



# BYLAWS

2023-2024 Season

# **Missouri State USBC**

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# MISSOURI STATE USBC

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2023-2024

### Officers

Bob Fields ..... Pleasant Hill-2024  
David Scott ..... Springfield-2025  
Kim Wade ..... Jefferson City-2024

### Directors

Erika Adams ..... West Alton-2025  
Frank Barnhart ..... St. Louis-2025  
Tom Dawson ..... St. Louis-2025  
Kreston Douglas ..... Springfield-2025  
Mark Elder ..... Perryville-2025  
Glenda Fry ..... Jefferson City-2024  
Lori Gage ..... St. Joseph-2025  
Rich Goodin ..... St. Peters-2024  
Karla Kliethermes ..... Kearney-2024  
Nancy Mills ..... Springfield-2024  
Ann Moyers ..... Hannibal-2024  
David Olson ..... Wentzville-2025  
Luke Pearl ..... St. Louis-2025  
Charles Schuessler ..... Sedgewickville-2024  
Herb Schwartz ..... Palmyra-2024  
Terry Signaigo ..... Imperial-2024  
Cathy Snodgrass ..... Jefferson City-2025

**Missouri State USBC  
Youth Committee  
2023-2024**

Tom Dawson, Chair <sup>#</sup>	St. Louis
Vicki Bowman (BPA)**	Kansas City
Cheryl Delashmit	Springfield
Bob Fields	Kansas City
Rich Goodin <sup>#</sup>	St. Peters
Lori Gage <sup>#</sup>	St. Joseph
Terry Signaigo (BPA/USBC)** <sup>#</sup>	Imperial

\*\* Proprietor

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**MISSOURI STATE USBC  
HALL OF FAME**

\*indicates Deceased

1996	Jimmy Allen, St. Joseph	2010	"Toni" Deulen*, Springfield
2023	Lynn Angle, St. Louis	2023	Steve Divers, Moberly
		1994	John Drennon, Springfield
2017	Connie Bacorn, Ava	2016	Amy Drescher, Fort Worth, TX
1995	Larry Bader, Kansas City	2018	Kevin Duncan, Mexico
2007	Sharon Bally*, St. Joseph	2004	Harvey Dutzel*, Laurie
2005	Frank Barnhart, St. Louis		
1996	Charlie Battreall, Sr., St. Joseph	1988	William Eggen*, Jefferson City
1998	Julie Beard, Kansas City	1991	Harold Eggen*, Jefferson City
2018	Marcella Bilyeu, Springfield	2022	Darlene Elston, St. Louis
2007	Margie Bishop*, St. Louis		
1985	Ray Bluth, St. Louis	2007	Randy Fanning*, St. Joseph
2004	Dale Bohn*, St. Louis	1996	"Mickey" Finn*, Kansas City
2020	Vicki Bowman, Gladstone		
2019	Linda Bradshaw, O'Fallon, IL	2015	Lori Gage, St. Joseph
1987	Vernon Bredehoeft*, Concordia	1996	Larry George*, Rolla
2005	Al Brinley, Jr., St. Louis	2005	Carolyn Gilbert*, Hannibal
2014	John Brockland, St. Charles	2014	Larry Gilder, Grandview
1986	Travis Brown*, Joplin	1999	Bill Glenn, Springfield
2002	Keith R. Bruening, St. Charles	1999	Jim Glenn, Springfield
2005	Devera Buckley, St. Louis	2002	Angie Goettel, St. Charles
1989	Jim Buescher*, Columbia	2004	Jim Goldammer, Jefferson City
1997	Robert Buff*, Springfield	1996	Robert Gomez*, St. Joseph
1986	John Buford*, Joplin	2011	Robin Goodin, St. Peters
1993	Clarence Bullinger*, Jackson	2018	Richard Goodin, St. Peters
1989	Charles Burns*, Rolla	2006	Scott Grieiner, St. Joseph
1995	Nelson Burton, Sr. *, St. Louis	1994	Harold Griffel, Higginsville
1988	LeRoy Buske*, Lebanon	2009	Don Griffin, St. Louis
2013	Matt Buxton, Holts Summit		
		2010	Dennis Hacker, Longtown
2020	Jesse Campbell, Savannah	1979	Zelda Hardin*, Salem, OR
1988	Don Carter*, Miami, FL	1989	John Harris, Kansas City
1994	Don Chaney*, Rolla	1991	Harold Haynes*, Moberly
1989	Bob Chase, Kansas City	2003	Donna Heembrock*, Sedalia
1992	Norman Cochran*, Rolla	1999	Don Helling, St. Charles
2000	Toby Contreras, Kansas City	2019	Patrick Henderson, Kansas City
1987	George Cornick, Rolla	1987	Tom Hennessey*, St. Louis
1992	Lorene "Rip" Craig*, Joplin	1997	Marie Hisel*, St. Louis
		1997	Denny Hodges, Jefferson City
2019	Thomas Dawson, St Louis	1998	Ray Hoevelman, Rolla
1992	Evelyn Deaver*, Kansas City	2020	Joy Hogan, Springfield
2006	Bob DeBroeck*, Beaufort	2017	Mark Hood, Imperial
2022	Cheryl Delashmit, Springfield	2021	Billy Hughes*, Springfield
1996	Keith Dempsey, Columbia	2000	Keith Hunt*, Springfield

