# **District 14 Volleyball Coaches Association Constitution**

#### Article I - Name

The name of the organization shall be the District 14 Volleyball Coaches Association. It shall be composed of voluntary membership of the coaches in schools in the Southeast District in the following counties: Adams, Fayette, Highland, Pickaway, Pike, Ross and Scioto.

### Article II - Purpose

The purpose of this organization is to enrich the fellowship of the volleyball coaches in the 14th District; to increase their knowledge of volleyball; and to provide recognition to District 14 players through whatever means deemed appropriate by the membership.

### A. All District teams and District Player of the Year - Selection Guidelines:

- 1. For a coach to nominate his/her deserving athletes for All District honors, that coach must be a paid member of the District 14 Volleyball Coaches Association.
- 2. Nominations will be compiled by the Association President. The President will inform the membership for the due date for nominations at the meeting prior to the start of the regular season.
- 3. Each member school will have one ballot. A representative from each member school must be present at the October meeting in order for their ballot to count <u>and</u> for their players to remain on the ballot.
- 4. Voting procedure will be determined by the President.
- 5. The President will select a date acceptable to the membership toward the end of the regular season play to vote for All District honors. This is known as the October meeting.
- 6. Each member coach will distribute the nomination form (no additional forms or pictures are to be included with the nomination form) to the member coaches in their division by the deadline set forth by the membership. No transfer of player nomination information should take place at the voting meeting. A list of member coaches along with their contact information will be provided at the expense of the association to allow coaches to get their player nominations to eligible voting coaches.

Nominations have been compiled and sent out by the association President for the last several years - noted October 2023.

- 7. There is no limit on nominations per coach.
- 8. The head coach or a representative must be present at the voting

- meeting for a nominated player from their school to be selected for honors. (AMENDED, August 1989)
- 9. Dues must be paid by a pre-selected date made known at the August meeting, as determined by the President. (AMENDED, August 1989)

## 10. Voting Procedures

- a. Divisions III and IV will be combined with a 1st and 2nd team of 6 players on each. Top choice on each ballot receives 12 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> choice, 11 points and so on through the 12th choice receiving 1 point. Points are tallied with the top Division III/IV player named player of the year. (*AMENDED*, October 2024)
  - i. When a Division III and IV player makes First Team District 14 honors, that player will represent District 14 at the OHSVCA All Star match. In the event that no Division III and/or IV players make first team honors, no Division III and/or DIV representative will be sent to the OHSVCA State All Star Match. (AMENDED, August 2022 & October 2024)
- b. Division V will have a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> team with 6 players on each. Top choice on each ballot receives 12 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> choice receives 11 points and so on through the 12<sup>th</sup> choice receiving 1 point. Points are tallied with the top Division V player named player of the year. The top senior point receiver in Division V will represent the district in the OHSVCA state all star match. (*AMENDED*, *October 2024*)
  - i. When a Division V player makes First Team District 14 honors, that player will represent District 14 at the OHSVCA All Star match. In the event that no Division V players make first team honors, no Division V representative will be sent to the OHSVCA State All Star Match. (AMENDED, October 2024)
- c. Division VI & VII will be combined and will have a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> team with 6 players on each (as long as 14 schools participate). Top choice on each ballot receives 18 points, 2<sup>nd</sup> choice receives 17 points and so on through the 18<sup>th</sup> choice receiving 1 point. Points are tallied with the top Division VI & VII player named player of the year. The top senior point receiver in Division VI and in VII will represent the district in the OHSVCA state all star match. (*AMENDED*, *October 2024*)

- When a Division VI and VII player makes First Team District 14 honors, that player will represent District 14 at the OHSVCA All Star match. In the event that no Division VI and/or VII players make first team honors, no Division VI and/or VII representative will be sent to the OHSVCA State All Star Match. (AMENDED, October 2024)
- d. Players who receive points from at least 2 coaches but not enough points to make the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> teams in their respective divisions will be named honorable mention.
- e. If any division should reaches 14 teams, then a 3rd team making up 6 players will be added.
- f. Coaches may NOT vote for their own players. (AMENDED, August, 1989)
- g. Each voter will also vote for 1 coach for Coach of the Year. The coach with the most votes will be named District 14 Coach of the Year for their respective division.

