

**CONSTITUTION
OF THE
DELAWARE INTERSCHOLASTIC BASKETBALL
COACHES ASSOCIATION (DIBCA)**

Article I – Name

The name of the organization shall be “The Delaware Interscholastic Basketball Coaches Association” and is a voluntary organization not organized for profit.

Article II – Objectives

- A. To promote pure, wholesome, amateur interscholastic basketball in the high schools in the state of Delaware.
- B. To help maintain the highest possible standards in interscholastic basketball and the basketball coaching profession, and to work together for the improvement of conditions in Delaware high school basketball.
- C. To secure better understanding of the resources for coaching high school basketball, and to place sources of information at the disposal of the coaches.
- D. To promote professional fellowship and social contacts for all members.
- E. To provide a forum for honoring one male and one female as an annual coach of the year, and our student/athletes on an annual basis, through the All-Star game, as well as the top twenty awards.

Article III – Membership

- Section 1. Active membership shall include any dues paying head varsity high school basketball coach.
- Section 2. Active membership shall include basketball coaches who assist the head varsity coaches, in a paid or voluntary capacity. Varsity, Junior Varsity, or Freshmen team coaches. These members are not voting members, except as head coach designees.
- Section 3. Associate membership may be granted to retired coaches, volunteers to the membership, or by consensus vote of the membership.
- Section 4. Member ship shall extend from October 1 through September 30, of the next calendar year.

- Section 5. Any member whose membership has been suspended by the executive committee may appeal directly to the association for reinstatement a regularly scheduled fall meeting. The action of a majority of the members present shall indicate reinstatement.

Article IV – Dues

- Section 1. The annual membership fee shall be set by the executive committee. Dues shall be collected at the Fall meeting. Failure to pay dues two calendar weeks past this meeting results in suspension of membership.
- Section 2. Additional fees may be voted on by a majority vote of the active membership present at any meeting.

Article V – Finance

- Section 1. The Secretary- Treasurer shall collect all money including dues, fees, or sponsored money. He shall keep an accurate accounting of all money.
- Section 2. The Secretary – Treasurer shall report to the membership the financial health of the association.

Article VI – Cancellation of Membership

- Section 1. Any membership may be suspended for a period not to exceed one calendar year, by a two-thirds vote of the executive committee.

Article VII – Executive Committee Board

- Section 1. The management of the affairs of this association shall be vested in the elected officers. These include President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The position of Treasurer is an on going appointment. This person serves at the discretion of the President.
- Section 2. Sub-committees of coaches from each of the following conferences may be called on to conduct business at various points during the year. (Blue Hen Flights A & B, Henlopen Conference North and South, Independent, and Non Conference.
- Section 3. A quorum shall consist of the active members present, due notice having been giving of the meeting.

Section 4. The usual order of business shall be:

- Call to order
- Distribution of previous minutes
- Acceptance of same
- Report of officers/Treasurers report
- Report of any committees
- Old business
- New business, any resolutions
- Invited guests
- Adjournment

Article VIII – Projects

Section 1. The projects of the association shall include but not be limited to:

- A. Annual High School All-Star game
- B. Top players of the year award
- C. Coach of the year award
- D. Charitable contributions
- E. Professional growth programs

Article IX – Amendments and By Laws

Section 1. Any proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing to the president seven days prior to the next regularly scheduled or called meeting.

Section 2. A two-thirds majority shall govern adoption of any submitted amendment.

Section 3. By laws may be changed or added by a majority vote of two-thirds membership.

Section 4. A. Procedures to be followed for selection to play in the State All-Star game:

1. Player must be a senior, active on the school's roster, and an academic senior.
2. Player must be nominated by his coach who is an active member of the association.
3. Only Varsity Head Coaches or their designee may vote for an All-Star nominee.

Section 4. B. Procedures to select coach of the year

1. Coach must be an active member.

2. Coaches voted in a tie stand as such co-coaches of the year.
3. Coaches' ballots will be tallied by an independent non-voting person.

- Section 4. C. Procedures to select the top twenty players (ten from downstate and ten from up-state)
1. To nominate a coach must be an active dues paying member.
 2. Player must be a Varsity player who completes the full season.
 3. Each school is entitled to one vote only for each top ten player regionally.

Article X – Standing Committees

1. Executive Committee
2. All Star Game Liaison
3. Educational Committee
4. Awards Sub-Committee/DIBCA Hall of Fame Nominating Committee

Article XI – Basketball Coaches Creed

As a basketball coach and member of the Delaware Interscholastic Basketball Coaches Association, I pledge to exemplify the highest moral character, behavior, and demonstrate positive example to my charges.

I pledge to respect the integrity of the game of basketball, and those who play it on the interscholastic level in Delaware.

I pledge to abide by the rules of the game in both letter and spirit.

I pledge to respect the integrity and judgment of the officials, utilizing the proper channels to air any complaints.

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