1991	Edwin Imilkowski*, Crocker	2023	Timothy Modglin, Springfield
1995	Wayne Irelan*, Joplin	2003	E. Lois Morgan, Kansas City
1989	Don Iseminger*, Springfield	2022	Casey Murphy, Springfield
		2011	Michael Myers*, St. Joseph
2000	Betty Jacobsen*, Lebanon		
1987	Dorothy Johnson*, Lebanon	2023	Linda Nelson, St. Charles
1990	Regi Jonak, St. Louis	2005	Joe B. Newsome, Kansas City
2002	Earnest Jones, Moberly	2000	Bob Nordberg, Florissant
2021	Terry Jones, Florissant		
		1988	Charles O'Donnell*, St. Louis
1985	Henry Kamler*, St. Joseph	1995	Roland Oetting, St. Charles
1991	Norman Kelpe*, Cape Girardeau	2006	William Olive*, Jefferson City
1992	Ray Kerns*, St. Joseph	1991	Ray Orf*, St. Louis
2019	Kim Kramer, Imperial	2016	Richard Orf, St. Louis
2015	Ron Krippelcz, St. Louis		
		1983	Lorraine Painter*, Wichita, KS
2012	George Lafal, Blue Springs	1986	Jim Parkin*, Poplar Bluff
2002	Charles Lammlein*, Rolla	1989	Claude Patterson*, St. Louis
2000	Mary Lou Larsen, Kansas City	2001	Gary Patterson*, St. Louis
1986	Clifford Leeker*, St. Louis	2011	Cathy Pinner, St. Peters
1988	John Lewis, Sr. *, Kansas City		
2003	Randy Lightfoot, St. Charles	2006	John Rauh*, Jackson
1985	Phil Lipira, St. Joseph	1987	Wendell Redden*, Joplin
2002	James Loveless, St. Joseph	2013	Dorothy Renner, St. Louis
1992	Bob Lynch, Kansas City	2021	Howard Rice, Columbia
		1985	Carl Richard, Joplin
1994	Wayne Mackey, Mexico	1995	Beverly Riley, Kansas City
2020	Jeffrey Mackey, Mexico	1991	Ray Roberts*, Kansas City
1993	Elwin Magers*, Joplin	1995	Arthur Rohlfing*, St. Charles
2017	Jeannie Manzelli, St. Louis	2000	Don Rohman*, St. Louis
1986	Galen Marr, Warrensburg	2001	Karen Rosenburg, Rolla
2013	Gus Marsala, St. Charles	2004	David Rosenburg, Rolla
1989	Frank Mataya*, St. Louis	1985	Otto Ruppel*, St. Louis
2012	Andrea Mathews, Ballwin	2012	Willa Russell, Kansas City
2013	Alena Mathews, Ballwin	1986	James Ryan*, Sedalia
2003	Craig Mathews, Sr., St. Louis		
1997	Gary May, Kansas City	2015	Keith Sanders, Columbia
2019	Donald McClure, Eldon	1995	Donna Schemenauer*, Jefferson City
1986	Robert McCurdy, Sedalia	1976	Myrtle Schulte*, St. Louis
2011	Dot McKenzie, Columbia	1987	Talbert Scott*, Springfield
2014	Linda McMahan, Preston	1994	Don Scott*, Mountain View
1994	Gail Menke, St. Louis	2018	David Scott, Springfield
1997	Frank Merenghi, Rolla	2020	Shannon Sellens, Long Beach, NY
1986	Elvin Mesger*, Sullivan	1998	Tracy Sherman, St. Louis
2006	Jane Meyers*, Springfield	2004	Dennis Sherman, St. Louis
2006	Nancy Mills, Springfield	1995	Joseph Shockey, Kansas City
1985	Flora Mitchell*, Springfield	2011	Tom Shucart, Lake St. Louis
1994	Kathern Mitchell*, Jefferson City	2009	Vicki Sigrist, St. Joseph
1997	Tony Mithelavage, Grandview	1999	Merrill Simmons*, Jackson

