

GREGORI ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB

Constitution & By-Laws

Article I - NAME

A. The official name of the organization shall be "Gregori Athletic Booster Club", hereinafter referred to as GABC.

Article II - MISSION STATEMENT

A. The mission of GABC is to support and promote all Joseph A. Gregori (GHS) Athletic Programs; to encourage and recognize scholastic achievement, sportsmanship and character; to contribute to the morale, spirit and enthusiasm of the student body and the community; and serve as a bridge for positive community involvement with the school.

- B. GABC will attempt to aid and assist athletic organizations associated with GHS by providing personal services and fundraising activities to provide financial support not available through school funds. All dues, donations, and other monies received or earned by this organization shall only be used to achieve those aims and purposes as set out. GABC shall have no salaried officers or directors.
- 1. All dues and monies of GABC shall be deposited into the designated GABC bank account(s) under the direction of the Executive Board.

Article III - MEMBERSHIP

A. The membership at large is unlimited and may be comprised of any individual who has reached their 18th birthday and is a non-student, who has paid current annual membership dues, regardless of whether he/she has children in school or participating in sports.

- B. There shall be three types of membership:
 - 1. Basic Membership: Can vote and/or hold office but does NOT include a sports pass.
 - 2. Blue Membership: Can vote and/or hold office, including one all access sports pass.
 - 3. Gold Membership: Can vote and/or hold office, including two all access sports pass

All Joseph A. Gregori High School Varsity Coaches are automatically members of GABC. They do not pay membership dues and are allowed to vote in the general business of GABC. Coaches may not hold any office.

- C. Due to league regulations, all access sports passes may not be used at any tournament, playoff, or special event.
- D. All membership fees cover the period July 1 through June 30.
- E. Any member may resign at any time, but dues or contributions are not refundable.
- F. The Executive Board may expel any member by a two-thirds vote, after notice and opportunity for hearing, for reasons to include but not limited to; conduct unbecoming a member. Dues and donations are not refundable.

Article IV - OFFICERS

A. The Officers of GABC shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, each of whom shall be elected by the general membership.

- 1. Members eligible and willing to serve as Executive Officers shall be nominated at the regular membership meeting in April and May.
 - 2. Election of GABC Officers will take place at the regular membership meeting in May.
- 3. The term of office shall be two (2) years and Officers are eligible to serve a second consecutive two-year term.
- 4. The terms of President and Secretary shall run concurrently and commence in even-numbered years. The terms of Vice-President and Treasurer will run concurrently and commence in odd-numbered years. Only two (2) offices will expire in any given year.

B. <u>Duties of the President</u>

- 1. The President of GABC shall preside over all meetings of GABC and its Executive Board.
- 2. The President shall be entitled to vote at monthly and special meetings, only in case of a tie.
- 3. The President has the power to call a special meeting at any time in the event of an emergency or in the interest of GABC. The President may also call an Executive Board meeting.
 - 4. The President shall be an ex officio member, with full voting rights, of all committees.
 - 5. The President shall attend all monthly, special and Executive Board meetings.
- 6. The President may at any time request a detailed report of receipts and disbursements and the condition of all GABC finances from the Treasurer.
 - 7. The President shall provide leadership, organization and direction to GABC.
- 8. The President shall serve as the liaison between GABC, the Gregori High Athletic Director and Administration, Modesto City Schools (MCS), MCS Board of Trustees and Administration, and community for all official GABC matters.
 - 9. The President shall serve as the official spokesperson for GABC.
 - 10. The President shall perform all such other duties as are incident to this office.

C. Duties of the Vice President

- 1. The Vice President shall act as the presiding officer of GABC in the absence of the President.
 - 2. The Vice President shall be a member of the Executive Board with full voting rights.
 - 3. The Vice President shall attend all monthly, special and Executive Board meetings.
- 4. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in the event of death or incapacity (to be determined by a majority of the Executive Board) and shall assume the duties of the President for the balance of the term.
- 5. The Vice President shall perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President or by the Executive Board.

