

Southeast PA Wrestling

Article I. **Organization**

A. **Name**

1. This organization shall be named *Southeast PA Wrestling*.

B. **Purpose**

1. To provide the opportunity for participation by youth members of the community in the Southeast PA region, in an organized wrestling program.
2. To facilitate the development of fundamental wrestling skills, and to foster, promote and advance the concepts of competitive athletics including the quality of good sportsmanship.

C. **Wrestling Committee**

1. The wrestling Committee shall consist of volunteers

D. **Executive Committee**

1. The executive Committee shall consist of the appointed Officers.

E. **Officers**

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

F. **Members**

1. Membership in this organization shall be in the form of family membership with all qualified family members being entitled to the rights and privileges of organized membership.
2. Family membership shall be accepted upon registration with the organization and payment of an annual membership fee which shall be due and payable at time of registration.
3. The officers have the right to deny membership to the organization at time of registration.

G. **Coaches**

1. The Wrestling Head Coaches.
2. The assistant coaches are chosen by the Officers
3. All coaches must complete a Southeast PA Wrestling application and are subject to approval by the Officers.
4. All coaches are subject to full background checks.

Article II. Responsibilities / Duties

A. Wrestling Committee

1. The Wrestling Committee shall ensure the wrestling program fosters an environment of learning, competition, fun and is a positive experience.
2. Review and decide on any issues within the wrestling program which are not coaching type decisions.
3. All members of the Wrestling Committee shall serve without pay or numeration of any kind whatsoever.
4. The Wrestling Committee perform the following functions.
 - A) Officers
 - B) Purchasing Agent
 - C) Publications Coordinator
 - D) Equipment Manager
 - E) Wrestling Coach

B. Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee shall have the sole authority to conduct the general management of the property and business of this organization.
2. The Executive Committee shall have the power to purchase any property, right or privileges at such price of consideration, and upon such terms as they deem expedient; to appoint, to remove, or to suspend subordinate agents or servants, to determine who shall be authorized on behalf of this organization to sign bills, notices, receipts, acceptances, endorsements, checks, releases, and other instruments; to delegate any of the powers of the Wrestling Committee, officers or agents, insofar as the same is permitted by law; and generally to do all such lawful acts and things by law or by the Articles of Incorporation, or by this constitution as directed or requested to be done.
3. The executive Committee shall have the sole and exclusive authority to approve contracts or purchases necessary for the operation of Southeast PA Wrestling, which will require an expenditure of One Hundred and One Dollars (\$101.00) or more and no officer or committee member shall enter into any such contract without first obtaining the approval of the Officers.
4. The Executive Committee shall organize and assign organizational duties to members of the Wrestling Committee.

C. Officers

1. President

- A) The president shall be the chief executive officer of the organization. He shall have general superintendence and direction of all other officers of this organization and shall see that their duties prescribed herein are properly performed. He shall see that all orders and resolutions of the Wrestling Committee are carries out.
- B) The President shall preside at all meetings of the wrestling Committee. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees.
- C) The President shall have general and active management of the organization’s business activities. He shall execute all bonds, leases, and procurements for this organization.
- D) The President shall have the authority to approve all contracts and purchases necessary for the operation of the Southeast PA Wrestling team which requires an expenditure of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or less, and no such contract shall be entered into on behalf of the organization by any officer or committee member without first obtaining the approval of the President.

2. Vice President

- A) The Vice-President shall be vested with all of the powers of the President in the President’s absence and shall perform the duties of the President during such absence.
- B) They shall have such other duties as may from time to time be determined by the Wrestling Committee.

3. Secretary

- A) The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the Wrestling Committee and shall act as clerk thereof, and shall record all votes and minutes of all proceedings in a book to be kept for that purpose.
- B) The Secretary shall be vested with all of the powers of the President in the absence of the President and Vice-President and shall perform the duties of the President during such absence.
- C) The Secretary shall send all notices, letters, and applications as required for the operation of the

organization.

- D) They shall have such other duties as may from time to time be determined by the wrestling committee.

4. *Treasurer*

- A) The Treasurer shall have charge of the funds of this organization and shall deposit same in the name of this organization in depositories designated by the Wrestling Committee.
- B) The Treasurer shall pay all vouchers or orders properly attested by the President.
- C) The Treasurer shall make a complete and accurate report of finances of this organization at each meeting of the wrestling committee or at any other time upon request of the wrestling committee.
- D) The Treasurer shall prepare an operating budget to be approved by the Executive Committee prior to the start of the wrestling season.
- E) They shall have such other duties as may from time to time be determined by the wrestling committee.

D. **Members**

- 1. Each family shall support the organization in its fundraising activities.
- 2. Each family shall perform a minimum of eight hours of work within the wrestling program.

E. **Coaches**

- 1. The wrestling coaches shall plan and organize practice.
- 2. The Coaches shall provide instruction on rules, techniques and routines.

Article III. Meetings

A. General

- 1. The Wrestling Committee shall meet at least monthly during the wrestling season and at such time, place and intervals as the majority of the committee members shall direct and appoint during the off season.

B. Special

- 1. Special meetings of the wrestling committee may be called by the President.

C. Quorum

- 1. The quorum of the purpose of holding any meeting shall be simple the majority of the wrestling committee members present.

D. Rules of Order

1. The Southeast PA Wrestling team meetings shall be conducted pursuant to the procedural guidelines set forth in the Revised Robert Rules of Order in a matter in which they are not inconsistent with the organizations Constitution or By-Laws.

