

**BYLAWS OF THE ALASKA STATE BOWLING ASSOCIATION  
OF THE  
AMERICAN BOWLING CONGRESS**

**ADOPTED-COUNCIL OF DELEGATES-EAGLE RIVER-MARCH 26, 1994**

**MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY**  
(Article 3-State Constitution)

**SECTION 1.**

1. Nonresidents who participates in the championships of another state will not be eligible to enter.

**ORGANIZATION AND GOVERNMENT**  
(Article 4-State Constitution)

**SECTION 2.**

1. The board of directors shall carry out the purposes and objects of the association when the council of delegates is not in session.

**SECTION 3.**

1. Each local association will be eligible for one delegate for each four hundred (400) bowlers or major fraction thereof, based on the sanctioned ABC members for the previous season (see ABC Annual Report). Local associations with a membership of less than two hundred (200) members shall be entitled to one (1) delegate. Each local association shall elect the required number of delegates from their association prior to the Annual State Association meeting. The secretary of each local association shall notify the secretary of the Alaska State Bowling Association in writing prior to the closing date of the entries, the names and addresses of the delegates and alternates chosen as its representatives to the annual meeting of the Council of Delegates of the Alaska State Bowling Association.
2. The annual meeting of the council of delegates will be held at the site of the state tournament during the last weekend of the tournament.
3. Special meetings of the council may be called by the president. Must be called by him upon written request of eight (8) or more members of the council or that of three (3) or more associations in good standing. Any special meeting called will be held in Anchorage.

4. At least fourteen (14) days written notice of all special meeting must be given each local association and all members of the board or directors of the association. The notice must be mailed “registered mail, return receipt requested”, and must specify the business to be transacted.
5. The council of delegates shall give prior approval for all expenditures from the council expense fund not expressly provided for in the bylaws.
6. The delegates and alternate to the annual meeting of the American Bowling Congress will be elected by the council of delegates.
7. Managers or owners of all sanctioned bowling centers throughout the state shall be invited to sit with the council of delegates and shall have voice but no vote.

#### **SECTION 4. – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

1. The board of directors shall hold such meeting as are necessary to transact business of the association as prescribed within the constitution and bylaws. These meetings may be called by the president or must be called by him on written request of four (4) board members.
2. The officers and directors will not receive expenses for attending meetings of the board unless such expenses are authorized by the council of delegates.
3. The board shall have complete charge of conducting the annual State Association Championship Tournament and State Seniors Tournament.
4. The board of directors shall have complete charge of setting up and changing the Policy and Procedures Manual (P&PM).

#### **OFFICERS**

(Article 5 – State Constitution)

#### **SECTION 5.**

1. The officers shall consist of :
  - A. President
  - B. Three (3) Vice Presidents
  - C. Secretary – Treasurer\*
  - D. Tournament Director\*
  - E. Ten (10) Directors

\*These offices may be combined.

The ten (10) directors shall be elected, two (2) per area, from the following five (5) areas within the state;

1. **NORTHERN**--- Area North of Knik Arm-Matanuska River bridge, EXCLUDING the Northcentral Area.
  2. **SOUTHCENTRAL**---Area comprised of the Municipality of Anchorage, including Elmendorf AFB, Fort Richardson and the cities of Bethel and Dutch Harbor.
  3. **SOUTHWESTERN**---Area South of Anchorage and West of the Alaska-Yukon border approximately the 141' longitude, EXCLUDING the Northcentral area and the cities of Bethel and Dutch Harbor.
  4. **SOUTHEASTERN**---Area South and East of the Alaska-Yukon border approximately 141' longitude.
  5. **NORTHCENTRAL**---Area commencing at the Northerly boundary of the Municipality of Anchorage, at the Knik Arm-Matanuska River Bridge, Northerly to Talkeetna; thence East to Glennallen; thence Southerly to Cordova; thence Westerly to the most Southeasterly point of the Municipality of Anchorage and Northerly around its perimeter to the point of beginning.
2. The officers and directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the council of delegates and shall hold office for one (1) year commencing May 1<sup>st</sup> and terminating April 30<sup>th</sup>.
  3. The president, first vice president and tournament director shall be elected from candidates of the local association to which the annual tournament has be voted.
  4. Duly elected members of the State Hall of Fame will be granted Life Membership in the State Bowling Association with voice, but shall be non-voting members.

**SECTION 6. – VACANCIES**

1. Vacancies in the office of director shall be filled by the president from a list of nominations, as furnished by the board of directors of the local association, from which the director was elected.

**DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT**  
(Article 6 – State Constitution)

**SECTION 7.**

1. He shall verify the state association bank balance quarterly.
2. He shall provide for an annual audit, in detail, of the association accounts by an auditing firm or a committee of qualified individuals.
3. He shall co-sign, with the tournament director, all withdrawals from the tournament accounts.

**DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY-TREASURER**  
(Article 8 & 9 – State Constitution)

**SECTION 8.**

1. The office of the secretary and treasurer shall be combined and the secretary-treasurer shall be responsible for the duties of both offices.

2. He shall retain all money and property collected or Donated to the association, with the exception of the state Tournament prize fund, bowling fees and tournament expense fund (these funds to be the responsibility of the tournament director). He shall not release any money or property except on instruction from the council of delegates when the amount exceeds \$25.00, and then only upon checks co-signed by an association officer.
3. He shall keep a true account of all receipts and disbursements for presentation to the audit committee.
4. He shall, when the all-events winner or runner-up have indicated a desire to participate, reserve an entry in the Masters Tournament for the following year.
5. He shall mail ninety (90) days after the annual March Council of Delegates meeting to all local associations and members of the board of directors of the association, the following in booklet form:
  - A. Minutes of the past meeting.
  - B. Copy of the audited state tournament financial report.
  - C. Copy of the audited council of delegates fund.
  - D. Copy of the "Official Prize List".
  - E. Amended copy of the state association bylaws.
  - F. Amended copy of the state association "Hall of Fame Constitution".
6. The salary of the secretary-treasurer shall be \$500.00 plus \$100.00 office rent per year plus transportation and expenses as further defined, paid from the council of delegates fund. Transportation from secretary's local association to state tournament site and return at a rate not to exceed "regular" airfare. Expenses for lodging and food not to exceed \$75.00 per day for a maximum of \$225.00. Salary, transportation and expenses shall be collected only if the secretary is in attendance at the annual meeting and has completely fulfilled his duties as outlined herein.
7. He shall furnish the board of directors and all local associations proposals, (amendments, etc.) at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual state meeting.
8. He shall furnish the board of directors with a ballot of the proposed Hall of Fame candidates.
9. Shall provide copies of minutes from any special meeting to the board of directors and all local association secretaries within thirty (30) days.

## **VOTING**

(Article 10 – State Constitution)

### **SECTION 9.**

1. At any and all meeting of the council and of the board only those present shall be eligible to vote. Voting by mail, written or oral proxy, shall be permitted. However, when the board is not in session, a mail vote of the body may be conducted at the discretion of the president and secretary. The secretary shall record such vote in the minutes and note thereon how such vote was taken.

**AMENDMENTS**  
(Article 11 – State Constitution)

**SECTION 10.**

1. Proposals for amendment or repeal of the bylaws this association shall be submitted to the State secretary forty-five (45) days prior to the annual meeting. The state secretary will notify all associations within the state thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting with copies of proposed changes.
2. Without proper notification, no action may be taken on any proposed amendment or repeal of the bylaws.
3. The state secretary shall notify the board of directors of all proposals at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting.

**MANAGEMENT OF THE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS TOURNAMENT**  
(Article 3 – State Constitution)

**SECTION 11.**

- A. When the board of directors is not in session, management shall be vested in the tournament director.
  1. He shall receive, collect and be responsible for all tournament entry fees and shall deposit all fees to the credit of the association in a recognized banking institution.
  2. He shall forward the council fund and masters fund to secretary of the association prior to the opening date of the tournament schedule.
  3. He shall acknowledge and file all bonafide entries to the annual tournament in the order of their receipt.
  4. He shall have full charge of drafting and preparing the schedule for the annual tournament and may change said schedule when it is in the best interest of participating bowlers.
  5. He shall prepare prize list and issue prize checks to be co-signed by the president.
  6. He shall mail a copy of the official stand/prize list to all local association, state association secretary and the American Bowling congress within thirty (30) days of completion of the tournament. The standing/prize list sent to the state secretary shall include scratch scores for all first and second place finishers.
  7. He shall be responsible for the proper disbursement of prize checks, trophies and ABC awards.
  8. He shall verify all averages of all bowlers winning any prize money before prize checks are issued.
  9. He shall enforce the rules governing the annual tournament and his decisions shall be final, with the provision that a protest from his ruling may be filed as outlined in the tournament rules.
  10. He shall be responsible for the preparation of all materials necessary to conduct the annual tournament and he shall purchase supplies as required for official tournament purposes from the tournament expense fund.

