

Articles of Constitution and By-Laws

District 9 Baseball Coaches Association

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

Name

This organization was founded in 1989 and shall be known as the “District 9 Baseball Coaches Association.”

ARTICLE II

Objectives

The objectives of this association are:

1. To promote baseball programs in the District 9 area
2. To create an official line of communication with the Ohio High School Baseball Coaches Association
3. To create an official line of communication with the Northwest District Athletic Board
4. To create an official line of communication with the Ohio High School Athletic Association
5. To select the District 9 All Area Teams, Players of the Year and Coaches of the Year
6. To establish a high standard of ethics and integrity that promotes the game of baseball
7. To promote good fellowship and a proper spirit of sportsmanship among our members

ARTICLE III

Amendment of Constitution

The constitution and by-laws may be amended at any meeting by an affirmative vote of a majority of the active members present provided that said amendment be read to the membership at a preceding meeting

ARTICLE IV

Officers

Section 1. The officers of this association shall be the Past President, President, Vice-President, and Secretary who are elected to two year terms. The treasurer, is a non-elected position that is appointed by the President. Their terms shall become effective at the conclusion of the All Star Game on even years.

Section 2. The duties of the officers and recommended guidelines of association meetings shall be provided in the by-laws.

Section 3. In order to hold an office of this association, one must be an active member in good standing for a minimum of two (2) years.

Section 4. In the event of an office vacancy, the position shall be appointed by the President with the approval of the officers.

ARTICLE V

Membership

Section 1. Active members must be a high school baseball coach. Each active member has the right to one (1) vote on all voting issues. If he cannot be present, he may

designate an associate member from his school to cast his vote provided the President has been previously notified. Membership shall be twenty dollars (\$20).

Section 2. Membership is open to all high school coaches interested in high school baseball including head coaches, varsity assistant coaches, junior varsity coaches, freshmen coaches, and retired coaches of a school district approved by the school board. They may take an active role in business discussions with voting rights. The exception to this is the voting for the All District teams. Only one vote per member school is permitted for All District teams, unless designated by their absent head coach.

Section 3. Annual dues must be paid by April 1 of the current school year. Member's dues not received by April 1 shall not be eligible to nominate players for the All District Team, the All Star Team or be eligible for nomination for Coach of the Year. The officer's dues shall be waived as compensation for their work during their term in office.

ARTICLE VI

Meetings

Section 1. The first meeting of the year shall take place the Sunday one week after the OHSBCA Clinic in January. Dues shall be collected at this meeting in order to participate in the Association for the current school year.

Section 2. A business meeting shall be held in conjunction with the District Meeting at the State Baseball Coaches Association Clinic.

Section 3. A business meeting with the election of officers shall be held during the All District Team Meeting in Mid-May, along with the recognition of any outgoing officer.

Section 4. The final business meeting of the current school year may be held on the day of the All Star Game at the end of May.

Section 5. Special meetings may be held at the request of the President with a minimum of one (1) week notice to the membership.

Section 6. All meetings shall be conducted according to Robert's Rules of Order. A quorum shall consist of a majority vote of the active members present. The order of business shall be:

- a) Call to order by the President
- b) Secretary's reading of previous meeting's minutes and approval
- c) Treasurer's report and approval
- d) Committee's reports, if any
- e) Old business
- f) New business
- g) Adjournment

Section 7. Members must be active members (dues paid) and attend the All District Team Meeting in order to nominate players for the All Area Team or be eligible for nomination for Coach of the Year. If an active voting member is unable to attend a meeting, he may send a representative from his school.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I

President

Section 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association.

Section 2. The President may appoint committees as necessary.

Section 3. The President shall have no vote except on issues where votes are equally divided, in the election of officers and for issues regarding his school.

Section 4. The outgoing President shall preside over his last meeting at the All District Team Meeting with the passing of his duties to the incoming President to close the meeting.

ARTICLE II

Vice-President

Section 1. The Vice-President shall preside at all meetings in the event of the President's absence or inability to act, and shall become the President in the event of the President not being able to fulfill his term.

Section 2. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of President after the closing of the All District Team Meeting.

ARTICLE III

Secretary

Section 1. The Secretary shall keep the records of the proceedings of the Association and of the Officers meetings.

Section 2. The Secretary shall be responsible for the publication of the Membership Directory with its' distribution after the January meeting.

Section 3. The Secretary shall be responsible for taking attendance at all meetings.

Section 4. The Secretary shall be responsible for media coverage of the District 9 All District Teams and the All Star Game.

ARTICLE IV

Treasurer

Section 1. The Treasurer shall receive and have charge of all fees and dues, and shall pay the current expenses from money so received. He must have approval of the Officers to pay any expenditure over one-hundred dollars (\$100).

Section 2. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the collection of membership dues at all meetings and the recording of membership information.

Section 3. The Treasurer shall be responsible for giving a complete financial report at each meeting.

ARTICLE V

Recommended Association Meetings

Section 1. January Meeting where the Association will conduct a business meeting and collect dues. A guest speaker will be invited to give a presentation.

Section 2. All District Team Meeting: The officers may make any necessary changes in the procedure used for the selection of the District 9 All District Team. Any procedural changes shall be outlined in a mailing to the membership prior to the meeting. The recommended date is to be in mid-May. Election of officers shall take place at this meeting and any outgoing officer shall be recognized.

Section 3. All Star Game: The President may appoint a chairman for the All Star Game. The Chairmen shall be responsible for a committee to see that the All Star Game is organized.

ARTICLE VI

Recommended Awards

Section 1. District Players of the Year selections shall be awarded a plaque, with All District Team members to be awarded a certificate honoring their selection.

Section 2. Coach of the Year plaques shall be awarded in the four divisions.

