

**Hamilton High Sports Booster Club**  
**By-Laws**

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

This organization shall be known as the Hamilton High Sports Booster Club; hereinafter referred to as "The Boosters."

**ARTICLE II - MISSION STATEMENT**

The Hamilton High School Booster Club also known as "the Boosters," are composed of parents and other community members who have an interest in improving and assisting the Hamilton High School athletic programs. The Booster's primary purpose is fundraising to support athletic programs and promoting school spirit through sports.

**ARTICLE III - OBJECTIVE**

**SECTION 1**

The objective of the Boosters shall be to support and raise money for Hamilton High athletics, athletic scholarships and while promoting school spirit.

**SECTION 2**

To achieve this objective, the Boosters will provide a program that encourages participation. All Directors, Officers and Members shall bear in mind that we support all the league athletic programs. In accordance with Section 501 (c) (3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the Boosters shall operate exclusively as a non-profit organization. No part of the net earnings shall benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

**ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1**

**Eligibility-** Any person sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of the Boosters may apply to become a Member.

**SECTION 2**

**Members:**

- (a) **Regular Members.** The parents or legal guardians of any youth participating in programs, alumni, and all other adults wishing to support HHS league athletic programs and who complete an application and pay membership dues. The Treasurer and Secretary shall maintain the roll of all members.
- (b) When a membership application has been completed and membership dues have been paid; members shall have the right to hold office as duly elected, to attend all general membership meetings and to vote on all matters properly before the membership. No Member shall have any right or interest in the property of the Boosters.
- (c) Every parent or guardian of any youth participating in Hamilton High School athletics is strongly encouraged to:
  - (1) Attend all general membership meetings and to vote on all matters and participate in discussions properly before the Booster membership.
  - (2) Support the Boosters in its financial responsibilities by making voluntary donations.
  - (3) Participate in Booster activities designed to support Hamilton High School Athletics.
- (d) No Member shall have any right or interest in the property of the Boosters.

### SECTION 3

**Suspension or Termination.** Members may be terminated by resignation or action of the Board of Directors by a two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted Board meeting. The Board shall have the authority to discipline, suspend, or terminate the membership of any Member, when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests and objectives of the Boosters. The Member shall be notified of such meeting, informed of the general nature of the reasons, and given an opportunity to appear at the meeting to show evidence that the reasons are not correct or true.

## ARTICLE V - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

### SECTION 1

**General Membership Meeting.** A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the membership of the Boosters, including Special General Membership Meetings. There shall be at least one General Membership Meeting.

### SECTION 2

**Notice of Meeting.** Notice of each General Membership Meeting, shall be posted electronically at least seven days in advance of the meeting. Such notice shall include the place, date, time and purpose of the meeting.

### SECTION 3

**Voting.** Only Regular Members in good standing shall have the right to make motions at General Membership Meetings. Each member is allowed to cast only one vote. The Board of Directors may invite and admit guests for presentations or comments during such meetings. There is no quorum required in order to convene a duly constituted General Membership Meeting. No absentee ballots will be recognized.

### SECTION 4

**Annual Meeting of the Members.** The annual Meeting of the Members shall be held at the October meeting each year for the purpose of electing the Board of Directors, receiving reports, reviewing these By-Laws, and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

- (a) The Membership shall receive at the Annual Meeting a report by the President, or his/ her designate, the content of which should include:
  - (1) The condition of the Boosters,
  - (2) A general summary of funds received and expended by the Boosters for the previous year, the amount of funds currently in possession of the Boosters and the name of the financial institution in which such funds are maintained
  - (3) The whole amount of real and personal property owned by the Boosters, and where located.
- (b) The Membership shall have the right to vote for each position to be filled on the Board of Directors.
- (c) The Membership shall have the right to increase the number of the Board of Directors. If the number is increased, the additional Directors may be elected at the meeting at which the increase is voted, or at subsequent General Membership meetings.
- (d) The Board of Directors shall assume the performance of its duties immediately following the elections.
- (e) The Board's term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section.

## ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

### SECTION 1

**Authority.** The Board of Directors shall be the governing body of the Boosters and shall be charged with the full responsibility for the conduct of all phases of the program, and shall be empowered to take all action necessary to discharge this responsibility subject only to the limitations contained in the Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws.

### SECTION 2

**Officers of the Board of Directors.** The following shall be the Officers and voting members of the Board of Directors:

- 1) President
- 2) Vice President
- 3) Treasurer
- 4) Secretary
- 5) Director of Merchandise

### SECTION 2

**Term of Office.** The voting members of the Board of Directors shall be elected by the Members at the Annual Meeting for a term of one (1) year and will be eligible for reelection annually. Incoming officers shall assume office following the October election and shall enter into the performance of their duties and shall continue in office until their successor has assumed office. A nominating committee will be appointed by the President each June to place names of individuals on the slate of nominees for the Annual Meeting.

**Attendance at Meetings.** All Board Members are required to attend all duly notified meetings. Members may only be excused from attendance by the President. Two consecutive unexcused absences or any three unexcused absences during the year may result in removal from the Board of Directors.

### SECTION 3

**Vacancies.** In the event that a position becomes vacant during the year, the President shall appoint a replacement.

### SECTION 4

**Special Board Meetings, Notice and Quorum.** Special meetings of the Board shall be held at the discretion of the President or the Board of Directors and on such days as shall be determined by the Board.

