

HAYWOOD COUNTY WRESTLING CLUB

(An affiliated club of *NCUSA Wrestling & USA Wrestling*)

Organization Bylaws

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1 – The organization shall be known as Haywood County Wrestling Club (hereinafter referred to as “the Club”), located in the county of Haywood, state of North Carolina.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE (aims and objectives)

Section 1 – To promote interest in the sport of amateur wrestling among parents, youth, and the community of Haywood County and surrounding counties.

Section 2 – To supervise, sponsor, and financially assist a well-organized, nurturing, and competitive program of wrestling in Haywood County.

Section 3 – To develop in members the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, respect, self-discipline, commitment, and service to our community

Section 4 – To stress the concept of parents and children working and playing together in all Club activities so that the family may be strengthened in the process.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1 – A youth desiring active membership in the Club will be registered in compliance with guidelines established by the national governing body of amateur wrestling in the United States, *USA Wrestling*.

Section 2 – All memberships will be reviewed annually, at a time and place to be determined by the Club officers (i.e., Board of Directors)

Section 3 – If one or more youths in a family are registered members, the adults in that family are considered to be members of the club, and they shall have voting privileges in the Club. Adults who do not have family members registered in the club may become participating, voting members of the club if their application for membership is approved by the Board of Directors, and they pay all required club fees.

Section 4 – The membership period shall be from September 1 through August 31 annually.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

Section 1 – The officers must be voting members of the Club in good standing, and they shall make up the governing body (i.e., Board of Directors) of the Club.

Section 2 – The officers shall consist of: President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Head Coach, and a maximum of three (3) at-large members

Section 3 – Officers shall be elected annually by the voting members at the general meeting in September. The President and Treasurer will be elected for two years, and the Vice-president and Secretary will be elected for one year.

Section 4 – Officers shall hold office until: (a) election of a successor, (b) death or disability, (c) resignation, or (d) removal from office by a 2/3 majority of all voting members of the Club.

Section 5 – A vacancy for any reason shall be filled by appointment of the remaining officers until the next general meeting of the Club membership.

ARTICLE V: DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1 – President: The President shall supervise all of the business affairs and enforce all of the rules of the Club. He/she shall preside at all business meetings and assure that an orderly and complete meeting is conducted. The President shall co-sign, along with the treasurer, all checks issued on behalf of the Club.

Section 2 – Vice-president: The Vice-president shall assist the President in the performance of his/her duties. In the absence of the President, the Vice-president shall perform the duties of the President. The Vice-president shall also perform other duties as assigned by the President.

Section 3 – Secretary: The Secretary shall record minutes of all meetings, and prepare copies of such minutes for the permanent record before the next scheduled meeting or Club publication. The Secretary is responsible for maintaining membership lists, updating records, and handling correspondence of the Club.

Section 4 – Treasurer: The Treasurer shall maintain the financial records of the Club and prepare checks as directed by the President or the full board. The Treasurer shall make deposits and give a current financial report at each meeting. The Treasurer shall co-sign, along with the President, all checks issued on behalf of the Club.

Section 5 – Other Officers: The Head Coach is responsible for (a) organizing and facilitating all club practices, (b) coordinating all training and preparation for assistant coaches, (c) establishing schedules, (d) communicating in a timely manner with parents, committee chairs, and other board members, and (e) submitting all financial requests to the board before making any purchases or contractual obligations on behalf of the Club.

At-large board members shall perform duties as assigned by the President.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

Section 1 – The Club shall have two (2) general meetings annually, one in September and one in February. All voting members of the Club are encouraged to attend and participate in these meetings. The Board of Directors will meet as needed, subject to the notification requirements of Article VI, Section 2.

Section 2 – Upon notification by the President, the Secretary shall notify all members by e-mail, phone, or posting on the Club website of the time and place of all meetings other than those regularly scheduled.

Section 3 – All meetings shall be conducted in an orderly manner. No member may have the floor for discussion unless recognized by the Chairperson (President or Vice-president). Modified “Roberts Rules of Order” shall be followed at all general meetings. (Please see attachment.)

Section 4 – As a non-profit organization, Club meetings are subject to the requirements of the North Carolina Open Meetings Law ... General Statute 143-318.10.

ARTICLE VII: QUORUM

Section 1 – A quorum for conducting business shall consist of a number of voting members equal to or greater than 50% of the total number of current members of the Board of Directors. A 2/3 majority of voting members in attendance is necessary to amend, add, or replace any article in these bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII: ELECTIONS

Section 1 – Elections for officers will be held at the general Club meeting in September of every year.

Section 2 – A nominating committee, appointed by the President, shall meet prior to the election meeting to prepare a slate of candidates for offices. Nominations will also be taken from the floor by any voting members present at that meeting. All nominees must be present at the general meeting in order for them to be eligible for election.

Section 3 – An election will be held for each contested office, with the President and Secretary responsible for counting the votes.

ARTICLE IX: FINANCES

Section 1 – Contracts: Only the Board of Directors may authorize contracts on behalf of the Club.

Section 2 – Loans: No loans may be contracted on behalf of the Club, and no evidence of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Section 3 – Checks: Both the President and the Treasurer must sign all checks issued by the Club.

Section 4 – Deposits: All funds of the Club not otherwise employed for its purposes shall be deposited as soon as possible after receipt. Such funds shall be deposited by the Treasurer to the credit of the Club in such banks or other depositories as the Board of Directors may select.

Section 5 – Financial Audit: The Board of Directors will appoint a qualified Club member or other agent to conduct an annual audit of the income and expenses of the Club.

ARTICLE X: DISCIPLINE

Section 1 – Method of Procedure: Any member or members having a complaint against another member for the infraction of any provision of these bylaws or other Club rules, and/or for conduct injurious to the welfare of the Club and its membership, may report the same in writing to the Board of Directors. Such complaint shall set forth the facts of the case, together with the names of the witnesses, if any. After receiving such complaint, a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held as soon as practicable to investigate the complaint. The complainant or complainants, and the member complained of, shall receive at least seven (7) days notice of such meeting, and they may be heard at such time along with any witnesses. The statements and evidence gathered at such time shall be reduced to writing and filed with the Secretary. Copies thereof shall be mailed to the complainant or complainants, and to the member complained of. An appeal from the decision of the Board of Directors by either party may be taken to the Club general membership within seven (7) days thereafter by serving upon the Secretary a written notice of such appeal. A special meeting of the general membership shall thereupon be called for the consideration of the case, and a 2/3 majority of all voting members of the Club shall be required to reverse the decision of the Board of Directors.

MISSION STATEMENT:

It is the mission of the Haywood County Wrestling Club to promote interest in the sport of amateur wrestling among parents, community members, and youth in Haywood County, North Carolina, as well as in surrounding counties; and to supervise, sponsor, and financially assist a well-organized, nurturing, and competitive program of wrestling.

The Club, through its coaches and elected officers, will endeavor to develop and nurture in all members the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, respect, self-discipline, commitment, and service to our community. The Club, furthermore, will stress the concept of parents working and playing together with their children in all Club activities so that the family may be strengthened in the process.

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