By-Laws of St. Patrick's Athletic Association

Mission Statement of St. Patrick's Parish

We, the Parish of St. Patrick, are a large, widely scattered body of diversely gifted and talented people, woven together by a common thread of Catholic faith. We are committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ" to the people of Portland and beyond. We accept the challenge to work together through our words and deeds to provide for the spiritual, physical, and educational needs of God's family.

Mission Statement of St. Patrick's High School

St. Patrick High School has the goal, in conjunction with home, parish, and community, to provide a Christ-centered educational program for our students to prepare them academically, spiritually, socially, and culturally to continue to grow and learn in an ever-changing world.

Mission Statement of St. Patrick's Athletic Association

St. Patrick's Athletic Association is committed to providing St. Patrick's Parish and School with financial support to afford our students the opportunity to participate in a school athletic program. In support of this, we will provide high quality coaches, uniforms, equipment, and facilities.

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BY-LAWS OF ST. PATRICK'S ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

Article I.

Meetings

Section I. <u>Place of Meeting</u>. All meetings of the members and of the officers of this association shall be held at St. Patrick's School, Portland, Michigan or such other place as shall be approved by resolution adopted by the members.

Section 2. <u>Regular Meetings</u>. Regular meetings shall be held not less frequently than once in each month, at such time and place as is determined by the members. No notice of regular meetings shall be required.

Section 3. <u>Order of Business at Regular Meetings</u>. The order of business at the regular meetings of the members shall be as follows:

- a. Call to order
- b. Opening prayer
- c. Presentation of agenda by president
- d. Review of minutes of last meeting
- e. Report of treasurer
- f. Report of athletic director
- g. Transaction of business contained in the agenda
- h. Closing prayer
- i. Adjournment

Section 4. <u>Special Meetings</u>. Special meetings may be called by the president at any time by means of such notice of the time, place and purpose thereof as the president in his discretion shall deem sufficient. Action taken at any such meeting shall not be invalidated for want of notice.

Section 5. <u>Minutes of Meetings</u>. Minutes will be recorded by the secretary at each meeting, and will be available upon request.

Article II.

Quorum

Section I. <u>Quorum of Members</u>. Presence in person of not less than six members, including two officers, of this association shall consititute a quorum at any meeting of the members.

Article III.

Voting and Elections

Section I. <u>Who Entitled to Vote</u>. Each member of this association shall, at every meeting of the members, be entitled to one vote in person upon each subject properly submitted to vote.

Section 2. <u>Election of Officers</u>. Officers of the association shall be elected by the members and shall serve terms of two years. Elections shall be held at the regular meeting in June. Newly elected officers shall begin their term at the end of the regular meeting in June.

Article IV.

Officers.

Section I. <u>President</u>. The president shall be the chief executive officer of the association. S(he) shall preside over all meetings of the members. S(he) shall have general and active management of the business of the association and shall see that all orders and resolutions of the members are carried into effect. S(he) shall be ex officio a member of all standing committees and shall have the general powers and duties of supervision and management usually vested in the office of president of an association.

Section 2. <u>Vice-President</u>. The vice-president shall perform the duties and exercise the powers of the president during the absence or disability of the president.

Section 3. <u>Secretary</u>. The secretary shall attend meetings of the members and of the executive committee, and shall preserve in books of the association true minutes of the proceedings of all such meetings. S(he) shall safely keep in his/her custody the seal of the association and shall have authority to affix the same to all instruments where its use is required. S(he) shall

perform such other duties as may be delegated by the executive committee. President shall have authority to appoint temporary secretary in absence of secretary.

Section 4. <u>Treasurer</u>. The treasurer shall have custody of all association funds and securities and shall keep in books belonging to the association full and accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements; s(he) shall deposit all moneys, securities and other valuable effects in the name of the association in such depositaries as may be designated for that purpose by the board of directors. S(he) shall disburse the funds of the association as may be ordered by a vote of the members, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render to the president at the regular meetings, and whenever requested, an account of all the transactions and of the financial condition of the association. If requested, s(he) shall deliver to the president of the association, and keep in force, a bond in form and amount and with a surety or sureties satisfactory to the board, conditioned for faithful performance of the duties of his office, and for restoration to the association in case of his death, resignation, retirement or removal from office, of all books, papers, vouchers, money and property of whatever kind in his possession or under his control belonging to the association.

Article V.

Execution of Instruments.

Section I. <u>Checks, etc.</u> All checks, drafts and orders for payment of money shall be signed in the name of the association by such officers or agents as have been designated for that purpose by a resolution of the members.

Section 2. <u>Contracts, Conveyances, etc.</u> When execution of any contract, conveyance or other instrument has been authorized without specification of the execution officers, the president, vice-president, and the secretary, may execute the same in the name and in behalf of this association and may affix the association seal thereto. The president shall have power to designate the officers and agents who shall have authority to execute any instrument in behalf of this association.

Article VI.

Power of the Officers to Borrow Money.

Upon unanimous agreement of the officers, or a majority vote of the members, the officers shall have full power and authority to borrow money for the benefit of this organization. In such case the officers may authorize the proper members of this association to make, execute, and deliver in the name and behalf of this association such notes, bonds, and other evidence of indebtedness as said officers shall deem proper. Said officers shall have full power to mortgage the property of this association, or any part thereof, as security for such indebtedness, and no action on the part of the membership of this association shall be requisite to the validity of any such note, bond, evidence of indebtedness or mortgage.

Article VII.

Indemnification of Officers.

The association shall indemnify and save harmless the officers of this association from any personal liability resulting from any acts or omissions on the part of said officers on behalf of this association.

Article VIII.

Membership and Dues.

All members of St. Patrick's Parish, Portland, Michigan, over the age of 18 years shall be eligible to be a member of this association upon the payment of such dues as may be assessed, or in the event no dues are assessed, said membership shall be automatic.

Any person not a member of St. Patrick's Parish may become a member of this association upon the payment of such annual dues as shall be determined by a vote of the members.

Article IX.

Amendment of By Laws.

These by-laws may be amended, altered, changed, added to or repealed by the affirmative vote of a majority of the members present and entitled to vote at any regular or special meeting of the members.

Article X.

Compliance with Michigan High School Athletic Association

St. Patrick's Athletic Association shall comply with all M.H.S.A.A rules and regulations. Article XI.

Dissolution of Organization

Upon dissolution of said association, any moneys, real and personal property held by the association will revert to St. Patrick's Parish, of which the association is a subordinate organization.

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