

**Restated and Amended**

**Constitution**  
**of the**  
**International Association of Approved**  
**Basketball Officials Board 42, Foundation Inc.**

**ARTICLE I - Name**

The name of the Association shall be **the International Association of Approved Basketball Officials Board 42, Foundation Inc.** Hereinafter referred to as “**the LB.**”

**ARTICLE II – PURPOSES**

The purposes of the LB shall be:

- A. To educate, train, and develop and provide continuous instruction for basketball officials.
- B. To promote the welfare of the game of basketball, its players, and officials.
- C. To maintain the highest standard of basketball officiating.
- D. To encourage the spirit of fair play and sportsmanship.
- E. To always have available an adequate number of thoroughly trained and capable officials.
- F. To cooperate with all organizations officially connected with the game of basketball in furthering its interests and ideals, and
- G. To educate, train, and develop young adults to provide leaders for the game of basketball and the community.

**ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1**

**ASSOCIATION**

The LB shall be composed of all duly qualified and regularly approved members currently in good standing with the LB, and individual members currently in good standing with the International Office, who are affiliated with this Association in a manner prescribed in the Constitution.

## **SECTION 2**

### **MEMBERSHIP CLASSIFICATIONS**

This Board shall classify its members as follows:

- A. Active/Officiate (AO)
- B. Honorary Elected by this LB in accordance with requirements set forth by the National Executive Committee.
- C. Dual (D) - Active members in good standing and good character with their Parent Board may apply for DUAL membership to the LB, which may grant them membership as Dual members. Dual members shall not be subject to any rules or regulations greater than that required of a regular member of the LB. Note: A dual member must meet the requirements of his or her Parent Board and such requirements of attendance as stipulated by the Dual Board(s).

## **SECTION 3**

### **ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Any person who meets the requirements set forth in this Article is eligible for membership in the Association. Any person of good character over the age of 18 years is eligible to file an application for membership in this LB as provided below. The LB may require the applicant to furnish additional information.

## **SECTION 4**

### **QUALIFICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

- A. The LB has established a one (1) year Provisional Membership period. Qualified applicants must pass the Official IAABO Written Examination administered during the month of November with a passing grade of eighty (80%) percent.
- B. Those applicants who pass the IAABO Written Examination will be eligible to take the IAABO Practice Floor Test. In addition, the applicant may be required by the LB to pass an Oral examination.
- C. Every applicant who passes the IAABO Written Examination, the IAABO Floor Practice Test, and any applicable Oral Test or other evaluation criteria, complies with meeting and attendance requirements, and pays the appropriate registration fees and dues, will be registered with the National Office on or before the ensuing first day of April.

## **SECTION 5**

### **RE-EXAMINATION**

Those applicants who fail to pass the Written Examination with a grade of eighty (80%) percent but whose grade is at least seventy-five (75%) percent may, at the option of the Board take the IAABO Practice Floor Examination. Applicants who pass the IAABO Practical Floor Examination must take a second official IAABO Written Examination prepared by the Rules Committee given on the first Monday in March with a passing grade of (80%) percent.

**SECTION 6**

**REGISTRATION FEE**

A prospective member should pay the applicable registration fees to the LB at the time of applying for membership.

**SECTION 7**

**ANNUAL EXAMINATION**

Every working, active member shall take an annual Written Examination (annual or refresher). The LB will use the results of the examination as it feels will be most beneficial for the interest of the LB and its members.

**SECTION 8**

**TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP**

All members in good standing, according to the regulations and criteria of the LB, shall be entitled, except for permissible limitations stated in Section 1C of Article III concerning Dual Memberships, to all the rights and privileges of membership and shall be bound by the rules and regulations expressed herein and by the Rules and Constitution of this LB.

**SECTION 9**

**LASPED MEMBERSHIP**

A member, whose name is dropped from the membership rolls by reason of resignation, failure to pay dues or otherwise, may reinstate his/her membership within two years of termination thereof by application to this LB. The LB reserves the right to impose such requirements as it deems appropriate as a condition for granting reinstatement, including but not limited to a written or practical test. If reinstatement is sought by a member whose name was dropped from the membership rolls by reason of failure to pay dues or other assessments, payment of all delinquent dues and assessments shall be a condition to reinstatement (e.g., dues attributable to prior active or inactive periods).