1986	Dick Smith, Joplin	2010	Charlene Wood*, Kansas City
1994	Ricky Snipes, St. Joseph	2015	Tony Yarbrough, Springfield
1989	Judy Soutar, Kansas City	2017	Karen Young, Jefferson City
1991	Greg Spafford, St. Joseph		
2014	Arlene Spatholt*, St. Louis	2022	Sam Zebelean, Jr., St. Joseph
1976	Berdie Speck*, St. Louis		
2002	Brenda Stanfield*, Cape Girardeau		
2021	Larry Stepp, Kansas City, KS		
1990	Dick Stevens, St. Joseph		
1980	Marie Stivers*, Kansas City		
2013	JoAnn Stover, Lee's Summit		
2008	Gerald Stover, Jr., Kansas City		
2016	Sean Swanson*, Springfield		
1987	Ed Sweeney*, St. Louis		
1995	Dennis J. Sweeney*, St. Louis		
1990	Fred Taff*, St. Louis		
1987	Barbara Thorberg*, St. Louis		
2009	Kevin Toebben, St. Charles		
2001	Marvin Townsend*, Kansas City		
1997	Norman Tucker*, St. Joseph		
2010	Anthony Tyson, St. Louis		
1998	Lester Unnerstall, Washington		
2017	William Uthoff, Jr.*, Killeen, TX		
2003	Jim Vanslyke, Joplin		
2022	Billie VanSlyke, Windsor		
1998	Richard Vedder, Springfield		
1999	Mike Veit*, Jefferson City		
1988	Tom Vercellone*, St. Louis		
1990	William Verheyden*, St. Louis		
1985	Clarence Vetter*, St. Joseph		
2008	Gary Voss*, Ballwin		
2019	Kim Wade, Jefferson City		
2004	Carolyn Washington, St. Louis		
1985	Dick Weber*, St. Louis		
2013	Peter Weber, St. Ann		
2015	Tracy Weber, St. Ann		
1992	Roger Weimer*, Springfield		
2022	Angi Whitley, St. Joseph		
1997	Fred Willen, Sr.*, St. Louis		
1987	Jim Williams*, Rolla		
2008	Patricia Williams, St. Louis		
2011	Steve Willoughby*, Kansas City		
1988	Lucille Wilson*, St. Louis		
2021	David Wilson, Palmyra		
2013	Joyce Wolf, Sedalia		



