

INTRODUCTION

Under the direction of Bill Bryant, IHS Director of Athletics, an adhoc committee has been working throughout the year to organize one (1) formal Booster Association to support all activities of the IHS Athletic Department.

In the past numerous individual sports had their booster/fundraising activities as well as the original Boosters group (a small number of local people willing to put forth the effort to, behind the scenes, support the Athletic Department). PAAC attempted over the last few years to provide a unification effort but failed to maintain momentum.

What our committee has done is attempt to bring together the various individual groups and unify them to provide a more uniform presentation of the Athletic Department. We hope to gain strength in numbers and minimize the number of times local businesses are approached. Most important we hope to strive to return the pride to IHS Athletics it so richly deserves. This school year has found Ithaca sports bringing home numerous STAC, Section 4, Regional, and State awards. This should be an excellent time to take full advantage of the current momentum and accomplish our short and long range goals.

Attached are our "Articles of Association", Executive Committee, and Organization Chart. They hopefully will depict who we are, what we hope to accomplish, and how we plan to organize this large scale effort.

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**ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE
ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTER ASSOCIATION**

ARTICLE 1.

PURPOSE

SECTION 1. WE CONSTITUTE OURSELVES A VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATION UNDER THE NAME OF THE ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC BOOSTERS ASSOCIATION.

WHEREIN, CURRENTLY AS AN UNINCORPORATED ASSOCIATION WITH A MEMBERSHIP COMPOSED OF FRIENDS OF ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS FOR THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES, TO WIT:

- A) TO FOSTER INTEREST IN THE CONTINUED DEVELOPMENT AND SUPPORT OF THE ATHLETICS PROGRAM AT ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL, TO PROMOTE AND ASSIST SUCH PROGRAM FINANCIALLY AND OTHERWISE, AND TO PROMOTE GREATER INTEREST IN THE PROGRAM WITHIN THE ITHACA COMMUNITY.
- B) TO ENCOURAGE AND ASSIST THE VARIOUS ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL GROUPS CURRENTLY HELPING INDIVIDUAL TEAMS IN THEIR EFFORTS TO RAISE FUNDS AND TO ASSIST IN THE FORMATION OF SUCH GROUPS FOR THOSE SPORTS WHICH DO NOT HAVE SUCH GROUPS.
- C) TO ACQUIRE, OWN, SELL AND HOLD REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY, AND TO ACCUMULATE AND RETAIN RESERVE FUNDS TO BE USED IN THE SUPPORT OF ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS AS BEST DETERMINED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. TO DO ANY AND ALL OTHER ACTS OR THINGS WHICH MAY BE FOUND NECESSARY OR CONVENIENT IN CARRYING OUT ANY OF THE PURPOSES OF THE ASSOCIATION OR IN PROTECTING OR FURTHERING ITS INTERESTS OR THE INTERESTS OF IT'S MEMBERS.

ARTICLE 2.

MEMBERSHIP: DUES: APPLICATION OF FUNDS

SECTION 1. THE MEMBERSHIP OF THIS ASSOCIATION SHALL BE DIVIDED INTO THREE (3) CLASSES AS FOLLOWS:

1. GENERAL MEMBER
2. ADVISORY MEMBER
3. EXECUTIVE MEMBER

SECTION 2. ALL MEMBERS SHALL PAY YEARLY DUES OF \$10.00 TO THE ASSOCIATION. EXCEPTION TO THIS AMOUNT MAY BE MADE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ALL MONIES RECEIVED BY THE ASSOCIATION FOR DUES OR ANY MONIES RECEIVED FROM ANY OTHER ASSOCIATION SOURCE SHALL BE DEPOSITED BY THE TREASURER IN A SPECIAL ACCOUNT TO BE DESIGNATED AS THE ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL BOOSTERS ACCOUNT. THE MONIES IN THAT ACCOUNT SHALL BE CONSIDERED A TRUST ACCOUNT FOR THE BENEFIT BOTH OF THE ASSOCIATION AND THE ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT. THEY SHALL BE USED AND APPLIED ONLY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT AT SUCH TIMES AND IN SUCH AMOUNTS AS THE TREASURER OF THE ASSOCIATION UPON AUTHORIZATION BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ASSOCIATION, MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DESIGNATE FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING PURPOSES:

1. TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT THAT CANNOT BE BOUGHT OUT OF THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT'S EXISTING BUDGET.
2. TO SUCH OTHER PURPOSES AS THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ASSOCIATION MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DESIGNATE.

