

1/7/2019

Heidee Harvey League President Sierra Foothills LL, ID #4051112

Dear Heidee,

We are pleased to inform you that the proposed Constitution of Sierra Foothills Little League has been found to be in basic agreement with Little League Baseball and Softball Rules and Regulations.

The proposed Constitution indicates that the document was presented to the league membership on 12/2/1018. We remind you that Little League International and the General Membership, not the Board of Directors, must approve proposed amendments to this document.

We respectfully suggest that copies of this document be made available to any regular member upon request. Reference to this document should be included in the notice to members of the annual meeting for reports, election of Board Members and any special membership meetings which may be scheduled.

Thank you for submitting this copy of the League's Constitution for our review. This copy of the League's Constitution, including approved changes, will be placed in the league's permanent file at the Regional Center. As always, if we can help with any league problem at any time, please let us know.

Best regards to the Board of Directors and Membership of your league for a safe and successful 2019 season.

Sincerely.

Aaron E. Torres Assistant Western Region Director

cc: Dick Gold, DA of CA - 11

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SIERRA FOOTHILLS LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as the Sierra Foothills Little League, hereinafter referred to as Local League.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

Section 1

The objective of the Local League shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger and happier children and will mature to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens.

Section 2

To achieve this objective, the Local League will provide a supervised program under the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All Directors, Officers, and Members shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance. In accordance with Section 501-(c)-(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the Local League shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball and softball games. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

Eligibility. Any person sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of this Local League may apply to become a Member.

Section 2

Classes. There shall be the following classes of Members:

- (a) Player Members. Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Little League Regulation IV shall be eligible to compete for participation. Player Members shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.
- (b) Regular Members. Any adult actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may become a Regular Member upon election and payment of dues as hereinafter provided. Regular Members may be issued a card numbered in sequential order annually. The secretary shall maintain the roll of membership to qualify voting members.

Only regular members in good standing are eligible to vote at General Membership Meetings. All Officers, Board Members, Committee Members, Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires and other elected or appointed officials must be active Regular Members in good standing.

Note: Regular Members of the league automatically include all current Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, Board Members, Officers of the Board and any other person who is recognized by the Board as a volunteer in the Local League, including Official Volunteers as designated by the Local League President.

- (c) Honorary Members. Any person may be elected as Honorary Member by the unanimous vote of all Directors present at any duly held meeting of the Board of Directors but shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.
- (d) Sustaining Members. Any person not a Regular Member who makes financial or other contribution to the Local League may by a majority vote of the Board of Directors become a Sustaining Member, but such person shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.
- (e) As used hereinafter, the word Member shall mean a Regular Member unless otherwise stated.

Section 3

Other Affiliations.

- (a) Members, whether Regular or Player, shall not be required to be affiliated with another organization or group to qualify as Members of the Local League.
- (b) Regular Members should not be actively engaged in the promotion and/or operation of any other baseball/softball program.

Section 4

Suspension or Termination. Membership may be terminated by resignation or action of the Board of Directors as follows.

- (a) The Board of Directors, by a two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted Board meeting, shall have the authority to discipline or suspend or terminate the membership of any Member of any class, including managers and coaches, when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests of the Local League and/or Little League Baseball. The Member involved shall be notified of such meeting, informed of the general nature of the charges and given an opportunity to appear at the meeting to answer such charges.
- (b) The Board of Directors shall, in case of a Player Member, give notice to the manager of the team for which the player is a Player Member. Said manager shall appear, in the capacity of an adviser, with the player before the Board of Directors or a duly appointed committee of the Board of Directors. The player's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) may also be present. The Board of Directors shall have full power to suspend or revoke such player's right to future participation by two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted meeting (quorum is required).

ARTICLE IV - DUES FOR REGULAR MEMBERS (NOT PLAYERS)

Section 1

Dues for Regular Members may be fixed at such amounts as the Board of Directors shall determine for a particular fiscal year. (See Article XI, Section 7 for fiscal year of this league.) Dues for Regular Members are separate from registration fees for Player Members, which are determined annually by the Board of Directors in accordance with Regulation XIII (c). If no dues for Regular Membership are collected, Section 2 below does not apply.