**SECTION 10**

**REQUIRED ATTENDANCE**

All active members of this LB shall be required to attend at least three (3) mandatory meetings of the LB immediately before or during the basketball season, at least one of which is designated as the Interpretation Meeting. (Meetings may be virtual.)

**SECTION 11**

**FINANCIAL OBLIGATION**

Members shall be required to pay all dues, fines, late fees, and assessments to this LB by designated due dates.

**SECTION 12**

**GOVERNING AUTHORITY**

Members shall comply with requirements of the Constitution of the National Association and the Constitution of this LB.

**SECTION 13**

**ACTIVITIES OF MEMBERS**

Members must wear the official uniform; annually receive a member card and the handbook; officiate with other members of this Association and LB; and shall receive such other benefits as may be provided by the National Association or this LB. There are no restrictions upon members as to where they function. If, and when, an official, who is a member of this LB, officiates in a game played in a location not under the geographical jurisdiction of this LB, he/she is to be governed by the rules, regulations and fee schedules which govern LB members in that area.

**SECTION 14**

**ACCEPTANCE OF TRANSFER**

The LB may accept a member who, because of a change in his/her legal residence, comes within the jurisdiction of this LB. Such member shall have the same status of membership as he/she had at the time of the transfer and be subject to the rules and regulations of this LB. At the time of transfer, he/she shall not be required to pay additional dues for that year. However, he/she shall subsequently be subject to the same dues and assessments which this LB requires of its members.

**SECTION 15**

**TRANSFER OF AUTHORITY**

The Secretary of the LB from which a member is transferring shall notify the Treasurer / Secretary of this LB when any member is transferring. Such notification shall include the status of the member and any other information which the Secretary deems necessary.

**SECTION 16**

**MEMBER STANDING**

This LB will not accept into membership a member who is not in good standing nor good character with either the National Association or the LB from which he/she is transferring.

**SECTION 17**

**GROUND FOR DISCIPLINE**

The grounds for Discipline shall include, but are not limited to, failure to comply with established authority and regulations of the LB or the State Board or the National Association, delinquency in the payment of dues, assessment, or penalties, or for any other conduct conclusively established to be a contrary to the best interests of the LB, the State Board or the National Association.

**SECTION 18**

**RIGHT OF HEARING**

A member charged with a violation of this Constitution or any other violation of rules and regulations governing conduct of members of this LB shall have the right to be heard in person before the Executive Committee of the LB. The member shall be notified in writing of the date, time, and place of the hearing, the nature of the charge, the name of the person or persons so charging him or her. The member charged shall be afforded a reasonable time to prepare for the hearing and present a defense. The ruling by the Executive Committee of the LB shall be deemed final, subject to Section 20 below.

**SECTION 19**

**DISCIPLINE NOTICE**

If a member is suspended or expelled this LB, the LB shall notify all concerned that the member is no longer able to accept assignments or officiate as a member of this LB. No other member shall knowingly officiate as member of this LB with a suspended or expelled member in any LB sanctioned event.

**SECTION 20**

**APPEAL**

Any member who has been suspended or expelled by this LB may appeal such suspension or expulsion to the State Board and then to the National Executive Committee, whose decision will be final.

**SECTION 21**

**JURISDICTION**

If this LB fails to act in the event of a violation of the Grounds for Discipline section of this Constitution, the Executive Committee may take jurisdiction and enforce the provisions of this Constitution in accordance with the Right of Hearing Section 16 above.

**ARTICLE IV – BOARD**

**SECTION 1**

**BOARD PURPOSE**

This LB shall organize itself to promote the purposes of the National Association within the area of its jurisdiction. It shall conduct regular and interpretation meetings and take such steps as may be necessary or desirable to increase the effectiveness of this LB and the National Association, and to improve officiating techniques within the territories.

## **SECTION 2**

### **DUTIES OF THE BOARD**

The LB shall be authorized to oversee and manage all affairs of the LB, including the following:

A. **FINANCING**

This LB shall have the responsibility of collecting and forwarding the National dues or assessments to the National Association and shall have the right to levy such charges as may be necessary for the proper functioning of this LB.

