

Greenville Lions

Greenville High School Athletic Booster Club Bylaws

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GHS Athletic Booster Club

BY – LAWS

ARTICLE I – NAME AND PURPOSE

Section 1. NAME

The name of this non-profit organization is the GREENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB (herein called the GHSABC), organized under the jurisdiction of the Greenville Independent School District. The headquarters of the GHSABC shall be at Greenville High School, 3515 Lion's Lair, Greenville, TX 75402.

Section 2. PURPOSE

The GHSABC is organized for the purpose of promoting and supporting all athletic programs at Greenville High School (GHS).

Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, 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 corresponding section of any future federal tax code. Each newly elected President is responsible for updating the agent of record and the board of directors with the Secretary of the State of Texas.

Section 3. LIMITATION OF METHODS

The GHSABC shall operate as a non-profit organization and will observe all local, state, and federal laws that regulate such organizations. The GHSABC will not participate in any action which is contrary to the rules and regulations established by the Texas Education Agency (TEA), the University Interscholastic League (UIL), Greenville Independent School District (GISD), or other governmental bodies, so as not to jeopardize the eligibility or good standing of any individual participant, GHS employee, program, or the GHS itself under such laws, rules or regulations.

ARTICLE II – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. MEMBERS

The membership of the GHSABC shall consist of those persons, firms, corporations, foundations, or other organizations which pay a membership fee, annual dues, or promotional sponsorship as may be set from time to time by the GHSABC Board of Directors (herein called the Board). Membership shall commence on the date the contribution is received and continue until May 31. The GISD Superintendent is an ex-officio member of the GHSABC. The GHS Athletic Director and all GISD athletic coaches are encouraged to be members in good standing.

Section 2. VOTING

Each member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote. The members present at a duly organized meeting may continue to transact business until adjournment using Parliamentary procedures and simple majority rules.

Section 3. EXPULSIONS

Members may be expelled for cause by a majority vote of the Board.

ARTICLE III – BOARD OF DIRECTORS and MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. COMPOSITION

The Board of Directors (Board) shall be composed of elected officers as follows: President, 1st Vice-President (Program), 2nd Vice-President (Membership), 3rd Vice-President (Ways and Means) 4th Vice-President (Ways and Means), 5th Vice-President (Ways and Means), Secretary, and Treasurer. The GHS Principal shall be an ex-officio member of the Board.

Section 2. GENERAL POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board of Directors shall manage the activities, property, and affairs of the GHSABC, except as provided in ARTICLE V; Section 2 where the majority votes of the general membership shall prevail.

Section 3. NOTICE OF ELECTION OF OFFICERS

An annual meeting of the membership of the GHSABC shall be scheduled in April of each year for the purposes of electing officers. Public notice of this meeting shall be given no less than two weeks or 14 days before the date of such meeting.

Section 4. PROCEDURES OF THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the annual April meeting, candidates nominated from a selection committee and/or nominated from the floor will be elected by a majority vote of the membership present. The following officers shall be elected at the meeting: President, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 5. TERMS OF OFFICE

Newly elected officers shall assume office on 1 July and serve for one year.

Section 6. VACANCIES

Vacancies in the elected officers shall be filled by a majority vote of the Board. Committees or the President as needed shall appoint their chairperson(s).

Section 7. INDEMNIFICATION

The GHSABC may, by resolution of the Board, provide for the indemnification by the GHSABC of any and all of its directors, or former directors, against expenses actually and necessarily incurred by those in connection with the defense of any actions, suit, or proceeding in which any or all are made a party by reason of having been a director of the GHSABC, and wherein said director is adjudged to be liable for negligence or misconduct in performance of his or her duties or where such matters are settled by agreement when predicated on the existence of liability for negligence or misconduct by said director. The resolution should be adopted no less than an annual basis at the first organizational meeting conducted by a newly elected board.

ARTICLE IV – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. COMPOSITION

The Executive Committee shall be composed of members as follows: GHSABC President, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, GHS Athletic Director and appointed parent representative from the sport programs offered by GISD.