11. He shall be responsible for mailing entry forms to each local association prior to the opening date of the tournament entries.
  12. He shall not schedule any squad to start between the hours of 12:01 A.M. and 7:59 A.M. during the weekend of the state meeting, except when necessary. When necessary to schedule between these hours, no hosting association bowler will be eligible to bowl during this weekend.
  13. He shall provide the state association secretary with a copy of all information required to be sent to ABC and audited reports required by the state association bylaws within thirty (30) days of completion of the tournament.
- B. Site inspection shall be accomplished and reported to the council of delegates by the officers and directors from the areas of the bidding cities.
  - C. Selection of site and hosting association will be accomplished by the council of delegates at the annual meeting. The tournament site to be accepted for consideration by the council of delegates must meet the following qualification.
    1. The local association guarantees to forward all tournament funds to the state secretary.
    2. Local association desiring to submit the bid forms must submit the forms to the state association secretary or president prior to the beginning of the State Board of Directors meeting.
  - D. **CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS**
    1. The Alaska state bid form submitted with the local association's bid shall be considered as a binding contract, if it is accepted by the council of delegates.
    2. Any deviation from submitted data within the bid form shall have prior approval of the board of directors.

## **COMMITTEES**

### **SECTION 12.**

1. The following committees shall be appointed by the president.
  - A. Legislative and Constitution Committee, comprised of not less than five (5) members.
  - B. Audit committee, comprised of not less than five (5) members, of which the president nor the treasurer may be a member.
  - C. Budget and Finance committee, comprised of not less than five (5) members.
  - D. Special Activities Committee, comprised of not less than three (3) members.
  - E. Credentials Committee, comprised of at least one (1) member from each of the five (5) areas.
  - F. All star Selection committee, comprised of a chairperson and one (1) member from each of the five (5) areas.

## **LOCAL ASSOCIATIONS**

### **SECTION 13.**

1. All Local Association Secretaries shall provide to the State Association Secretary, their Association Final Averages or Year Book prior to August 1 (to coincide with their report to ABC). This shall include:
  - a. Top five (5) high averages.
  - b. Award scores.
  - c. Top five (5) Local Association Tournament winners.
2. This information shall be used to help select the State All Star Team and Bowler of the Year.

## **SPECIAL ACTIVITIES**

### **SECTION 14.**

1. When scheduling will permit, the following special events will be supported by the State Association.
  - A. Senior Singles Event
  - B. 700 Club Singles Event
  - C. Young American Bowling Alliance Bowling Events
  - D. Workshop and Jamboree

## **HALL OF FAME**

### **SECTION 15.**

1. The Alaska State Bowling Association “Hall of Fame” shall be organized and operated as per the attached constitution. Selection of candidates will be made at the annual meeting held at the state tournament site.

### **ALASKA STATE BOWLING ASSOCIATION “HALL OF FAME” CONSTITUTION**

**ADOPTED – COUNCIL OF DELEGATES – ANCHORAGE – MARCH 10, 1984**

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

This organization shall be known as the Alaska State Bowling Association Hall of Fame.

#### **ARTICLE II - OBJECTS**

To perpetuate the name of those who have displayed outstanding ability in the game of American Ten Pins and/or who have contributed through outstanding and meritorious service, to the general welfare and progress of the game.

#### **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP AND ORGANIZATION**

The Alaska State Bowling Association Hall of Fame shall be composed of individual members sanctioned by or who have been sanctioned by one of the local associations within the state of Alaska.

#### **MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY**

The Alaska State Bowling Association Hall of Fame will accept candidates to the organization under the following conditions.

1. The candidate is/was a member in good standing of the American Bowling Congress at the time of his outstanding accomplishment or meritorious service.
2. The individual is/was a resident of the state of Alaska at the time of his outstanding accomplishment or meritorious service.
3. The candidate must have at all time displayed good sportsmanship and to have been a credit to the game of bowling at all times, be of good moral character and an inspiration both on and off the lanes to fellow bowlers and a good pattern for members of the Y.A.B.A.
4. A candidate may qualify for the Hall of Fame by displaying outstanding ability in the game of American Ten Pins. This ability may have been in regular league play, ABC national and/or local and state tournaments.