SECTION 3. RECEIPT OF YEARLY DUES SHALL BE CONSIDERED APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP TO THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 4. BECOMING A MEMBER SHALL BE DEEMED AND CONSTRUED TO BE AN AGREEMENT ON THE PART OF THE APPLICANT TO FULFILL, DULY PERFORM AND ABIDE BY THE ARTICLES OF THIS ASSOCIATION, AND ALL REQUIREMENTS HEREIN CONTAINED; AND TO CONFORM TO, DULY PERFORM AND ABIDE BY, ALL BY-LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, OR RESOLUTIONS, WHETHER EXPRESSED IN THESE ARTICLES OR OTHERWISE, WHICH

MAY BE IN FORCE AT THE TIME OF THE APPLICATION OR MAY TEREAFER FROM TIME TO TIME BE ADOPTED, AND TO ALL AMENDMENTS OF AND ADDITIONS TO THESE ARTICLES, OR BY-LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS WHICH AFTER THE TIME OF SUCH APPLICATION MAY FROM TIME TO TIME BE ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THIS ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 5. AN APPLICANT SHALL BECOME A MEMBER UPON DEPOSIT OF THEIR DUES.

SECTION 6. THE SECRETARY & TREASURER SHALL KEEP A RECORD OF THE MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 3.

MANAGEMENT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

SECTION 1. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE VESTED IN AND ITS AFFAIRS MANAGED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF NINE (9) EXECUTIVE MEMBERS PLUS THE DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS. THE DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS WILL NOT BE A VOTING MEMBER. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WILL BE ELECTED BY MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION AT ITS SPRING MEETING. THE FIRST YEAR INTERESTED INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN RECRUITED FROM THE VARIOUS AD HOC COMMITTEES CURRENTLY IN PLACE. IN EXECUTIVE SESSION TERMS AND OFFICES WILL BE DETERMINED. AFTER THE FIRST YEAR MEMBERS SHALL BE ELECTED FOR THREE YEAR TERMS TO REPLACE THOSE MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS OF SERVICE HAVE EXPIRED. THE TENTH MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE SHALL BE THE CURRENT DIRECTOR OF ATHLETICS AT ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL WHO WILL NOT BE A VOTING MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE. AT ALL MEETINGS OF THE BOARD, FIVE MEMBERS SHALL CONSTITUTE A QUORUM. ALL VOTES WILL REQUIRE 5 VOTES FOR PASSAGE.

SECTION 2. MEETINGS OF THE BOARD SHALL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE PRESIDENT. A SPRING MEETING PRIOR TO THE CLOSE OF SCHOOL WILL BE SCHEDULED EVERY YEAR FOR ELECTIONS AND A FINANCIAL ACCOUNTING BY THE TREASURER. ALL MEMBERS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THIS MEETING WELL IN ADVANCE.

SECTION 3. A NOMINATING COMMITTEE WILL BE APPOINTED FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS AT THE SPRING MEETING. NOMINATIONS FROM THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THIS MEETING.

SECTION 4. IF AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBER MISSES EXCESSIVE MEETINGS IN A YEAR, HE/SHE WILL RESIGN HIS/HER POSITION.

ARTICLE 4.

POWERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1. THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL HAVE CHARGE OF AND SUPERVISION OVER THE GENERAL MANAGEMENT OF THE BUSINESS OF THE ASSOCIATION AND IN ADDITION TO THE POWERS BY THESE ARTICLES EXPRESSLY CONFERRED, MAY EXERCISE ALL SUCH POWERS AND DO ALL SUCH ACTS AND THINGS AS MAY BE EXERCISED OR DONE BY THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 2. VACANCIES ON THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SHALL BE FILLED BY ELECTION OF A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR THE DURATION OF THE TERM VACATED.

ARTICLE 5.

OFFICERS

SECTION 1. THE OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL BE ELECTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THEY SHALL BE A PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, AND TREASURER. ALL OFFICERS SHALL SERVE TWO YEAR TERMS. THE OFFICERS SHALL HAVE SUCH POWER, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AS SHALL BE ASSIGNED TO THEM BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

SECTION 2. THE PRESIDENT SHALL HAVE THE GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT WHICH USUALLY PERTAIN TO THIS OFFICE.

SECTION 3. THE VICE-PRESIDENT SHALL ASSUME THE PRESIDENTS DUTIES IN HIS ABSENCE.

SECTION 4. THE SECRETARY SHALL ISSUE NOTICES OF ALL MEETINGS TO DESIGNATED MEMBERS ALONG WITH PRODUCING THE MINUTES OF THOSE MEETINGS.