CLASS OF 2024

**SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE**

**Eddie Byrd**

Ellisville, MO

**J.D. Coats**

St. Louis, MO

**John Marsala**

St. Louis, MO

**Donelda Williams**

Independence, MO

**MERITORIOUS SERVICE**

**Barbara Kennon**

Farmington, MO

**Laura Whitcomb**

St. Ann, MO



## 2024-2025 TOURNAMENT SITES

**SENIOR OPEN**  
DOUBLES & SINGLES TOURNAMENT

**SENIOR WOMEN'S**  
DOUBLES & SINGLES TOURNAMENT

Enterprise Park Lanes, Springfield, MO

October 5-20, 2024

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### Open Championships

Tiger Lanes, Excelsior Springs, MO

Ward Parkway Lanes, Kansas City, MO

March 15-April 13, 2025

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### Women's Championships

The Alley Cat Lanes & Lounge, Perryville, MO

West Park Lanes, Cape Girardeau, MO

March 8-April 6, 2025

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### YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Crestwood Bowl, St. Louis, MO

April 12-May 11, 2025

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PEPSI YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Gladstone Bowl, Gladstone, MO

April 5-May 4, 2025



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**ANNUAL MEETING**

**June 1, 2024**

**10:00 AM**

**Courtyard by Marriott-Columbia  
Columbia, MO**

# MISSOURI STATE USBC BYLAWS

## ARTICLE I

### NAME

The name of the organization is the Missouri State USBC, chartered by the United States Bowling Congress.

## ARTICLE II

### NON-PROFIT CORPORATION AND CHARTER

#### SECTION A. NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

The Association is organized as a nonprofit corporation and operates consistently with the requirements of an organization classified as tax exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC).

#### SECTION B. CHARTER

The association shall be chartered by USBC and subject to its authority. To maintain its charter, the association must:

1. Provide services for men, women, and youth.
2. Adopt Bylaws approved by USBC.
3. Not enact any Bylaws or rules inconsistent with *USBC Bylaws*.
4. Adhere to stated requirements as set forth in the *USBC Bylaws* and *USBC Association Policy Manual*.
5. Not use any part of the net earnings of the organization for the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof.
6. Not have a substantial part of the activities of the organization for carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

7. Not carry on any other purposes not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### **SECTION C. CHARTER DISSOLUTION**

Upon termination of its charter, the USBC association shall transfer all of its assets remaining after payment of its lawful obligations to the USBC association that is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization(s) serving the bowling center(s) previously under their jurisdiction.

If the named recipients are unwilling to accept the assets, are no longer qualified as a 501(c)(3) code, or are no longer in existence, then the assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government for public purpose.

If the organization fails to transfer its assets within 30 days of their termination, USBC shall be entitled to take whatever action it deems appropriate to ensure such transfer.

These requirements are applicable to all associations whose charter has been revoked as well as all current and future associations.

#### **ARTICLE III**

##### **PURPOSE**

The purposes of the association shall be to operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including fostering national or international amateur sports competition within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, and to:

1. Provide equal opportunity for all in the sport of bowling without regard to race, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, disability, or national origin.
2. Promote the game of American Tenpins.
3. Conduct and support bowling competition.
4. Engage in any other activities permitted by an organization classified as tax-exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRC.

**ARTICLE IV**

**MEMBERSHIP AND DUES**

Adults who have obtained USBC and local association membership, in accordance with USBC and local association bylaws, become members of this association through the payment of applicable annual state dues, if any.

The Board and Delegates, by a two-thirds vote, determine and adopt adult dues, if any.

**The annual state adult dues are \$1.00** (Cannot exceed \$5.)

The annual youth standard membership dues are \$4, state/local association dues are not allowed.

The Board may waive all or part of adult state dues for:

1. Adult members of other USBC associations having a reciprocal agreement with the association.
2. Other groups, such as seniors, etc., as determined by the Board.

The association cannot charge additional non-dues assessments.

Membership is not transferable.

**ARTICLE V**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS—MANAGEMENT**

**SECTION A. BOARD COMPOSITION, AUTHORITY, AND DUTIES**

The management and governance of the association is vested in the Board of Directors that includes the Officer and Director positions. The Board and Delegates determine:

The number of positions on the Board.

