

**BY LAWS OF
SOS CLUB BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION**

ARTICLE I: NAME AND CHARTER

The name of this organization in the SOS Basketball Association (Association). The Association is chartered under the Sportsman of Stanislaus Club (SOS), located at 819 Sunset Avenue, Modesto, California, and operates under the authority of the SOS. The SOS Board of Directors has ultimate authority to grant or revoke the charter of the Association, and to require that the Association comply at all times with all applicable SOS policies, procedures, rules and regulations. Association financial transactions and accounts shall be administered by the SOS, and the assets and financial accounts of the Association, while to be administered separately from other SOS transactions, are the ultimate property of the SOS.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purpose of the Association is to:

1. Promote and facilitate the sport of basketball for the SOS membership
2. Oversee SOS Basketball League play and Scheduled Open Gym Pickup Basketball games
3. Ensure that the activities of the Association including league play are internally funded through league fees and other revenue sources
4. Provide as best as possible, an environment and structure that promotes sportsmanship, safety and fair play.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Active Membership

Active Membership in the Association consists of all active SOS members with a class of membership entitling them to full use of SOS facilities, that participate in the current or most recent SOS Basketball Leagues, or are otherwise interested in SOS basketball activities. Active Members are eligible to vote on applicable Association matters as set forth herein.

Section 2. Other Participants

At such times that the SOS allows other classes of SOS memberships or other designated persons to participate in SOS Basketball Leagues or Scheduled Open Gym Pickup Basketball games, the Association will facilitate their participation in applicable basketball activities, but such participants are not eligible to vote on applicable Association matters or be considered Active members of the Association.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS

Section 1. President

The President of the Association shall be elected by the Active Membership as set forth herein. The duties of the President shall include:

1. Naming League and Open Gym Commissioners as set forth herein
2. Representing the Association regarding basketball matters to the SOS Board of Directors and SOS membership at large

3. Performing or delegating administrative duties including: filling all League referee and scorekeeper positions; submitting monthly statements when applicable to SOS Accounting to facilitate payment to referees and scorekeepers for their services; facilitation of applicable information to League and Open Gym basketball participants via a gym bulleting board, e-mail announcements, and a web site when available; coordinating gym scheduling with SOS management; receiving inquiries regarding league play and other matters; maintaining a roster of league play participants and submitting to SOS management to confirm applicable membership eligibility to participate and bill for applicable league fees; maintain a locker or other designated space to store Association basketballs, scorekeeping equipment and other items; ordering any items to be awarded to League Champions; authorizing Association purchases as empowered by the Board of Directors; and ensuring Commissioners perform their duties as stated herein

Section 2. Vice President. The Vice President of the Association shall be elected by the Active Membership as set forth herein. The duties of the Vice President shall include assuming the responsibilities of the President in the absence of the President, and to assume specific administrative responsibilities as assigned by the President.

Section 3. Terms. The officers shall serve one year terms, commencing upon their election as set forth herein. Officers may serve successive terms.

ARTICLE IV: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Composition

The Board of Directors (Board) includes the President, Vice President and all current Commissioners. There shall be one Commissioner for each active league, and an Open Gym Commissioner. League Commissioners must participate in the League that they represent.

Section 2. Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Board include:

1. Setting the number and types of Basketball leagues and Tournaments, and seasons for league play
2. Setting the applicable league and Tournament fees
3. Setting payment rates for League Referees and Scorekeepers
4. Receiving periodic financial reporting on the Association Account from SOS Management and ensuring Association expenditures are funded by the Account balance
5. Authorizing the President to conduct purchases of applicable items when determined necessary below a specified level
6. Directly Approving all other specific Expenditures of the Association
7. Approving any other sources of revenue for the Association

Section 3. Meetings

Meetings of the Board of Directors will occur simultaneous with the Annual Meeting, and when otherwise called by the President or scheduled by the Board. Meetings other than the Annual Meeting may occur telephonically or electronically when desired by the Board. A quorum representing a majority of the Board of Directors is required to conduct Board meetings.

Section 4. Compensation

The Officers and Board of Directors will receive no compensation for their services, other than one waiver of a league fee per each basketball season.

