

The Lorain County Soccer Coaches Association Constitution

I. Constitution Mission Statement

The mission of the Lorain County Soccer Coaches Association is to establish a unity, a recognition, and a promotion of soccer for the soccer coaches of Lorain County. Our goal is to increase the overall knowledge of the game so that we can make the game a better, safer, more productive style of soccer. The association includes all Lorain County schools having varsity soccer programs.

II. Officers – Election Process

A. President

The election takes place at the October meeting. The new President assumes office on January 1 of the next year. Nominations for President will be accepted from the floor, but only head coaches are eligible for the office of President. Once all nominees have been identified and have accepted their nomination, all head coaches present will vote for their choice for President. The winner is the individual that receives the highest number of votes from the head coaches present at the meeting.

B. Vice President

The election takes place at the October meeting. The new Vice-President assumes office on January 1 of the next year. Nominations for Vice-President will be accepted from the floor, but only head coaches are eligible for the office of Vice-President. Once all nominees have been identified and have accepted their nomination, all head coaches present will vote for their choice for Vice-President. The winner is the individual that receives the highest number of votes from the head coaches present at the meeting.

C. Secretary-Treasurer

The election takes place at the October meeting. The new Secretary – Treasurer assumes office on January 1 of the next year. Nominations for Secretary-Treasurer will be accepted from the floor, and both head coaches and assistant coaches are eligible for the office of Secretary-Treasurer. Once all nominees have been identified and have accepted their nomination, all head coaches present will vote for their choice for Secretary-President. The winner is the individual that receives the highest number of votes from the head coaches present at the meeting.

Note: (a) A quorum of Head Varsity Coaches, 60%, must be present at the October meeting for elections to take place.

(b) In the event no quorum of Head Varsity Coaches is present at the October meeting, elections will be held at the next scheduled meeting.

(c) In the event the office of President or Vice-President cannot be filled by a Head Varsity Coach, nominations will be opened to assistant coaches and JV coaches who are members of the Lorain County Soccer Coaches Association. These nominations will then be voted on by the Head Varsity Coaches present.

III. Duties of the Officers

President

- a) Organizes and runs each meeting
- b) Appoints Committees as needed
- c) Appoints Senior All-Star chairperson at the May meeting
- d) Appoints Scholarship Committee chairperson at the May meeting

Vice President

- a) Performs Presidents job if President is unable to attend meeting
- b) Is responsible for ordering awards for Lorain County All-County teams
- c) Is responsible for securing a site for the Senior All-Star Game in conjunction with the Senior All-Star chairperson

Secretary – Treasurer

- a) Takes notes and keeps records of each speaker at the meeting
- b) Maintains finances including collection of dues, fines, payment of bills, and payment of expenses related to the Senior All-Star game
- c) Distributes information regarding meetings and events
- d) Works with Senior All-Star Chairperson

IV. Voting Privileges

All Head Varsity Coaches of the Lorain County Soccer Coaches Association are eligible to vote.

DUES MUST BE PAID PRIOR TO THE OCTOBER MEETING IN ORDER FOR A MEMBER SCHOOL'S REPRESENTATIVE TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE

Dues are \$50.00 per high school varsity team (\$50 for the girl's team, \$50 for the boy's team)

Dues are subject to change upon the needs and vote of the membership. Head coaches not attending scheduled meetings who fail to send an assistant coach or athletic director in their place will be fined \$25 per scheduled meeting.

V. Meeting Schedule

Meetings will be held twice a year – The 3rd Sunday of May and the 1st Sunday following the conclusion of the regular season. At the May meeting, there will be a report on the All-Star game, the naming of the All-Star chairperson and committee, collection of dues, and any other business. In addition to the regular business, voting for the senior All-Star games and Lorain County Teams will be made at the October meeting. Also at the October meeting, All-Star nomination forms and Scholarship nomination forms will be turned in. The All-Star game plans will be finalized and election of officers will be held. The President will notify member coaches in advance regarding the times and location of meetings. Scholarship and All-Star nomination forms will be distributed to coaches in August.

VI. Senior All-Star Games

Games Chairperson – Appointed by the president at the May meeting.

Responsible for –

- a) All press releases
- b) Meeting with the head coaches of both the boys and girls All-Star teams.

There will be one boys and one girls All-Star game, with players combined from all divisions. The Games Chairperson, in conjunction with the All-Star committee, will be responsible for splitting the teams in a manner which provides for a competitive match.

Senior All-Star games will be coached by the Coaches of the Year and the Assistant Coaches of the Year.

Each eligible high school subject to articles IV and V in the Lorain County Coaches Association Constitution must be represented at the Senior All-Star games by no less than 1, and no more than 3, players.

Exceptions -

- 1) No one from the school wishes to participate.
- 2) Total number of players per team shall not exceed 18.

Finances –

- Insurance
- Referees
- Game site
- Supplies at site (lines, corner flags, maintenance personnel, security)
- Specific game night needs on a separate form
- Gate receipts to LCSCA
- Concessions to school

VII. All-County Voting Procedure

- a) Dues must be paid prior to the October meeting in order for an eligible school to be able to vote.
- b) Teams are divided by Divisions and gender prior to the vote.
- c) Nominations will be made from the floor by the Head Varsity Coach or Assistant Coach if the head coach is not present.
- d) Assistant Coaches will not be allowed to vote unless the Head Coach is not present and has notified the President in advance of his/her absence by September 15th and provided the name of the Assistant Coach.
- e) Only high school statistics and information may be presented (no information regarding play for non high school teams).
- f) Voting is not weighted by ranking of players; rather, a straight voting procedure will be utilized wherein a simple tally of votes determine first and second team selections.

All-County First and Second Teams consist of:

The top 12 voted players for boys and girls split by division
The top voted goalkeeper for boys and girls split by division

First and second teams will be named for all divisions.

Each Head Coach in good standing with the LCSCA may select two players of his/her choosing for Honorable Mention recognition.

Additional awards will be voted on and presented at Senior All-Star Games as follows:

Player of the Year (Boys DI, Boys DII, Boys DIII and Girls DI ,Girls DII)

County Coach of the Year (Boys DI, Boys DII, Boys DIII and Girls DI, Girls DII)

County Assistant Coach of the Year (Boys DI, Boys DII, Boys DIII and Girls DI, Girls DII)

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