# Comparison of NFB of North Dakota Constitution (2009 vs. 2025)

## Purpose

2009: Very detailed with many categories (parents, students, cultural/social, etc.).
2025: Restored detailed language from 2009 to match national model.

## Membership

2009: Active and supporting members defined, supporting members had no dues.
2025: Keeps same but allows supporting members to pay dues. Restored full discipline/appeal process.

## Officers & Elections

2009: All officers elected every two years; duties vague.
2025: Staggered elections (2 at a time). Officer duties spelled out clearly.

## Board of Directors

2009: Board = only 4 officers.
2025: Board = 4 officers + up to 2 at-large members for flexibility.

## Meetings & Quorum

2009: Quorum fixed at 10 members (impossible for small affiliate).
2025: Quorum = 5 members or one-third of registered, never fewer than 3.

## Committees

2009: President appoints, ex officio.
2025: Same, but added option of Nominating Committee while guaranteeing floor nominations.

## Affiliation

2009: Strong language binding affiliate to national, including reorganization and assets.
2025: Kept the strong 2009 language to remain compliant with national.

## Dues

2009: $5 annual / $100 lifetime.
2025: Same dues, clarified non-voting if unpaid.

## Finance

2009: Treasurer bonded; disbursements by Treasurer with President’s order.
2025: Treasurer bonded; disbursements require Treasurer signature and President authorization; Board approves bank.

## Dissolution

2009: Assets revert to NFB, includes IRS clause.
2025: Same, kept IRS clause for legal protection.

## Amendments

2009: Two-thirds vote, proposed amendment must be submitted in writing at prior session.
2025: Same rule, kept advance notice requirement to prevent surprise amendments.