



Franklin Athletics Booster Club

By Laws

Constitution

Article 1 – Name:

This organization shall be known as the Franklin Athletics Booster Club.

Article 2 – Statement of Purpose:

The purpose of the Franklin Athletics Booster club is to provide financial support to further amateur athletics through education. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the purposes of this corporation are limited exclusively to exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article 3 – Objective:

The goals and objectives of the club are to encourage school and community support for athletic activities and to promote good sportsmanship and pride.

The specifics are:

- To encourage the entry of all students into interscholastic sports.
- To sponsor social and athletic activities as desired to stimulate general public interest in sports.
- To provide special services for interscholastic sports.
- To sponsor Athletic Award Programs
- To give recognition to our athletic teams, coaches and athletes.

Article 4 – Membership:

Section 1 – Qualifications for Membership

There shall be one level of membership. A member shall be anyone having a genuine interest in Franklin Sports and Student Body.

Section 2 – Dues

Members shall be assessed annual dues of \$10.00 per family.

Section 3 – Termination of Membership

A membership shall cease upon 60 days of delinquency of dues.

Article 5 – The Executive Board

Section 1 – Governing Body

The organization shall be governed by the following elected officers:

- President or 2 Co-Presidents
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

The Executive Board shall consist of the elected officers. Chairman of the following standing committees as appointed by the President(s) shall be consultants:

- Nominating
- Fundraising
- Hospitality
- Communications

The President(s) shall appoint all chairmen except the chairman of the Nominating Committee who shall be appointed by the Executive Board. The chairmen of standing committees shall submit a report of their activities at the monthly meeting. All chairmen and committees shall be dissolved upon the installation of new officers.

Section 2 – The President or Co-Presidents

The duty of the President or Co-Presidents shall be to preside at all regular meetings and perform all other duties which pertain to the office of the President or Co-Presidents. The President(s) and all officers shall be guided by Roberts' Rules of Order and Procedure.

Section 3 – The Vice President (VP)

The Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President(s) in case of his/her absence, death, resignation, or inability to act. He/she shall be Chairman of the Executive Board.

Section 4 – The Secretary

The Secretary shall keep and record accurate minutes of all regular meetings and Executive Board meetings. He/she shall keep an accurate, up-to-date roster of members, their addresses, email address and telephone numbers. Special meetings shall be held only after proper notification by the Secretary. (One week email notification and one week posted on the Franklin Board of Education's FHS web page, www.franklinboe.org).

Section 5 – The Treasurer

The Treasurer shall receive all dues and other monies of the organization, make all necessary and proper disbursements as approved by the organization and give an account of them in a report at all meetings. All disbursements shall be paid by check and are to be signed by any two of the following three: President(s), Vice President, and Treasurer.

Section 6 – Policies

The Executive Board shall be responsible for the formulating of policies, and generally supervise the activities of all standing committees.

Section 7 – Quorum

A quorum of 50 percent of the Executive Board must be in attendance to begin each meeting.

Section 8 – Consultants

All officers of the past year shall have the status of consultants to the Board for the purpose of acting in an advisory capacity. In addition, three consultants to the Board shall be appointed by the school Athletic Director for a one-year term beginning in September, from within the School. The consultants to the Board shall not be counted in the quorum not shall they have a Board Vote.

Article 6 – Nominations and Elections

Section 1 – Nomination of Officers

Nomination of officers shall be held at the regular meeting in April. Elections shall be held at the May meeting and such newly elected officers shall be installed at the end of the June meeting. No member shall be a candidate for more than one office. No member shall serve 2 consecutive terms in the same office.

Section 2 – Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee assembles in March and shall consist of five members as follows:

- Chairman – appointed by the Executive Board from their members
- Four lay members – nominated and elected by the membership

Section 3 – Candidates

Candidates for office shall be selected by a nominating committee. Additional nominations may be made from the floor members.

Section 4 – Nominees

Nominee names shall be listed alphabetically on the ballot in cases where there is more than one candidate for any office. A majority vote shall decide the election, with a run-off between the top 2 candidates, should no majority result.

Section 5 – Election Board

There shall be an election board consisting of one Judge and 2 Tellers, appointed by the President from the membership. No candidate shall serve on this board. Elections shall be by ballot vote.

Section 6 – Death or Resignation

In the event of death or resignation of an officer other than the President(s), a successor shall be appointed by the Executive Board.

Article 7 – General Laws:

Section 1 – Meetings

Regular meetings shall be held the first Tuesday of the month during the school year of September - June at a designated place in Franklin High School. Meetings will be held in July and August at an alternate place.

A quorum consists of those present and all paid members are eligible to vote on all decisions made at a meeting.

Section 2 – Order of Business

At all meetings the order of business shall be:

1. Call to order and reading of the minutes of the last meeting.
2. Communications and presentations of bills
3. Reports to officers, Executive Board and Standing Committees
4. Unfinished business – under this heading comes matters relating to previous meetings
5. New Business
6. Adjournment

Section 3 – Discussions

Debate or discussion of any subject shall be limited to 15 minutes. At the discretion of the President(s), additional time may be allotted for further debate or discussion and if the matter is not settled by vote or at the expiration of the additional time allotted, the President(s) will exercise his/her right to refer the matter to the Executive Board for investigation, further study and final recommendation for action by the membership.

All decisions will be made based upon a quorum of those in attendance at the meeting.

Section 4 – Distribution of Funds

Upon dissolution of the Franklin Athletics Booster Club, all funds remaining, including net proceeds from any fundraisers, games of chance, etc. will be given directly to the Franklin Athletic Department located at Franklin High School, 500 Elizabeth Avenue, Somerset NJ 08873.

Article 8 – Amendments:

Section 1 – By Laws

The By Laws may be amended at any regular meeting but no amendments shall be voted upon until such proposal has been submitted to the Executive Board and voted on by a 50 percent quorum of the Executive Board.

Section 2 – Adoption

An amendment shall become effective and a part of this Organization's By Laws at the next regular meeting following the meeting at which it was adopted.

Article 9 – Emergency Action:

Section 1 – Immediate Action

In the event that an emergency requires immediate action, the President(s) may call a special meeting of the Executive Board to discuss this emergency only.

Co - President Signature Date

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Vice President Signature Date

Treasurer Signature Date

Secretary Signature Date