5. If an elected candidate to the Hall of Fame shall at any time by his deeds or actions prove himself unworthy of the honor of being a member of this organization the Council of Delegates will have the power, at their discretion with a vote of 75% of the voting members, revoke his membership and all other honors and recognition that are enjoyed by the members of the Hall of Fame.

#### **ARTICLE IV – MANAGEMENT**

1. Management of the Hall of Fame shall be vested in the council of Delegates of the Alaska State Bowling Association. It shall supervise the Hall of Fame in such a manner as to assure a living, active organization service the purpose for which it is organized.
2. The council may, at its discretion, annually invite a maximum of five individuals from among the sportswriters and broadcasters, the bowling proprietors or from any field to assist them in their final selection.
3. The Council of Delegates and the guest members shall be the electors.

#### **ARTICLE V - BALLOT AND NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

The Board of Directors of the Alaska State Bowling Association shall constitute the ballot and nominating committee. This committee:

1. Shall establish whether the candidate is/was of good standing in the American Bowling Congress.
2. May nominate, from the ballots submitted to it, one or more from the living candidates, and if possible, one other for posthumous.
3. The committee shall name to the electors the proposed candidates who in their findings failed to qualify for nomination, should any of the endorsees question the findings of the committee, a closed meeting of the electors, excluding the candidate, shall be held to discuss the nomination. Should the electors then by a two-thirds vote of the electors present favor the nomination, the candidate shall be placed on the ballot.
4. Shall hold as many meetings as deemed necessary, or as directed by the president of the Alaska State Bowling Association. A quorum for such meetings shall be a majority of the board.
5. Must meet annually or conduct the business of the committee by registered mail, return receipt requested, prior to annual state meeting.
6. It shall take a 51% affirmative vote of the committee to place the nominee on the ballot.

#### **ARTICLE VI - CANDIDATES**

Ballots for candidacy must be mailed to the secretary, Alaska State Bowling Association, Hall of Fame, forty-five (45) days prior to the annual Council of Delegates meeting. The secretary shall in turn, notify all local associations of these candidates thirty (30) days prior to the annual Council of Delegates meeting

and shall deliver the ballots to the ballot and nominating committee for their consideration.

Each ballot for candidacy to the Hall of Fame must be accompanied by the following:

1. One Hundred (100) signatures endorsing the candidate, giving full names, addresses and telephone numbers.
2. Detailed and complete information pertinent to qualifying the proposed candidate.

## **ARTICLE VII – ELECTIONS OR SELECTIONS**

1. The electors may elect two living candidates to the Hall of Fame and may also elect one posthumous honors.
2. It shall take a 75% affirmative vote of the electors present to elect a candidate to the Hall of Fame.
3. If three (3) or more candidates are being considered and no candidate receives the necessary 75% vote of the electors, the candidate with the least number of votes shall be dropped and another ballot taken. *If only one* candidate receives the necessary 75% vote of the electors another ballot will be taken on the remaining two candidates. If on the revote of the remaining two candidates neither receives the necessary 75% vote of the electors, the candidate with the least number of votes shall be dropped and another ballot taken (if no objection, this vote may be taken by a show of hands of the electors).
4. If on the final ballot a candidate still does not receive the necessary 75% vote, the final ballot only shall be declared, “no election”.
5. Nominees may be re-submitted, under criteria set forth in this constitution.
6. There will be separate ballots for the living and the posthumous candidates.
7. Balloting by the electors must be by written vote, unless no objection, then the vote may be taken by a show of hands.

## **ARTICLE VIII – AWARDS**

1. Suitable awards in the form of rings, lapel pins, tie clips, etc., made by the Council of Delegates shall be awarded to the candidates elected. These awards shall be presented with fitting ceremony at the site of the Annual State Tournament.
2. On case of posthumous awards, the award shall be made to the nearest of kin of the deceased and every effort should be made to include those accepting the award in the ceremonies.
3. A suitable plaque large enough to accommodate 20 names-or to which additional plates can be added, shall be secured and names of all successful candidates shall be inscribed thereon as elected.

4. This plaque must be on display each year at the establishment holding the Annual State Tournament or at any other place or places during the year as may seem appropriate to the Board of Directors.
5. The Council of Delegates at their discretion may choose instead of the plaque to secure photographs of uniform size of all candidates elected to the Hall of Fame. These photographs to be encased in a suitable frame or rack and these pictures to be displayed in the manner above.

#### **ARTICLE IX – EXPENSE**

The expense of operating this Hall of Fame shall be borne by the Alaska State Bowling Association.