

**THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS**  
*The Fifty-Second Annual Meeting*  
May 13, 2004

**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SABC BYLAWS**  
*(To be voted on by the entire membership)*

**CHANGE #1: ARTICLE V (DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES), SECTION B**

**Explanation of change:** The new language, which will be added to Article V, Section B of the SABC bylaws, reflects the following recommendations made by the Ad Hoc Cheerleading Committee in 2003: (1) the SABC/CIAC Cheerleading Committee shall review any and all petitions for in-state cheerleading competitions; (2) all cheerleading programs shall be governed by the current Spirit Rules Book published by the National Federation of State High School Associations; (3) the maximum number of competitions in which a squad may participate annually shall be four, exclusive of one league competition and the SABC/CIAC State Cheerleading Competition; and (4) attendance at one summer clinic/camp per squad is permitted.

Proposed language:

*7. Student Activity Board will act on the recommendations of the SABC/CIAC Cheerleading Committee for in-state cheerleading competitions. All cheerleading programs shall be governed by the current Spirit Rules Book of the National Federation of State High School Associations. The maximum number of competitions in which a squad may participate annually shall be four (4), exclusive of one (1) league and the SABC/CIAC State Cheerleading Competition. (Schools without league-sponsored championships may substitute participation in any other SABC approved competition.) Attendance at one summer clinic/camp is permitted.*

**Reason for change:** Based on concerns over the increasing athleticism of the sport of cheerleading, the CIAC board had established an ad hoc committee to determine whether or not cheerleading should continue as an “activity” and, thus, fall under the jurisdiction of the SABC, or if it should be sanctioned as an official CIAC sport and, therefore, be regulated by the CIAC. After considerable deliberation, the ad hoc committee, which was comprised of members of both the CIAC and the SABC, agreed that cheerleading should remain an “activity.” However, because cheerleading had grown more “sport oriented” and less “spirit oriented,” members felt that some additional oversight was necessary.

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**CHANGE #2: ARTICLE VIII (CONTROL), SECTION A**

**Explanation of change:** The new language states that all violations of SABC regulations will be referred to the CAS executive director.

Proposed language (changes appear in *bold italics*):

Section A. Institutional members of the Connecticut Association of Schools shall be subject to the regulations and policies established in the By-Laws of the Student Activities Board of Control for the supervision and control of non-athletic activities. *Violations shall be referred to the Executive Director of the Connecticut Association of Schools.*

**Reason for change:** This stipulation is consistent with the procedures that are in place for reporting violations of CIAC regulations.