**At-Large Directors.** The association DOES allow at-large directors.

Terms.

Term limits, if any.

**The number of:**

<b>Officers is:</b>	<b>03</b>
<b>Adult Directors is:</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>At-Large Directors:</b>	<b>Maximum of 2</b>

**Total number of board members is: 19**

The Board shall not engage in any acts constituting a conflict of interest. The Board's duties include but are not limited to:

1. Enforce the Bylaws.
2. Comply with the *USBC Association Policy Manual*.
3. Conduct championship level competition for:
  - a. **Adults.** Its membership constituency (men and women) and complying with state and local laws in its area.
  - b. **Youth.** All USBC Youth members.
4. Implement USBC programs as requested.
5. Select / appoint the Association Manager.
6. Approve use of membership records.

#### **SECTION B. ELIGIBILITY**

A candidate for the Board (elected or appointed) must be:

1. **Adult:** A USBC member in good standing at the time of election and throughout their term. **Youth:** USBC youth members bowling in USBC Leagues within the association's jurisdiction.  
Individuals eighteen (18) years old and older must be compliant with RVP requirements prior to working with youth or within 45 days of the start of their term, whichever occurs first and throughout the term.
2. Elected or appointed without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, disability, national origin, or age, other than the minimum age of 14, unless state laws mandate a specific age, and be reasonably representative of the members.
  - a. Any member of the board authorized to sign contracts or acting as a signatory on association accounts must be a minimum age of 18.
  - b. A maximum of three bowling center proprietors may serve on the board at one time. A proprietor is an individual who is the owner, partner, or corporate officer of a bowling center or group of bowling centers. Excluded from the definition of proprietor is an individual who owns 25% or less of the equity shares, or who is inactive in the management of the bowling center and remains so during a term as an officer or director.
  - c. A director must have purchased a membership in an association. There may be no more than four (4) Directors elected from a single association.
  - d. Officers: No more than (1) from a single local association may be elected.

Additional eligibility requirements, if any, are to be approved by the delegates representing adults, Youth Delegates, and Board.

### SECTION C. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Directors are elected by a plurality vote by the Board and Delegates from:

1. A slate.
2. Nominations from the floor.

Qualifications must be submitted, in writing, at least 24 hours prior to the opening of the annual meeting.

Voting will be done by ballot if there is more than one nominee for each position.

### SECTION D. TERM

**The term for Directors is 2 years.** The number of years in a term, the number of terms allowed, and a stagger system are determined by the Board and Delegates.

**Odd Number Year: 1st Vice President, 8 Directors.**

**Even Number Year: President, 2nd Vice President, 8 Directors.**

### SECTION E. RESIGNATION, REMOVAL, AND VACANCIES

1. **Resignation.** A Board member may resign from the Board by providing written notice of resignation to the President, or in the case of the President, to the Board.
2. **Removal for Ineligibility.** A Board member who is no longer eligible to serve on the Board may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the Board when a quorum is present.
3. **Removal for Cause.** When a Board member is accused, in writing, of failure to properly perform the duties of their office or otherwise engaging in improper or unfair activities or conduct, the Board may conduct a meeting following the Removal Procedures in the Suspension and Reinstatement Chapter of the *USBC Association Policy Manual*. An appeal may be filed with USBC-Rules within 15 days of the removal. Two-thirds written consent of the full Board is required to seek re-election and/or re-appointment to the Board.
4. **Removal for RVP Non-Compliance.** When a board member is determined to be not in compliance with the USBC's RVP policies, the member will be immediately declared ineligible and removed from the board with the position being declared vacant. No board action is required to remove the member from the board. The member will become eligible for re-election and/or re-appointment to the board upon notification from USBC of a change in their status.
5. **Vacancies.** The Board fills vacancies in the President's position. All other vacancies are filled by the President, subject to the approval of the Board.



## **ARTICLE VI**

### **OFFICERS**

#### **SECTION A. PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT**

The Officers of the association shall include a President and two (2) Vice Presidents.

