

The purpose of the Alton Athletic Association is to support and promote all athletic teams at the Alton Middle and Alton High Schools. An athletic team is one whose participants pay an athletic fee to the school district. The Association works to unite parents, coaches, athletes, students, faculty/staff and the community in a way that enhances the sharing of school spirit and financial support to our athletic program. We want every athlete to wear their Alton uniform with pride.

Objective

The objective of the organization is to enhance to sports program in the Alton School District by using funds available to meet their needs not covered by the Alton School District #11 Athletic budget.

School Spirit

Spirit Wear
Flowers for Senior Night
Sports Awards Nights

Redbird Feet on Redbird Lane

Goals

Increase parent and community participation
Help improve sport facilities at AMS and AHS and the community

Improvements in equipment and uniforms
Improve athletics at AMS and AHS
Fund Raising

How Can you Help

Concessions
Annual Trivia Night/Auction
Annual Golf Tournament
50/50 Sales during football and basketball games

Come to the meetings
Program Advertisements
Spirit Wear sales
Sponsorships/Donations
Lead or participate in a committee

ARTICLE I:

Section 1. The name of the organization shall be the Alton Athletic Association.
Name & Legal Status

Section 2. This organization will be a voluntary, not for profit, 501(3)(C) organization.

ARTICLE II: Purpose and Objectives

Section 1. The purpose of this organization is to assist, in all ways possible, the entire athletic program of Alton Community School District #11. This organization will benefit all athletic groups. An athletic group is one whose participants pay an athletic fee to the school district.

Section 2. The objective of this organization is to enhance the sports programs in the Alton School District #11 by using funds available to meet their needs not covered by the Alton School District #11 Athletic Budget.

ARTICLE III. Membership & Dues

Section 1. The membership of this organization shall be open to any and all persons, individual, married couple or family interested in any Alton athletic program. Members shall be entitled to attend meetings, hold office, make nominations, serve on committees and generally exercise the rights of full membership.

Section 2. The dues for this organization, if required, will be determined by the Executive Board. These dues shall not exceed \$10.

Section 3. In order to be a member in good standing, a member must have no outstanding fundraising obligations, annual dues, if required, payable by September 1st of each year to this organization,

Section 4. Five (5) members of the organization shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conduction business at a regular membership meeting. If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of the majority of the members present shall constitute the act of the membership. If a quorum is not present, those in attendance may adjourn the meeting to another time and place for the purpose of obtaining a quorum. Any vote taken by the membership shall be by secret ballot on the request of any member in attendance.

ARTICLE IV: Meetings & Voting

Section 1. Membership meetings will be held on a monthly basis, unless designated by the board. Meetings will be held on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library. The President may change the meeting date, time, or location as needed. Note that a meeting will not be held in months that school is NOT in session, unless designated by the board.

Section 2. Special meetings may be called by the president as deemed necessary. A special meeting may also be called by petition of at least 25 members of the organization, which will be presented to the president.

Section 3. One designated member from each sports team shall be entitled to one vote at any meeting of the club at which he/she attends as long as said member is in good fundraising obligations with the organization. A 'sports team' shall be defined as those sports that are recognized by the IHSA and/or, IESA & the Athletic Departments (i.e. football, volleyball, soccer, bowling, etc. each gets one vote if they are represented at a meeting)

ARTICLE V. Executive Board & Officers

Section 1. The Executive Board shall be comprised of the elected offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Concession Manager, and Membership/Public Relations.

Section 2. The organization's officers, consisting of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Concession Manager, and Membership/Public Relations shall serve in their respective capacities both with regard to the organization and in its meetings and the Executive Board and its meetings.

