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—Name, Non-Profit Status, and Corporate Seal

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Article I – Name, Non-Profit Status, Corporate Seal, and Marks

A. The name of this organization shall be the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. (hereinafter “TASRA” or the “Corporation”), and it shall be recognized as an affiliated entity by the United States Ski & Snowboard Association (“USSA”), d/b/a U.S. Ski & Snowboard, the National Governing Body ("hereinafter the "NGB"), recognized by the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (hereinafter the “USOPC”) and International Ski Federation, as (hereinafter the governing body “FIS”) for skiing and snowboarding in the United States of America.

B. The Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association shall be incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts as a not-for-profit Corporation and it shall be organized so as to qualify as a non-profit, charitable, tax-exempt organization under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States internal revenue law.

C. The Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. shall have no corporate seals unless required by the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

D. The principal office of the Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. shall be located at 320 Stage Road, Cummington, MA 01026, or at such other location as may be approved by the Board of Directors of the Corporation (hereinafter “the Board”).

E. The principal office of the Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. shall also be its registered office. The registered agent of the Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. at such registered office shall be the Chairman of the Board of Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc.

F. The Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. may maintain other offices at such locations as may be approved from time to time by the Board.

G. TASRA may have registered or unregistered trademarks and/or logos, which shall not be used in any advertising, promotion, or sale of commercial goods or services, except as specifically authorized in writing by the TASRA Board of Directors (“of TASRA (hereinafter the “Board”) or its delegated representative.”

Article II – Offices and Agent
A. The principal office of TSASRA shall be at such location as may be determined by the Board from time to time.

B. The principal office of TSASRA shall also be its registered office. The registered agent of TSASRA at such registered office shall be the President of TSASRA or the President’s designee.

C. TSASRA may maintain other offices at such locations as may be determined by the Board from time to time.

Article III – Purposes, Vision, Mission, and Objectives

--- Preamble:

A. As set forth in the TSASRA Certificate of Incorporation TSASRA’s Articles of Organization, the purposes of TSARATSASRA are:

1. To promote the development of first-rate ski competition and training programs. To create and opportunities for alpine ski competition within the states of Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island and or clubs and contiguous counties in the state of New York as determined by the NGB and approved by the Board (collectively, the “Tri-State region/division”) for a variety of ages and athletic ability levels—, with primary emphasis on junior programs;

2. to cooperate and maintain good relationships with local, regional, and national ski associations, ski areas, and communities;

3. to be affiliated with the United States Ski and Snowboard Association (“USSA”) through its NGB as a division of its Eastern Division/Region, to comply with USSA’s the NGB’s competition regulations, Code of Conduct, and the provisions of any other USSANGB rules and regulations applicable to USSANGB-affiliated organizations, and to participate in the NGB’s programs and administer USSANGB-sanctioned alpine ski races in the Tri-State region/division;

4. to provide and encourage others to provide the physical facilities, financial assistance, administration, coaching, education, and other support to enable TSARATSASRA competitors to achieve their full potential, including the opportunity for Eastern, National, and International ski competition; and

5. to provide a variety of services and benefits for its members, including the promotion of ski safety and education.
In order to fulfill the purposes of the corporation as set forth above, the corporation adopts the following Vision, Missions and Objectives:

B. A. The **vision** of the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. TSASRA is to support USSA’s *the NGB’s* vision of making the United States of America the best in the world in Olympic skiing—and promote excellence in and the lifelong enjoyment of alpine ski racing.

B. The **mission** of the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. is to support the mission, vision and values of USSA by Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc.

C. The **mission** of TSASRA is to create a positive framework and healthy environment which promotes camaraderie, competitiveness, athleticism, and sportsmanship in grassroots alpine ski racing programs.

“The friendships made in Tri-State last a lifetime.”

D. The **objectives** through which the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. TSASRA shall accomplish its mission shall include the following:

1. Disseminating education, training, and supporting USSANGB members in their goals to achieve sustained success in all levels of ski -competition; and by helping members to use ski -competition and coaches’ and alpine officials’ education to develop to their highest athletic and personal potential;

   Achieving

2. achieving and maintaining long-term financial stability;

   Administering

3. administering and coordinating programs which provide competitive opportunities in alpine skiing and establishing a clear path for athletic progression for USSANGB members;

   4. Establish a race calendar, establishing competition calendars and entry criteria for those races, competitive opportunities consistent with

   4. USSA, USOCNGB, USOPC, and FIS rules;

5. Establishing local rules and policies consistent with USSANGB rules and policies that facilitate excellence in competition and athletic development.

   Fostering

6. fostering and encouraging interest and participation in USSA–NGB-sanctioned alpine skiing;

   Assisting
7. assisting the USSANGB Alpine Sport Committee (“ASC”) in the implementation of its mission to make recommendations to the USSA Board, and implementing the directives of the USSA Board—NGB’s board of directors; and

Disseminating
8. disseminating SafeSport and Antianti-doping resources at the request of USSA—the NGB.

Article III—USSA, USOCIV—NGB, USOPC, and FIS Compliance

In compliance with the applicable requirements of the FIS and USOC, the provisions of the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act of 1998, and the USSA, USOPC, and the NGB Bylaws, the Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. shall: TSASRA shall:

A. Keep membership open to all individuals who are amateur athletes, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators, officials, and administratorsvolunteers in alpine skiing—and snowboardings;

B. provide an equal opportunity to amateur athletes, coaches, trainers, managers, administrators, and officials for its membership to participate in amateur athletic competition, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin, and with fair notice and opportunity for a hearing before declaring any such individual ineligible to participate;

C. ensure that its Board of Directors and any other committees with governance responsibilities are composed of members selected without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, or sex;

D. endeavor to provide that its Board of Directors and any other committees with governance responsibilities include membership and voting strength of eligible athletes to be not less than twenty percent (20%). Athlete eligibility shall be defined as those individuals who have held a USSA competitor license and have competed in USSA competition (non-masters level) within the past 10 years;

E. D. provide procedures for the prompt and equitable resolution of grievances of its members;

E. E. submit to binding arbitration, conducted in accordance with the commercial rules of the American Arbitration Association, in any controversy involving (i) the recognition of the USSANGB as an NGBa national governing body with respect to any component or discipline of alpine skiing, or (ii) the opportunity of any amateur athlete, coach, trainer, manager, administrator, or official to participate in amateur athletic competition;
G-F. provide USSA's the NGB access to Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association TSASRA books and records in order to permit USSA's the NGB to ensure compliance with the above—; and

H.G. The Board shall adopt USSA's the NGB’s code of conduct and USSA's the NGB’s conflict of interest and ethics policies, and all members shall abide by such rules and policies as part of, or in addition to, any code or practices adopted under Article XI.