- (a) The President, or any three voting Board Members may issue a call for a Special Board Meeting. Notice shall be not less than forty-eight hours in advance of such Special Meeting. Notice shall include the purpose of the meeting, no other matters not so noticed may be acted upon at the meeting, and Robert's Rules will be followed.
- (b) Notice of each Special Board meeting shall be given by the Secretary personally, electronically, or by mail to each Director at least 48 hours before the time of the meeting.
- (c) A majority of the elected Board Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

## ARTICLE VII - DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BOARD

### SECTION 1

**Appointments.** The President, or the Board may appoint such other officers as he/she may deem necessary, and may prescribe the duties of each. The President or the Board shall have the power to appoint such committees as they deem

necessary, and to delegate such powers to them as is advisable and proper under these By-Laws. The Board shall have the power, by two-thirds vote of those present at a duly constituted meeting, to discipline, suspend, or remove any Director or Officer, or Committee member in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article IV, Section 4.

## SECTION 2

**President.** The President shall:

- (a) Conduct the affairs of the Boosters and execute the policies established by the Board.
- (b) Communicate to the Board such matters as deemed necessary, and make suggestions that promote the welfare and achieve the objectives of the Boosters.
- (c) Act on behalf of the Board, with their approval on matters of contracts, leases, and purchases in the name of the Boosters.
- (d) Investigate complaints, irregularities, and conditions detrimental to the Boosters and report to the Board or Executive Committee as necessary.
- (e) Present a report of the condition of the Boosters at the Annual Meeting.

**Vice President.** The Vice President shall:

- (a) Perform any duties as requested by the President
- (b) Preside at meetings in the absence of the President

**Secretary.** The Secretary shall:

- (a) Be responsible for recording the activities of the Boosters and maintain appropriate files, Board list, membership records, minutes, and mailing lists.
- (b) Perform such duties as are incident to the office of Secretary.
- (c) Give required notice of all meetings of the Boosters.
- (d) Distribute minutes of the meetings within seven (7) days of past meeting.
- (e) Conduct all correspondence not specifically delegated in connection with said meetings and is responsible for carrying out all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed.
- (f) Notify members of their election or appointments.

**Treasurer shall:**

- (a) Perform all duties as are herein set forth, and such duties as are incident to the office of Treasurer.
- (b) Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all monies of the Boosters, approve all payments from allotted funds, and draw checks therefore in agreement with policies established by the Board. All checks shall be signed by the Treasurer and/or another board member.

**Directors of Merchandise shall:**

- (a) Be responsible for promoting HHS Booster Merchandise.
- (b) Purchase and maintain merchandise upon approval of board.

The following is a list of the sports to be represented:

Football	Boys Basketball	Baseball
Volleyball	Girls Basketball	Softball
Cross Country	Boys Soccer	Track and Field
Cheerleading	Girls Soccer	
	Wrestling	

## ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

### SECTION 1

The Board may appoint an Executive Committee that shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and the Director of Merchandise, the Principal, Athletic Director, 1 Varsity Boys Coach and 1 Varsity Girls Coach. The President shall serve as Chairperson of the Committee.

### SECTION 2

The Executive Committee shall advise with and assist the Board in all matters concerning its interests and the management of affairs, and shall have other powers as may be delegated to it by the Board, but in no event will the Executive Committee have authority over the Board.

### SECTION 3

At any meeting of the Executive Committee, a majority of the total number of members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the act of a majority present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Committee.

## ARTICLE XI - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING

### SECTION 1

**Authority and Disbursement.** The Executive Committee, and or the board of the Boosters shall decide all matters pertaining to the distribution of funds other than fundraising expenses, and shall place all income in the Booster bank accounts, directing expenditure of funds other than fundraising expenses in such manner as the Executive Committee, and the Board of the Boosters agrees. The Treasurer or the President shall sign checks, or other Officer as the Board shall determine.

### SECTION 3

**Compensation.** No Director, Officer, or Member shall receive, directly or indirectly, compensation from the Boosters.

### SECTION 4

**Fiscal Year.** The fiscal year of the Boosters shall begin on July 1 and end on June 30.

### SECTION 5

**Budget.** The Board of Directors shall adopt an annual budget of income and expenses under the direction of the President and the Treasurer. The Board shall make the budget available to Members at the Membership meeting.

### SECTION 6

**Expenditures.** Only by a majority vote of the Board of Directors may any individual be authorized to spend money for fundraising expenses.

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ARTICLE XII - NON-DISCRIMINATION

It is the policy of the Boosters that all the parties involved in the operation of the Boosters will provide an operational environment that is free of all forms of discrimination.

ARTICLE XIII - CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Members of the Board and Committee Members shall not engage in any activity which gives rise to, or could give rise to, an appearance or claim of self-dealing loyalty or conflict of interest by reason of such person's position with the Boosters. In the event that such person has reason to believe his or her activities or anticipated activities could give rise to any such claim, he or she shall have a duty to disclose such activities or anticipated activities to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XIV - INDEMNIFICATION

The Boosters shall indemnify and hold harmless every Director, Officer, and Member of the Boosters to the fullest extent allowed under California Corporations Code Section 7237, or as otherwise allowed by law at the time of indemnification.

ARTICLE XV - AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any duly constituted meeting of the Members, providing notice of the proposed change is included in the notice of such meeting.

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President's Name:

President's Signature: Hildi Powell

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