#### **SECTION B. ELECTION**

The Delegates representing adult members, Youth Delegates, and Board determine the election process.

**Officers are elected by a majority vote of the Delegates representing adult members, Youth Delegates, and Board, present and voting from:**

1. A slate.
2. Nominations from the floor.

Qualifications must be submitted, in writing, at least 24 hours prior to the annual meeting.

Voting will be done by ballot if there is more than one nominee for each position.

#### **SECTION C. TERM**

The term for elected officers is two (2) years, not to exceed three years in a term. There will be no term limits. The Delegates representing adult members, Youth Delegates, and Board determine the number of years in a term, the number of terms allowed, and a stagger system.

#### **SECTION D. AUTHORITY AND DUTIES**

- 1. President**
  - a. Presides at all meetings.
  - b. Acts as spokesperson for the association.
  - c. Serves as the liaison to the state proprietors association, if applicable.
  - d. Appoints committees, with Board approval.
- 2. Vice President**
  - a. Presides at all meetings when the President is absent.
  - b. Performs other duties as prescribed by the Board or requested by the President.

**3. Association Manager**

- a. Selected / appointed by and accountable to the Board.
- b. Acts as the ex-officio non-voting Secretary/Treasurer of the Board or such other officer designation as required by law and determined by the Board.
- c. Responsible for other duties as prescribed by the Board and in the *USBC Association Policy Manual*.

**ARTICLE VII**

**MEETINGS**

**SECTION A. ANNUAL MEETING**

An Annual Meeting of the Board and Delegates shall be held at a time and place approved by the Board.

Attendance is open to all adult members and USBC Youth members bowling in USBC Leagues within the association’s jurisdiction. Voting Officers, Directors, and Delegates/Alternates must be at least 14 years of age, unless state laws mandate a specific age.

The association invites all associations within its jurisdiction, as follows. The number is based on the association’s membership. For USBC Youth the membership consists of those bowling in USBC Leagues within the association’s jurisdiction.

Based on the previous season membership numbers as of July 31, each local association shall be entitled to Adult Delegates as follows:

ADULT DELEGATES	MEMBERSHIP
5	1-499
6	500-999
7	1000-1499
8	1500-2499
9	2500-4499
20	4500 and above

A local association is not eligible to send Delegates representing Adult members and/or Youth members if it is delinquent or USBC has revoked its charter.

1. **Credentials.** Credentials are forwarded to the State Association at least 60 days prior to the opening of the Annual meeting.
2. **Voice and vote.**  
Voice: Adult members and USBC youth members bowling in USBC leagues within the association's jurisdiction may attend with voice only.  
Vote: Board and Delegates. Voting **Does** include state Hall of Fame members. Absentee and proxy voting are not permitted.
3. **Responsibilities.** The board and delegates shall:
  - a. Adopt bylaws, with the exception of youth dues
  - b. Adopt state adult dues, up to the established maximum
  - c. Elect Two delegates and two alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting
4. **Meeting Notice.** Written notice of the meeting shall be forwarded to the board and delegates at least 15 days prior to the annual meeting.
5. **Special Meetings.** Special delegate meetings may be called by the President or upon request of at least three board members or at least twenty-five delegates.
6. **Quorum.** Twenty-five (25) Delegates constitute a quorum. The board, adult delegates representing adult members and youth delegates determine the number.
7. **Action.** A majority vote of the Board and delegates present and voting, at a properly noticed meeting, when a quorum of both delegates and youth delegates has been established, is required to take action, unless otherwise provided by law or these bylaws.

Election of officers requires a majority vote. Election of directors requires a plurality vote. Election of delegates/alternates requires a plurality vote. Absentee and proxy voting and other types of voting agreements are not permitted.

## **SECTION B. BOARD MEETING**

The board shall meet, at a minimum, as often as required by state law. Special meetings may be held upon the request of any Board member if a majority of the Board approves.

