

Club Constitution for Bass Anglers at Angelo State University

ARTICLE I: NAME

Section 1: The name of the organization shall be called the Bass Anglers at Angelo State University.

ARTICLE II: PURPOSE

Section 1: The organization shall:

- Provide a social environment for students interested in tournament bass fishing.
- Hold tournaments for the organization members.
- Conduct meetings to discuss club news and tournament dates.
- Participate in intercollegiate bass fishing tournaments.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: Entitlements

- Membership of the student chapter of the Bass Anglers at Angelo State University shall be open to all students regardless of race, national origin, creed or political affiliation, sex, sexual orientation, religion, age, disability, or veteran's status.
- Membership must be limited to students and/or faculty and staff of Angelo State University.
- There shall be two levels of membership in the Bass Anglers at Angelo State University, Associate Membership and Official Membership.
- Associate Membership
 - New incoming students during the fall semester will be considered Associate Members in the organization.
 - Associate Members must attend at least half of the tournaments within the semester they entered to earn official membership status in the organization.
 - Associate Members shall be entitled to participate in organizational meetings.

- Associate Members shall be entitled to run for an officer position during the January election after their first semester.
- Official Membership
 - Official Members shall be entitled to participate in organizational meetings.
 - Official Members shall be entitled to run for office.
 - Official Members shall be entitled to vote on organizational matters.

Section 2: Requirements

- Each member is responsible for obtaining a valid Texas Freshwater Fishing License for the valid year.
- Each member is expected to obey all Texas Parks and Wildlife Laws.

Section 3: Dues

- Organizational dues are not mandatory and will be determined via majority vote by all authorized members attending a meeting.
- Organizational dues shall only be used to further the purpose of the organization.

ARTICLE IV: OFFICERS AND ELECTIONS

Section 1: Officers

- Officer positions are reserved for Anglo State University Students.
- Tournament Director and President shall keep accurate weights of all tournament weigh-ins.

Section 1.1: President

The President shall:

- Preside over club meetings.
- Direct and supervise all club meetings.
- Break ties in voting matters.
- Prepare all club correspondence including emailing members about upcoming meetings.
- Take responsibility for other officer positions if designated officers is unable to perform duties or if the office is vacant.
- Take club matters seriously and make decisions for the club.
- Maintain Constitution

- Keep track of angler of the year points

Section 1.2: Vice President

The Vice President shall:

- Assist the President in all his duties.
- Preside over all functions in the President's absence.

Section 1.21 Tournament Coordinator

- Make safety inspections prior to start of any event.
- Assist in the planning of all organizational sponsored tournaments.
- Responsible for the accuracy of all members measured weights.

Section 1.3: Secretary

The Secretary shall:

- Maintain accurate minutes of all meetings and submit minutes to president for approval.
- Maintain records of tournament results.
- Maintain files for the organization.
- Maintain records of attendance at club meetings.
- Notify all members of upcoming election information.

Section 1.4: Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

- Maintain accurate records of all financial transactions.
- Submit accurate financial reports to any member who requests such information.
- Report to membership the status of accounts at every meeting and as requested.
- Must have some previous experience in financial matters.

Section 2: Elections

- Any Official Member may apply for an officer position.
- Election of officers will occur during the first meeting of the Spring semester
- Candidates will be elected by two-thirds majority of the membership.
- Candidates shall declare a willingness to serve in the position for which they have been nominated.

Section 3: Terms of Office

- Each officer shall have a one-year term unless the officer resigns, moves, or is removed from office.
- Every officer has the right to resign but must notify the President promptly of any such occurrence.

ARTICLE V: FACULTY ADVISOR

Section 1: Selecting Advisor/Sponsor

- The membership will select a faculty member or full-time unclassified staff of Angelo State University to serve as an organizational advisor. The advisor will not have any authority over financial records or expenditures of the organization.

ARTICLE VI: QUORUM

Section 1: Meetings

- A quorum of at least one-half of the entire membership must be present in order to conduct executive business.

Section 2: Attendance

- A member shall attend no less than two meetings per semester. If a member violates this rule they shall be put on probation for a semester and shall not be permitted to participate in any club sanctioned events.

ARTICLE VII: TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Section 1: The following reasons are why any membership (with 2/3 majority vote) may be terminated.

- Academic Dishonesty as stipulated by Angelo State University.
- Failure to attend club meetings.
- Violation of tournament regulations.
- Conduct unbecoming of a member.

ARTICLE VII: REMOVAL FROM ELECTED OFFICE

Section 1: Any club officer may be removed from office by the membership for violation of the club constitution and by-laws or for other reasons which would justify membership termination. A member who desires to initiate action to remove an elected official shall enter a motion in writing clearly citing the reasons for the motion. Removal from office will require two-thirds (2/3) vote of the total general membership. Removal from office will not constitute automatic termination of membership.

ARTICLE IX: LIABILITY

Section 1: Angelo State University and the Bass Anglers at Angelo State University are not responsible for damage, loss, or injury, along with any other incidental issues that occur as a result from participating in any club event.

Section 2: Each individual is responsible and will answer for any action that causes adverse effects to themselves and other club members and their property.

Section 3: Each boater shall be responsible and answer for the loading and unloading of boats, equipment, passengers, control of decision making, and any item(s) found on board not sanctioned by rules and regulations of the Bass Anglers at Angelo State University, Angelo State University, Texas Parks and Wildlife, and other laws put forth by the State of Texas and the United States of America.

Section 4: If vehicle, land or water craft, or personal property is loaned to a member, that member is solely responsible and will be addressed by the third party should damage come to the vehicle/personal property in question.

ARTICLE X: IN CLUB TOURNAMENTS

Section 1: Tournament locations and times shall be voted on by the membership.

Section 2: Members can weigh up to five (5) fish per in club tournament, unless club majority vote changes the bag limit.

Section 3.1: Two (2) members of the organization must witness the reading on the weigh scale.

Section 3.2: The Vice President & Tournament Coordinator has the final word on the weight of the fish.

Section 3.3: All members are responsible for their own means of a fishing vessel or may fish off of the bank where fishing is permitted.

Section 3.4: All boats shall be limited to no more than two (2) people at one time.

Section 4: In the event that the club goes out of town for a tournament and the club does not fund the tournament the member is responsible for their own expenses.

Section 5: Member's points from the spring will carry into the fall semester. The final points of the spring semester will be the angler's starting points in the fall semester.

Section 6: If a member does not participate in one-half of the in club tournaments within a single semester then the member's weight will be void for that semester.

ARTICLE XI: BY-LAWS AND AMENDMENTS

Section 1: By-laws consisted with this constitution shall be adopted or amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the votes cast.

Section 2: Amendments to this constitution may be initiated by the Club Officers or upon petition to the Club Officers by ten (10) percent of membership.

Section 3: The constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the votes cast.

This Constitution has here forth been ratified by the members of the Bass Anglers at Angelo State University. November 19, 2013

Organization President: