitution in the case of doubt;
- (C) Prepare an annual budget and render a report to the Association;
- (D) Fill vacancies in office until the next election as provided in

Article V, Section 6;

- (E) Be the custodian of the property of the Association;
- (F) Have power to make contracts;
- (G) Assist the President in matters where his decision will affect the policy and welfare of the Association;
- (H) Review and evaluate the work of the various committees and keep the Association informed of such reviews and evaluations;
- (I) Review, from time to time, the provisions of the Constitution and recommend changes when deemed necessary;
- (J) Act on emergency measures affecting the Association between official business meetings; and
- (K) Perform other duties as may be necessary for the efficient functioning of the Association.

Section 3. The Executive Committee shall constitute a nominating committee for the elective officers of the Association.

## Article VII.                    Standing Committees

Section 1. The standing committees for the Association shall consist of the following:

- (A) Exhibits
- (B) Membership
- (C) Conference Registration
- (D) History
- (E) Nominating
- (F) Publications and Newsletter
- (G) Resolutions
- (H) Budget

Section 2. Standing committees may be formed or dissolved as deemed necessary by the Association President upon the approval of the Executive Committee of the Association.

Section 3. The Chairman of each committee shall be appointed by the Association President and serve at his discretion.

Section 4. The Chairmanship of all standing committees shall be filled from the active membership of the association.

## Article VIII.                    Meetings

The Association shall hold an annual conference in keeping with the purposes as stated in Article II. The association shall hold an annual business meeting for conducting the official business of the Association.

Article IX.                    Publications

The association shall prepare and disseminate information concerning driver education and specifically related activities in safety education through appropriate publications authorized by the Executive Committee.

Article X.                    Amendments

The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2-3) majority vote of active members voting. Voting shall take place at the annual official business meeting provided proposed amendments have been circulated by the Executive Committee in printed form at least 30 days before the annual conference. An amendment may be proposed by the Executive Committee or by petition signed by five percent of the voters of the Association membership. Upon receipt of such petition, the Executive Committee shall present the amendment as provided by this article.

Article XL.                    Ratification

This Constitution shall become effective upon ratification by the three-fourths (3/4) of those present at the annual conference of the Southeast Region of ADTSEA held in conjunction with the annual conference of ADTSEA in Fort Worth, Texas, August 14-17, 1972.

Article XII.                    By-Laws

Details regarding organization and activities of the Association shall be regulated by the By-Laws. The By-Laws may be amended at any official business meeting of the Association by a majority of the active members present provided that notice of the proposed change has been circulated at least 30 days before the date of the official business meeting.

Article XIII.                    Dissolution

The Association shall be dissolved only upon the vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the membership upon one year's notice. In event of dissolution, any and all assets of the Association shall be donated to another organization or institution within the discretion of the Executive Committee, to be used for the purposes set forth in Article II of the Constitution. None of the assets of the Association shall ever revert to the individuals comprising its membership.

By-Laws

Article I.                    Parliamentary Authority

In all matters not covered by the Constitution and By-Laws, this Association shall be governed by the provisions of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.

Article II.                    Relationship with State Associations

The Association will work for the development of effective state organizations which will serve the profession in the region, and at the same time, make possible a stronger and more representative regional organization.

Article III.                    Duties and Responsibilities of the Directors of ADTSEA

Section 1.        As provided in Article V of the Constitution of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association, the Southeast Region will have three representatives on the Board of Directors of ADTSEA.

Section 2.        The Directors shall be nominated and elected by the voting members of the Association for a three year term of office. The nominating may be done at any business meeting of the Association or in such other appropriate manner the Association shall approve. The election of Directors shall be by mail ballot prepared and conducted by the Executive Committee of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association.

Section 3.        The Director's term of office shall begin September 1, and end on August 31. A member shall not serve for more than two consecutive terms on the Board of Directors. A period of at least one year must elapse before a member can be elected to a third term on the Board of Directors. In each region the Senior Board Member shall serve as Membership Chairman for the Region.

Section 4.        Persons elected to complete a term as Director, a portion of which term has been filled through appointment by the Board of Directors, shall hold office until the expiration of the three-year term in which the non-election or vacancy occurred.

Article IV.                    Suffrage

Suffrage shall be limited to active, Associate, Honorary, and Retired members.

Article V.                    Membership Dues

There shall be no special membership dues in the association. Any member in good standing with the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association residing in the states outlined in Article III of this Constitution will automatically become a member of this Association.

Article VI.                    Cooperating Organizations

The Association shall provide the framework to enable interested groups to contribute to the effectiveness of Driver Education and specifically related activities in Safety Education Programs in schools and colleges. All relationships between the association and non-education professional organizations interested in Driver Education and specifically related activities in safety education shall be guided by fundamental educational principles. The Association will encourage this kind of cooperation but will not become affiliated with non-educational professional groups on a continuing basis or in other ways which would permit such groups to speak for the Association.

Article VII.                    Fiscal Year

The Fiscal Year for the Association shall begin on September 1, and end on August 31, commencing September 1, 1972.

## DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

Set the dates and places for, attend and preside at all executive committee meetings of the full membership of the southeast region association (with the exception of the Southeast region meeting at the annual ADTSEA Conference at which time presiding privileges are extended to the senior ADTSEA board member for the Southeast Region).

Perform all duties as are by custom and parliamentary practice required by the office and serve as an ad hoc member of all standing committees.

Appoint the Executive Secretary with the approval of the Executive Committee.

Prepare the annual budget with the assistance of the Executive Secretary.

Set the dates and place of the Annual Conference with the approval of the Executive Committee and membership (if necessary).

Coordinate the efforts of the officers and Executive Secretary of the Association.

Work in tandem with the Site Coordinator for the Annual Conference.

With in-put from the officers and Executive Secretary of the Association, set the agenda for all Executive Committee meetings and all meetings of the full membership of the Southeast Region Association.

Establish an on-going agenda for the Association with the assistance of the Executive Committee and the full membership of the Association.

Seek to garner the highest quality leadership for the future development of the Association.

Seek to continually raise the professional quality and status of the Southeast Region Association.

Represent the Association at all public and private events and activities and encourage two-way communication with the National office of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association.

Solicit membership for the Southeast Region Association by encouraging individual, organizational, and corporate membership in the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association.

Encourage and support equitable treatment of all members of the Association as well as the community-at-large and serve as an arbitrator as needed.

### DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT

Attend all Executive Committee meetings and all meetings of the full membership of the Southeast Region Association.

Serve as the Program Chairperson for the Annual Conference of the Southeast Region Association.

Coordinate all effort regarding the program and activities for the Annual Conference with the assistance of appointed Conference Chairs.

Appoint Committee Chairpersons for the following Conference Committees:

- (A) Presenters Committee
- (B) Presiders Committee
- (C) Recorders Committee
- (D) Hospitality Committee
- (E) Field Trips Committee
- (F) Door Prizes Committee
- (G) Special Events Committee

Prepare and print the program for the Annual Conference.

Prepare, edit, publish, and mail an informational bulletin/news-letter to the members of the Southeast Region Association as is deemed necessary.

Serve as President when it is impossible for the President to serve.

Assist the President and other officers and Committee Chairpersons as needed.

### DUTIES OF THE VICE-PRESIDENT

Attend all Executive Committee meetings and all meetings of the full membership of the Southeast Region Association.

Serve as the Chair of the Annual Conference Exhibitors Committee.

Solicit potential sponsors and advertisers for the informational bulletin/newsletter.

### DUTIES OF THE IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Attend all Executive Committee meetings and all meetings of the full membership of the Southeast Region Association.

Assemble, publish, and mail the Pictorial Directory for the Annual Conference of designate someone to do so.

Select individuals for awards and acquire awards and certificates to be given to honored individuals.

Serve as the Chair for the Nominations committee.

### DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY

Attend all Executive Committee meetings and all meetings of the full membership of the Southeast Region Association.

