

MIVCA CHARTER

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- Article I The association's name shall be the Michigan Interscholastic Volleyball Coaches Association, (M.I.V.C.A.), a non-profit association formed under the laws of Michigan and the United States of America.
- Article II This association is organized and committed to staying updated in advancements for educational purposes and support in a fluid environment: To promote interscholastic volleyball; to provide a forum for discussion of techniques and rules of volleyball; to improve the quality and quantity of media coverage for interscholastic volleyball; honor and recognition of coaches and players (February 2015); as well as to promote and develop volleyball at all levels in Michigan.
- Article III No part of the net earnings of the association shall ensure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes outlined in Article II hereof. No corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the association 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, this association shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation.
- Article IV Upon the dissolution of this association, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the association, dispose of all the assets of this association, exclusively for the purposes of the association in such manner, or to such organizations organized and operated exclusively for charitable, educational or scientific purposes as shall at that time qualify as an exempt organization under the Internal Revenue Code in effect at that time, as the Board of Directors shall determine.
- Article V Financing for the association shall be obtained by annual dues, clinic registrations, donations, sponsorships, or other methods in accordance with the laws of the State of Michigan and the United States.
- Article VI All volleyball coaches and other interested persons (July 2003) are eligible to become members. Membership fees shall be set by the Board of Directors after consideration of a proposed budget.

M.I.V.C.A. shall be affiliated with the Michigan High School Coaches Association (MHSCA), the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA), the National High School Athletic Coaches Association (NHSACA), the National Federation of State High School Association (NFHS), and the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA). (2024).

Article VII An annual meeting of general membership shall be held (July 2003) in conjunction with a coaching clinic. A nominating committee, selected by the President, before the annual meeting may present a slate of nominations to the membership. At this meeting, members of the Board of Directors shall be elected.

Article VIII The Board of Directors of the Association shall consist **no fewer than twelve and no more than 20 voting members** (February 2015). One of these may be appointed to ensure representation from the collegiate coaches in the State of Michigan, and/or the Upper Peninsula. These appointees are for three-year terms. The other members of the Board shall be elected at the General Membership Meeting of the association (July 2003). The Board of Directors will be composed of at least twelve elected Board members.

An organizational meeting will be held within 30 days of the general membership meeting, where the officers shall be elected, and committee assignments made. The President shall serve as the Past-President, the Vice-President shall serve as the President-Elect, and the Board of Directors will select from among their own, a Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

In the event of the vacancy of any of the M.I.V.C.A. Board Members, a replacement shall be appointed by the Board to fill the vacancy until the next General Election is held. Election to the resigned Board member's position will be for the unexpired portion of that term.

Consideration for the vacated position may be made by:

1. First runner-up candidate from the last General election.
2. Geographic Balance – east/west/north/south
3. Other criteria are specific to the needs and administration of the M.I.V.C.A. Board, i.e. legal advisor.

Article IX The M.I.V.C.A. Officers will be elected by the Board from within the elected Board of Directors members and shall serve as the Executive Council.

The length of the officers' terms will be for two years.

The President shall hold office for 2 years. The President shall have the responsibility of ensuring that each committee fulfills its charge, as directed by the Board. He/she may sit as an ex-officio member of any committee. The

President or designee should act as liaison to the MHSAA, MIAAA, AVCA, and MHSCA.

The Vice-President (August 2010) shall serve as the President in case of his/her absence or resignation. It is assumed that after 2 years of service as the Vice President, will move into the Presidency

The secretary shall take and (February 2015) provide minutes of General and Board Meetings; he/she shall keep up-to-date records of membership, and provide such lists to the Board or Committee Chairperson as necessary. (August 2010) and shall keep up-to-date records and have the ability to delegate duties of the position as needed. (February, 2015)

The Treasurer shall manage funds for the association, and provide an accurate accounting of these funds at the General and Board Meetings. The Treasurer shall act as the liaison between the Executive Council and financial institutions.

The other Board Members shall serve on various committees as needed.

Board Member Responsibilities (added July 2003)

Upon appointment or election to the Board of Directors, members accept the responsibilities to attend Board meetings consistently, participate in Board-sponsored events (State Finals, Annual Clinic, Reaching Higher, etc.), and fulfill all duties and tasks assigned.

Board members shall actively serve as MIVCA Board-appointed committees. The assignments shall be determined at the next board meeting. In addition, board members shall serve on at least one additional committee. Committee chairs will form their committee using board members and members of the general membership.

Board members shall act as liaisons to coaches in their respective leagues, county, and region.

Failure to honor the above responsibilities may result in the removal of their position by the Executive Council (2024)

Meeting Dates:

The Board of Directors typically meets 6 times throughout the year.

- State Finals Clinic- Pre & Post
- Organizational Meeting Winter
- Spring Summer/Pre-Season

Article X The Board (July 2003) and other committee members may be reimbursed for their travel expenses for duties associated with MIVCA, except the annual membership clinic. The association shall pay for lodging at the membership clinic and state finals meeting. Association Board Members shall not be required to pay registration or membership fees for the years in which they are in office. Hall of Fame Inductees shall have a lifetime membership to MIVCA. (August 2010).

Article XI - Each year the Board of Directors will receive reports from each committee, and charge each committee for the following year. The Board, or the President, may form and charge other temporary committees as necessary. This will be done at the organizational board meeting after the elections.

If appointed, the appointed committee chairperson becomes a Board member with full voting privileges at the time that he/she accepts the appointment (up to 20 voting members).

Article XII - The Board of Directors may recommend significant amendments to this Charter to the general membership (present) who must approve them by a two-thirds vote. The general membership, by a simple majority (of the vote), may adopt such by-laws as deemed necessary to operate the association.

Article XIII - This Charter shall become effective upon its adoption by the general membership, Nov. 29 & 30, 1991.

- Amended and adopted by the general membership, November 2003.
- Amended and adopted by the general membership, August 2010.
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