

**Constitution and By-Laws
of
The Georgia Volleyball Coaches Association
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Article I – Name

The name of the association shall be the Georgia Volleyball Coaches Association (GVCA)

Article II – Objectives

The objectives of the association shall be:

- (A) To foster, promote and develop interest in volleyball for all junior high / middle school and high school students in the state of Georgia.
- (B) To have concern for the welfare, betterment, physical and mental well being of the student-athlete participating in volleyball.
- (C) The fostering of a high standard of ethics, sportsmanship and fair play.
- (D) The development and maintenance of quality coaching through coaching clinics and education pertaining to the overall well being of the student athlete.
- (E) Cooperation with and recommendation to the high school representatives on the volleyball committee and the Georgia High School Association.
- (F) Cooperation with other volleyball associations which promote volleyball in the state of Georgia.

Article III – Membership

Membership in the association shall be granted, upon payment of dues, to all high school, and junior high school coaches, volleyball officials, and to volleyball enthusiasts.

Section I – Kinds of Membership

Membership in the association shall be designated as Active, Honorary, and Associate.

Section II – Active Membership

Active membership shall be extended to all varsity high school coaches.

Section III – Honorary Membership

Honorary membership in the association may be extended to persons deemed worthy of this distinction upon recommendation of the board.

- (A) An honorary member shall be granted membership with a majority vote from the board.

- (B) An honorary member shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the GVCA except that he shall pay no dues and shall neither vote nor hold office.
- (C) No person shall be elected to honorary membership unless he has rendered some special service to volleyball in the state of Georgia.
- (D) Past presidents of the GVCA shall be eligible for honorary membership upon retirement from active coaching.

Section IV – Associate Membership

Associate membership in the association will be extended to junior varsity and middle school volleyball coaches, assistants and community coaches, provided the varsity head coach is a member.

- (A) An associate member shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the GVCA except that he shall neither vote nor hold office.

Section V – Membership Year

The membership year shall begin July 1 and end on June 30.

Article IV – Dues

Section I – Active and Associate

Dues will be as follows:

- (A) Active member dues shall be \$15.00 annually, payable to the GVCA Treasurer. Dues paid by an active member shall cover all coaches for the school.

Section II – Enrollment Period

- (A) An active member may enroll by paying their dues by September 1 of the current year.

Article V – Officers

The officers of the association shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section I – Election

The officers of the association shall be elected at the spring meeting by written ballot.

- (A) Vice-President and Secretary shall be elected for a two year term at the annual spring clinic. Vice-President and Secretary will be elected in the odd number years. Upon election of a new Vice-President, the current Vice-President shall assume the role of President for a two

year term. Treasurer shall be elected for a four year term in the odd numbered years.

(B) In the case that an officer resigns or is unable to fulfill his duties, the office will be filled by appointment of the President of the GVCA.

(C) Only paid, active members of the association shall be elected.

Section II – President

(A) The President shall preside at all regular and special meetings.

(B) The President shall be a member of all committees

(C) President shall perform other specific duties in this Constitution and By-Laws:

1. Arrange time, place and agenda for all meetings.

2. Arrange for the conducting of elections

3. Shall have the power to appoint and empower committees and to name members to these committees for any tasks that they see as necessary for the well-being of the association.

4. Attend GHSA annual spring meeting and be liaison between the two organizations.

(D) The president shall carry out policies and decisions of the membership and perform other duties described or implied in this Constitution and By-Laws.

(E) Arrange distribution of certificates/plaques for coaching milestones.

Section III – Vice-President

(A) Preside over meetings in the absence of the President.

(B) Assume duties of the President until the next election, should the President resign or be otherwise unable to carry out their responsibilities.

(C) Distribute certificates/plaques to the GCVA Coach's of the Year.

(D) Distribute guidelines to area coordinators in regards to All-Area players and Area Coach of the year.

Section IV – Secretary

(A) Shall keep accurate record of the minutes of all meetings of the association and special committees.

(B) Keep all records of the association.

(C) Be responsible for all correspondence of the association.

(D) To proofread all documents distributed by the association.

Section V – Treasurer

(A) Collect association dues and keep a roll of all members in good standing.