**ARTICLE IV—Article V — Membership**

A. TSASRA shall be a membership organization open to all regardless of race, color, religion, age, sex, or national origin, and who pay such membership fees as the Board shall approve from time to time. As conditions of membership, any member must be a member of the NGB, and agree to submit to the jurisdiction of TSASRA with respect to any violation of TSASRA Rules, Policies and/or Codes of Conduct that occurs during a period when that individual or entity was a member or participating in the affairs of TSASRA, and further agree that TSASRA retains jurisdiction over such violations and individual or entity even if such individual or entity ceases to be a member of TSASRA. As a further condition of membership, any individual member in a position of authority over athletes must have satisfactorily completed criminal background checks and athlete protection education as required by the NGB.

The

A. Membership in TASRA shall be open to any USSA member who subscribes to the purposes of TASRA, regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex. In addition to this, Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. shall offers a Parent/Sponsor memberships which does not require a USSA membership. Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc: TSASRA membership year shall be from July 1 to June 30. Any member shall be entitled to all of the benefits of membership pertaining to his or her class of membership.

B. following year. Membership classes, dues and other fees shall be determined annually by the Board and shall be payable by the members to the Tri-State Organization TSASRA.

**ARTICLE V — Voting by Members**

A. The Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. shall be a non-profit organization open to all regardless of race, creed, color, or sex, and who pay such membership fees as the USSA Board shall approve from time to time.
B. All members of Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc. must be members of USSA.

C. Every Tri State member eighteen (18) years of age or older and

two classes of non-voting members, whose rights and privileges are set forth in these Bylaws. The class of voting members shall be individual members of the age of eighteen (18) years or more who are also members of a TSASRA group member or, if not members of any TSASRA group members, attend school or reside in the Tri-State division and are not members of any group member of the NGB, including athletes, coaches, officials, and other individual members as determined from time to time by the Board.

D. Subject to individual review and approval by the Board, TSASRA shall permit and recognize affiliations with clubs, programs, ski industry trade associations, and other organizations involved in alpine skiing that support the purposes of TSASRA upon payment of a sponsorship fee set from time to time by the Board. An affiliation shall only entitle the club, association, or organization to those rights specifically granted by the Board in the resolution granting the affiliation.

E. Unless or except as limited by NGB bylaws, policies, procedures, rules, or action, any membership or affiliation may be suspended or revoked for good cause upon a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire Board, provided that such action shall be subject to the grievance procedures set forth in Article IX of these Bylaws.

**Article VI – Board of Directors**

A. All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of the Board, and the activities, property, and affairs of TSASRA, including, but not limited to the adoption and implementation of competition rules and policies and procedures of the organization, shall be managed by or under the direction of, the Board. The Board shall ensure that the activities of TSASRA are guided by clear strategic plans, organizational priorities, and program goals and objectives consistent with the vision, mission, and objectives of TSASRA. The Board shall set the fiscal year of TSASRA, and shall adopt schedules listing all dues, fees, and other charges levied against members and affiliates which the Board deems to be necessary and appropriate. The Board shall exercise all such other authority consistent with these Bylaws as may be necessary and appropriate to ensure the proper government and functioning of TSASRA. The Board may make distributions of the assets or income of TSASRA to a non-profit corporation consistent with its
charitable and educational purposes and/or for other purposes that further TSASRA’s corporate interest.

B. The Board shall be comprised of individual members in good standing of TSASRA who are of the age of eighteen (18) years or more. A member may not hold more than one (1) office. A member is ineligible to serve on the Board if the member has:

1. A felony conviction of any kind;
2. any conviction (misdemeanor or otherwise) for sexual abuse or sexual assault of any kind;
3. served a period of ineligibility for a U.S. Center for SafeSport Code violation;
4. received an interim sanction by the NGB that resulted in suspension of NGB membership;
   or
5. failed to successfully complete the NGB’s criminal background screen.

C. Each director shall be entitled to vote at any in person on Board business unless the director is designated below as a non-voting ex officio director or is ineligible under the NGB’s or TSASRA’s conflict of interest policies. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted. The Board shall be constituted as follows:

1. The President of TSASRA;
2. the Vice President of TSASRA;
3. the Secretary of TSASRA;
4. the Treasurer of TSASRA;
5. the Connecticut Subdivision Chair of TSASRA;
6. the Eastern Massachusetts Subdivision Chair of TSASRA;
7. the Western Massachusetts Subdivision Chair of TSASRA;
8. the Alpine Officials Chair of TSASRA;
9. the Competition Committee Chair of TSASRA;
10. the Immediate Past President of TSASRA, who shall be a non-voting ex officio director except that if a Board or Executive Committee vote is tied, the Immediate Past President may cast the tiebreaking vote; and
11. the TSASRA Administrator, who shall be a non-voting ex officio director, and shall attend all official meetings of the Board and of TSASRA, unless excused by the Board due to exigent circumstances.

D. In addition to the director positions specified above, the Board may appoint to the Board a Historian to serve in an advisory non-voting ex officio capacity.

E. Each director shall serve a regular two-year term, beginning after the conclusion of the annual meeting of members, unless earlier removed as further provided in this Article of these Bylaws. Board terms shall be subject to the following provisions:

1. Voting director positions shall be divided into four classes: Class A, Class B, Class C, and Class D.
2. **Class A** directors include the President and the Secretary and shall be elected at the annual meeting of members held in even-numbered years.

3. **Class B** directors include the Vice President and the Treasurer and shall be elected at the annual meeting of members held in odd-numbered years.

4. **Class C** directors include the Alpine Officials Chair, Competition Committee Chair, Connecticut Subdivision Chair, Eastern Massachusetts Subdivision Chair, and Western Massachusetts Subdivision Chair. Class C directors shall be appointed by the Executive Committee. The Competition Committee Chair shall be selected from the members of the Competition Committee.

5. **Class D** directors include the Immediate Past President, Tri-State Administrator, and, if the Board so appoints, the Historian. Class D directors are non-voting *ex officio* members of the Board.

   a) The Immediate Past President position is automatically filled by the individual who most recently served as President prior to the current President unless such individual holds another director position, is no longer a TSARA member, or was removed from the President position in accord with the procedures set forth in these Bylaws, in which case, the position shall be filled by the individual who served as President prior thereto or, if that individual holds another director position, is no longer a TSARA member, or was removed, the position shall remain vacant.

   b) The Tri-State Administrator position is an appointed position nominated by the Executive Committee and approved by the Board.

   c) The Historian position may or may not be recognized and filled by the Board by appointment.