Section 2

Regular Members who fail to pay their fixed dues within thirty (30) days of application to become a Member may, by majority vote of the Board present at a Board meeting, be dropped from the rolls and shall forfeit all rights and privileges of membership.

ARTICLE V - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 1

Definition. A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the membership of the league (including Special General Membership Meetings, Section 7). A minimum of one per year (Annual Meeting, see section 6) is required.

Section 2

Notice of Meeting. Notice of each General Membership Meeting shall be delivered personally, electronically, or by mail to all Members at the last recorded address at least <u>seven days</u> in advance of the meeting, setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting. In lieu of the above methods, notice may be given in such form as may be authorized by the Members, from time to time, at a regularly convened General Membership Meeting.

Section 3

Quorum. At any general membership meeting, the presence in person or representation by absentee ballot of <u>one fifth</u> (<u>20 percent</u>) of the Members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted

Section 4

Voting. Only Regular Members shall be entitled to make motions and vote at General Membership Meetings. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during General Membership Meetings. (Those eligible to take part at meetings of the Board of Directors are described in Article VI, Section 4.)

Section 5

Absentee Ballot. For the expressed purpose of accommodating a Regular Member in good standing who cannot be in attendance at the Annual Meeting, or any General Membership Meeting at which new Board members will be elected, an absentee ballot may be requested and obtained from the Secretary of the League. The absentee ballot shall be properly completed, signed, and returned in a sealed envelope to the Secretary prior to the date of the election. The Secretary shall present all absentee ballots to the Election Chairman (appointed at the meeting) on the date of the meeting, prior to the voting portion of the election process.

Section 6

Annual Meeting of the Members. The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League shall be held in <u>September</u> of each year, for the purpose of electing new Members, electing the Board of Directors, receiving reports, reviewing the Constitution, appointing committees, and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

- (a) The Membership shall receive at the Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League a report, verified by the President and Treasurer, or by a majority of the Directors, showing:
 - (1) The condition of the Local League, to be presented by the President or his/her designate;

- (2) A general summary of funds received and expended by the Local League for the previous year, the amount of funds currently in possession of the Local League, and the name of the financial institution in which such funds are maintained.
- (3) The whole amount of real and personal property owned by the Local League, where located, and where and how invested;
- (4) For the year immediately preceding, the amount and nature of the property acquired, with the date of the report and manner of the acquisition, the amount applied, appropriated or expended, and the purposes, objects or person to or for which such applications, appropriations or expenditures have been made;
- (5) The names of the persons who have been admitted to Regular membership in the Local League during such year. This report shall be filed with the records of the Local League and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting. A copy of such report shall be forwarded to Little League Headquarters.
- (b) At the Annual Meeting, the Members shall determine the number of Directors to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect such number of Directors. The number of Directors shall be not less than six (6).
- (c) After the Board of Directors is elected, the Board shall meet to elect the officers. After the election, the Board of Directors shall assume the performance of its duties within 14 days upon election. The Board's term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section.
- (d) The Officers of the Board of Directors shall include, at a minimum, the President, one or more Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Registrar, one or more Player Agents and Safety Officer. The Board shall also include a minimum of one manager and one volunteer umpire. Only volunteer umpires may be elected to the Board.

Section 7

Special General Membership Meetings. Special General Membership Meetings of the Members may be called by the Board of Directors or by the Secretary or President at their discretion. Upon the written request of twenty (20) Members, the President or Secretary shall call a Special General Membership Meeting to consider the subject specified in the request. No business other than that specified in the notice of the meeting shall be transacted at any Special General Membership Meeting shall be scheduled to take place not less than twenty-one (21) days after the request is received by the President or Secretary.

Section 8

Rules of Order for General Membership Meetings. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all General Membership Meetings, except where said rules conflict with this Constitution of the Local League.