Serve as Recording Secretary for all informal and formal meetings of the Executive Committee and meetings of the full membership.

Publish and distribute by mail within thirty, (30) days, the minutes of these same meetings.

Provide the president with a copy of the transactions of the Southeast Region Association section meetings of the Annual ADTSEA Conference within thirty, (30) days of that meeting.

Maintain in file, a record of all such meetings of the Association for permanent storage in the Archives of the Association.

Assist the Executive Secretary in the registration process for the Annual conference.

### DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Attend all Executive Committee meetings and all meetings of the full membership of the Southeast Region Association as a non-voting member.

Serve as the Corresponding Secretary of the Association.

Serve as the Treasurer of the Association as follows: (A) Present written (printed) financial reports on a monthly basis to the Executive Committee and a written (printed) financial report to the members present at the Annual Association Business Meeting.

(B) Keep appropriate financial records of all transactions of the Association including the maintenance of a detailed account of all receipts and disbursements. Disbursements of the Association funds shall be made by the Executive Secretary under the authority of the Executive Committee.

© Make all deposits of funds belonging to the Southeast Region Association to its account.

(D) File appropriate financial reports to the Internal Revenue service and other necessary agencies and organizations.

Provide an updated Handbook for the Officers, Committee Chair-persons and Committee members of the Association each year.

Provide the President-Elect with the requested assistance in the gathering of information for the Quarterly Newsletter.

Provide the President-Elect with the requested assistance in the development of the Program for the Annual Conference.

Assist the President in the preparation of the annual budget.

Serve as Chairperson of the Registration Committee, procuring the necessary registration forms, badges, and portfolios.

Assist the President and Executive Committee in establishing an on-going agenda for the Association.

Serve as an ad hoc member of all standing and appointed committees.

Maintain an up-to-date mailing list of all current ADTSEA members residing in the Southeast Region.

Serve as the Site Coordinator for the Annual Conference and the Executive Board meetings in accordance with the President's directions.

Procure funding for the Annual Conference Luncheons and coffee breaks.

Contract meal functions in accordance with the President-Elect's program needs.

On a regular basis, organize and turn over to the Curator of the ...

#### STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

PROGRAM: Roy H. Turner, Jr.

EXHIBITS: Howard Barkley

REGISTRATION: Marion C. Pierson

DOOR PRIZES: Betty Rose

SPECIAL PROJECTS: Wiley H. Elliott

BUDGET: David R. Jenkins

NOMINATION: David H. Sahler

PARLIMENTARIAN: Maynard Bridges

MEMBERSHIP: Dick Tyson

CONSTITUTION: Ross Tingle

RESOLUTION: Douglas Manton

OUTSTANDING STATE: Will Parnell

PUBLICITY/PROMOTION: Jennie Glasgow

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
SOUTHEAST REGION ASSOCIATION ADTSEA  
A NON PROFIT CORPORATION

These articles of incorporation are signed and acknowledged by the incorporators for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under the provisions of the Code of Alabama (1975, known as the Alabama Nonprofit Corporation Act and to comply with S501(C) of the Internal Revenue Code (1986) as follows:

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be Southeast Region Association ADTSEA.

ARTICLE II: OBJECTS

The objects or purposes of this Corporation are as follows:

- (a) To foster, develop and promote the expertise of driver education teachers in high schools.
- (b) To do all things necessary and incident to promote the general social, benevolent, and charitable works of the corporation.
- (c) To be a civic league or organization not organized for profit but operated exclusively for the promotion of driver education; and the net earnings, if any, of this Corporation are devoted exclusively to charitable, educational or recreational purposes under S501 (c) Internal Revenue Code.

ARTICLE III: POWERS

- (1) The corporation shall have all the general powers enumerated in the Code of Alabama (1975), S10-3A-1 et seq.
- (2) To receive and administer funds for the aforesaid purposes, and for no other purpose, and to that end to take and hold by contract, agreement, bequest, devise, gift, purchase, lease, either absolutely or in trust for such objects and purposes or trust and by membership fees received and contracts entered into for its purposes as herein stated and for no other purpose.