6. For **Class A** and **Class B** directors (elected directors), an individual may serve in the same director position for a maximum of three (3) full consecutive terms. An individual who has previously served the maximum of three (3) full consecutive terms in a particular **Class A** or **Class B** director position may be reconsidered for reelection to that director position after a service gap of two (2) years has elapsed.

7. For **Class C** and **Class D** directors (non-elected directors), there shall be no term limits.

8. **The members entitled to vote for the election of directors may remove** any director for good cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all members at a meeting called for the purpose of removing such director and the meeting notice must state that the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the meeting is removal of the director. A director who is removed from the Board may be reconsidered for reelection or reappointment to a director position after a service gap of two (2) years has elapsed.

9. **Any director may resign at any time by submitting** the director’s resignation in writing to the President or the Secretary or at a meeting of the Board.
10. If a vacancy occurs in an elected office of the Board, the members entitled to vote for directors may fill the vacancy; or the Board may fill the vacancy; or if the directors remaining in office constitute fewer than a quorum of the Board, such remaining directors may fill the vacancy by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the directors remaining in office.

11. When a director is elected or appointed to fill a vacancy in a position having term limits because of the resignation, removal, incapacity, disability, or death of a director, if the remaining term is for one (1) year or less, then the director’s service during such shortened term shall not count towards the three (3) term limitation. If the remaining term is for more than one (1) year, then the director’s service during such shortened term shall count as one (1) term toward the three (3) term limitation described above.

12. Any member may nominate any member in good standing of TSASRA who is of the age of eighteen (18) years or more including him or herself, for any director position due for election. Announcement of nominees for all positions due for election posted on the TSASRA website at least three (3) weeks before the annual meeting of members shall be sufficient notice. Nominations from the floor will not be permitted except in the event that the Nominating Committee fails to solicit nominations for a position due for election or there are no qualified nominees for a position due for election in which case any individual member in good standing of TSASRA who is of the age of eighteen (18) years or more may be nominated from the floor of such meeting.

13. Any member may nominate any individual member in good standing of TSASRA who is of the age of eighteen (18) years or more including him or herself, for any appointed director position except for the positions of Connecticut Subdivision Chair, Eastern Massachusetts Subdivision Chair, and Western Massachusetts Subdivision Chair for which procedures are further set forth below.

14. For the positions of Connecticut Subdivision Chair, Eastern Massachusetts Subdivision Chair, and Western Massachusetts Subdivision Chair, any candidate or individual holding such position must be associated with the applicable geographic subdivision of TSASRA, and any candidate may only be nominated by a TSASRA individual or group member from the applicable geographic subdivision of TSASRA. An individual or group member’s subdivision association or designation shall be determined in a manner set forth by the Board from time to time.

F. The Board shall have the following six permanent standing committees:

1. An Executive Committee, which shall consist of physically four (4) voting members, including the President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The President shall chair the Executive Committee. The Immediate Past President shall be a non-voting ex officio member of the Executive Committee, except that if a committee vote is tied, the Immediate Past President may cast the tiebreaking vote. The Executive Committee shall be empowered to act upon all matters requiring Board attention between meetings of the full
Board. The Executive Committee shall have authority to act for the Board only in meetings in which all voting Executive Committee members are participating (either personally or via teleconference), and during such times the Executive Committee shall possess the same powers, authority, and responsibilities as the Board. All actions taken by the Executive Committee must be ratified by the Board at its next meeting where a quorum is present to vote, and if not so ratified, fail and measures taken in support of the action should be reversed to the extent reasonably possible. Ratification may be made through the use of mailed consents in accord with these Bylaws.

2. A Competition Committee, which shall consist of five (5) voting members appointed by the Board, including three (3) Age Class Chairs, the Interclub Chair, and the Collegiate Chair. The Executive Committee shall appoint one of the foregoing members to concurrently hold the Competition Committee Chair position. Nominations for appointment to the Competition Committee shall be provided to the Board by the Nominating Committee. The Competition Committee Chair shall chair the Competition Committee. The Competition Committee shall minimally be comprised of three (3) standing age class subcommittees, to be chaired by the applicable Age Class Chair, with the title and scope of responsibility of each Age Class Chair and the associated age class subcommittee determined by the Board from time to time. Additionally, the following special subcommittees may be recognized and appointed by the Board: Interclub Subcommittee, to be chaired by the Interclub Chair, and Collegiate Subcommittee, to be chaired by the Collegiate Chair. The members of all of the foregoing subcommittees shall be appointed by the Board. The Competition Committee’s duties and obligations shall include, but not be limited to:

   a) Formulating TSASRA policy for alpine skiing competition in compliance with the rules, regulations, and requirements of the NGB and FIS.

   b) Developing and presenting to the Board for its approval, TSASRA Competition Rules, including selection procedures, policies, ranking systems, point calculations and corrections, notification requirements, and any other necessities for any and all of TSASRA’s competition series and teams.

   c) Developing and implementing policies and procedures for competitive events, including, but not limited to, regular season events, championships, preseason events, and postseason events.

3. An Appeals Committee, which shall consist of three (3) voting members, including the Alpine Officials Chair, the President, and the Competition Committee Chair. The Alpine Officials Chair shall chair the Appeals Committee. Decisions of the Appeals Committee shall be final and non-appealable within TSASRA. The Appeals Committee shall establish policies and procedures consistent with these Bylaws which shall be approved by the Board and shall exercise such powers and authority as is required pursuant to rules of the NGB. All members of the Appeals Committee shall be disinterested individuals without a conflict of interest to the individuals or situations being heard. In the event of a conflict of interest, an alternate member shall be chosen by the Alpine Officials Chair.
4. A Finance Committee, which shall consist of three (3) voting members, including the Treasurer and two additional committee members, who need not be directors and shall be appointed by the Board biennially. Nominations for appointment to the Finance Committee shall be provided to the Board by the Nominating Committee. The Treasurer shall chair the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee’s primary duties and responsibilities are to assist the Treasurer in preparing an annual budget and financial statements, and to provide recommendations for budget approval, endowment draws, and capital structure of the organization. The Finance Committee shall establish policies and procedures consistent with these Bylaws, which shall be approved by the Board.