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1

Authority. The management of the property and affairs of the Local League shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

Section 2

Increase in number. The number of Board of Directors so fixed at the Annual Meeting may be increased at any General Membership Meeting or Special Meeting of the Members. If the number is increased, the additional Directors may be elected at the meeting at which the increase is voted, or at any subsequent General Membership Meeting. All elections of additional Directors shall be majority vote of all Regular Members present or represented by a property executed and signed absentee ballot filed with the Secretary prior to the election meeting.

Section 3

Vacancies. If any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors, by death, resignation, or otherwise, it may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Directors at any regular Board meeting or at any Special Board Meeting called for that purpose.

Section 4

Board Meetings, Notice and Quorum. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the Annual Meeting and on such days thereafter, as shall be determined by the Board.

- (a) The President or the Secretary may, whenever they deem it advisable, or the Secretary shall at the request in writing of <u>three (3)</u> Directors, issue a call for a Special Board Meeting. In the case of Special Board Meetings, such notice shall include the purpose of the meeting and no matters not so stated may be acted upon at the meeting.
- (b) Notice of each Board meeting shall be given by the Secretary personally, electronically or by mail to each Director at least <u>one (1)</u> day before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded address of each Director.
- (c) A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted.
- (d) Only members of the Board of Directors may make motions and vote at meetings of the Board of Directors. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during Board meetings.

Section 5

Duties and powers. The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint such standing committees as it shall determine appropriate and to delegate such powers to them as the Board shall deem advisable and which it may properly delegate.

The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and the management of the Local League as it may deem proper, provided such rules and regulations do not conflict with this Constitution.

The Board shall have the power by a two-thirds vote of those present at any Regular Board or Special Board Meeting to discipline, suspend or remove any Director or Officer or Committee Member of the Local League in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article III, Section 4 (a, b).

Section 6

Rules of order for board meetings. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all Board of Directors meetings, except where it conflicts with this Constitution of the Local League.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BOARD

Section 1

Appointments. The Board of Directors may appoint such other officers or agents as it may deem necessary or desirable, and may prescribe the powers and duties of each. Appointed officers or agents shall have no vote on actions taken by the Board of Directors unless such individuals have been elected to the Board by the membership or have been elected to fill a vacancy on the Board.

Section 2 President

The president shall:

(a) Conduct the affairs of the Local League and execute the policies established by the Board of Directors.

(b) Present a report of the condition of the Local League at the Annual Meeting.

(c) Communicate to the Board of Directors such matters as deemed appropriate and make such suggestions as may tend to promote the welfare of the Local League.

(d) Be responsible for the conduct of the Local League in strict conformity to the policies, principles, Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, as agreed to under the conditions of charter issued to the Local League by that organization.

(e) Designate in writing other officers, if necessary, to have power to make and execute for/and in the name of the Local League such contracts and leases they may receive, and which have had prior approval of the Board.

(f) Investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to the Local League and report thereon to the Board or Executive Committee as circumstances warrant.

(g) With the help of the Treasure and Vice President, prepare and submit an annual budget to the Board of Directors and be responsible for the proper execution thereof.

(h) With the assistance of the Player Agent, examine the application and support proof-of-age documents of every player candidate and certify to residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection.

(i) Review monthly bank statement at monthly board meeting. Reconcile any unknown transaction with Treasurer and Vice President.

(j) Receive and review all bank emails detailing online bill pay fulfilled by Treasurer.

(k) Update BOD information and complete annual renewal Little League Charter application via Little League Data Center.

(I) The President is an executive member of the Board of Directors.

Section 3 Vice President

The Vice President shall:

(a) Perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of the President, provided he or she is authorized by the President or Board so to act. When so acting, the Vice President shall have all powers of that office.

(b) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.

(c) The Vice-President is an executive member of the Board of Directors.

Section 4 Secretary

The Secretary shall:

(a) Be responsible for recording the activities of the Local League and maintain appropriate files, mailing lists and necessary records.