Section 2. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Executive Committee shall be responsible for communicating the needs and requests from the different sports programs to the Board and general membership. This committee shall also inform and solicit parents from the different sport programs to help with banquets, concessions, and/or any other activities for which help is needed by the GHSABC.

Section 3. SELECTION OF PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Parent representatives from each sport at GISD will be appointed to the Executive Committee by the head coach of each sport. They must be a member in good standing. This process must be completed no later than the Monday following the first week of school.

ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

Section 1. MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Meetings of the membership shall be held at such times and places as the Board may establish. All meetings shall be public meetings.

Section 2. BOARD MEETINGS

Meetings of the Board shall be held at such times and places as the Board may establish. Emergency Board meetings may be called by the President. All meetings shall be public.

Section 3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meetings of the Executive Board shall be held at such times and places as called by the President.

Section 4. MINUTES OF MEETINGS

Careful minutes shall be taken at each meeting by the Board Secretary or a representative chosen by the President. These minutes shall be placed in a book and kept in an orderly fashion. This book will be public and available for inspection.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCES

Section 1. FUNDS

All monies accepted by the GHSABC shall be deposited in a FDIC insured financial institution as soon as possible after being received.

Section 2. EXPENDITURES

The Board shall have the authority to spend funds for the normal operating expenses of the organization. The Board shall also have authority to approve special expenditures by a majority vote at a properly called regular or emergency meeting.

The GHSABC may spend the funds necessary to hold a Spring and/or Fall Sports Banquet to honor athletes and coaches of GHS athletics. A “kick-off” program or event for the athletes of each sport may be held at the discretion of the membership subject to the availability of funds.

The GHSABC may spend funds to award continuing education scholarships to qualifying student athletes, subject to the availability of funds. The Board shall have the authority for approving these expenditures by a majority vote at a properly called regular or emergency meeting. Selection of recipients will be made in “blind” fashion by a duly nominated Scholarship Committee consisting of members in good standing. The Scholarship Committee may or may not include members of the Executive Committee.

Gifts by GHSABC to GHS athletics shall be based upon the needs of the various programs and activities associated with the GHS Athletic Department. The coach or parent representative of a particular sport must initiate the request. The request shall be submitted to the GHS Athletic Director for review and recommendation to the GHSABC for its consideration as a gift to GHS or GISD. Thereafter, any decision of the GHSABC to make a gift to GHS or GISD shall be submitted to the GHS Principal and/or GISD Superintendent for consideration as to the acceptance of the gift.

Section 3. DISBURSEMENTS

All disbursements for expenses shall be made by check drawn on the GHSABC bank account. The signatures of any two authorized officers are required to issue a check on the GHSABC bank account. Receipts are required for all transactions accompanied by a written explanation for the expenditure.

Section 4. AUDITS

The Board shall appoint an outside auditor and turn over all financial records for an audit to be completed by July 1st of each year. A copy of the audit shall be presented to the GHS Principal and GISD Superintendent. A copy of the financial statement shall be available for general membership review.

ARTICLE VII – DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the organization, 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. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE VIII – AMENDMENTS

These by-laws of the GHSABC may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those members present at a properly called meeting of the general membership provided notice of the proposed change has been made to the membership fourteen days prior to such meeting.

ARTICLE IX - ADOPTION

The Board does hereby amend, restate and rescind any previous by-laws, and with the signatures of all current elected Board members adopt these by-laws of the GHSABC to set forth as herein adopted on February 7, 2011, pending ratification of the general membership at the first called general meeting on February 21, 2011.

ARTICLE X – CONCESSIONS

Section 1. GENERAL POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The Board President and a Booster Club member, appointed by the Executive Committee, shall see over the day-to-day operations of the concessions during the school year. The Treasurer shall maintain the accounts receivable and payable. Two signatures shall be required on all checks, consisting of the Treasurer, the President or the appointee by the Executive Committee.

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President

Secretary

Treasurer

Vice President

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