5. An Education and Development Committee, which shall consist of three (3) voting members, including the Vice President and two additional committee members, who need not be directors and shall be appointed by the Board biennially. Nominations for appointment to the Education and Development Committee shall be provided to the Board by the Nominating Committee. The Vice President shall chair the Education and Development Committee. The committee’s primary purpose is to improve the knowledge of coaches and alpine officials and promote athlete development. The Education and Development Committee shall establish policies and procedures consistent with these Bylaws, including preparing written procedures for funding TSASRA programs in furtherance of its purpose.

6. A Nominating Committee, which shall consist of three (3) voting members, including the Secretary, and two additional committee members who need not be directors and shall be appointed by the Board at the time that Class B directors are elected. The Secretary shall chair the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee shall serve for a term of two years.

G. The Board, by resolution, may designate such special committees as it deems necessary and proper, and each such committee, to the extent provided in the resolution, shall have such authority as the Board determines. Such committees may consist of directors or individual members in good standing of TSASRA. The President shall be a non-voting ex officio member of all special committees.

Any member of a standing committee who is not a director, or any member of any special committee, may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board. In such event, the President shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy.

H. **ARTICLE VI**

**Article VII – Meetings of Members**
A. The annual Spring meeting of the members of TSARATSA shall be held on such dates between April 1 and June 30 of each year, and at such time and place as shall be designated by the President. In the absence of such designation of the date of the annual Spring meeting of members TSARATSA by the President, the meeting shall be held on the first Wednesday in June, provided that the meeting may be postponed due to force majeure. Notice posted on the TSASRA website at least three (3) weeks prior to the designated meeting. Notice posted on the website date shall be sufficient notice of the annual Spring meeting meeting. The agenda of the annual meeting of members shall include, but not be limited to:

The agenda of the annual meeting shall include, but not be limited to:

1. President’s report on TSARATSA activities;

2. the Treasurer’s report on TSARA’s TSARATSA’s financial condition;

3. reports from all Competition Chairs, standing committee chairs;

4. reports of all Regional Subdivision Chairs;

5. report of the Alpine Officials Chair;

6. report of the TSARATSA State or Division Representative member of the liaison to the Eastern Alpine Committee; and

7. report of the Interclub Chair

8. report the Collegiate Chair

9. election of directors.

B. A regular Fall meeting of the members of TSARATSA shall be held on such date between September 1 and November 15 of each year, and at such time and place as shall be designated by the President. In the absence of such designation of the date of such regular meeting of TSARATSA by the President, the meeting shall be held on the fourth Wednesday in October, provided that the meeting may be postponed due to force majeure. Notice posted on the TSARATSA website at least three (3) weeks prior to the meeting, posted on the website date shall be sufficient notice of the annual meeting—such regular meeting. The agenda of the regular meeting of members required hereunder shall include, but not be limited to:
The agenda of the regular Fall meeting shall include, but not be limited to:

1. President’s report on TASRATSASRA activities;

2. the Treasurer’s report on TASRA’s TSASRA’s financial condition;

3. reports from all Competition Chairs; standing committee chairs;

4. reports of all Regional Subdivision Chairs;

5. report of the Alpine Officials Chair; and

6. report of the TSASRA State or Division Representative member of the liaison to the Eastern Alpine Competition Committee.

7. report of the Interclub Chair

8. report of the Collegiate Chair

C. The Board shall provide a reasonable opportunity during the annual Spring and regular Fall meetings of members for TSASRA members to comment upon the actions and policies of the Board and TSASRA.

D. The Board shall meet as a body at least twice during each fiscal year, in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held at least twice per year, minimally including prior to the annual meeting of members, and the regular meeting of members required under Article VII B.

2. All regular meeting dates will be designated by the President with written notice of each meeting to be given to all directors and posted on the TSASRA website at least three (3) weeks prior to each meeting.

Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President or

D. A Special Meeting of the members shall be held:

3. by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting directors of the Board by written request to the President and Vice President. Time, place, reason, and agenda for special meetings will be sent to all directors with a minimum of five (5) days’ notice per meeting, unless an emergency requires less notice. In the event of failure by the President to: (1) call a special
meeting of the Board within ten (10) days of written request by at least two-thirds (2/3) of the voting directors, as described above, or (2) poll the members of the Board and determine that a majority choose not to conduct a special meeting, then the Vice President is empowered and required to call such a meeting in the same manner as the President. Special meetings may be conducted and attended either in person, or via teleconference. The only business that may be conducted at a special meeting shall be that which has been contained within the agenda transmitted with the written request discussed above unless additional items are added by the President and sent to all directors with notice of the meeting.

4. All meetings of the Board shall be open to attendance by any interested member in good standing of TSASRA, except that the Board may close such meetings for discussion of personnel issues or matters of a legally sensitive nature.

5. Whenever any notice is required to be given by law or by these Bylaws, a waiver thereof in writing, signed by the person or persons entitled to the notice, whether before or after the time stated therein, shall be deemed equivalent to the giving of such notice; provided, however, that notice may not be waived for amendments to these Bylaws. Attendance of a person at any meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of the meeting, except where any person attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting was not lawfully called or convened, and the person so objects at the beginning of the meeting.

6. Any action required or permitted to be taken at a meeting of the Board or of a committee of the Board, except for votes to amend the Bylaws of TSASRA, may be taken without a meeting if TSASRA delivers a written ballot to every director or committee member entitled to vote on the matter. A written ballot shall set forth each proposed action and provide an opportunity to vote for or against each proposed action. All written ballots shall (1) indicate the number of responses needed to meet quorum requirements, (2) state the percentage of approvals necessary to approve each matter; (3) specify the time by which a ballot must be received by TSASRA in order to be counted; and (4) be accompanied by written information sufficient to permit each person to make an informed decision on the matter presented. Approval by written ballot shall only be valid when those entitled to vote are given at least fifteen (15) days from the day on which the notice is mailed and the number of approvals equals or exceeds the number of votes that would be required to approve the matter at a meeting at which the total number of votes cast was the same as the number of votes cast by ballot.

7. In the event of a procedural dispute, Robert’s Rules of Order, most current edition, will be consulted and will govern. In the event of any ambiguity or deficiency in these Bylaws, the Board shall adopt an interpretation of the provision at issue by majority vote.

8. The Secretary, or if absent, a designee, shall arrange for the taking of minutes at all meetings of the Board and at all meetings of members and will certify that such minutes represent an accurate meeting history. Minutes of all meetings will be distributed to all
directors and be made available upon request to all members within thirty (30) days of each meeting.