D. <u>Duties of the Secretary</u>

- 1. The Secretary shall keep the records and minutes of GABC record the attendance at meetings and provide copies of the minutes to the membership at each monthly meeting.
 - 2. The Secretary shall be a member of the Executive Board with full voting rights.
- 3. The Secretary will attend to all official correspondence and other related matters, as required or as referred by the President.
 - 4. The Secretary will provide the agenda prior to regular meetings.
 - 5. The Secretary shall keep a register of the mailing address of each member.
 - 6. The Secretary shall attend all monthly, special and Executive Board meetings.
- 7. The Secretary shall perform or delegate such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the President

E. <u>Duties of the Treasurer</u>

- 1. The Treasurer shall keep a detailed and accurate account of all monies received and disbursed.
 - 2.The Treasurer must submit for all check disbursement to the Executive Board

President or Vice President or Secretary for secondary signature on all GABC fund disbursements.

- 3. The Treasurer will prepare and present a year-end financial report clearly showing all GABC assets and liabilities at the annual May membership meeting.
- 4. The Treasurer shall prepare monthly financial reports on the financial condition of GABC for presentation to the membership at each regular meeting.
 - 5. The Treasurer shall be a member of the Executive Board with full voting rights.
 - 6. The Treasurer shall attend all monthly, special and Executive Board meetings.

Article V - EXECUTIVE BOARD

A. The control, management, and government of the affairs of GABC shall be vested in its Executive Board.

- 1. GABC Executive Board will consist of the elected Officers of President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- 2. The Gregori High School Principal and Athletic Director, or their designees, shall serve as automatic voting members of the Executive Board. They shall be afforded the same rights as any other elected member of the Executive Board.
- 3. The immediate past president may serve as an ex officio voting member of the Board for one (1) year immediately following their term.
- B. The duties of the Executive Board are to oversee the operation of GABC and to act for the general membership when the membership at large is not in session.
- 1. The Executive Board is charged with the responsibility to uphold these bylaws and to fulfill the mandates of the membership at large.
- 2. The Executive Board is empowered to vote on issues to ensure the continuity of operation of GABC, to decide on project sponsorship, either in work support efforts or financial sponsorship within the constraints of the annual budget. Any expense item not within the operating budget shall be voted on by the membership at large. Items under \$1,000 may be placed on an agenda and voted on during the current regular meeting. Any item over \$1,000 will be placed on the next regular meeting agenda and voted on at that meeting.
 - 3. The Executive Board shall meet when deemed necessary by the President.
- 4. A quorum is defined as a simple majority of the elected Executive Board; however, when filling vacancies occurring in the Executive Board, a majority of the existing Officers shall constitute a quorum. A quorum must be present to bring an issue to a vote.
- 5. The Executive Board (by unanimous vote) shall have the authority to rule on any immediate business (presented by the Athletic Director), including disbursement of funds. The Executive Board shall then disclose such a ruling at the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- 6. The Executive Board shall develop GABC's annual budget for presentation and approval at the annual meeting in May.
- 7. The Executive Board shall develop GABC's annual calendar of events for presentation at the first meeting of the school year (August).
- 8. The Gregori High School Principal and Athletic Director, or their designees, at their discretion, shall have the power to veto matters decided by GABC.
- C. All Officers and Board Members must be members in good standing of GABC
- 1.Attendance An Officer that misses more than three (3) consecutive board meetings without cause shall be considered to have vacated the office and the position shall immediately be filled in accord with provisions as prescribed in Article VIII § C (3).
- 2. Any Officer may be removed by the affirmative vote of a majority of GABC when the Judgment of the Executive Board and the interests of GABC will be served thereby. Reasons for removal include, but are not limited to, poor meeting attendance or official misconduct. The vacancy shall be filled as prescribed in Article VIII § C (3).

D. The Athletic Director shall act as the liaison between the school, coaching staff and GABC. The Athletic Director shall advise the Executive Board of the ongoing needs of the athletic department.

- E. Officers may tender their resignation at any time.
- 1. All resignations must be in writing and signed by the resigning member. Under no circumstances shall a verbal resignation be acceptable.
 - 2. All letters of resignation must be submitted in person, by email, or by mail.
- 3.Letters of resignation must be submitted to the Executive Board Secretary. Should the Executive Board Secretary tender resignation, they shall submit their signed letter of resignation to the Executive Board President as prescribed in Article V \S E (1-2).
- 4.Upon notification of a tendered resignation, the Executive Board President shall call a special meeting of the Executive Board within thirty (30) days. The Executive Board shall review the resignation letter for propriety and vote on acceptance of the resignation. Once accepted, the office is considered vacant and shall immediately be filled in accord with provisions as prescribed in Article VIII § C (3).