ARTICLE IV: INCORPORATORS

The names and addresses of each of the incorporators are as follows: Roy h. Turner, Jr. 1011 Prospect Drive, S.E., Decatur, Alabama 35601; President. Marion C. Pierson 1302 37<sup>th</sup> St., Tuscaloosa, Alabama 35405; Secretary.

ARTICLE V: MEMBERSHIP

The membership shall be open to all persons or organizations interested in furthering the aims of the organizations interested in furthering the aims of the corporation. The membership will be classified as follows:

- (1) Patron, which shall be either a corporation or a special donor;
- (2) Member, which shall be either an individual or a family; and
- (3) Special, which shall be a person deemed to meet special requirements as approved by the Board of Directors. Patrons and regular members only shall be entitled to vote at meetings of the members.

#### ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS

The officers of the corporation shall consist of the President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The terms of the officers shall correspond to the Corporation's fiscal year as provided in the by-laws. The Board of Directors shall consist of officers, to serve for terms of one year or until their successors are duly nominated and elected. The times, places and manner of selecting officers and directors shall be provided in the by-laws. The officers for the first year shall be: President: Roy H. Turner, Jr.; Treasurer: Marion Pierson; Secretary: Marion Pierson.

#### ARTICLE VII: BY-LAWS

The Board of Directors may adopt by-laws for the governance of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE VIII: REGISTERED OFFICER AND REGISTERED AGENT

The location and address of the corporation initial registered office is 1407 7<sup>th</sup> avenue, in the City of Athens, Alabama. The post office address of Roy H. Turner, Jr., registered agent is 1407 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Athens, Alabama 35611.

#### ARTICLE IX: AUTHORITY

Said corporation is organized on a nonstick basis. Said corporation is to be financed under the following general plan: by contributions to it of funds and property absolutely or in any of them, any property real, personal or mixed, without limitations as to amount or value, except such limitation, if any, as may be imposed by law; to sell, convey, and dispose of any such property and to deal with such property for any of the aforementioned purposes without limitation, except such limitations, if any, may be contained in the instrument under which such property is received; and to exercise any, all, and every power for which a nonprofit corporation organized under the provisions of the Alabama Nonprofit Corporation Act, all for the public power. No part of the activities of this corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.

#### ARTICLE X: DURATION

This being a benevolent corporation, its term is unlimited and in perpetuity.

#### ARTICLE XI: DIRECTORS

The names of the Board of Directors of the Corporation chosen for the first year or until their respective successors are elected and qualified are as follows: Roy H. Turner, Jr. - President; Marion C. Pierson-Secretary & Treasurer.

#### ARTICLE XII: DISSOLUTION

All the property of this corporation and accumulations thereof shall be held and administered to effectuate its purposes and to serve the general welfare of the people of the State of Alabama. Upon the dissolution of this nonprofit corporation for any cause, the assets of the corporation of whatever kind and wherever situated shall be distributed to any nonprofit corporation for governmental agency qualified to receive such distributions under S501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code, to be used for the purposes set

forth in Article Two hereinabove. No distribution of the assets of this corporation shall ever be made to any member, director or officer of this Corporation.

We, the undersigned, each being over nineteen years of age constitute all of the members of a SOUTHEAST REGION ASSOCIATION ADTSEA and hereby certify that we are duly constituted members of the said corporation and constitute all of its members and desire to become incorporated as set forth above.

In Witness Whereof the incorporators have signed the Article of Incorporation on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1991.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Roy H. Turner, Jr.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Marion C. Pierson

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF Limestone.

Before me, \_\_\_\_\_, a Notary Public in and for said County and state, personally appeared ROY H. TURNER, JR. who being by me first duly sworn, states that he is the person named as the Incorporator of SOUTHEAST REGION ASSOCIATION ADTSEA and that he, as such incorporator is a bona fide member and he is over nineteen years of age and make this affidavit to comply with the Statutes and Laws of the State of Alabama relative to the Incorporation of a Nonprofit Organization, under the Alabama Nonprofit Corporation Act. THIS the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 1991.

