# INLAND EMPIRE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE CONSTITUTION

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### **ARTICLE I**

# Name - Purpose - Goals - Objectives - Membership Criteria

1.01 Name. The name of this organization will be: **INLAND** 

# EMPIRE ATHLETIC CONFERENCE

- 1.02 Purposes. The purposes of this Conference will be:
  - A. To coordinate and regulate Conference sports for the member colleges in compliance with the rules and regulations of the Conference Constitution, Bylaws, and Supplements, and the California Community College Athletic Association (CCCAA) Constitution in order to provide an environment which emphasizes academic achievement and a positive athletic experience for the student-athletes of the member colleges.
  - B. To govern all branches of intercollegiate athletics in which the member institutions compete with any other institution, organization, or team.
  - C. To establish and maintain the highest standards of scholarship and integrity; to promote intercollegiate athletics; and to supervise and regulate athletic activities so they are the incidental, not the principal, features of collegiate life.
- 1.03 Goals. The goals of this Conference will be:
  - A. To promote and coordinate the activities of the member colleges' athletic programs.
  - B. To maintain high standards in athletic competition.
  - C. To evaluate and recommend rules, regulations, procedures, and policy to the CCCAA.
  - D. To promote better understanding, communication, and cooperation among California Community Colleges.
  - E. To promote and support the educational, academic and career goals of the student-athletes of member colleges, and to stress academic achievement as the primary goal among student-athletes, faculty and staff.
- 1.04 Gender Equity. The Conference will assist member colleges in establishing equitable opportunities in intercollegiate athletics. For purposes of this Article, Equity describes an environment in which athletic opportunities, benefits and resources are available to all students. In the athletic environment, student-athletes and athletic personnel will experience equitable treatment and fairness. The Conference and the CCCAA will promote an atmosphere of respect for and sensitivity to the dignity of every person. It is the policy of the Conference and the CCCAA to refrain from discrimination with respect to its governance policies, educational programs, activities and employment policies.

- 1.05 Objectives. The Conference will provide a Constitution, Bylaws, and Sports Supplements stating its purpose, membership, officers, rules, and regulations.
- 1.06 Members. The members of this Conference are:
  - A. Barstow College
  - B. Cerro Coso College
  - C. Crafton Hills College
  - D. Chaffey College
  - E. College of the Desert
  - F. Copper Mountain College
  - G. Mt. San Jacinto College
  - H. Norco College
  - I. Palo Verde College
  - J. San Bernardino Valley College
  - K. Victor Valley College
- 1.07 Criteria for New Membership. The Conference will consider providing membership to colleges who subscribe to the following objectives:
  - A. Conference members will commit themselves to a sports program that will best serve the needs and interest of their students and community.
  - B. Conference members will abide by the rules and regulations of the Conference Constitution, Bylaws, and Supplements and the CCCAA Constitution.
  - C. Colleges will fully participate in Conference business, assign college staff members to serve and attend meetings, and participate on committees.
  - D. Colleges will consider visiting teams, auxiliary groups, officials, students, and fans as guests and will extend to them every courtesy and consideration one would expect in return.
  - E. Conference members will provide adequate facilities that meet safety, cleanliness and health standards.
  - F. Conference members will provide annual education and materials to studentathletes, coaches and staff in an attempt to ensure strict compliance with Conference and CCCAA Bylaws.
  - G. Upon establishment of the Conference, changes in membership may be considered as prescribed by CCCAA Bylaws.
- 1.08 Compliance. Failure to comply with the provisions as listed above may result in Conference action that may include probation, suspension, or expulsion as prescribed by CCCAA Bylaws.

## **ARTICLE II**

# **Representation - Powers and Duties**

- 2.01 Representation. Each member college will be represented by voting representatives as prescribed by the CCCAA Constitution. Institutional representation is mandatory at all Conference-scheduled meetings.
- 2.02 Powers and Duties. The representatives will have jurisdiction in all matters relating to the purpose of this Conference.