E. At any meeting of the Board or any permanent standing committee, a quorum shall consist of two-thirds (2/3) of all directors of the Board or members of the committee entitled to vote, respectively. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business notwithstanding the withdrawal of directors or committee members if any action taken is approved by a number which would constitute at least a majority of the required quorum; provided that the following actions can only be taken when a full quorum is present: (i) election of directors or officers; (ii) approval of annual budgets by the Board; and (iii) such other issues as may be designated elsewhere in these Bylaws as requiring a certain number of votes or attendees.

F. The quorum for any meeting of members shall be all members present at such meeting.

G. A special meeting of the members of TSASRA shall be held:

1. On the call of the Board or two-thirds (2/3) of the voting directors of the Board by written request to the President and Vice President;

2.1. On the call of the Executive Committee;

2.2. If the holders of ten (10) percent of all the votes entitled to be cast on any issue proposed to be considered at the proposed special meeting, sign, date, and deliver to the Secretary/President and/or Vice President, one or more written demands for the meeting describing the purpose or purposes for which for which it is to be held. If the Secretary and/or President shall does not, within fifteen (15) days after receipt of such members’ request, so-call such meeting, such members may call the meeting. Notice of the special meeting, posted on the web site shall be sufficient notice of the meeting. Time, place, reason, and agenda for special meetings shall be posted on the TSASRA website with a minimum of five (5) days’ notice per meeting. In the event of failure by the President to: (1) call a special meeting of the members of TSASRA within fifteen (15) days of written request, as described above, then the Vice President is empowered and required to call such a meeting in the same manner as the President. The only business that may be conducted at a special meeting shall be that which has been contained within the agenda transmitted with the written request discussed above unless additional items are added by the President and included with notice of the meeting.

3. Only those matters specifically set forth in the notice of a special meeting shall be considered at such meeting. Notice of a special meeting shall include a description of the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called.

E. The quorum for any meeting of members shall be all members present at such meeting.
ARTICLE VII—Board of Directors

A. Corporate Powers. All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of the Board of Directors, and the activities, property and affairs of the corporation including, but not limited to the adoption and implementation of competition rules and policies and procedures of the organization shall be managed by or under the direction of, the Board of Directors.

B. Composition

1. The Board shall be comprised of members in good standing of the USSA. Every member of the Board shall be entitled to vote in person on Board business unless the member is designated below as a non-voting member or is ineligible under the USSA’s conflict of interest policies.

2. Voting by proxy shall not be permitted and each member of the Board shall have one (1) vote regardless of how many offices that person may hold.

3. The number of directors constituting the entire Board of Directors shall be not less than three and may be increased by the Board from time to time, as deemed necessary, and may include the following Board positions:

   — (a) President
   — (b) Vice President
   — (c) Secretary
   — (d) Treasurer
   — (e) U21/U19 Alpine Chair
   — (f) U16 Alpine Chair
   — (g) U14/U12/U10 Alpine Chair
— (h) Connecticut Regional Chair
— (i) Eastern Massachusetts Regional Chair
— (j) Western Massachusetts Regional Chair
— (k) Alpine Officials Chair
— (l) One (1) member at large
— (m) Interclub Chair
— (n) Collegiate Chair

4. The Tri-State Administrator shall attend all official meetings of the organization, unless excused by the Board for exigent circumstances.

5. The Board may appoint a historian to serve in an advisory non-voting capacity

C. Qualifications—Each
Any director must be a member in good standing of TASRA and USSA.

D. Terms and Elections—Elected Directors shall serve for a term of two years. The Elected Directors shall be divided into two classes, as follows:

—or

Class A: President, Secretary, U16 Alpine Chair, U14/U12/U10 Alpine Chair, and At Large Member

Class B: Vice President, Treasurer, U21/U19 Alpine Chair, Interclub Chair

Class C: Alpine Officials Chair, and Collegiate Chairs—are appointed positions approved by the Board
The Class A Directors shall be elected at the annual Spring meeting of members held in even-numbered years, and the Class B Directors shall be elected at the annual Spring meeting of members held in odd-numbered years.

Any member may nominate any other member including him or herself, for any Directors position up for election. Announcement of nominees posted on the web site before the annual meeting shall be sufficient. Any member in good standing may also be nominated from the floor of the annual meeting.

E. **Quorum** A quorum for a meeting of the Board of Directors shall be a minimum of two-thirds of the entire Board with no proxy votes permitted.

F. **Committees**

1. **Standing Committees**. The Board shall have four standing committees. They shall be:

1. An Executive Committee, which shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Executive Committee shall act for the Board, providing circumstances demand such action and that the Board is not in session. The Executive Committee shall also exercise such responsibilities and powers as are delegated to it from time to time by resolution of the Board. The President shall be the chair of the Executive Committee.

2. An Alpine Competition Committee, which Committee shall be comprised of 3 sub-committees, which shall be appointed by the Board, and include the following;

   i. U21/19 Alpine Competition Committee;
   ii. U16 Alpine Competition Committee;
   iii. U14/U12/U10 Competition Committee

3. An Appeals Committee, which shall consist of the President, U21/U19 Chair, the U16 Alpine Chair, the U14/U12/10, Alpine Chair, The Vice President and the Alpine Officials Chair. The Appeals Committee shall have such powers and authority as is required pursuant to rules of USSA.
4. A Nominating Committee shall consist of a chair and two other committee members, all of whom shall be elected by the members during the Class B Election. Members of the Nominating Committee need not be Directors. The Nominating Committee shall serve for a term of two years. Prior to each election of Directors, the Nominating Committee shall make its recommendations for the persons to be nominated as Directors. As well as nominating persons for Directors positions, the Nominating Committee shall also nominate three members to serve on the Nominating Committee.

2. Special Committees. Board of Directors, by resolution, may designate from among the Board members such special committees as it deems necessary and proper, and each such committee, to the extent provided in the resolution, shall have such authority as the Board determines. The Board may also designate additional members of any such committee from among the general membership of T/S in order to obtain special expertise and any such committee members shall be non-voting. The President shall be an ex officio member of all special committees.

3. Quorums. The quorum for any meeting of any committee of the Board shall be two-thirds of the entire voting membership of the committee.

4. Vacancies. Any member of the Nominating Committee or any special committee may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Board. A member not physically present at a meeting may, in such event, the President shall appoint a person to fill such vacancy.

G. Regular and Special Meetings. The Board may conduct regular meetings at such times and places as it shall by resolution determine, as set forth below:

(a) Regular meetings of the Board may be held without notice of the date, time, place or purpose of the meeting, except that, unless stated in a written notice of the meeting, no bylaw may be considered for recommendation to the members for adoption, amendment or repeal.