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NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

BEFORE ME, Lucrecia Beverage, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared Marion C. Pierson who being by me first duly sworn, states that he is the person named as the Incorporator of SOUTHEAST REGION ASSOCIATION ADTSEA and that he, as such incorporator is a bona fide member and he is over nineteen years of age and make this affidavit to comply with the Statutes and Laws of the State of Alabama relative to the Incorporation of a Nonprofit Organization, under the Alabama Nonprofit Corporation Act. This the 6th day of August, 1991. Lucrecia Beverage

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires: 8/27/94

## NOTICE OF NEW EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ASSIGNED

Thank you for your form ss-4, Application for Employer Identification Number (EIN). The number assigned to you is shown above. It will be used to identify your business account, tax returns, and documents, even if you don't have employees.

1. Keep a copy of the number in your permanent records.
2. Use your name and the number exactly as shown above on all Federal tax forms.
3. Use the number on all tax payments and tax-related correspondence or documents.

Using a variation of your name or number may result in delays or errors in posting payments to your account. It also could result in the assignment of more than one Employer Identification Number.

We have established the filing requirements and tax period shown above for your account based upon the information provided. If you need help to determine your required tax year, get publication 538, Accounting Periods and methods, which is available at most IRS offices.

Assigning an Employer Identification Number does not grant tax-exempt status to nonprofit organizations. Any organization, other than a private foundation, having annual gross receipts normally of \$5,000 or less is exempt by statute if it meets Internal Revenue Code requirements. Such organizations are not required to file Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption, or Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax.

However, if your organization wants to establish its exemption and receive a ruling or determination letter recognizing its exempt status, file Form 1023 with the Key District Director. For details on how to apply for the exemption, see Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for your organization.

Thank you for your cooperation.

History of the Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety  
Education Association

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The Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association grew out of the Southern Safety Conference and Exposition, and organized group of professionals promoting safety in fourteen southern states. The Southern Safety Conference was established in the late 1930's and early 1940's. A number of high school driver education teachers and others working with public schools at the local, state and national levels also attended the annual conference.

The program of the Southern Safety conference had among its Divisions an Education Division composed of the Higher Education Safety Section, the Elementary Education Safety Section, The Driver and Traffic Safety Section, and an active Youth Safety Section.

Concurrently, the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association established in 1957, as well as a number of state driver and safety education programs. The National Commission on Safety Education of the National Education Association, served as the ADTSEA Secretariat for a number of years. The ADTSEA constitution identified nine (9) southern states that would make up the Southeast Region. These states were Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia. Also added were the territories of the Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico.

For a number of years, driver education professionals as well as members of ADTSEA attended the Southern Safety Conference and were largely responsible for the Education Division program and activities. In the late 1960's, some of the ADTSEA members who regularly attended the Southern Safety Conference started promoting the idea of establishing a Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association. Under the leadership of individuals such as Tom Love, David Sahler, Ed Williamson, J.B. Angelo Crowe, and many others, an organizational meeting of a new entity, to be known as the Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association was held at the Southern Safety Conference in Memphis, Tennessee in the Tennessee Room of the Chisca Plaza Motor Hotel from 4 – 6 p.m. on March 2, 1970. J.B. Angelo Crowe set up and presided over the meeting for the purpose of organizing the Southeast Region Association as a separate entity. J.B. Angelo Crowe was serving as the senior Southeast Board Member of ADTSEA at the time. Tom Love, from Gainesville, Florida; was elected the first President of the Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA.

At the 1971 meeting in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, a draft copy of a constitution was discussed and eventually referred to a constitution committee. The committee worked during the year and presented their report to the second annual conference, held in conjunction with the 1972 Jacksonville, Florida, Southern Safety Conference. The first constitution of the Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association was approved in Jacksonville, Florida and became effective on September 1, 1972. The Constitution was amended on February 27, 1983. Our current constitution was last amended on March 3, 1990.

