

Student Athletic Trainers Association

Bylaws 2005

Article I: The organization shall be named Student Athletic Trainers Association.

Article II: The purpose of SATA is to promote interest of athletic training and educate the members on relative subjects in sports medicine.

Section 2-1: Objectives

- A. To maintain current and up to date information in the field of athletic training.
- B. To involve students with state, regional, and national athletic training and other allied health professional activities.
- C. To educate the community about the profession of athletic training.
- D. To unite and provide interpersonal communication between the classes.
- E. To provide networking opportunities at local, state, regional, and national meetings.
- F. Providing community service to local high schools, colleges, universities, clinics, and non-profit organizations within Middle Tennessee.
- G. To provide supplementary education from persons within the allied health and medical fields.

Section 2-2: Follow and adhere to the NATA Code of Ethics and MTSU Rights and Responsibilities.

Article III: Membership

- A. Membership shall be limited to currently enrolled MTSU students, faculty, and/or staff members.
- B. Membership shall not be denied to any persons because of age, race, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin.
- C. Membership shall be limited to those students currently in the Athletic Training Education Program and those interested in pursuing athletic training.
- D. Active members are those who attend 3 of 4 meetings each semester.

Article IV: Governance

4-1. Officers

- a. President-Will run meetings, organize activities, and oversee all officers. He or she will inform members of local, state, regional, and national events.
- b. Vice President-Assists the President as needed and attends all meetings or activities. Shall lead all activities when the President is not present.
- c. Secretary-Keeps records of officer meetings, organizational meetings, makes fliers, and attends meetings. Keeps up correspondence with members and alumni.

- d. Treasurer-Maintains financial records, pays invoices, makes deposits, attends meetings, and organizes finances with regards to meetings attended by members.
 - e. Class Representative-Represent their respective class, act as a liaison between officers and peer members, and attends meetings.
 - f. Faculty Advisor-Serve as a resource to introduce new perspectives, ideas, and programs. Helps members apply skills and principles learned in the classroom. Adheres to NATA Code of Ethics and assists in identification and development of new leadership. Insists upon high standards of programming and individual performance. Provide continuity to the SATA. Assists in interpretation of MTSU and NATA policy. Provides supervision to keep the institution's best interests in mind.
- 4-2. Terms of Elected Offices-the term of all elected offices will be one academic school year.
- 4-3. Elections
- A. Eligibility-Includes any and all active members that are in good standing.
 - B. Selection process-Any member may nominate a person for office. The nomination must be seconded by another member. After it has been seconded, the member must accept or deny the nomination. Voting will be by simple majority of members present at the April meeting.
 - C. Removal of officers
 - 1. Officer violates one of the NATA Code of Ethics and/or MTSU Rights and Responsibilities.
 - 2. Officer is not fulfilling their duty after one verbal warning by the President or faculty sponsor.
 - 3. If the violation is so great in the manner that affects the integrity of the organization and its members, the officer will be dismissed from the leadership role.
 - 4. The executive officers and faculty will review all cases.
- 4-4. How office vacancies will be filled
- A. When a position becomes vacant any member may apply and must follow the selection process previously outlined.

Article V. Meetings: Will be held at 7 am the first Tuesday of every month during the academic year in AMG 219.

Section 5-1. Quorum

- A. Proposed amendments to these bylaws shall be presented at least one week prior to our monthly meeting via email.
- B. Having been properly presented, amendments may be adopted by a simple majority
- C. Amendments shall go into effect immediately upon adoption

Article VI: Finances

Section 6-1.

- A. SATA is a self-supported student organization on the MTSU campus.
- B. Budget applications are made to Student Organizations and Community services.
- C. No dues will be collected from members.
- D. Members are expected to participate in fund raising activities.
- E. Members may be asked to supplement the cost of activities.
- F. Donations are received from clinical affiliation sites.

Article VII: Committees

Section 7-1.

- A. Committees established as needs arise.