B. **BOARD FEES**

The LB shall determine all applicable initiation fees and annual membership dues.

C. **REQUIRED MEETINGS**

This LB will conduct a minimum of six (6) meetings during a season. At least five (5) of these meetings shall be devoted to rules study and officiating procedures.

D. **TRAINING PROGRAM**

This LB will establish a training program for applicants and members.

E. **DESIGNATION AND DUTIES OF OFFICIAL INTERPRETER**

This LB shall elect one of its members to serve as Interpreter every two (2) years. The Official Interpreter shall qualify himself/herself by attending the annual or regional conference for Official Interpreters held under direction of the Association and shall participate in the Education and Training Committee. Following such conference, the Official Interpreter shall hold meetings throughout his/her entire territory in the interest of uniformity and strict interpretation of the rules, the mechanics, and the techniques of good officiating. Meetings shall be held before and during the basketball season as a means of educating, coaches, players, and others interested in the fundamentals of good officiating.

## **SECTION 3**

### **GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF BOARD**

This LB shall be subject to the jurisdiction and authority of the Association and Executive Committee. Where provisions of this LB Constitution shall conflict with the Constitution of the National Association, their Constitution shall be followed. A copy of the Constitution of this LB must be approved by Executive Committee IAABO and placed on file with the Executive Director.

## **V – OFFICERS**

### **SECTION 1**

#### **TITLES**

The Officers of the LB shall include a President, a Vice President, a Treasurer/ Secretary, and such other Officers as the Executive Committee may designate from time to time.

**SECTION 2**

**DUTIES OF PRESIDENT**

The President shall be the Chief Officer of the LB, preside at all meetings of the LB and shall appoint members all committees, shall supervise the activities thereof, and serve on the Executive Committee.

**SECTION 3**

**DUTIES OF VICE PRESIDENT**

In case of absence or disqualification of the President, the Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President. The Vice President shall serve on the Executive Committee.

**SECTION 4**

**DUTIES OF TREASURER / SECRETARY**

The Treasurer/Secretary shall keep full and accurate records of all meetings of the LB, administer candidate tests and refresher tests, forward all results to the National Association, keep a full list of members and shall notify candidates of their election to membership. It shall be his/her duty to send out any notices authorized by the LB, Executive Committee, or National Association. As Treasurer, he/she shall have charge of all LB funds, under the direction of the LB, and shall furnish to the membership an annual report of financial activities of the LB. He/she may pick an assistant to help carry out the duties of this office.

**SECTION 5**

**TERM OF OFFICE**

The term of Office of the President, Vice President, and Treasurer /Secretary shall be for two (2) years.

**SECTION 6**

**ELECTION**

Election of Officers shall take place at the annual meeting of the LB, and the newly elected Officers shall take office immediately before the adjournment of such meeting. However, outgoing Officers may act in an advisory role, to assist newly elected officers.

**SECTION 7**

**VACANCY**

The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill a vacancy in any office except President between annual meetings. When the Executive Committee makes an appointment to fill a vacancy, such appointment will be until the first annual meeting following such appointment. In case there is a vacancy in the Office of President, the Vice-President shall become President. When the members at an annual meeting elect someone to fill an office that has been vacated by resignation or other reason occurring prior to the completion of the term, such election shall be for the period of the original unexpired term.

## **ARTICLE VI – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of Officers of the LB and any additional members that the Executive Committee deems necessary in an advisory role to the Executive Committee.

## **ARTICLE VII – COMMITTEES**

The following are the standing Committees of the LB, subject to the adoption of such additional committees as the Executive Committee may determine appropriate from time to time:

- Health & Wellness.
- Election.
- Education & Training.
- Scholarship.
- Audit (appointed as needed).

## **ARTICLE VIII – EXCULPATION**

Any act or omission of the Officers or any Committee members, the effect of which may cause or result in loss or damage to the LB or the members, if done in good faith to promote the best interests of the LB, shall not subject the Officers to any liability to the members.

## **ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS**

The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members of the Board, at any regular meeting or a special meeting called for that purpose written notice of the proposed amendment shall be mailed or electronically submitted to all members at least thirty (30) days prior to such meetings.