

**The Constitution and Bylaws
Of The
Coastal Bend Athletic Trainers Society**

Article I Name

The name of the organization shall be called the Coastal Bend Athletic Trainers Society (C.B.A.T.S.)

Article II Purpose / Mission

CBATS is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of CBATS shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

To promote the advancement of the athletic training profession.

To promote a better working relationship among the persons who show concerns for care and prevention of athletic injuries.

To promote education of the Student Athletic Trainers in the on-field setting and in the classroom setting.

To organize for the purpose to promote better working conditions for area professional Athletic Trainers in all settings.

To educate the community of the importance and benefits of the professional Athletic Trainer

Upon the dissolution of CBATS, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which

the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Article III Membership

1. Open to licensed Athletic Trainers of the State of Texas
2. Open to College Athletic Trainers under the direct supervision of a Licensed Athletic Trainer in the State of Texas.
3. Open to Retired Licensed Athletic Trainers of the State of Texas

Classification of Membership:

1. Licensed
2. Associate
3. Student

Article IV Voting

1. All licensed members will have the right to one vote on all matters that are brought forth to the organization.
2. Board members will have the same right as a member when voting on matters brought forth to the organization except in matters of board executive session as called for by the President at which time each Board Member shall have one vote of equal value during sessions.
3. A quorum for voting or elections will be done in two manners allowed.
 - A. By called meeting with members present or the number of eligible ballots are submitted
 - B. By e-mail vote, this shall be conducted by the secretary. All e-mails shall be saved for review upon request by any member.
 - C. All voting for society members will be conducted at the fall and summer meeting or by e-mail ballot under the direction of the secretary of the C.B.A.T.S. along with the governing body called C.B.A.T.S. Board of Directors.

Article V Meetings

All meeting dates will be set on the direction of the Board of Directors. The time and location will be submitted to the group by e-mail.

Article VI Committees and Appointments

The Board of Directors shall appoint any member in good standing to a position that is created by the membership, or will have the right to call for vote by the guidelines of Article IV.

The members shall on next schedule meeting be informed before the creation of any committees or appointments 30 days prior the general meeting dates of Article V.

Article VII Dues

The dues of the organization shall be twenty US dollars a year.

August 1st to July 31st shall be the 12 months equal yearly for membership dues.

Collection of dues will be made by mail out statements set by the Board of Directors.

Checks for expenditures may be signed by the President, Vice President or Sec./Treasurer.

Article VIII Board of Directors

The Board will be composed of the following members that are in good standing with the organization.

1. President (term 2 years)
2. Vice President (term 2 years)
3. Secretary/Treasurer (term 2 years)
4. High School Inner city limits rep (term 2 years)
5. High School rural rep (term 2 years)
6. University rep (term 2 years)

The duties of a Member will be as follows.

President

1. Over see that the Constitution and Bylaws are used to guide the C.B.A.T. S. organization.
2. To set agenda for meetings
3. To direct and lead the C.B.A.T.S. organizational meeting as set in article III
4. To promote and guide the C.B.A.T.S. to achieve the organizational purpose and mission.

Vice President

1. To assist the chairman in conducting the organization.
2. To lead if the chairman is not in attendance at the meetings.

Secretary/Treasurer

1. To keep the minutes of all meetings.
2. To submit to the organization any information deemed prudent to the membership.
3. To keep the records of all money collected.
4. To keep records of spending and cost of C.B.A.T.S. organization

All other reps

1. To help direct by assistance the three leading officers and membership by providing input and information.

Article IX Election of Board Members

1. The Secretary/Treasurer shall accept nominations for all positions. The nominations will be accepted by e-mail and e-mail shall be saved for reference.
2. All voting will be by ballot, on all Board of Directors positions.
3. In the event a candidate does not receive a majority vote, member will have a ballot runoff for the position.
4. Newly elected officers will assume duties in thirty days of an election for a transition between elected member and out going member of the Board.

Article X Resignation, Removal and Replacement of Members of the Board of Director or Members

1. Resignations may be submitted by written notice to the Board of Directors.
2. Removal of any Board Member or Member
 - A.) Automatic removal from board is warranted if the member in question voluntarily or involuntarily inactivates his/her Texas Athletic Trainers' License.
 - B.) Automatic if no longer able to completely fulfill the obligations due to different reason.

Article XI Filling a Vacancy

1. In event of the office of Chairman, Vice Chairman and/or Secretary/Treasurer becomes vacant the position on that board will assumed by the members on the

board in order of executive order by the Chairman. Members will be moved to the next director's position on as example:

- A.) President resigns, Vice President becomes President for the remainder of the term.
- B.) Secretary resigns, President appoints one of the other members to position of secretary.
- C.) Member resigns, Chairman holds a ballot vote at the next meeting for that position.

President _____ Date _____

Vice President _____ Date _____