

**Article I: Name of Organization**

Section I:

The Name of the organization shall be the Northeast Michigan Wrestling Association.

Section II:

The area of coverage shall be Central and Northern Michigan.

**Article II: Incorporation**

Section I:

The organization shall not issue stock and shall be formed on a membership basis.

**Article III: Purpose / Objective**

Section I:

The purpose of the organization is to provide a safe and fair environment for young athletes to learn sportsmanship and the sport of wrestling.

Section II:

The objective of the organization is to assist member clubs in educating students, parents, school persons, and the general public to the benefits of athletics and in particular wrestling.

**Article IV: Membership**

Section I:

Membership shall be afforded to those schools and / or clubs who have paid the appropriate membership fees as established by the organization.

**Article V: Officers**

Section I:

The Executive Board of the Organization shall consist of 7 members to be elected at the Annual Meeting of the organization.

Section II:

The officers shall be known as President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer and shall be elected at the Annual Meeting.

**Article VI: Meetings**

Section I:

Annual Meeting of the organization shall take place in May of each year.

Section II:

General Membership Meetings shall take place the 2nd Sunday in the months of September, October, November and December.

Section III:

A Quorum shall be constituted by 51 % of the member clubs in attendance **and in good standing.**

**Article VII: Financing**

Section I:

The organization shall accept dues from member organizations.

Section II:

All expenditures in excess **the annually appropriated amounts** shall be approved by the organization.

Section III:

The organization shall provide for an internal audit annually.

Section IV:

The Treasurer shall be bonded to the extent of the maximum balance.

**Article VIII: Duties**

Section I:

Duties of the members shall include support to the organization, **payment of annual membership fees and attendance at regular scheduled league meetings.**

Section II:

The President shall preside over meetings. The President is responsible to run meetings which includes: calling the meeting to order, following agendas and escorting motion through a proper sequence and appoint committees. The President does not forward or vote on a motion unless there is a tie.

Section III:

The Vice President shall act as President during absence of the President.

Section IV:

The Secretary shall keep a written record of all meetings, receive and send correspondence, notify members of upcoming meetings, present accurate records for approval.

Section V:

The Treasurer shall receive and disburse funds as directed by the organization and/or Executive Board. The Treasurer shall present a written financial accounting at all organizational and/or Executive Board meetings for approval. Additionally information on outstanding accounts receivable and payable shall be presented for information.

**Article IX: Fiscal Year**

Section I:

The Fiscal year of the organization shall be September 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Article X: Amendments**

Section I:

These by laws may be amended by 2/3 of the membership at the annual meeting. Amendments must be submitted in writing to the Executive Board 1 month before the Annual Meeting.

**Article XI: Dissolution**

Section I:

In the event of dissolution no part of the assets of the organization shall benefit its members, officers or other private persons. The organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article

II. Upon dissolution all assets of the organization shall be distributed for purposes set forth in Article II.

## **ORGANIZATIONAL POLICIES**

Clubs must attend 80% of board meetings.

Dues must be paid before club participation (meetings or tournaments).

Executive Board.

Spending in excess of budgeted appropriation Organizational Backing.

Meeting for what purpose? Length of officer terms.

Purpose of Internet / Email.

Inform of organizational issues Tournament Schedule Rule Book.

Do not put financial information Budget developed at annual meeting.

Voting only those who meet attendance and dues (1 per school) General Operational Procedure (modified Roberts rules) Subject introduction at 1 meeting decision at next.

Sanctioned vs. non sanctioned tournaments and what happens to host and participants.

Insurance Coverage prior to participation.

Accept club membership until 1<sup>st</sup> tournament.

Penalties (by organizational approval) verbal/written/suspension then come before organization.

## **TOURNAMENT POLICIES**

People per comer (2).

Birth certificate and waivers before participation.

Supplying Refs for tournaments (sign up for 2 or pay) Tournament fees-admission (school can go less but not more )/wrestler/refs.

Night before weigh in (Home).

Tournament start times/weight classes/age etc.

Participate in 4 tournaments to qualify for regional with the exception of MHSAA sanctioned Jr.

High programs (2) Call In -optional to school hosting Date to determine age January 1

Insurance Coverage vs. School covered.

Designated coaches in pairing (2 with 1 alternate and listing to be provided at beginning of year)

What should you be going to pairing for?

Penalties (see organizational policies)

No switching tournament sight with out approval.