#### B. District All Star Match

- 1. A district all star match will be held the week after the state tournament on a date and site that fits the schedule of the participating schools. The all star match will consist of 3 sets regardless of the outcome of the first 2 sets.
- 2. Players for the District All Star Match will be the top vote receivers in each division, regardless of grade. (AMENDED, August 2021).
  - a. All Star divisional distribution will be based on the same percentage of teams participating in the voting process in that current year. Should a rounding decision be necessary, the officers will use their discretion. (AMENDED, August 2022)
  - b. No more than 24 players may be selected to participate in the All Star Match. (AMENDED, November 2021)
  - c. Teams will be divided by position by the association officers and/or All Star Coaches, to ensure the all star match is a competitive event in an effort to showcase our district's best players for college coaches in attendance at the match. In cases where more players are needed to fill the all star match teams they will be invited in order of votes.
- 3. Coaches for the all star match will be the Coaches of the Year in each division. A coach may be selected Coach of the Year in consecutive seasons, but may not coach the All Star match two consecutive years. In the case the coach of the year coached the all star match in the preceding

- year, the coach with the next highest points in coach of the year balloting will coach in the all star match.
- 4. The Association will purchase an additional of each size t-shirt Small, Medium and Large (3 total) to have on hand in the case that a selected player becomes injured or has a doctor excuse for not participating will still receive a t-shirt and that the player chosen to fill the vacant spot will also receive a shirt for her participation. (AMENDED, August 2022)

## **Article III - Membership**

- 1. There shall be two classes of membership in this association active and associate.
  - a. Active membership shall include volleyball coaches of Varsity teams in District 14.
  - b. Associate membership shall include any other person interested in the activities of the organization. However, associate members shall not have the right to vote or to hold office in this organization.
- 2. Procedure for joining the district 14 volleyball coach's association:
  - a. The requesting school's athletic director must send the district president a formal request to join district 14.
  - b. The district in which the school was formerly a member must also send a letter stating they will release the school from their district association.
  - c. District 14 will hold a discussion on bringing the new team into our district.
  - d. A motion must be made to accept the new team and put on the agenda to vote to allow the membership at the next meeting

### **Article IV - Dues**

- 1. The annual membership fee shall be \$25.00 for all members.
- 2. Dues shall be payable at the first meeting of the school year. Payment may also be handled through the mail to the treasurer.
- 3. Any additional fee may be voted by a 2/3 vote of the active membership.
- 4. An additional late fee will be assessed to any coach that has not paid their fee prior to the deadline set at the beginning of the season. This will allow a coach to still nominate their players and vote for district honors. (AMENDED, November 2021)

### Article V - Officers

1. The officers of the association shall consist of a President, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

- a. Term of office shall be two years
- b. President and Treasurer elections will take place in even numbered years
- c. Secretary elections will take place in odd numbered years.
- 2. The association shall elect a District Trustee and an alternate to serve on the board of directors for the Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association.
  - a. Term of office will be two years.
- 3. Officer elections and district director elections shall be held at the first meeting of every school year.

#### 4. Duties of the officers

#### a. President

- i. Call and preside at all meetings.
- ii. Carry out all duties as outlined for the President in the constitution.

### b. Secretary

- i. Record the minutes of the meetings.
- ii. Keep a written record of the membership and make a regular report to the organization.
- iii. Send correspondence as needed to the membership.

### c. Treasurer

- i. Keep a written record of all income and expenses of the association and make a regular report to the organization.
- ii. Pay bills as directed by the membership.

#### d. District Trustee

- i. Present views of the coaches within the district to the OHSVCA and attend directors meetings.
- ii. Organize the district and be responsible for ensuring that a first year coach is aware of this organization's existence.
- iii. Encourage membership to the state association and attendance at both the state coaches clinic and state all star match.
- iv. Be responsible for supplying information on representatives to the State All Star match.

### 5. Officer Reimbursement

- a. The President, Secretary and Treasurer shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses needed to conduct association business.
  - i. All expenses and mileage must be approved by the membership and budgeted accordingly.
- b. The District Trustee shall be entitled to reimbursement for expenses needed to represent the district at state association meetings which include a spring meeting, a clinic meeting, state tournament meeting and the State All Star Match.
  - i. Hotel expenses will only be reimbursed when a meeting extends more than one day and will not exceed \$125 per night.
  - ii. Mileage to meetings will be reimbursed round trip at the IRS rate.
  - iii. All expenses and mileage must be approved by the membership and budgeted accordingly.

## **ARTICLE VI -** Voting Power

1. All active members will be entitled to one vote. 51% of the vote of the members present will be needed for passage of the general business.

# **ARTICLE VII - Meetings**

- 1. There will be at least two meetings per year.
  - a. A meeting will be held prior to the start of the season, in August. The date and site to be determined by the President. This meeting can be hosted virtually in accordance with the constitution and regular parliamentary procedures. (AMENDED, November 2021)
  - b. Another meeting will be held toward the end of regular season play. The date and site to be determined by the President. District selections will be announced at this meeting.
  - c. Other meetings can be called by the President as he/she deems necessary.

#### **ARTICLE VIII - Amendments**

1. This constitution may be amended by a 2/3 vote of those members present at the meeting of the association. The amendment must be discussed one meeting prior to voting on said amendment.