

OREGON CULTURAL EXCHANGE WRESTLING BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this organization shall be OREGON CULTURAL WRESTLING EXCHANGE (OCWE). The OCWE is a member of the governing body of amateur wrestling in this state: The Oregon Wrestling Association.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

The purposes for which this corporation is organized are exclusively for charitable and educational purposes in the areas of international relations and understandings and this corporation shall be operated only for such purposes. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation 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 above (charitable, educational). No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting, to influence legislation, and the corporation 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.

Not with standing any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on:

- (a) by a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal revenue Law) or
- (b) (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal revenue Law).

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

The membership shall be open to all state high school, junior high, club, kids and college coaches and to other individuals as approved by the Board of directors who are interested in and actively involved with the projects of the Oregon Cultural Wrestling Exchange.

- (a) Pay an annual \$1.00 membership fee.
- (b) Attend the meetings. Presence is required to vote at all meetings.
- (c) To provide input to Board of Directors on policy statements, changes in operating procedures, and opinions to assist the Board of Directors to make prudent decisions (submit in writing whenever possible).
- (d) Assist in fund raising.
- (e) Support the concept of cultural exchange through wrestling.

ARTICLE IV; DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors of this organization shall be five (5) in number and shall consist of a President, Treasurer, Secretary, and two Members- at-Large.

ARTICLE V: DUTIES OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The president shall preside or appoint one of the directors to preside at the board meetings and shall be generally responsible for seeing that the philosophy, goals and objectives of the

organization are carried out properly with respect to all the activities of the organization.

Section 2. The Secretary shall supervise the activities of the committees, be responsible for recording the minutes of all meetings, and report to the membership.

Section 3. The treasurer shall keep an accurate and detailed account of all monies received and paid out and present a financial report to the board. He shall be responsible for the payment of all bills, the accounting of all funds and the investment of reserve funds, if any.

Section 4. The two Members-at-large are responsible for developing and providing for the Secretary an accurate membership list and assisting the President, Secretary and Treasurer as appointed.

ARTICLE VI: TERMS OF OFFICE

Each member of the Board of Directors will be elected for a two-year term on a staggered basis. The President, Secretary, and one Member-at-large will be elected in even numbered years. The treasurer and one Member-at-large will be elected in odd numbered years. Each election will be held at the Annual Meeting

Section I. In the event a member of the Board of Directors is unable to finish his term of office, the board will appoint some one to complete his term,

Section 2. The directors or a general membership may remove a director for cause with a simple majority vote.

Section 3. The President must serve in one of the other four Directorships prior to being elected to the office of President.

ARTICLE VII: METING DATES

There shall be three regularly scheduled meetings for input of the general membership: A quorum of a minimum of 25 voting members shall be present to conduct business at every regularly scheduled meeting.

1. Centennial Clinic
2. State Free-style Tournament (annual meeting)
3. State OWA meeting

Note: Spring Tryout tournament (if needed)

ARTICLE VIII: STANDING COMMITTEES

The standing committees are open to all of the membership and shall consist of the tour and selection committee, the finance committee and the nominating/screening committee. All shall be devoted solely to charitable and educational purposes pursuant to Article II hereof,

Section 1. Tour and selection committee will be composed of the President and all previous tour coaches and will have as its objective the selection of leaders and managers for Oregon Cultural Wrestling Exchange tours. Athletes qualify for an exchange team by: 1) winning the trial tournament and 2) approval of the Executive Board.

Section 2. Financial Committee shall consist of the Cultural Exchange Wrestling Exchange Board.

(a) The purpose of the Financial Committee shall be to recommend policy and procedure for handling funds.

(b) The Financial Committee shall be responsible to the Treasurer at all times for handling of funds.

Section 3. Nominating/Screening Committee shall consist of the following members: Junior Division Director, Kids Division director, State Chairman, Open Division Director, Oregon High School Coaches Association Representatives.

(a) The purpose of the Nominating/Screening Committee is to recommend a candidate for each of the board of Directors positions to be elected at the ANNUAL MEETING.

(b) The Nominating/Screening Committee shall meet at the fall clinic to begin a review of possible candidates. They will present their recommendations to the Board of Directors at the Spring tryouts.

ARTICLE IX: OBJECTIVES

Subject to these limitations and in accord with the purpose set forth in Article II, the educational objectives of the organization are to:

(a) Improve the programs in the clubs, schools, colleges, and universities within the State of Oregon.

(b) Encourage and assist with exchanges and competition on an international level to further the knowledge and experience of the student participants.

(C) Assist coaches from the State of Oregon in furthering their own knowledge and experience through exchanges, meetings and clinic's.

(d) Assist the Oregon schools in developing their individual program.

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENT

The Oregon Cultural Wrestling Exchange by-laws may amended in the following manner:

(a) Present in writing at the Fall clinic the Proposed change to the Board of Directors for the first reading and inclusion on the agenda at the Annual meeting.

(b) Second reading and voting on the proposed change will occur at the Annual meeting.

(C) A 2/3 majority of the current Paid membership is required to pass the amendment.