(b) Special meetings of the Board may be called by the President or the Secretary or by two-thirds of the entire Board and shall be preceded by at least two days' notice of the date, time and place of the meeting. Notice of a special meeting need not include a description of the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, except that, unless stated in a written notice of the meeting, no bylaw may be considered for recommendation to the members for adoption, amendment or repeal.
(c) All meetings of the Board shall be open to attendance by any interested member in good standing of the USSA, except that the Board may close such meetings for discussion of matters of a legally sensitive nature.

H. **Waiver of Notice.** A director may, in writing, waive notice of any meeting of the Board before or after the time and date stated in the notice. A director’s attendance at or participation in a meeting waives any required notice to him or her, unless the director at the beginning of the meeting or promptly upon his or her arrival, objects to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting.

I. **Action without Meeting.** Any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board may be taken without a meeting if the action is taken by all members of the entire Board and is evidenced by a unanimous written consent filed with the corporate records and reflecting the action taken. The unanimous written consent shall be effective when each director has provided his or her written consent.

H. **Participate in a Regular or Special Meeting.** A director may, by any means of any telecommunications system that enables the director or member to engage in two-way communication with all of the other directors participating, participate in a regular or special meeting by this means and shall be deemed to be present in person at the meeting. In case of such participation,

J. **Director Removal, Resignation, Vacancy**
Article

1. The members entitled to vote for the election of directors may remove one or more Elected Directors with or without cause. An Elected Director may be removed by the members entitled to vote for directors only at a meeting called for the purpose of removing him or her and the meeting notice must state that the purpose, or one of the purposes, of the meeting is removal of the director.

2. Any director may resign at any time by submitting their resignation in writing to the President or the Secretary or to a meeting of the Board of Directors.

3. If a vacancy occurs on the Board of Directors, including a vacancy resulting from an increase in the number of directors (a) The members entitled to vote for directors may fill the vacancy; or (b) the Board of Directors may fill the vacancy; or (3) if the directors remaining in office constitute fewer than a quorum of the Board, they may fill the vacancy by the affirmative vote of a majority of all the directors remaining in office.

ARTICLE VIII — Duties of Officers and Other Organizational Positions

A. President

A. President. The President is the highest elective position in TSASRA. The duties of the President shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Board, Executive Committee, and Appeals Committee, and as a non-voting *ex officio* member of all special committees of the Board, unless appointed a full voting member of any special committee by the Board.

2. Chairing the Executive Committee.

3. Designating the date, time, and place of the annual meeting of members, any regular meeting of members, all meetings of the Board (regular and special), and all special meetings of the members, as permitted or required by these Bylaws.

4. Presiding at all meetings of the Executive Committee, the Board of Directors, and the members.
5. Reporting on TSASRA activities at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.
6. As Executive Committee Chair, reporting on the activities of the Executive Committee at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.
7. Signing contracts on behalf of the organization—TSASRA.

4. Call special meetings of the Board.

8. Acting as the registered agent of TSASRA or designating an individual to be its registered agent.
9. Appointing individuals to fill non-director vacancies on standing committees and any vacancies on special committees.

B. Vice President. The duties of the Vice President shall include—, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Board, Executive Committee, and Education and Development Committee.

2. Chairing the Education and Development Committee.
3. As Education and Development Committee Chair, reporting on the activities of the Education and Development Committee at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.
4. Performing the duties and obligations of the President in the absence of the President or inability of the President to perform the President’s duties.
5. Performing such duties as are assigned to the Vice President by the President.

C. Secretary. The duties of the Secretary shall include—, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Board, Executive Committee, and Nominating Committee.

2. Recording and distributing the minutes of all meetings of the Board, members, and Executive Committee, the Board and the members—unless absent, certifying that such minutes represent an accurate meeting history, and distributing such minutes. The Secretary may assign this duty to the Tri-State Administrator.
4. As Nominating Committee Chair, reporting on the activities of the Nominating Committee at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.

3-5. Maintaining an accurate copy of the bylaws and distributing or making available the bylaws to the Board and the members.

4.6. Signing contracts on behalf of the organization.

7. Authenticating and certifying records and documents of the corporation—TSASRA.

5.8. Making all legal filings on behalf of the corporation—TSASRA.

D. Treasurer. The duties of the Treasurer shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Board, Executive Committee, and Finance Committee.

2. Chairing the Finance Committee.

3. Performing an audit of receipts and disbursements at least annually.

4. Making an annual report on TSASRA's financial report on condition at the annual meeting of members— and any regular meeting of members.

5. As Finance Committee Chair, reporting on the activities of the Finance Committee at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.

4.6. Collecting membership dues. The treasurer may assign this duty to the Tri-State Administrator.

Subdivision Chairs.
E. Alpine Officials Chair. The duties of the Alpine Officials Chair shall include:

1. Attending all required USSA meetings for officials and report to the members on such meetings.

2. Conducting such activities as may be required by USSA or as are necessary and appropriate to establish and maintain a high level of officiating within TASRA.

3. Monitoring the credentials of all TASRA officials.

4. Running officials clinics within the TASRA region.
F. **Alpine Competition Committee.** Consisting of the U21/U19 Chair, U16 Chair, U14/U12/U10 Chairs (Alpine Competition Committee [each of the Subdivision Chairs])

The duties of the U21/U19 Chair, U16 Chair, and U14/U12/U10 Chairs shall include:

1. Formulating TASRA policy for alpine competition in compliance with the rules, regulations and requirements of USSA and FIS;

2. Presenting for approval, as members of the Alpine Competition Committee, to the Board of Directors, Alpine Competition Rules, including selection procedures, policies, ranking systems, point corrections, notification requirements and any other necessities for the TASRA alpine competition teams. Upon approval by the Board of Directors, the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc.’s Alpine Competition Rules shall be published on the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, Inc.’s website by December 15 of each competition year;

3. Developing and implementing policies and procedures for competitive events, including, but not limited to, Championships and pre and post season events, and organizing such events throughout the competition year.

G. **Regional Chairs.** The Regional Chairs shall:

E. 1. Establish a geographically representative committee for their respective regions (Connecticut Subdivision Chair, Eastern Massachusetts—Subdivision Chair, Western Massachusetts, and Connecticut); Subdivision Chair) shall include, but not be limited to:

2. Establish regional
   1. Serving as a full voting member on the Board.
   2. Establishing a geographically representative committee for the Chair’s respective subdivision of the Tri-State division (Connecticut, Eastern Massachusetts, and Western Massachusetts).
   3. Reporting on the activities within the Chair’s subdivision or affecting the Chair’s subdivision at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.
   4. Establishing rules and policies within the Chair’s subdivision consistent with the rules and policies of TASRA, USSA, TSASA, the NGB, and FIS.