Section 3. Certificates shall be awarded to Coaches for every five (5) consecutive years of membership in the Association. Coaches should make the information available when submitting information upon arrival at the January Meeting. Awards will be presented at the All District Team Meeting in May.

GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

ARTICLE I

January Meeting

Section 1. The Officers shall meet prior to the meeting of the full membership.

Section 2. The District 9 BCA shall conduct a business meeting.

- a) State recognition for wins and years of service shall be awarded.
- b) Dues shall be collected for the current school year and attendance taken by the Secretary and Treasurer.
- c) The Secretary shall report on the upcoming All District Team Meeting and the All Star Game.
- d) Guidelines for State Poll voting and All State voting will be explained and any District 9 members shall be introduced.
- e) A guest speaker shall give a presentation to the Association.

ARTICLE II

All Area Team Meeting

Section 1. The recommended date for the All District Team Meeting shall be on a Sunday in mid-May.

- a) The Vice-President shall serve as co-chairman with the President for this meeting.
- b) The selection procedure shall be mailed to association members prior to the meeting.
- c) Members' dues must have been received by April 1 to nominate a player or coach for the All District Team.
- d) Only members present at the meeting may nominate a player or a coach.
- e) Players and coaches of non-member schools are not eligible for nomination.
- f) If a paid member cannot be present, his designee who is not an active member, may nominate players or coaches for recognition. His designee shall have the right to one (1) vote on each All District Team selections as all other active members providing the President has been previously notified.

Section 2. Nomination Procedures

- a) Players shall be nominated on the nomination form with statistics given prior to the beginning of the meeting; verbal player nominations will not be accepted.
- b) Coaches may nominate as many players as they feel are deserving of All District Honors. Players are nominated regardless of positions played.
- c) Voting sheets shall be prepared prior to the meeting. All four divisions will vote separately for the purpose of selecting All District players and coaches. In Divisions I, II, III there will be 10 First Team All District selections regardless of positions played. Division IV will select 12 First Team All District players. The Player of the Year Award will go to the players with the highest point totals in their respective divisions during the vote for first team.. There will be a Coach of the Year selected from each voting division.

d) After the business meeting, ballot sheets shall be distributed. The President shall appoint an individual to chair each meeting.

e) Player's statistics shall be reviewed for corrections and players may be briefly talked about by their nominating coach. Once all nominees have been reviewed the vote shall be taken. Voting for Second Team All District will then follow the same procedures

Section 3. Voting Procedures

a) Coaches shall vote by listing the top 10 players with the best listed first regardless of position. The first player listed shall be awarded 10 points, the second player 9 points, the third player 8 points, etc. The voting for Division IV will be based on listing 12 players and the points awarded will be adjusted similarly.

b) Ties shall be voted a second time using the point system dependent upon the number of players tied. This shall continue until the tie is broken or all players tie a second time, at which time all tied players shall be listed for that position.

c) Players will be recognized for All Area from the balloting as:

1st Team – the top 10 point totals during voting for 1st Team.

2nd Team – the top 10 point totals during voting for 2nd Team.

Honorable Mention – each coach can place one player on the HM Team.

that position. All ties for Honorable Mention shall remain and be listed as such.

d) Only senior players on the D9BCA District 1st Team and those seniors earning Honorable Mention are eligible to participate in the All Star Game.

Section 4. Player of the Year

a) Top vote getters in each division shall be declared Player of the Year with ties voted off one time and if the tie still exists, those tied shall be declared Co-Players of the Year.

Section 5. Coach of the Year

a) Automatic nominations shall be League Championship coaches who qualify, while other deserving nominations may be made from the floor within each divisional voting.

b) Votes shall be cast for one (1) Coach of the Year with ties voted off one time and if the tie still exists, those tied shall be declared Co-Coaches of the Year.

c) The Coaches of the Year shall be the Head Coaches or Co-Head Coaches of the All Star Game with the two (2) assistant coaches being selected from the next highest vote total from each divisional meeting. If a coach declines a coaching position, the Head Coach may choose another coach from those active members in attendance at the meeting.

Section 6. All District Team Awards

a) Each player earning recognition on the D9BCA All District Team shall be awarded a certificate.

b) Each Player of the Year shall receive a plaque.

d) Each Coach of the Year shall receive a plaque.

Section 7. Other

a) Players shall furnish their own pants for the game, shirts will be supplied.

b) Catchers shall bring their own catcher's gear.

c) Players shall furnish their own bats.

d) Head coaches shall furnish their team's batting helmets for use during All Star Game.

ARTICLE V

All Star Game

Section 1. The President may appoint a chairman for the All Star Game to oversee the following:

a) Coordinate with the President the ordering of plaques and certificates

b) Securing a game field

c) Secure field workers, announcer, scoreboard operator, scorekeeper & scorebook, ball boys, clean up crew, ticket taker and other game help

d) Secure 4 umpires and the ordering of their plaques

e) Coordinate with the Secretary producing the All Star Game Program

Section 2. The recommended date for the All Star Game shall be a double header and on the Saturday of the OHSAA Regional Tournament.

a) The two teams shall be balanced as much as possible with an North team comprised of seniors whose home schools are north of State Route 224 and a South team of seniors whose home schools are south of State Route 224.

b) The game shall be governed by OHSAA Rules with the exception of being 9 innings.

c) The North team shall take infield practice 45 minutes prior to game time and the South team shall take infield 20 minutes later.

d) The field shall be cleared and prepared for the introductions 5 minutes prior to game time.

- e) All players and coaches shall be introduced.
- f) The umpires shall be introduced.
- g) Coaches should pick up any player awards for those players not in attendance.
- h) The Secretary shall report the game summary to the media.