1. **Notice.** Written notice for all regular and special board meetings shall be forwarded to the Board at least 15 days prior to the meeting.
2. **Quorum.** Ten (10) Board members constitutes a quorum. The board and delegates determine the number.
3. **Action.** A majority vote of the Officers and Directors, present and voting, at a properly noticed meeting, when a quorum has been established, is required to take action unless otherwise provided by law or these bylaws. Absentee and proxy voting are not permitted.
4. **Action(s) Without a Meeting.** Actions that are deemed necessary to conduct business/operations of the association may be taken outside of a board meeting by use of mail, email, or teleconferencing. This type of action must be permissible by state law and approved by the board and delegates.
  - a. The procedures found in the *USBC Association Policy Manual*, Chapter Eight, Section E must be followed.
  - b. The association does allow the board to vote via mail, email, or teleconference.**

#### **SECTION C. PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE**

The most recent edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, shall govern all meetings.

### **ARTICLE VIII**

#### **COMMITTEES**

##### **SECTION A. STANDING COMMITTEES**

The association shall have the following Standing Committees: Finance and Youth.

1. **Finance Committee.** The committee is responsible for reviewing and monitoring the association's financial matters.
2. **Youth Committee.** The committee is responsible for monitoring, promoting, reviewing and recommending youth programs conducted by the association.

##### **SECTION B. OTHER COMMITTEES**

The President may establish other committees, with Board approval.

## **ARTICLE IX**

### **DELEGATES AND ALTERNATES TO USBC ANNUAL MEETING**

#### **SECTION A. USBC ANNUAL MEETING**

Two Delegates and two Alternates are permitted and elected by plurality vote.

#### **SECTION B. ELIGIBILITY**

Delegates and Alternates must be:

1. At least 18 years of age.
2. A USBC member in good standing of the association at the time of election and throughout their term.

If a member is elected to represent more than one association to attend the same meeting, the first election shall stand and any succeeding election shall be declared null and void.

#### **SECTION C. ELECTION**

Delegates and Alternates serve for one year, beginning August 1, and are elected by:

1. Board and Delegates.
2. A slate.
3. Nominations from the floor.  
Qualifications must be submitted, in writing, at least 24 hours prior to the opening of the annual meeting.
4. Plurality vote. The election shall be by ballot, except that a voice vote may be taken when the number of candidates does not exceed the number of positions to be filled.
5. Alternates shall serve in the order of their election.

The election is to be held in compliance with the USBC Annual Meeting requirements.

#### **SECTION D. VACANCIES**

Vacancies in Delegate positions are filled for the unexpired portion of each term by the Alternates, in the order in which they were elected. If a vacancy still exists, the President fills the vacant position(s) by appointment.

The appointee must also meet the same eligibility requirements as elected positions.

**ARTICLE X**  
**AMENDMENTS**

**SECTION A. PROCEDURE**

Any member of the association may submit proposed amendments to these bylaws. The association bylaws may be amended at any membership meeting by a two-thirds vote of the board and delegates present and voting. The amendment must be:

1. Submitted in writing to the Association Manager or President.
2. **Submitted at least 90 days prior to the meeting when the association is considering the proposal.** The date or number of days is to be set by the Board and Delegates.
3. **Forwarded by the State Association at least 30 days before the meeting to:**
  - a. Local Association Managers
  - b. Board
  - c. Delegates

**SECTION B. CHANGE IN ADULT DUES**

Forward a notice to each Board member and Delegate at least 15 days prior to the meeting which the proposed change is considered. The notice must:

- Be in writing.
- Specify the amount of the change.
- Specify the reason for the change.

Notification of any adopted change in adult dues and the reason for the change will be forwarded in writing to each local association.

**SECTION C. EFFECTIVE DATE**

All amendments are effective August 1, following adoption, unless otherwise specified when adopted.

**ARTICLE XI**  
**FISCAL YEAR**

The fiscal year of this Association is January 1 to December 31.

**ARTICLE XII**

**INDEMNIFICATION**

Directors, Officers, and other authorized volunteers, employees or agents shall be indemnified against claims for personal and individual liability arising in connection with their positions or service on behalf of the association to the full extent permitted by law.