- a. The president shall preside at all meetings of the Organization and the executive Board and shall have the duties and power normally appointed to the office of President
- b. The Vice-President shall have the duties and exercise the powers of the President in his absence.
- c. The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Organization and the executive Board. The Secretary shall be responsible for maintaining all records for the Organization.
- d. The Treasurer shall collect and receive all monies due to, or belonging to the Organization. They shall deposit the same in a locally owned bank as designated by the Board, in the name of the Organization. The books shall at all times be open to review of the membership. The treasurer shall report to the membership at every meeting as to the current state of the finances of the Organization. All bills will be approved by the Executive Board. Checks must be signed by the President or the Vice-President and Treasurer (two signatures are required for each check). An annual report will be given in May.

- e. At the September meeting a budget will be prepared for the upcoming year. This budget will be voted on by the members present. Annual audits will be performed by an approved accounting firm

RTICLE VI. Organizations Year, Nomination, Election of Officers, and Term Limits

Section 1. The Organization's fiscal year shall begin on August 1 and end on the 31st day of July.

Section 2. Nominations will be made by the nomination committee. The committee will be appointed by the President. They shall recommend a slate of officers at the April meeting. Additional nominations may be made by any member in attendance, but they should be submitted no later than the April meeting.

Section 3. The election of officers shall be held at the monthly meeting in May. Newly elected officers will be installed at the conclusion of business at the May meeting and officially take office at the beginning of the August meeting.

Section 4. Any vacancies occurred on the Board or among offices during the year shall be filled by appointment of the President with approval of a majority vote of the membership at the next scheduled meeting.

Section 5. The term for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Concession Manager, and Membership/Public Relations. will be for one (1) year. However, it will be allowed for an individual to hold office for additional terms if one or more of the following circumstances apply:

- a. if the officer still has an athlete participating in the AMS and/or AHS athletic program and there are no other candidates for the office.
- b. If the officer has an upcoming athlete who will be participating in the AMS and/or AHS athletic program and there are no other candidates for the office.
- c. There are no other candidates for the office and the officer is willing to continue to serve.

ARTICLE VII. Parliamentary Authority

Section 1. Meetings of this organization shall be conducted according to ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, except that same may be inconsistent with provisions of these BY-LAWS in which case the BY-LAWS shall control.

ARTICLE VIII. Amendments

Section 1. These BY-LAWS, or any provision thereof, may be amended only by an approval vote of at least two-thirds of the membership present at a regular meeting. Amendments to changes in the by-laws shall be presented in writing to the secretary prior to the regular meeting. Voting by the membership to make the proposed changes shall take place at the next succeeding meeting.

Section 2. Amendments to the BY-LAWS shall take effect upon their adoption.

ARTICLE IX: Bonding

Section 1. Officers shall be bonded in an amount determined by membership to be sufficient to protect the interest of the organization.

ARTICLE X. Committees

Section 1. Fund Raising. It shall be the duty of this committee to plan fund raising projects whenever necessary. All members of the organization will be called upon to help with these projects. The proceeds of such projects shall be used exclusively for the furtherance of the purpose of the organization.

Section 2. Membership. It shall be the duty of this committee to recruit new members for the organization. It shall also be the duty of this committee to establish dues for the membership if they deem necessary.

Section 3. Budget/Finance. It shall be the duty of this committee to prepare a budget before the commencement of the school year. Each budget shall include a beginning cash balance, an estimate of receipts, and an itemization of anticipated expenses which will be incurred by the organization in supporting the Alton Athletics programs for the ensuing school year. The budgets shall be presented to and approved by the membership at the September meeting of the membership.

Section 4. Public Relations. It shall be the duty of this committee to promote AHS/AMS and AAA athletic activities, successes, and special events to develop a positive attitude and community participation as it relates to AHS/AMS athletics. This is to include internal and external publicity. They should notify local radio stations and newspapers of any meetings or fundraising events of this organization.

Section 5. Service. It shall be the duty of this committee to oversee support and service-related efforts such as the selling of concessions, janitorial support, maintenance support, small projects, etc.

Section 6. Spirit. It shall be the duty of this committee to lead the efforts of the Association regarding school spirit. This includes, but is not limited to spirit wear sales, promotion of spirit throughout the campus (banners, posters, etc.), organization/coordination of pep rallies, fan buses, etc., and the coordination of game themes and events.