

CONSTITUTION OF THE ALABAMA ATHLETIC TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.

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Article I - Name

The name of this organization shall be the Alabama Athletic Trainers' Association, (hereafter, designated ALATA).

Article II – Objectives

The objective of this association shall be:

1. The advancement, encouragement, and improvement of the athletic training profession in all its phases within the state of Alabama; and the promotion of a better working relationship among those persons interested in the aspects of athletic training.
2. To further develop the ability of each of its members.
3. To better serve the common interest of its members by providing a means for free exchange of ideas within the profession.
4. To elect athletic trainer members of the Alabama Board of Athletic Trainers.

Article III – Membership

Section 1. There shall be eight (8) classes of membership as follows:

1. Certified/Licensed 2. Licensed 3. Certified/Licensed; Retired 4. Licensed; Retired 5. Certified Student 6. Non Certified Student 7. Associate 8. Honorary

No individual shall be eligible for more than one (1) class of membership at the same time.

Section 2. Each member shall have the respective rights and duties as provided in the bylaws.

Article IV – Election of Members

Section 1. Application: Each applicant for any class of membership shall sign an application stating his/her desire and intention to become a member of the Association, to advance its best interests in every reasonable manner, and to accept as binding upon himself/herself its constitution and bylaws.

Section 2. Membership in ALATA is based upon approval of the Executive Council

Section 3. The bylaws shall detail further the procedure by which eligibility for, and elections to, membership shall be effected.

Article V – Dues

Section 1. The dues of all classes of membership shall be as detailed in the bylaws.

Article VI – Suspension of Membership

Section 1. Membership cancellation may take effect upon the following conditions: 1. Failure to maintain membership status. 2. Failure to comply with the constitution and bylaws.

Section 2. The bylaws shall detail further the procedure by which suspension of membership shall be considered.

Article VII – Voting Power

Section 1. All active certified/licensed and licensed members of ALATA shall be entitled to one (1) vote upon all questions submitted for an official decision.

Section 2. A quorum of 25% of the voting membership must be present in order for a vote to be made.

Article VIII – Organization and Governance

Section 1. The governing body of ALATA shall be composed of certified/licensed and licensed members of the Association, for conducting such business as may be necessary.

Section 2. The governing body shall be the ALATA Executive Council which shall consist of the President, President Elect, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and three non-officer certified/licensed or licensed members of the Association as elected by the membership. The President Elect will serve on the board in a liaison resource position for one year prior to being President. The President Elect shall carry no vote.

Section 3. Elected officers are subject to removal by a two-thirds majority vote of ALATA voting members. The bylaws shall further describe the procedure by which elected officers and certified/licensed and licensed non-officers members of the Executive council can be removed from office.

Section 4. All expenditures of Association monies shall be approved by the ALATA Executive Council.

Article IX – Election of Officers

Section 1. The bylaws shall detail further the procedure by which officers shall be elected.

Article X – Election of Non-Officer Executive Council Members

Section 1. The bylaws shall detail further the procedure by which certified/licensed and licensed non-officer member of the Executive Council shall be elected.

Article XI – Powers and Duties of Officers

Section 1. All powers and duties of officers shall be as described in the bylaws.

Article XII – Powers and Duties of Non-Officer Executive Council Members

Section 1. All powers and duties of non-officer Executive Council members shall be as described in the bylaws.

Article XIII – Committees

Section 1. All committees shall be established and dissolved by the President, with approval of the Executive Council.

Section 2. The President shall coordinate, and be an ex-officio member of, all committees, as set forth in the bylaws.

Article XIV – Meetings

Section 1. The ALATA shall hold an annual business meeting at a time and place as set by the Executive Council.

Article XV – Amendments to the Constitution

Section 1. Certified/licensed and licensed members of ALATA may submit proposals for amendments to the constitution.

Section 2. All proposed amendments to the constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Association within eight (8) weeks prior to the annual business meeting of ALATA.

The Secretary shall distribute copies of the proposal(s) to all voting members, by mail and/or with the advance of applicable electronic technology, of the Association within two (2) weeks prior to the meeting.

Section 3. The proposed amendment(s) shall be read at the business meeting, and a two-thirds majority vote of the voting membership present shall be necessary for approval of the proposed amendment(s). If a quorum is not present at the annual business meeting, a two-thirds majority vote of the ballots cast, by mail and/or with the advance of applicable electronic technology of the Association's voting members shall be necessary for adoption of the said amendment(s).

Article XVI – Amendments to the Bylaws

Section 1. Certified/licensed and licensed members of ALATA may submit proposals for amendments to the bylaws.

Section 2. All proposed amendments to the bylaws shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary of the Association within eight (8) weeks prior to the annual business meeting of ALATA.

The Secretary shall distribute copies of the proposal(s) to all voting members, by mail and/or with the advance of applicable electronic technology of the Association within two (2) weeks prior to the meeting.

Section 3. The proposed amendment(s) shall be read at the business meeting, and a two-thirds majority vote of the voting membership present shall be necessary for approval of the proposed amendment(s). If a quorum is not present at the annual business meeting, a two-thirds majority vote of the ballots cast, by mail and/or with the advance of applicable electronic technology of the Association's voting members shall be necessary for adoption of the said amendment(s).

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