Article IV. Elections

A. Officers

1. In the event of an Officer leaving, the remaining Officers shall appoint the replacement.

B. Coaches

1. The Head Wrestling Coaches of this organization shall be nominated and elected by the Officers of this organization. The elected coaches shall serve a term of one calendar year.

C. General Provisions

1. In the event that a vacancy shall occur during the elected term, such vacancy shall be filled by the Officers as then constituted. The person selected to fill such vacancy shall assume office at the next regular meeting following the selection and shall serve for the un-expired balance of the term of the member for whom they were selected to replace.
2. Any committee member who neglects the duties of there office, without good cause may be dismissed from the committee by a two thirds (2/3) vote of the Officers.
3. A member may be expelled from the organization for non-payment of the membership fee, violation of the rules of the club, conduct which is contrary to the expressed purpose of the Southeast PA Wrestling team or any other reason which constitutes just cause for expulsion. The President shall notify the member of its decision to expel such member and shall include the reason. In the event that a member is expelled pursuant to the provisions herein, the membership fee shall not be refundable in whole or part.

Article V. Voting

A. Majority Vote

1. Voting on all matters pursuant to the provisions contained herein, except for those provisions specifically excluded shall be by majority vote of a quorum.

Article VI. Constitution Amendment

A. Proposal

1. Proposed amendments and changes to the organizations Constitution shall be submitted to the secretary for presentation to the Officers during the next scheduled meeting.

B. Vote

1. The proposed amendment and changes shall not be effective unless approved by an affirmative vote of two thirds (2/3) of the Officers.
2. The vote shall be taken ten (10) days after the amendment was presented to the Officers.

Article VII. Coaching

A. Philosophy

1. The philosophy of wrestling skills taught will be consistent with those taught through out organized wrestling.

B. Meetings

1. The wrestling coaches will attend special meetings with the Officers.

C. Discipline

1. The Coaching staff is there to teach wrestling, not to baby sit. Any discipline problems outside of normal coaching will be referred to the President.
2. A wrestler may be suspended from practice or competition for open display of unsportsmanlike conduct or after any disciplinary infraction. The following steps will be used to resolve discipline problems.
 - A) First infraction: Counsel the wrestler and report problem to the parents.
 - B) Second infraction: Request meeting with parent, suspend wrestler from practice or competition, and/or expel wrestler from Southeast PA Wrestling team.

Article VIII. Teams

A. Dual Meet Teams

1. Teams will be chosen by the Officers with input from the coaching staff.
2. Membership in the club does not guarantee a position on dual meet teams, and/or national teams sponsored by Southeast PA Wrestling team.

Article IX. Eligibility

A. Wrestlers

1. Ages 4-18 years old
2. Must register with Southeast PA Wrestling team.

Article X. Practice

A. Location

1. To be held in the wrestling room, gym or facility that meets the required need to wrestle. The Officers will establish the practice site at the beginning of each year.

B. Time

1. Wrestling practice times will be established by the Officers based on availability of practice sites at the beginning of each year.

Article XI. Matches

A. Place

1. Home matches will be held at a facility chosen by the officers based upon availability.
2. Away matches will be held at various clubs. Direction will be provided during prior weeks practice.
3. It is the parents and wrestlers responsibility to provide transportation to and from matches.

B. Behavior.

1. Conduct of all persons involved, coaches, parents, and wrestlers is very important as it reflects on the Southeast PA Wrestling organization. Sportsmanship and a positive atmosphere are the main goals of all matches. It is the responsibility of the wrestling committee to ensure a positive environment. Anyone deemed to be in violation of this provisions may be expelled from the premises without recourse.

Article XII. Tournaments

A. Dual meet tournaments

- 1. Dual meet teams will be selected by the officers.
- 2. The Officers will attempt but are not required to schedule a tournament per month to attend as a team. Southeast PA Wrestling team will attempt, but are not required to cover the cost of these tournaments.

B. Individual Tournaments

- 1. Individual tournaments will be scheduled throughout the season.
- 2. Southeast PA Wrestling team will attempt, but are not required to cover the cost of some of these tournaments.

Article XIII. Uniforms

A. Wrestlers

- 1. Included in the registration cost will be a T-shirt, Shorts and singlet.
- 2. Wrestlers are responsible for any lost or damaged uniforms.

B. Coaches / Staff

- 1. Coaches and Staff members will be furnished with a Southeast PA Wrestling team coaching or staff shirt.

Article XIV. Miscellaneous

A. Controlled Substance

- 1. It is the policy of the Southeast PA Wrestling organization to prohibit alcohol on the premises or in the parking lot of any function that involves the wrestlers.
- 2. Persons deemed to be under the influence of a controlled substance shall be prohibited from participating in any or attending any wrestling event.
- 3. Smoking on any of the school properties is prohibited by law.

Article XV. Dissolution

A. Organization

- 1. Upon dissolution, the net assets of the Southeast PA wrestling organization shall be distributed to a charitable, religious, scientific, library, educational or other organization which qualifies as a tax exempt organization under the Provisions of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Article XVI. By-Laws Amendment

A. Proposal

- 1. Proposed amendments and changes to the organizations By-Laws shall be submitted to the secretary for presentation to

the Executive Committee during the next scheduled meeting.

B. Vote.

1. The proposed amendment and changes shall not be effective unless approved by an affirmative vote by a majority of the Wrestling Committee Quorum.

This Constitution and By-Laws are approved and adopted by the Southeast PA wrestling organization Executive Committee on this the @@ day of September 2007.

President _____
Signature Print

Vice-President _____
Signature Print

Secretary _____
Signature Print

Treasurer _____
Signature Print