

## **CONSTITUTION and BY - LAWS of the WISCONSIN SPORT TRUCKS (A non-profit organization)**

### **ARTICLE 1 Election of Officers**

**Section 1:** Protocol of Elections Nominations for all offices will be taken from the current members of the club. All nominees must be a current member (See definition of member in ARTICLE IV, Section 5) in good standings and have been a member in good standing the year previous of being nominated. Upon acceptance of the nomination, all nominees will be placed on a ballot for each office up for election. There also must be a place on the ballot for a write in vote for any person whom wishes to run as a write in candidate. The persons nominated will have the opportunity to address the club body of their intentions for the office, if they so chose. Any person whom wishes to run as a write in candidate will also be given the opportunity to present themselves and their intentions of office to the club body. The candidates for President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer receiving the majority of the votes being cast shall be declared elected to their respective offices.

**Section 1A: Offices of President and Treasurer** During even numbered years these respective offices are for the duration of a two (2) year term. The election for the offices of President and Treasurer shall be held at the regular club meeting held on the third Wednesday of the first meeting in the off season.

**Section 1B: Offices of Vice President and Secretary** During odd number years these respective offices are for the duration of a two (2) year term. The election for the offices of Vice President and Secretary shall be held at the regular club meeting held on the third Wednesday of the first meeting in the off season.

**Section 2:** The officers so elected to the positions of President and Treasurer shall be installed to their respective office at the end of their term. If prior to the end of their term the newly elected President resigns, the acting Vice President takes office. Nominations for a new Vice-President shall be taken at the next two(2) club functions thereafter. At the next club function following the completion of nominations, a vote will be taken and the candidate receiving the majority of the votes being cast shall be elected for the remainder of the term.

**Section 2A:** The officers so elected to the positions of Vice President and Secretary shall be installed to their respective office at the end of their term. If prior to the end of their term the newly elected Secretary resigns, nominations for a new Secretary shall be taken at the next two(2) club functions thereafter. At the next club function following the completion of nominations, a vote will be taken and the candidate receiving the majority of the votes being cast shall be elected for the remainder of the term.

**Section 2B:** Any resignation by an officer will be submitted to all presiding officers in a formal letter.

**Section 3.** A vacancy in any office, except President, will be filled by nominations at the next two(2) club functions, and then a vote at the following club function.

**Section 4.** The officers reserve the right to interpret all set rules and regulations regarding all club functions previously voted upon.

**Section 5.** The officers reserve the right to remove anyone who is unruly at any club function and subject them to necessary disciplinary action, as decided by the officers.

### **ARTICLE 2**

**Section 1. PRESIDENT.** It shall be the duty of the President to preside at meetings of the club and to perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to their office.

**Section 2. VICE PRESIDENT.** It shall be the duty of the Vice President to preside at meetings of the club in the absence of the President and to perform such other duties as ordinarily pertain to their office.

**Section 3. SECRETARY.** The principal duties of the Secretary shall be to countersign all deeds, leases, and conveyances executed by the corporation, and to such other papers as shall be required to be sealed and to keep record of the proceedings. They are to safely and systematically keep all books, papers, records and documents belonging to the club, or in any way pertaining to the business thereof.

**Section 4. TREASURER.** The principal duties of the Treasurer shall be to keep an account of all monies, credits, and property of any and every nature of the corporation, which shall come into their hands, and to keep an accurate account of all monies disbursed, and to render such accounts, statements, and inventories of monies received and disbursed to the club officers or Audit Committee, and of money or property on hand, and generally of all matters pertaining to their office. At the end of November, each year, the Treasurer is to render all books to the Auditing Committee to be audited by that committee and reported to the membership when that year's audit is completed.

**Section 5.** All officers shall hold office for the term of the date of inauguration, unless the office is filled temporarily. Upon their retirement from office they shall have 15 days to turn over to their successors, or to the President or Audit Committee, all funds, books of account, computer material or club property in their possession.

**Section 6.** All officers shall be paid for any expense accumulated by or for all club duties, after such expenses have been approved by the remaining officers and/or club members.

**Section 7.** Wisconsin Sport Truck officers reserve the right to review performance of any Wisconsin Sport Truck official. Wisconsin Sport truck official's job status may be subject to disciplinary action up to and including terminations.

### **ARTICLE 3**

**Section 1.** Meetings shall be held monthly, on the third Wednesday of each month in the off season. For a good cause, a different day can be set, or the meeting dispensed with for a given month, as determined by the officers.

**Section 2.** Any change in the dates of a regular meeting will be announced at the previous meeting and posted on the Wisconsin Sport Truck website when possible. ([www.sporttrucks.org](http://www.sporttrucks.org))

### **ARTICLE 4 Fees, Dues and Memberships**

**Section 1:** The membership fee shall be as follows and must be paid to the Treasurer as a pre requisite for membership:

Driver memberships are voted on annually and truck registration is voted on annually by the members of the Wisconsin Sport Truck organization when deemed necessary.