(B) Oversee the accuracy of the membership account.

- (C) Shall receive and disburse all association funds and keep records of the transactions.
- (D) They shall make a written report available for all members at our annual spring meeting, showing all business transactions.

Article VI – Duties of the Board

It shall be the duty of the board to:

- (A) Approve or disapprove of proposed amendments to this Constitution and By-Laws.
- (B) Recommend candidates for honorary membership in this association.
- (C) Act for this association in any emergency not covered by this Constitution and By-Laws
- (D) Approve or disapprove recommended actions of all committees.
- (E) Recruit active memberships.

Article VII – President’s Committees

The President may appoint such committees as they deem necessary to properly carry out the business and program of the association. The chairman of the committee that is appointed by the President will last for one year.

Section I – Spring Clinic

The duties of the spring clinic chairperson will be as follows:

- (A) Work with Dinosaur Volleyball.com to publicize the clinic, provide site registration assistance, feedback for future clinics, and methods to increase membership in the GVCA.

Section II – All-State Committee

The duties of the all-state chairperson will be as follows:

- (A) Distribute information on nomination process that is done via GASports.com.
- (B) Coordinate committee meeting on the morning of the fall GVCA meeting to select all-state recipients.
- (C) Insure that committee is a representative of all classifications.
- (D) Notify Secretary of recipients for distribution to all members.
- (E) Distribute All-State awards.

Section III – Senior All-Star Game Committee

The duties of the senior all-star game chairperson will be as follows:

- (A) Work with GACA to insure sanctioning of event.

- (B) Distribute nomination process to all members.
- (C) Work with GASports.com to setup voting process online.
- (D) Coordinate all duties associated with production of the senior all-star game.
- (E) Distribute senior all-star awards.
- (F) Provide recipients names to Secretary for distribution to members.

Section IV – Sectional Winner Awards Committee

The duties of the sectional winner awards chairperson will be as follows:

- (A) Coordinate all activities associated with providing awards for the sectional winners in each classification.
- (B) Arrange delivery of awards at the conclusion of each sectional finals match.

Article VIII – Meetings

Section I – Spring Meetings

The annual spring meeting of the GVCA shall occur on a weekend between April and May. The meeting shall include a clinic on volleyball techniques.

Section II – Fall Meetings

The annual fall meeting shall be called by the President within two months following the state final tournament.

Section III – Special Meetings

The President may call special meetings as deemed necessary by the board.

Section IV – Time, Site, Notification

The President shall set the exact site and time of all meetings. He shall inform the membership at least two weeks in advance of all meetings.

Article IX – Awards

Section I – Coach of the Year

- (A) The GVCA shall annually recognize a member for the Coach of the Year award in each classification.
- (B) GVCA members shall select the Coach of the Year by written ballot after the state final tournament.
- (C) An appropriate plaque shall be awarded for the Coach of the Year.

Section II – Coaching Milestones

- (A) The GVCA shall recognize any member coach for reaching their 300th and 400th win with a certificate. Member coaches reaching their 500th win shall be awarded plaques.
- (B) Documentation of wins to be certified by a school official or administrator.

Section III – All-State

- (A) The GVCA shall recognize all players selected as an All-State player.
- (B) The GVCA all-state committee will select the all-state recipients on the morning of the fall GVCA meeting.
- (C) A certificate shall be awarded to each recipient.

Section IV – Senior All-Star

- (A) The GVCA shall recognize all players selected to the Senior All-Star game.
- (B) GVCA active members shall select the Senior All-Star players by written ballot prior to the state final tournament.
- (C) A certificate shall be awarded to each recipient.

Section V – Sectional Winner

- (A) The GVCA shall recognize each team that is the winner of a sectional final.
- (B) An appropriate award/recognition shall be awarded to each team.

Article X – Ratification

Ratification of this Constitution and By-Laws shall require an affirmative vote of the majority of members present at a regular spring meeting.

Article XI – Amendment of By-Laws

These By-Laws may be amended by a two-thirds of the members affirmative vote of the members present at an annual meeting or by mail vote, providing the proposed amendment has been approved by the board and has been submitted to the membership in accordance with provisions of this Constitution and By-Laws.