ARTICLE V: COMMISSIONERS

Section 1. Responsibilities

Commissioners are responsible when applicable to:

1. Name captains or appoint teams for their league, and schedule and conduct drafts when applicable
2. Coordinate schedules with the President
3. Coordinate player rosters with the President
4. Set rules of play and rules of conduct for their domain
5. Field specific requests to participate in their league, and determine disposition of requests to play made mid-season after teams have been drafted or assigned
6. Ensure the applicable scorekeeping equipment, league balls and scoresheets are set out and put away before their league games, and that scoresheets are processed as directed by the President.
7. Address disputes between Teams, interpretation of rules of play and conduct, and enforce applicable conduct violations as set forth herein

ARTICLE VI: RULES OF CONDUCT

Section 1. Physical Altercations

There shall be a zero tolerance policy for anyone physically initiating an altercation during, or immediately before or after league, tournament or scheduled open gym play. Commissioners are responsible to identify any incident involving a witnessed physical altercation and bring it to the President's attention for action. The President is responsible to enforce suspension of the initiating player, and suspension of any other player physically involved other than actions completely limited to brief, defensive measures, for the remainder of the season or tournament for all leagues the initiating player participates in, and for three month of scheduled open gym play. The Board of Directors must subsequently approve the next application to participate in league or tournament play by a previously suspended player. The President is also responsible to report such incidents immediately to the SOS Rules Committee or Management.

Section 2. Other Rules of Conduct

The Board may determine additional general rules of conduct, and Commissioners may set additional rules of conduct for their domain, based upon the goals of promoting sportsmanship, safety, fair play and a family environment.

Section 3. Other Conduct Violations

Commissioners are empowered to enforce penalties for other conduct violation within their domain, including forfeiture of a game, or suspensions up to two games or two weeks, with more severe penalties requiring Board action. Referees are empowered to enforce penalties for other conduct violations including suspension for the remainder of a game and a following game, or early termination of a game.

ARTICLE VII: MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 1. Meetings and Meeting Notices

Annual Membership meetings shall be scheduled by the Board of Directors each March or April. Additional meetings may be scheduled by the Board at the Board's discretion. A meeting notice at least five days in advance of any meeting shall be posted in the Gym bulletin board and via e-mail messages or the web site when available. The President shall preside during all Meetings.

Section 2. Agenda Items

The membership may vote on election of Officers, By-Law Changes, and any matter specifically authorized by the Board of Directors to be voted upon by the Membership. Other Agenda Items must be limited to informational items, or items to be forwarded to the Board of Directors for consideration; and such Other Agenda Items may be proposed by any Active Member.

Section 3. Majority Vote

A Quorum of Active Members is not required at Membership Meetings. Agenda items requiring a vote may be decided upon based on a majority vote of the Active Members present.

Section 4. Elections of Officers

Any Active Member may nominate an Active Member for an elected Officer position during the Annual Membership meeting. After the current President has determined that all nominations have been received, the election will immediately occur during the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII: ADOPTION AND CHANGING OF THE BY-LAWS

Section 1. Adoption

Adoption of these By-Laws shall be made upon the vote of the Active Membership during a duly noticed Membership meeting, and certified by the President.

Section 2. Proposed Changes and Amendments

Proposed changes and amendments to these By-Laws may be initiated by Active Member and shall be voted upon and either approved or rejected by the Board of Directors. If approved the proposed change will be submitted to the membership at the next Membership Meeting. Upon affirmative vote of the majority present at the Membership Meeting, the proposed change will become effective.

Section 3. Distribution of Proposed Changes

A copy of all proposed changes to these By-Laws must be made available to the Membership in advance of the Membership meeting by making a copy available for inspection at the SOS premises, and through web site or e-mail distribution when available.

Section 4. Availability of By-Laws

The copy of the By-Laws shall be maintained by the President, and on the SOS premises, at all times.

CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION

The foregoing By-Laws of Association were, on the date hereafter given, adoption by the Membership of the Association and constitute the sole and only By-Laws of the organization.

DATE: _____

PRESIDENT: _____