SECTION 5. THE TREASURER WILL MAINTAIN THE ASSOCIATION BANK ACCOUNT AND PROVIDE AN ACCOUNTING AT EACH MEETING.

ARTICLE 6.

MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL SELECTION

SECTION 1. THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL CONSIST OF THE HEAD COACH AND DESIGNATED MEMBER(S) FOR EACH SPORT AT ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL.

SECTION 2. EACH HEAD COACH SHALL RECRUIT AN INTERESTED ADULT MEMBER(S) OF THE ITHACA COMMUNITY TO REPRESENT AND FOSTER SUPPORT WITHIN THEIR INDIVIDUAL SPORTS PARENT, BOOSTER, AND PLAYER RANKS. THIS SUPPORT GROUPING FOR EACH SPORT IS NECESSARY TO HELP IN THE EFFORTS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR INDIVIDUAL SPORTS AND HELP IN THE GENERAL EFFORTS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR ALL SPORTS.

ARTICLE 7.

ADVISORY COUNCIL DUTIES

SECTION 1. MEET WITH THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AS REQUESTED FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADVISING AS TO THE METHODS, VALUES, AND MEANS OF FUND GENERATION.

SECTION 2. ADVISE THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ON THE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS RAISED BY THE BOOSTER ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 3. PROVIDE RECRUITMENT OF AND DIRECTION TO ANY AND ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING A PARTICULAR SPORT. THIS RECRUITMENT IS THE BASIS OF THE PROPOSED STRENGTH OF THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 8.

NON PROFIT

SECTION 1. THE ASSOCIATION SHALL NOT BE CONDUCTED OR OPERATED FOR PROFIT AND NO PART OF THE INCOME OR THE FUNDS OF THE ASSOCIATION SHALL INSURE THE BENEFIT OF ANY MEMBER, DIRECTOR, OR OFFICER OF THE ASSOCIATION.

ARTICLE 9.

GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

SECTION 1. THE PRESIDENT MAY APPOINT SUCH COMMITTEES FOR SPECIAL PROJECTS AS HE/SHE DEEMS ADVISABLE AND APPROPRIATE FOR THE PROPER ADMINISTRATION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

SECTION 2. THE FOLLOWING STANDING COMMITTEES SHALL BE APPOINTED TO ADVANCE THE WORK OF THE ASSOCIATION:

- A) PROGRAM COMMITTEE - TO BE HEADED BY A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE WILL SPEARHEAD THE MAJOR FUND RAISING EVENT OF THE YEAR.
- B) CONCESSIONS COMMITTEE - TO BE HEADED BY A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE WILL COORDINATE THE VARIOUS CONCESSIONS OPERATED AT ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC EVENTS TO ASSURE THEIR CONTINUATION AT THE SCHOOL AND TO GENERATE FUNDS.
- C) RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE - TO BE HEADED BY A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE WILL HELP GENERATE MEMBERSHIP FOR THE ASSOCIATION AND INDIVIDUAL SPORTS GROUPS, ALONG WITH RAISING FUNDS.
- D) ADVISORY/GENERAL MEMBER LIASON COMMITTEE- TO BE HEADED BY A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE WILL HELP FOSTER THE FURTHER INVOLVEMENT OF THE MEMBERSHIP IN THE EFFORTS OF THE ASSOCIATION.
- E) BUDGET/FINANCE COMMITTEE- TO BE HEADED BY THE TREASURER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FINANCIAL INTEGRITY OF THE ASSOCIATION AND WILL WORK WITH THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR ON THE FINANCIAL BUDGET PREPERATION FOR THE ATHLETIC BUDGET.
- F) ALLOCATIONS COMMITTEE- TO BE HEADED BY A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. THIS COMMITTEE WILL DETERMINE FORMAL PROCEDURES FOR COACH AND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REQUESTS, COORDINATE REQUESTS, RESEARCH AND PRESENT TO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION/ APPROVAL.

ARTICLE 10.

EXPULSION AND TERMINATION OF RIGHT OF MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. MEMBERSHIP OF ANY MEMBER MAY BE TERMINATED BY RESIGNATION, LAPSING, OR EXPULSION BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

ARTICLE 11.

DISSOCIATION CLAUSE

Section 1. IN THE EVENT THIS ASSOCIATION CEASES TO EXIST THE HOLDINGS OF THIS ORGANIZATION SHALL BE TURNED OVER TO THE ITHACA HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT OR IT'S DESIGNEES.

Section 2. AT THE DIRECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE THE TREASURER WILL TURN ALL HOLDINGS OVER TO THE IHS ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT OR IT'S DESIGNEES AS STATED ABOVE.

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