The Fox River Racing Club membership and/or any other track membership is optional and up to the driver to purchase if they so chose.

**Section 2.** Any full member not having his/her truck registration fee paid by the March meeting shall forfeit his/her number, and said number becomes open to other members of the club in good standing. Membership shall run from January 1<sup>st</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Section 3.** Membership entitles the person to be eligible for two tickets to the banquet, voting at club functions, eligible for nominations for the following year.

**Section 4.** In order to be eligible for nominations for the following year, the member must be named on the membership form. A person using a team membership for all other member benefits, will not be eligible for nominations.

#### **ARTICLE 5**

**Section 1.** Rookie of the Year. Must be club member and not raced more than 5 races in the previous years and no less than 5 races in the eligible year only at Kaukauna. The only person that can get points is the rookie, NOT the truck

**Section 2.** Best Appearing Truck. Truck owner must be a club member. Award selection to be determined by a vote of the piers.

**Section 3.** Any major infraction of club/track rules will result in ineligibility for awards that year.

**Section 4.** In order to be eligible for final point fund money, the truck owners truck must have participated in and be a member of, and have a current truck registration number of the Wisconsin Sport truck Organization. Special Sponsorship monies may be determined and distributed by the wishes of the sponsor.

**Section 5.** Wisconsin Sport Truck championship points accumulated during Wisconsin Sport truck racing events will be awarded to the truck number, who must be a member of the Wisconsin Sport truck Organization.

#### **ARTICLE 6**

**Section 1.** The officers shall form committees whenever they feel there is a need for the benefit of the club.

**Section 1 (A).** The officers shall determine the number of people needed for the committees and ask for volunteers from the floor.

**Section 1 (B).** The duties of the committees shall be determined by the officers and the committee.

#### **ARTICLE 7**

**Section 1.** Any persons with club monies must turn over the monies within 14 days to the Treasurer. The Treasurer or Bookkeeper shall deposit all funds of the club in the club's name, at a financial institution to be named by the officers. All deposits of club funds shall be made by the Treasurer or Bookkeeper. All officers will have knowledge of this account.

**Section 2.** All bills shall be paid by check, with approval of club officers and/or club members required on all checks. No monies in excess of \$100.00 shall be spent by an officer without the approval from other club officers and/or members. All equipment purchases over \$500.00 shall be approved by the Officers and club members.

#### **ARTICLE 8**

**Section 1.** No action to commit this club on any matter shall be considered by the club until it has been considered by the officers.

**Section 2.** The club shall have the right to donate funds for club sponsored local projects that have been fully explained to the club members and recommended by the officers.

#### **ARTICLE 9**

**Amendments.** These by-laws may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote of all full members present, provided that notice of such proposed amendment change shall have been notified at the previous club meeting and posted on the Wisconsin Sport Truck website ([www.sporttrucks.org](http://www.sporttrucks.org))

#### **ARTICLE 10**

**Bylaws:** Upon the adoption by the Wisconsin Sport Truck organization of the above by-laws, all previous bylaws of the club shall be considered void. These bylaws will be reviewed upon the election/re-election of a new President and the Wisconsin Sport Truck membership when necessary.

#### **ARTICLE 11**

**Meetings:** The meetings will be governed by the Roberts' Rules of Order.

#### **ARTICLE 12**

Club members shall act as a board of directors for the Wisconsin Sport truck Organization when deemed necessary. The duty of the club members shall be to remove any officer from office if the need arises, act as a grievance board and act as a deciding vote if the officers are deadlocked. The club members shall also help with the day to day operations of the club when requested to do so by the club officers. You **MUST** be a current Wisconsin Sport Truck club member to participate in board of directors decisions. It would take two thirds of the majority vote for impeachment.

#### **ARTICLE 13**

**Voting on truck rules:** You are allowed one vote per registered truck on rules that pertain to truck rules. Multiple truck owners get one 1 vote.

#### **ARTICLE 14**

**Memberships:** Cut off date to purchase memberships is prior to the Wisconsin Sport Truck banquet. Memberships purchased before the banquet can take part in voting. Voting on truck rules is 1 member per registered truck can vote. Multiple truck owners get 1 vote.

#### **ARTICLE 15**

All Wisconsin Sport Truck members and officers will abide by the clubs decision's when it comes to race schedules, rules and by-laws. Any violation from article 15 may result in revocation of club membership with no refunds.

#### **ARTICLE 16**

No club officer and/or members shall represent the Wisconsin Sport Truck organization on their own unless requested by the club officers and members when it comes to any final decisions pertaining to the Wisconsin Sport Truck organization.

#### **ARTICLE 17**

A hold harmless agreement must be signed by each member before participating in any club event. Under the age of 18 must be signed and notarizes by legal guardian.