Mineral Area Jr. High Activities Association Constitution

Article 1 – Name

The Name of the organization shall be the Mineral Area Jr. High Activities Association, (M.A.J.H.A.A.)

Article 2 – Purposes

- 1. To enable member school officials, faculty members and students to become better acquainted.
- 2. To provide opportunities for member schools to compete and communicate in activities.
- 3. To allow the determination of association championships in sports and other activities.
- 4. To provide methods of keeping association records.
- 5. To develop and implement ways for improvement of school and team Sportsmanship.
- 6. To encourage school participation in association sponsored activities.
- Section 1 Active membership in the association shall consist of the Jr/Middle principals and other administrative personnel of the member schools. Membership dues are \$50.00 for each school year.
- Section 2 Member schools: Arcadia Valley, Bismarck, Park Hills, Farmington, Fredericktown, Kingston, West County, North County, Potosi, Ste. Genevieve, & Valley of Caledonia.
- Section 3 Each member school shall have one vote at association meetings.
- Section 4 New members may be added by a 2/3 vote of member schools.
- Section 5 Member schools are required to attend a minimum of five meetings each year or give just cause. Review of cause will be considered by voting members and could result in a one-year probationary status. Continual violation could result in expulsion from the conference.

Article 3 – Officers

- Section 1 The officers of the association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.
- Section 2 The President shall be a principal or assistant principal. The President shall preside at all meetings beginning with the first one of the current school year.
- Section 3 The Vice President shall be a principal or assistant principal. The Vice President shall preside at meetings if the President is not present. This officer will be the President of the association the following school year.
- Section 4 The Secretary shall be a principal or assistant principal. The Secretary shall keep minutes and records of all meetings. The Secretary shall preside at meetings if the President or Vice President is not present. This officer will be the Vice President of the association the following school year. This office will rotate among member schools alphabetically.
- Section 5 The Treasurer shall be a principal or assistant principal. The Treasurer shall pay association bills and be responsible for a monthly financial report at association meetings. This office is voted on by association members and can be for more than a one year term.

Article 4 – Meetings

- Section 1 An association meeting shall be held monthly during the school year, on the second Thursday of the month. Special meetings may be called by the President.
- Section 2 A Quorum (majority) of member schools shall be necessary before any business can be transacted.

Article 5 – Amendments

The constitution can be amended by a 2/3 vote at any meeting, provided the proposed amendment was submitted in writing and read at a previous meeting.

By Laws:

- 1. MAJHAA will sanction all events that this group sponsors as long as a minimum of five member schools is participating.
- 2. Organizations are encouraged to meet and make recommendations to the association, as deemed necessary.

- 3. The President shall appoint committees to draw up conference schedules, and activities.
- 4. All schedules will be revised and approved annually by the association.
- 5. All contests must be completed by the Friday before the start of the Conference Tournament to be considered for seeding of that tournament. Conference Champions will be determined by considering all games played within the season limitations set by MSHSAA.
- 6. All approved conference schedules will serve as a contract.
- 7. Individual schools may by mutual agreement change an activity as long as it follows rule 5.
- 8. All conference tournament admission (volleyball, basketball, and track) and Honors Band/Choir performances is \$1.00 for students/children, and \$2.00 for adults. Only MAAA lifetime passes will be accepted at the gate. The conference tournament for Volleyball and Basketball will begin on Saturday and run through Thursday. Friday will be used as a make-up day.
- 9. The association will sponsor conference volleyball, basketball, track, honors choir/band, academic team, and spelling bee.
- 10. In the event of a seeding tie, the team that beats the other team will be seeded above. If there is a tie with more than two teams a flip of the coin (odd coin wins) will determine the seed above the others. Season head to head competition will determine the two remaining team's seed.
- 11. The association will set all fees paid out.
- 12. The association will award conference championship trophies for season play and tournament play. Any tie will result in each school receiving that award.
- 13. The association will present a service plaque for any sponsor or coach with 10 or more years that leaves the association. All administrators will receive a service plaque for any years of service with the association.

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