

AA CONFERENCE CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

Article 1 - Name

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be the AA Conference of the South Carolina High School League.

Article II - Purpose

Section 1: The purpose of this conference is to strengthen the educational aims and the program of activities which are held in common by members of the conference, to formulate and maintain policies that will safeguard the educational values of interscholastic competition, to cultivate high ideals of sportsmanship, to develop and direct a program which will promote, protect, and preserve the health and physical welfare of all participants, and to promote uniformity of standards in all interscholastic competition.

Article III - Membership

Section 1: Only members of the South Carolina High School League may become members of the conference.

Section 2: Applications for membership in this conference by a non-member school shall be made in writing to the Executive Committee of the Conference.

Article IV - Officers

Section 1: The officers of this conference shall be a President, a President-elect, and a Secretary-Treasurer. The President and the President-elect shall be held by a Principal of a member school. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be a Principal or Athletic Director of a member school.

Section 2: Should a vacancy occur in the office of President-elect, a successor shall be elected at the next regularly scheduled conference meeting.

Section 3: Officers of the conference shall be elected at the Spring Meeting of the Conference. The conference year shall run from July 1 to June 30.

Section 4: The term of office shall be two years. The Secretary-Treasurer may be re-elected.

Article V - Executive Committee

Section 1: The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers of the AA Conference and the region coordinators for each region. In even number school years (ex: 2014-15) even numbered regions must have principals as coordinators. In odd number school years (ex: 2015-16) odd numbered regions must have principals as coordinators. A school will have only one voting member on the Executive Committee. If the region coordinator is also an officer in the conference, the region will elect a new region coordinator.

Section 2: The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the conference, deciding all questions, and performing all duties not provided for in the Constitution. The committee will decide all appeals, and the ruling of this committee will be final within the conference.

Section 3: The calling of the meeting of the Executive Committee shall be left to the discretion of the President or a simple majority of the Executive Committee.

Article VI - Delegates

Section 1: The conference will have one delegate representative from each region. At least one-third of the delegates must be superintendents or superintendent's designee to include assistant superintendent or district athletics director. The remaining delegates will be Region Coordinators.

Section 2: In the event that one of the delegates is unable to attend, he shall notify the President. The President shall appoint a substitute delegate from the same region as the delegate.

Article VII - Meetings

Section 1: The conference shall hold two regular meetings each year. The first meeting to be held prior to the end of September and a Spring Conference at a date and location to be determined by the AA Executive Committee.

Section 2: A \$50.00 fine will be assessed to any school not represented at the Fall or Spring AA Conference Meetings. In case of an emergency, the Principal of the school unable to attend should notify the President of the Conference. Fines will be the responsibility of the Principal and must be paid before the next regularly scheduled conference meeting.

Section 3: Special meetings for special purposes may be called by the President.

Section 4: The AA Athletic Directors will meet on the Thursday prior to the Fall AA meeting at the High School League office.

Article VIII - Conference Championships

Section 1: The championships will be decided by the rules of the High School League unless another method is approved by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a regular meeting of the conference.

Section 2: The President of the conference shall appoint committees and a chairman of these committees to supervise the activities sponsored by the conference.

Section 3: The committee supervising the activity will be responsible for promulgating rules and regulations governing that activity. The activity committee will be the initial step in all appeals relating to that activity.

Article IX - Eligibility Rules

Section 1: Any student participating in activities of this conference must be eligible under the eligibility rules of the South Carolina High School League.

Article X - Dues and Fees

Section 1: The conference shall require dues from each member school provided a majority of the conference members' vote for the same.

Article XI - Balloting

Section 1: Each member school shall have one vote for all balloting at meetings of the conference.

Section 2: The Principal of a member school, or his duly appointed representative, shall cast a vote.

Article XII - Quorum

Section 1: Fifty-one percent of the membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Article XIII - Parliamentary Authority

Section 1: Robert's Rule of Order, revised, shall be the parliamentary authority for this conference.

Article XIV - Amendments

Section 1: Proposed amendments shall be acted upon at the regular scheduled Spring meeting and a two-thirds majority of the representatives of member schools present and voting shall be required for adoption.

Section 2: Proposed amendments must be submitted in writing to the President at least thirty days prior to the meeting.

Section 3: Proposed amendments must be submitted to member schools not less than ten days prior to the meeting by the proposing school or regions.

Section 4: Any school granted a special meeting of the AA Executive Committee to hear an appeal to a ruling shall pay the expenses of the meeting if the ruling is sustained.

Section 5: The AA Executive Committee can grant reconsideration to an appeal of its decision only if new evidence is shown that could not reasonably have been known at the time the AA Executive Committee rendered its decision.

BY-LAWS

Article I - Amendments

Section 1: By-laws for this conference may be adopted, amended, or repealed at the annual spring meeting by a majority vote. Changes made at any other meeting will require a two-thirds vote of the membership present.

Article II - Division of Conference

Section 1: The AA Conference shall be divided into seven regions for all athletic activities.

Section 2: For the school terms 2020-2021 & 2021-2022, the regions will be:

Region 1
Abbeville
Christ Church
Crescent
Greenville Tech
Liberty
Ninety Six

Region 2
Blacksburg
Brasher
Chesnee
Greer MC
Landrum
St. Josephs

Region 3
Batesburg-Leesville
Columbia
Eau Claire
Gray Collegiate
Newberry
Saluda

Region 4
Andrew Jackson
Buford
Central
Cheraw
Chesterfield
Legion CA
North Central
York Prep

Region 5
Barnwell
Edisto
Pelion
Silver Bluff
Wade Hampton

Region 6
Burke
Lake Marion
Philip Simmons
Ridgeland-
Hardeeville
Timberland
Woodland

Region 7
Andrews
Kingstree
Latta
Lee Central
Marion
Mullins

Section 3: At the Spring Region Meeting each year the members of each region will elect their region coordinator for the next school year. (Duties will begin in July.)

Article III - Committees

Section 1: Standing Committees of the conference shall be composed of three or more Principals or Athletic Directors. The President shall appoint all committee members and designate a chairman.

Section 2: The Standing Committees shall be as follows:

Baseball/Softball	Basketball
Finance	Football
Soccer	Tennis / Golf
Track / Cross County	Volleyball
Wrestling	Swimming / Competitive Cheer
Nomination / Constitutional	

Section 3: During those years when re-alignment of the South Carolina High School League occurs, the Executive Committee of the AA Conference shall serve as the AA re-alignment Committee to compose the regional alignment.

Article IV

Section 1: Nothing contained in these amendments or by-laws shall supersede the Constitution and By-Laws of the South Carolina High School League.

Article V

Section 1: The Secretary-Treasurer shall pay expenses approved by the executive committee.

Section 2: The conference treasury must always maintain a balance sufficient to meet the needs of the conference expenses for that year. Dues must be forwarded to the Secretary-Treasurer by October 1 of each year. The date for submission of dues may be changed by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

Section 3: Mileage and one meal will be paid to participants of special meetings called by the President. (Reimbursement per state rates)

Article VI

Section 1: The Secretary/Treasurer of the conference shall be paid an honorarium of \$300.00.