3. Representing the policies and views of their Chair’s respective regions to the T/S Board and membership.
H. Member at Large

5. The Member at Large shall represent the assembly of members in all matters that come before the board and vote in accord with that representation. TSASRA Board and membership.

F. Alpine Officials Chair. The duties of the Alpine Officials Chair shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Board and Appeals Committee.
2. Chairing the Appeals Committee.
3. Reporting on matters related to officials at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.
4. As Appeals Committee Chair, reporting on the activities of the Appeals Committee at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.
5. Attending all required NGB meetings for officials and report to the members on such meetings.
6. Conducting such activities as may be required by NGB or as are necessary and appropriate to establish and maintain a high level of officiating within TSASRA.
7. Monitoring the credentials of all TSASRA officials.
8. Running officials’ clinics within the Tri-State division.

G. Competition Committee Chair. The duties of the Competition Committee Chair shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Board and Competition Committee.
2. Chairing the Competition Committee.
3. Ensuring that the duties and obligations of the Competition Committee are fulfilled.
4. Coordinating unified rules and calendar scheduling for races and competition events and training opportunities across all regions and age groups.
5. Overseeing the committee members of the Competition Committee in the exercise of their duties and implementation of the policies and procedures adopted thereby.
6. Reporting on the activities of the Competition Committee at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members.
7. Attending the NGB’s Eastern Region’s Alpine Competition Committee meetings as a member or visitor, and keeping the Board informed of relevant actions contemplated or approved thereby.

H. Immediate Past President. The duties of the Immediate Past President shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a non-voting (except where casting a tiebreaking vote) *ex officio* member on the Board and Executive Committee.
2. Providing continuity of leadership to the President.
3. Serving as an advisor and providing feedback to committees.
4. Performing other duties as assigned by the Executive Committee.
I. Tri-State Administrator. The duties of the Administrator shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a non-voting *ex officio* member on the Board.
2. Having responsibility for the management and operation of TSASRA in accord with the general policy directives and actions of the Board and exercising prudence, good judgment, and financial responsibility in conducting the business and administrative affairs of TSASRA.
3. Collecting membership dues if assigned by the Treasurer.
4. Maintaining the TSASRA website and publishing competition schedules, rules, and notices.
5. Providing notice of Board and member meetings at the direction of the President.
6. Assisting the Executive Committee and Board in the conduct of meetings.
7. Taking minutes at meetings of the Board and members if assigned by the Secretary.
8. Maintaining a current roster of members, directors, and committee members.
9. Performing such additional duties as are assigned to by the President or the Board.

J. Competition Committee Age Class Subcommittee Chairs. The duties of the Competition Committee Age Class Subcommittee Chairs shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Competition Committee.
2. Chairing the Chair’s respective Competition Subcommittee.
3. Contributing to the fulfillment of the duties and obligations of the Competition Committee through management and coordination of the activities of the Chair’s respective Competition Subcommittee.
4. Working with the members of the Chair’s respective Competition Subcommittee to fulfill the duties and obligations of the subcommittee.
5. Monitoring the activities of the NGB’s Eastern Region as concern the Chair’s respective Competition Subcommittee.

**Interclub Chair.**

K. Interclub Chair. The duties of the Interclub Chair shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Competition Committee.
2. If an Interclub Subcommittee is recognized and appointed by the Board, Chairing the Interclub Subcommittee.
3. Contributing to the fulfillment of the duties and obligations of the Competition Committee.
4. Formulating Interclub policy, rules, procedures, and schedules for Interclub alpine *skiing* competition in compliance with USSANGB and T/STSASRA rules and procedures where applicable.
5. Coordinating the activities of Interclub member programs, with each other and with other regional programs *within the Tri-State division*, where applicable, including, but limited
6. **J.** If applicable, working with the members of the Interclub Subcommittee to fulfil the duties and obligations of the subcommittee.

L. **Collegiate Chair.** The duties of the Collegiate Chair shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a full voting member on the Competition Committee.
2. If a Collegiate Subcommittee is recognized and appointed by the Board, Chairing the Collegiate Subcommittee.
3. Contributing to the fulfillment of the duties and obligations of the Competition Committee.
4. Representing collegiate alpine skiing in the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association, coordinating the activities and addressing the concerns common among the Collegiate coaches, athletes, and members regarding crossover opportunities, rules, quotas, and selection procedures. The Collegiate Chair works closely with the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Association—Board to ensure complementary event scheduling.

6. If applicable, working with the members of the Collegiate Subcommittee to fulfil the duties and obligations of the subcommittee.

M. **Historian.** The Board may, but need not, appoint a Historian. If the Board appoints a Historian, the duties of the Historian shall include, but not be limited to:

1. Serving as a nonvoting *ex officio* member of the Board.
2. Tracking and documenting the activities and achievements associated with TSASRA.
3. Maintaining archives and preparing historical records and information which may include, but is not limited to, photographs and written reports.

N. **Representatives to the NGB’s Eastern Region and/or Eastern Ski Association.** To the extent TSASRA is empowered or authorized to appoint, elect, or otherwise select an individual to be a director or member of any board or committee of the NGB’s Eastern Region and/or Eastern Ski Association for the purpose of representing the interests of TSASRA, including but not limited to the Eastern Alpine Competition Committee, the Board is expressly authorized to fill such position(s), and may delegate such authority to its officers. Any such position may be held by a current director of the Board. Any such representative shall report on the activities of the respective board or committee at the annual meeting of members and any regular meeting of members, and keep the Board informed of relevant actions contemplated or approved by the respective board or committee.

**Article IX – Rules and Appeals and Grievances**
4.A. Rules— The competition rules of TASRATSASRA shall be those of FIS, the international governing body of alpine ski racing, and USSA, the national governing body of alpine ski racingthe NGB, and those rules established by TASRATSASRA in compliance therewith and publishedapproved each year inas the Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Association TSASRA Competition Rules. Upon approval by the Board, the TSASRA Competition Rules shall be published on the TASRATSASRA website by December 15 of each year.

2.—Appeals of Decisions of Race Organizers and Officials

B. _______. The Appeals Committee shall adjudicate any appeal of decisions of race organizers and officials, including, but not limited to, non-disciplinary start right and participation appeals, suspension from participation in competition appeals, and competition jury appeals, and shall follow USSANGB rules and procedures in any such adjudication.

3.—Appeals of the Action of the Board and its committees and members.

