

**ARTICLE VI
Government**

Section 1 *Governing Council*. The government of U.S. Figure Skating shall be vested in a Governing Council, which shall consist of delegates appointed or elected in accordance with Article VII hereof.

Section 2 *Board of Directors*. The management of the business and affairs of U.S. Figure Skating, including the granting of sanctions for national and international championships and competitions, shall be vested in and exercised by or under the authority of a Board of Directors which shall consist of the persons specified in Article VIII, Section 2 hereof.

**ARTICLE VII
Delegates to the Governing Council**

Section 1 *Qualifications and Tenure*. Delegates to the Governing Council must be registered members and be qualified in accordance with the official rules of U.S. Figure Skating. They shall be appointed or elected annually as of February first to serve for one (1) year or until their successors are appointed or elected.

Section 2 *Appointment of Full Member Club Delegates*. Each active full member club, by action of its duly constituted governing body, shall appoint from among its registered home club members a number of delegates, based on the total number of registered members of such full member club during the preceding fiscal year, as shown in the following table. These delegates must meet the qualifications set forth in Section 1 of this article. A certificate of appointment, duly signed by the authorized officer of such full member club, shall be filed with the secretary of U.S. Figure Skating.

<i>Number of Total Registrations</i>	<i>Number of Delegates</i>	<i>Number of Total Registrations</i>	<i>Number of Delegates</i>
25 but fewer than 50	1	450 but fewer than 550	7
50 but fewer than 100	2	550 but fewer than 650	8
100 but fewer than 150	3	650 but fewer than 750	9
150 but fewer than 250	4	750 but fewer than 850	10
250 but fewer than 350	5	850 but fewer than 950	11
350 but fewer than 450	6	950 or more	12

Section 3 *Election of Individual Member Delegates*. The individual members from each section may elect, from among those of their number qualified under Section 1 above, a number of delegates for that section in proportion to the number of individual members registered in that section during the preceding fiscal year, as shown in the following table: [same table as above]

Section 4 *Athlete Delegates*. Athlete delegates shall be equally divided among ladies, men, pairs, dance and synchronized skating, except when a delegate's proxy has been given in accordance with Article IX, Section 6. They shall have, collectively, the number of votes equaling not less than twenty percent (20%) of the total permanent member club and individual member votes registered at the prior year's Governing Council with any fractions rounding up to a whole number.

The athlete delegates to the Governing Council shall be the Athletes Advisory Committee members elected by the athletes in compliance with AACR 1.10.

Section 5 *Vacancies*. Full member clubs, athlete members and individual members may fill a vacancy among their delegates by filing the appropriate certificate of appointment or election with the secretary.

Section 6 *Observers*. Collegiate clubs and provisional member clubs shall not have the right, by virtue of such membership status, to appoint delegates to meetings of the Governing Council; they may, however, designate observers to attend meetings of the Governing Council, which observers, when present, will be accorded the privileges of the floor. Honorary members, individual members, members of member clubs, collegiate clubs, duly authorized representatives of school-affiliated members and supportive members, and Theatre On Ice/Teams may attend meetings of the Governing Council as observers and, when present, will likewise be accorded the privileges of the floor.

Section 7 *Voting Rights*. On all matters submitted to a vote of the Governing Council, the athlete delegates as a group and each full member club shall be entitled to the same number of votes as the number of delegates to which they are entitled pursuant to Sections 4 and 2 respectively of this article. Each individual member delegate shall be entitled to one vote. Observers shall have no vote at meetings of the Governing Council. No member or class of members except delegates shall be entitled to vote on matters concerning the purposes, government and management of the affairs of U.S. Figure Skating except as herein provided or as prescribed by law.

ARTICLE VIII

Board of Directors

Section 1 *Powers and Duties*. The Board of Directors shall possess all the powers and duties necessary or desirable for the management of the business and affairs of U.S. Figure Skating, except such powers and duties as are reserved solely for the Governing Council or otherwise limited by these bylaws.