Article VI – SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVES

A. The Student Government Association may designate a Student Representative who shall be a non-voting member of the Executive Board.

- B. Team Representatives:
- 1. Each team in concert with the Coach of the sport, whether varsity, sophomore or freshman, shall choose a Gregori Athletic Booster Club Member to serve as the Team Representative.
- 2. The Team Representatives shall represent the interest of their team by attending monthly, special and Executive Board meetings, if possible.
- 3. Team Representatives report to the Coaches of those teams as to the actions of GABC.
- 4. Team representatives promote and secure GABC memberships among the parents of the team members.

Article VII - COMMITTEES

GABC shall have committees to support fundraising and other needs. Committees such as: Membership, Fundraising, Business Sponsorship, Concessions, Scholarship, and Community and Public Relations. The Executive Board shall, from time to time, establish other standing, special, or ad hoc committees as deemed necessary to complete a specific project generally completed within the school term.

Article VIII - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

A. At the March and April meetings, the floor shall be open for nominations of candidates for Gregori Athletic Booster Club Officers for election at the May membership meeting.

- B. The GABC Officers elected at the May meeting shall begin their term at the June meeting.
- C. At the May meeting, all Executive Board officers shall be elected by ballot.
 - 1. Each paid basic member (or above) shall be entitled to one (1) vote in the election for

the Executive Board officers of GABC.

- 2. All elections shall be decided by majority vote.
- 3.A vacancy occurring in an office shall be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Board or its remaining members.
 - 4.If the President's office shall be open, it shall be filled by the Vice President.

Article IX - MEETINGS

- A. The regular general membership meetings of the Gregori Athletic Booster Club shall be held monthly at Joseph A. High School.
 - 1. Additional meetings may be held at the discretion of the President.
- B. The scheduled day and time and location of the regular monthly meeting may be changed by the President, with a minimum of 7 days' notice.
- C. A quorum for general membership meetings shall consist of six (6) members or ten (10) percent of the membership whichever is less.
- D. A majority vote of members present shall decide motions and authorize expenditures within the general fund.
- E. The Chairperson of any GABC Committees will report to the general membership at the regularly scheduled monthly membership meeting.
- F. All meetings require reasonable notification to the required attendees of meeting location and time.
- G. Parliamentary Authority Roberts Rules of Order shall govern all deliberations of meetings or organizations unless otherwise specifically provided.

Article X - Bylaws and Amendments

- A. These bylaws may be revised or amended by a majority vote of members present at a regular monthly or special meeting.
- B. Amendments to these bylaws must be submitted for an initial reading in writing at least one (1) month prior to the meeting at which they will be voted upon.
- C. No amendment shall be put to vote unless presented at the previous meeting.

Article XI - Conflict of Interest

A. Members of the Board, Officers, Staff, Committee Members and Students shall not engage in any activity which gives rise to, or could give rise to, an appearance or claim of self-dealing loyalty or conflict of interest by reason of such person's position with GABC. In the event that such person has reason to believe his or her activities or anticipated activities could give rise to any such claim, he or she shall have a duty to disclose such activities or anticipated activities to the Executive Board.

B. Fundraising - GABC shall not authorize any fundraiser that will benefit (monetarily or product wise) a Gregori parent, family member, legal guardian or member of the staff. All fundraising ideas must be presented to the entire GABC at least 2 meetings prior to the event. Presentations must be made in person. A letter must be made available indicating who will chair the event, when the event will take place, and how much return GABC is expected (GABC's target will be a minimum of \$1,000). All fundraisers must have a majority vote for approval.

Article XII - Non-Discrimination

A. It is the policy of GABC that all the parties involved in the operation of the GABC will provide an operational environment that is free of all forms of discrimination.

Article XIII - Dissolution

A. GABC may be dissolved by two thirds (2/3) vote of the Executive Board. Upon dissolution of GABC and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, the Executive Board shall direct the remaining property of GABC to another Federally Incorporated entity which maintains the same objectives as set forth in Article II of these By-Laws, which are, or may be entitled to exemption under Section 501-(c)-(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or any future corresponding provision.