Region XIX Constitution

Preamble
The basic authority for this athletic region comes from the association with the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA). As such, this constitution is derived from the governing document of the parent organization.

Article I – Name
The name of this non-profit organization shall be Region XIX, NJCAA.

Article II – Mission
The mission of this organization shall be; “To promote and foster two-year college athletics on a Regional and National basis consistent with the educational programs of our members.”

Article III – Membership
Section A – Eligibility for Membership
1. Colleges that fall within the nationally developed geographic boundaries of Region XIX are eligible for membership.
2. These Colleges and comparable institutions must have received or be candidates for State and/or Regional accreditation.
3. These colleges must receive the approval of the NJCAA.

Section B – Conditions of Membership
The members of this organization agree to:
1. Supervise and control athletics in accordance with the NJCAA Constitution and By-Laws.
2. Establish and maintain high standards of ethics and fair play.
3. Pay annual membership dues before the deadline as set by the Legislative Assemblies. These dues may include a sports membership fee and any other self-assessments.

Article IV – Officers
Section A
The elected offices of Region XIX, NJCAA shall be:
- Executive Director / Board of Regents Representative
- Men’s Region Director
- Women’s Region Director
- Men’s Assistant Region Director
- Women’s Assistant Region Director
- Secretary
- Treasurer
Section B
Vacancies at the end of terms among elected offices of this Region shall be filled by election by the respective Legislative Assembly.

Section C
The elected officers of this Region will perform their duties as outlined in the By-Laws

Article V – Meetings

Section A
The duly appointed representatives of member colleges shall comprise the Legislative Assembly of Region XIX, NJCAA.

Section B
The Legislative Assembly shall have the authority to approve a compliance officer and other Region administrative roles as deemed necessary

Section C
The Legislative Assembly may adopt and change By-Laws and Sport Codes through the approved Legislative Process at any regularly scheduled meeting.

Section D
This Region shall hold three (3) meetings annually. The Executive Director shall designate the time and place of each meeting.

Section E
The Executive Director or a majority of the representatives may call special meetings of the Legislative Assembly at any time to consider emergency situations.

Article VI - Voting

Section A
Each member college shall be entitled to one (1) vote.

Section B
Voting by email, text message or telephone shall be permissible on any issue between regularly scheduled meetings.

Section C
Votes on scheduling principles shall be by competitive divisions only (Schools should only vote on topics regarding sports that they sponsor in the division being discussed).

Article VII – Finances

Section A
Revenues and Expenses of Region XIX will be maintained by the Treasurer

Section B
The Treasurer will issue a financial report at every regularly scheduled Region meeting.
Article VII – Amendments
This constitution may be amended at any regularly scheduled meeting of the Region by a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of each Legislative Assembly. The Executive Director must have circulated the proposed amendment to the constitution to the member colleges at least three (3) weeks prior to the meeting.

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