Starting in the early to mid 1970's, the relationship between the Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA and the Southern Safety Conference became seriously strained. It became increasingly more difficult to receive information on the dates and/or locations of the conferences, hotel reservation request forms, meeting rooms, conference planning input, AV equipment, etc. As a result, attendance at the Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA began to seriously decrease until the membership in attendance was much less than 25 people. At the 1979 Southern safety Conference in Nashville, Tennessee, the membership in attendance voted unanimously to sever our relationship and ties with the Southern Safety Conference and Exposition and to meet separately in Atlanta, Georgia for the 1980 Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA Conference. On August 6, 1991; the Southeast Region Association ADTSEA was incorporated as a non-profit organization under rule 501 (c) of the Internal Revenue Code 1986.

Generally, the conference is held during the last weekend in February. Attendance increased to one hundred thirty (130) attendees by the 1990 conference but declined at the 1993 and 1994 conferences which were held in Knoxville, TN and Orlando, FL, causing a return to Atlanta in 1995.

The Southern Safety Conference and Exposition's annual meeting was abandoned in the early 1980's. The withdrawal of the Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA from the Southern Safety Conference and the end of the Education Division of the Conference was a definite contributing factor in the demise of the Southern Safety Conference and Exposition.

Since the 1970 organizational meeting, conducted by J.B. Angelo Crowe, and the first annual meeting when Tom Love was elected President, through the 1994-95 school year with Robyn Hagler of Alabama serving as President, there have been twenty-five (25) separate Presidents as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>President/State</u>	<u>Conference Site</u>
1970-71	Tom Love, FL	Baton Rouge, LA
1971-72		Jacksonville, FL
1972-73		Atlanta, GA
1973-74		Richmond, VA
1974-75		Atlanta, GA
1975-76	Wyatt Tullos, MS	Birmingham, AL
1976-77	Charles McDaniel, NC	Atlanta, GA
1977-78	Reed Brown, FL	Atlanta, GA
1978-79	Bert Thompson, TN	Nashville, TN

1979-80 Frank Young, MS	Atlanta, GA
1980-81 C. Edward Browning, NC	Atlanta, GA
1981-82 Edward Kapushy, FL	Atlanta, GA
1982-83 Karen H. Womack, MS	Atlanta, GA
1983-84 Joe D. Sabbadino, SC	Atlanta, GA
1984-85 Glenn S. Cantley, FL	Atlanta, GA
1985-86 Dale E. Roe, VA	Atlanta, GA
1986-87 Will K. Parnell, AL	Atlanta, GA
1987-88 Ross F. tingle, Jr., MS	Atlanta, GA
1988-89 Wiley Elliott, NC	Atlanta, GA
1989-90 Dave Sahler, MS	Atlanta, GA
1990-91 Tom Walters, FL	Atlanta, GA
1991-92 Roy H. Turner, Jr., AL	Atlanta GA
1992-93 George E. Tyson, Jr., VA	Knoxville, TN
1993-94 Fred O. Thomas, Jr., FL	Orlando, FL
1994-95 Robyn L. Hagler, AL	Atlanta, GA

The Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association has had a number of individuals serving on the ADTSEA Board of Directors. The following is a listing of those individuals, the years on the Board of Directors and the state they represented.

