



2019-2020 NAHA Bylaws

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ARTICLE I

The name of this association shall be the Northern Alaska Hockey Association (NAHA).

ARTICLE II

1) The purpose and objectives of the association shall be to promote competitive amateur hockey and training for the student athlete in the Alaskan interior, while stressing sportsmanship and team concepts.

2) NAHA 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 the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

3) Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of NAHA.

ARTICLE III

A member of this association is defined as any parent or guardian who has an athlete participating on a hockey team registered under NAHA. Also, a member is any person serving in a recognized volunteer position, or any person approved by the Executive Committee (EC).

ARTICLE IV

1) The NAHA officers shall consist of a President, a Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Fundraising Coordinator. These are the officers of NAHA and they shall have one equal vote, and as a group will be responsible for establishing and executing the bylaws, rules and regulations of NAHA. They shall act as an Executive Committee (EC) and shall be empowered to act on the part of the membership in the conduct of association business.

2) The officers shall serve two years after their election at the annual meeting. The president and the secretary shall be elected in odd number years. The other officers in the even number years. Interim appointments to vacancies on the Executive Committee will be made by the President and approved by the Executive Committee. Prior to the annual meeting the secretary and one other NAHA member approved by the President shall serve as a nominating committee. They shall seek qualified candidates to serve as officers. The candidates shall

be fully vetted to ensure they are of good character, can pass a background check, and have passed the Safesport exam prior to being recommended for nomination. Prior to the annual meeting, the secretary shall present to the Executive Committee the list of nominees for approval. Approval requires a majority vote of the Executive Committee. At the annual meeting, the approved list of nominees for the officers up for election shall be voted upon by the NAHA members present at the annual meeting. If more than 2 nominees are approved to run for election to an open officer position, it shall require a majority vote to be elected.

3) Duties of the officers are:

President: To direct the activities of the association. He/she shall oversee the daily business of the association, act as the executive director and preside at all meetings.

Vice President: To assist the president as directed and to perform the duties of the President in his or her absence.

Secretary: Responsible for administrative affairs such as recording the minutes of all meetings, arrange for the time and place of all meetings, maintain the records of membership, and prepare all correspondence.

Treasurer: To coordinate all association financial matters. Duties include oversight of all financial affairs, taxes, and budgets. The treasurer shall be responsible for the receipt and disbursement of all funds of this association.

Fundraising Coordinator: Responsible for all fund raisers, sponsorships, newsletters, and other public relation matters. Also serves" as the alternate Primary Member in Charge of all gaming activities.

The Executive Committee can remove any officer from the Executive Committee for just cause. Just cause is as determined by not less than a 60% vote of the seated Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V

1) COMMITTEES: There will be one standing committee: the Finance Committee. The President as required can appoint other committees.

2) Finance Committee: It will be appointed by the President and will be chaired by the Treasurer. This committee will recommend to the Executive Committee the use of funds raised by the association.

ARTICLE VI

1) The annual meeting of the membership will be held in April.

2) Roberts Rules of Order will govern all meetings to include elections unless otherwise stated in these bylaws. A simple majority will constitute a quorum.

3) Meetings of the Executive Committee shall be held at least quarterly to conduct the business of the association.

4) The Executive Committee has voting privileges at all of the meetings of NAHA and its committees.

5) Other members of NAHA may be heard at any meeting of NAHA. They have voting privileges on the approved agenda items at a general membership meeting.

ARTICLE VII

Should the corporation be legally dissolved, all assets, property or material belonging to the corporation shall be distributed to an organization which has established its tax exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) or 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, designated by the Board of Directors, with the Arctic Lions Hockey Association, if they should so qualify being the designated organization.

The preferred Dissolution clause is the one above. It is copied from the Bylaws for the Ice Dogs which is an approved 501(c)(3). If that does not fly with the IRS we will "word-smith" the one below to comply with the above. The object is the cash and property of the one corporation would go to the other in case of dissolution.

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the 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 so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation 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 to these bylaws shall be made only by a two-thirds majority vote of the Executive Committee after being placed on the agenda of the next scheduled Executive Committee meeting of the association.