

EASTERN INTERCOLLEGIATE SKI
ASSOCIATION Constitution and By-Laws

Article I.

Name

The name of this organization is the Eastern Intercollegiate Ski Association, hereinafter referred to as the "EISA".

Article II.

Purpose

The purpose of this Association shall be to encourage and administer intercollegiate competition in skiing between member colleges through the development, unification, and acceptance of necessary rules and regulations.

Article III.

Membership

Section 1.

Qualification

- a. Any four year college or university located in the Eastern U.S. and recognized by the NCAA shall be eligible for active membership in the EISA provided the college shall have filed with the EISA Executive Committee a written statement of the wish to be a member and an agreement to abide by the constitution, rules and regulations, principles and purposes of the Association duly signed by the head coach and athletic director or other authorized agent of the college or university.
- b. The proper athletic authority of each member college shall designate its ski team which is entitled to represent it in intercollegiate ski competition. It shall be the duty of all member colleges to notify the Executive Committee immediately if a team once so designated ceases to represent the member college.
- c. A member school will be defined as fielding Nordic, Alpine or both teams, each consisting of at least three men and three women at each carnival.
- d. EISA members must sign the NCAA sports sponsorship form for men's and women's skiing.

Section 2. Election to the

Membership

New applicants must submit a written application signed by the prospective head coach and athletic director to be presented at the next full meeting. The election of members by the Association shall be a three-fourths affirmative vote of the colleges whose representatives are present and voting.

Section 3.

Representation

- a. Member colleges shall vote and participate in the activities of the Association through their respective duly appointed representative. Each member college shall have one vote cast by the appointed representative. Member colleges may at any time change their appointed representatives upon notification in writing to the executive committee.
- b. Only members or invited guests may attend meeting, pending approval by executive board.

Section 4.

Resignation

Members shall be permitted to resign, provided all dues and other obligations shall have been paid to date. Notice of such intent shall be given in writing to the President of the Association.

Section 5.

Discipline

a. Removal. By acceptance of election into membership of the Association, each member college represents that it will in all its acts conform in every way with the substance and spirit of the Association without exception. Violation of this constitutes grounds for expulsion from membership in the association. Written specifications of the violation must be delivered to the member involved, and hearings held to allow the member so charged to answer to the complaint. A member may be expelled by action of the members at a spring, fall or special meeting, but such action will require a two-thirds vote of all those present at the meeting. b. If any EISA member team does not field three men and three women in every team in which they sponsor, they

would begin a year of probation. Each team is required to submit a letter of explanation and a roster of skiers for the upcoming season to the Executive Committee for review. The Executive Committee should notify those schools not in compliance. Teams will be allowed a year's grace period.

Section 6.

Dues

Each member college shall pay annual dues to the association as approved by the membership. Such dues to be paid prior to 1st of January each year. The period of membership shall be from January 1 through December 31. Association funds shall be allocated as in the By-Laws.

Article IV.

Meetings

Section 1. Annual

Meetings.

The annual meetings of the Association shall be held at a central location or via conference call in September and in April, with dates finalized at the previous meeting.

Section 2. Special

Meetings

The Executive Committee shall call such special meetings of the Association as are deemed necessary, due notice of the object of which shall have been sent to all member colleges three weeks prior the meeting.

Section 3.

Quorum

Two thirds of the qualified representatives registered in attendance at a legally called meeting shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4.

Voting

a. Unless otherwise stipulated, decisions shall require a majority of affirmative votes. b. Proxy Vote. Proxy votes may be submitted to the secretary prior to a meeting, such votes being limited to the specific issues stated in writing on the proxy.

Article V. Management and Direction

Section 1. Legislative Powers

The Association, through the vote of its membership, shall have jurisdiction over its members to consider and adopt principles of policy and conduct in the administration of skiing in furtherance of the purposes of the organization and to enact rules and regulations to define and provide for the enforcement of the same, and also to appoint standing committees to serve in aid thereof.

Section 2. Executive Committee

a. Powers. The Executive Committee has the power and duty to direct the affairs and policies of the Association, to bring into effect and maintain its purposes as defined and as may be directed by act of the members. It shall have between the meetings of the members, the full authority and power of the Association except that of electing or expelling members or executing agreements with affiliated organizations. b. Composition. The Executive Committee will be composed of five people elected from the membership. Terms

will be two years in length with elections occurring in the Spring Meeting of even years. Voting will be done through secret ballot. If an Executive Committee member must resign then that vacancy would be filled at the next fall or spring meeting. c. Officers. The President of the Association shall have such powers and duties as customarily belong to such

office and in particular shall appoint the chairmen of the various standing committees. The Vice-President who shall also be Rules Editor of the Association and exercise the same powers and duties in the absence or incapacity of the President. The Vice-President shall be in charge of calculating end of season EISA awards, printing certificates, and arranging service plaques. A Secretary is expected to keep the minutes of all meetings and disseminate information to the EISA body. A treasurer oversees the accounts, and records of the Association. The Media Sponsorship Coordinator Officer shall assume the role of overseeing all aspects of media and sponsorship for EISA. d. Election of Officers. Officers of the Executive Committee will be chosen from the Executive Committee following election of the Executive Committee at the Spring Meeting of even years. Voting will be done through secret ballot. If an Officer must resign then a replacement will be made from the Executive Committee at the Executive Committee's discretion. e. Section 3. Committees. Either the members in meeting or the Executive Committee may create and appoint special committees to aid in the administration of the association. Section 4. Allocation of Funds

a. Secretary/Treasurer. b. Executive Committee. c. Membership. Section 5. Awards

a. Service Award. The Service award will be voted on at the EISA Fall meeting. This award will be presented

and announced at the EISA Championships banquet. b. Coach of the Year. Nominations for Alpine and Cross Country must be sent by email to league

president before 6pm on the Tuesday before the Regional Championships. Nominations will be circulated back to the league by Wednesday at 6pm. Coach of the Year voting to take place by email before 6pm on the day before the last day of competition at the Regional Championships. Each NCAA countable coach will have one vote for Alpine or Cross Country.

Article VI.

Amendments

Proposed amendments to the constitution or by-laws must be submitted to the Executive Committee thirty days prior to the meeting at which they are to be compared and acted upon, and to member colleges at least fifteen days prior the same meeting. Amendments shall become effective when adopted by a two-thirds vote of those voting at the meeting.