1957-58 Mitchell Menacof, fl  
 1958-59 Florence S. Burch, SC  
 1957-60 David Sahler, MS  
 1959-61 Mitchell Menacof, FL  
 1960-62 L.L. Dunlap, SC  
 1961-63 Ed Williamson, FL  
 1962-64 G.A. Garrell, SC  
 1963-65 James E. Hall, NC  
 1964-66 Thomas A. Seals, FL  
 1964-67 J.B. Angelo Crowe, GA  
 1965-66 Charles E. McDaniel, FL  
 1967-68 Wendell B. Hudson, TN  
 1967-69 Vernon P. Gainey, NC  
 1968-70 J. B. Angelo Crowe, GA  
 1969-71 Wendell B. Hudson, TN  
 1970-72 Tom Love, FL  
 1971-73 Sheldon B. Wittle, FL  
 1972-74 John C. Draper, AL  
 1973-74 William D. Lee, Jr., NC  
 1975 John E. Scblick, NC  
 1974-76 Wayne Chaffian, TN  
 1975-77 James E. Parnell, FL  
 1976-78 Isaac Barnett, NC  
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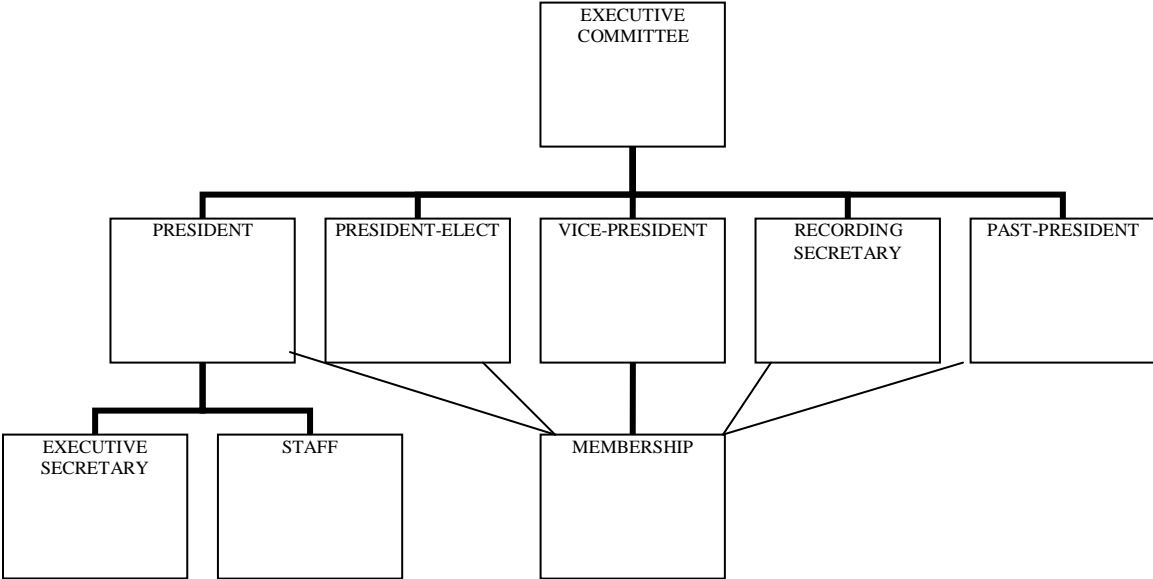
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10. The Southeast Region Association of the American Driver and Traffic Safety Education Association has grown into the most outstanding of the six (6) ADTSEA Region groups in the United States.
11. The Southeast Region organized the Richard Bishop fund and the Memorial Fund for contributions to ADTSEA in memory of deceased members of ADTSEA.
12. The Southern Region Association of ADTSEA organized one of the first computer program workshops in driver education. The first National Computer Program workshop in Driver Education was held prior to the 1985 ADTSEA Conference in Norfolk, VA.
13. The Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA sponsored the Southeast Region Auto Skill-A-Rama in Atlanta, Georgia, May 10-11, 1985 and May 9-10, 1986.
14. A Broadside workshop was held in Atlanta, Georgia, on February 23, 1985 in conjunction with the Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA Annual Meeting.
15. Schools from the fourteen Southern Safety Conference and nine Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA states have actively participated in the National Student Safety Program. Two NSSP National Conferences have been hosted by states in the Southeast Region: University of South Alabama – Mobile, Alabama in 1983 and University of South Mississippi, Gulf Park – Long Beach, Mississippi in 1986.

These are only a few of the accomplishments in the Southeast. However, these accomplishments, as notable as they are, are not the major strengths of the Southeast

of the Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA. The dedication to quality driver education and the concern of producing quality instruction to young driver in every Southeastern state are the factors that give the Southeast and the Southeast Region Association of ADTSEA the leadership rank it has attained.

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