C. _______Grievances. Every member of the Tri State Alpine Ski Racing Ski Association TSASRA shall have the right to pursue written grievances concerning actions by the Board, any of its committees, or any of its members acting in their official capacities in accordance with the procedures set forth below:

1. A grievance shall be defined as an allegation by a member that the Board, any of its committees or any member while acting in an official capacity has violated these bylaws or has failed to discharge its obligations under the USSA Bylaws, USOC—Bylaws or the Ted Stevens Olympic and Amateur Sports Act.

2. A grievance shall be defined as an allegation by a member that TSASRA, the Board, any of its committees, or any member while acting in an official capacity has violated the Articles of Organization, these Bylaws, or the official written policies and procedures of TSASRA, or has failed to discharge its obligations under the NGB Bylaws. The grievance procedures set forth in this Section C do not apply to Competition Jury appeals, Team Selection appeals, Suspensions, or to matters falling within the jurisdiction of the United States Center for SafeSport. The investigation and adjudication of matters involving allegations or reports of sexual abuse or misconduct, or other violations that involve prohibited conduct that is related to sexualized behavior, fall within the jurisdiction of the United States Center for SafeSport. Grievances do not include complaints against or disapproval of policy decisions of the Board, and the Appeals Committee shall respond to any effort to raise such issues in the form of a grievance by notifying the complainant in writing that the Appeals Committee lacks jurisdiction over policy decisions, and that such
issues should be brought to the attention of the President, the Competition Committee, or
the Board through a Board member or during any open comment period of a meeting of
members. The Appeals Committee may decline to consider a grievance, and instead refer
the complaining party to the NGB’s dispute resolution process if the matter complained of
does not affect or concern the ability of a member to pursue athletic excellence within
TSASRA.

2. A complainant may initiate the grievance process by filing a written complaint with the
principal office of Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Ski Association–TSASRA addressed to the
Tri-State Administrator or by email to the Tri-State Administrator. The Complaint shall
include the following:

(a) The identity of the complainant;

(b) The identity of the member(s), Board(s), or committee(s) of the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Ski Association–TSASRA against whom the grievance is directed (hereinafter

collectively the “Respondents”);

(e) A short and plain statement of the facts giving rise to the
grievance, including the action at issue, the Articles of Organization, Bylaws, or
official written policies or procedures adopted by the Board which are alleged to
have been violated by the action, the parties involved in the action, the harm to the
complainant as a result of such action, and the relief sought;

d) The signature of the complainant (and the signature of his/her parent or legal
guardian if he/she is under eighteen (18) years of age); and

(e) Any reasonable filing fee adopted in advance by the Board.

3. The Board shall adopt procedures for the processing, review, consideration, and resolution
of grievances. If a final resolution or order is prepared by the Appeals Committee, the
resolution or order so entered shall be non-appealable within TSASRA. The prevailing
party in any grievance shall be entitled to a refund of any filing fees the party has paid
during the course of the grievance procedure.

D. Team Selection. The Board shall adopt procedures for the processing, review,
consideration, and resolution of any appeal filed by any member who believes that he/she has
wrongfully been denied membership on any team whose members are selected through
participation in TSASRA competition.
3. Within ten (10) days of receiving the Complaint, the Board shall refer the matter to USSA for disposition pursuant to Article IX of the USSA Bylaws.

Article X – Indemnification

The members of the Board, as a board and individually, and the members of each permanent standing committee, as a committee and individually, are specifically held harmless by the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Ski Association TSASRA for all actions taken in good faith on behalf of the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Ski Association TSASRA, including omissions, unless found culpable in a court of law of willful malfeasance, illegal activity or gross negligence. No indemnification will be provided where an officer, director or other member is adjudicated to be liable and a central reason for this finding is that he/she acted in bad faith. No indemnification will be provided where an individual is found to have personally and substantially benefited from his/her actions and these actions in any way injured the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Ski Association TSASRA or placed it at risk of injury. Where the officer, director or member individual has not been adjudicated to be in bad faith and where his/her actions did not injure or threaten to injure the Tri-State Alpine Ski Racing Ski Association TSASRA, no indemnification will be provided to the extent that the officer or director personally profited as a result of his/her actions. No indemnification will be provided to an officer, director or member individual where the liability was the result of an action initiated by that person and where the initiation of the action was unauthorized by the Board or these bylaws.

Article XI – Parliamentary Authority – All meetings – Code of TSASRA Conduct

A. The Board shall adopt a written code of conduct and ethical practices for TSASRA that shall include the requirement that each officer and member of the Board and of each committee annually agree in accordance with writing to abide by such code. The code may be amended from time to time by the Board as it may deem advisable.

B. The Code shall include at least the following restrictions:

1. Any officer of TSASRA, or member of the Board, or of any Committee, who has a financial interest in any contract or transaction involving TSASRA shall have no vote with the most recent revision of Roberts Rules of Order, respect to approval of such contract or transaction; and

2. No TSASRA member shall receive any form of compensation or reimbursement of travel expenses from TSASRA unless specifically authorized by the Board or the designated committee or other designee of the Board.

Article XII – Amendment of Bylaws

A. Amendments to these Bylaws may be proposed by either (i) any three (3) members of the Board, or (ii) any five (5) members of TSASRA entitled to vote at a meeting of members.
B. Proposed amendments shall be presented to the Tri-State Administrator in writing at least thirty (30) days before any properly noticed meeting of members and shall be sent by the Tri-State Administrator to all members of the Board and standing committee members, and posted on the TSASRA website, at least three (3) weeks before the meeting of members.

C. Proposed amendments shall be presented as follows:

1. State who is proposing the amendment(s).

2. State in writing that portion of the existing text in its entirety, inclusive of all portions which are to be considered for change.

Within

3. ——A. the text of the above statement in 2., show any new phrases or addenda with all words to be added underlined thus: new verbiage.

4. Within the text of the above statement in 2., show any dropped phrases or deletions with all words to be deleted stricken through thus: deleted verbiage.

5. The proposed amendment must be accompanied by a brief explanation of the reasons for the change, and the effect of the change, if adopted.

D. These Bylaws may be repealed or amended only by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members present at a meeting of members and entitled to vote thereat, provided that the notice of such meeting contained a copy of the proposed amendment or repeal—foregoing procedures are satisfied.

E. ——B. Any amendment of these bylaws shall become effective forty-five (45) days from the date of approval by the Board of the Corporation members.

Article XIII — Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of TSASRA, any assets remaining after the satisfaction of all obligations of the corporation shall be distributed for purposes within the scope of alpine ski racing competition and to benefit USSANGB alpine skiing, as determined by the Bylaws.