(b) Perform such duties as are herein specifically set forth, such as securing meeting facility, and needed utilities, in addition to such other duties as are customarily incident to the office of Secretary or as may be assigned by the Board of Directors.

(c) Maintain a list of all Regular, Sustaining and Honorary Members, Directors and Committee Members and give notice of all meetings of the Local League, the Board of Directors and Committees.

(d) Issue membership cards to Regular Members, if approved by the Board of Directors.

(e) Keep the minutes of the meetings of the Members, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, and cause them to be recorded in a book kept for that purpose.

(f) Conduct all correspondence not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meeting and shall be responsible for carrying out all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed.

(g) Notify members, directors, officers, and committee members of their election or appointment.

(h) The Secretary is an executive member of the Board of Directors.

Section 5 Treasurer

The Treasurer shall:

(a) Perform such duties as are herein set forth and such other duties as are customarily incident to the Office of Treasurer or may be assigned by the Board of Directors.

(b) Receive all monies and securities, and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors. Report all cash deposits received from Concessions Manager and Fundraising Manager to Secretary. Process and record receipts for all cash disbursements.

(c) Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all monies and securities of the Local League, including the Auxiliary, approve all payments from allotted funds and draw checks therefore in agreement with policies established in advance of such actions by the Board of Directors. All disbursements checks over \$250 must have been approved by the Board.

(d) Prepare an annual budget, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Board of Directors.

(e) Prepare an annual financial report, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Membership and Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting, and to Little League Headquarters.

(f) Utilize QuickBooks online account to automatically import all back transactions. Perform regular monthly reconciliation of bank account(s).

(g) Prepare a monthly financial report to be presented to members of the board at the monthly board meeting. Also, present a copy of the monthly bank statement to the President for review at each monthly board meeting.

(h) Review credit card charges and receipts for snack shack expenses.

(i) Reconcile snack shack cash deposits weekly text amounts to the Secretary.

(j) Present monthly bank statements for regular monthly audits by President.

(k) File annual taxes as required to maintain 501-(3)-(c) status.

(I) The Treasurer is an executive member of the Board of Directors.

Section 6 Registrar

The Registrar shall:

(a) Be responsible for establishing registration dates. Coordinate sign-up locations and materials needed (forms, pens, boundary maps, copy machine, etc.)

(b) Set up and manage the online registration and ensure player, manager, and coach data is uploaded to the Little League Data Center.

(c) Be responsible for advertising registration dates through local media, school walk-homes and hanging banners. A mail out information letter may also be used.

(d) Keep an account of all players within the league. Develop a roster with player information (name, address, phone number, birth date and team/division). This roster is to be turned in by the President to District 11 officials no later than April 1st.

(e) Receive and review applications for player candidates and assist the President in verifying residence and age eligibility.

(f) Prepare for the President's signature and submission to Little League Headquarters, team rosters, including players claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.

Section 7 Player Agent(s)

The Player Agent shall:

(a) Assist the President in carrying out the important responsibility of establishing and maintaining the eligibility of player personnel.

(b) Represent the President in the conduct of the player selection system draft. Maintain complete player records, handle trades and replacements after the draft, and establish eligibility for tournament teams.

(c) Maintain all team rosters at player levels approved by the Board of Directors.

(d) Serve as a voting member of the Board of Directors and the Protest Committee.

(e) Advise the President, at the close of registration, of the number of teams required to balance the amount of players registered.

(f) Prepare the player evaluation packets for the managers.

(g) Conduct player evaluations, the player draft and all other player transactions or selection meetings, dependent upon the division responsible to.

(h) Be responsible for coordinating changes in the game schedule due to cancellations, rain-outs, etc. No game may be re-scheduled without the Player Agent's knowledge and consent.

(i) Be responsible for determining their divisions' standings on a weekly basis (Majors/Juniors).

(j) Sit as a voting member on an inter-league or combined league committee, with concurrence of the local Board of Directors.

(k) Create divisions' game and practice schedules, publish schedules online, and reserve fields.

(I) Prepare affidavits for all divisions of all-stars for signature by the President and meet with District Administrator for "sign-off" of the affidavits, prior to the deadline.

(m) The Minor/Major and Junior Player Agents are executive members of the Board of Directors.

Section 8 Safety Officer

The Safety Officer shall:

(a) Be responsible to create awareness, through education and information, of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for youngsters and all participants of Little League Baseball.

(b) Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting.

(c) Complete the required background checks per Little League Regulation I (b) and I (c) 8 & 9 via Little League's provider and notify the President of volunteers who are not cleared.

NOTE: In order to implement a safety plan using education, compliance and reporting, the following suggestions may be utilized by the Safety Officer:

(1) Education - Should facilitate meetings and distribute information among participants including players, managers, coaches, umpires, league officials, parents, guardians and other volunteers.

(2) Compliance - Should promote safety compliance leadership by increasing awareness of the safety opportunities that arise from these responsibilities.

(3) Reporting - Define a process to assure that incidents are recorded, information is sent to league/district and national offices, and follow-up information on medical and other data is forwarded as available.

Section 9 League Information Officer

The League Information Officer shall:

(a) Manage the league's official website and Facebook page.

(b) Understand the online registration process and ensure that league rosters are maintained on the site.

(c) Assign administrative rights to league volunteers and teams.

(d) Ensure that league news and scores are updated on a regular basis.

(e) Collect, post and distribute important information on league activities including direct dissemination of fund-raising and sponsor activities to Little League Baseball, district, public, league members and media.

(f) Serve as the primary contact person for Little League and SFLL Website regarding optimizing use of the Internet for League administration and for distributing information to League Members and to Little League Baseball.

Section 10 Coaching Coordinator

The Coaching Coordinator shall:

(a) Represent managers/coaches in league.

(b) Present a manager/coach training budget to the board as needed.

(c) Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league-wide training program.

(d) Ensure all managers/coaches are informed of required clinics and are eligible for post season.

Section 11 Sponsorship/Fundraising Manager

The Sponsorship/Fundraising Manager shall:

(a) Solicit, secure and obtain level records of local sponsorships to support league operations.

(b) Update and maintain sponsorship webpage, information form, and send appreciation letters of thanks.

(c) Process sponsorship level amenities, order and hang banners, work with Team Parent to order plaques.

(d) Present annual fundraiser to the board at the January meeting.

(e) Organize, implement, coordinate and communicate approved league fundraiser to families, managers and coaches.

(f) Maintain records of monies secured through sponsorship and fundraising initiatives.

(g) Ensure regulation and policies related to sponsorships and fundraising are followed.

(h) Compile a report at the end of the year detailing the total of all fundraising efforts.

Section 12 Concession Manager

The Concession Manager shall: (a) Maintain the operation of concession facilities.

- (b) Organize the purchase of concession products within set budget or request Board approval to spend additional funds.
- (c) Be responsible for the management and scheduling of concession sales at Local League events.
- (d) Collect and review concession-related offers, including discounts and bulk-purchasing opportunities.
- (e) Provide all receipts of purchases to Treasurer.
- (f) Set-up and maintain iPad item pictures and prices.

(g) Stock products, maintain a clean and sanitary facility, and supply opening/closing responsibilities for parents.

Section 13 Umpire-in-Chief

The Umpire-in-Chief (UIC) shall:

(a) Serve as coordinator of the Local League umpire program.

- (b) Advise the League President on the Local League umpire program.
- (c) Recommend volunteer umpires to the League President to serve the league during the regular season.
- (d) Recruit, review, and retain volunteer umpires.
- (e) Establish and implement an umpire training program consistent with Little League guidelines.
- (f) Handle scheduling of umpires for divisions needed.
- (g) Communicate rule changes to league volunteer umpires, managers, and coaches.
- (h) Recommend tournament-worthy umpires to the District Umpire Consultant.
- (i) Attend umpire training programs at the district, state, and region levels when possible.

Section 14 Team Parent Coordinator

The Team Parent Coordinator shall:

(a) Recruit, train, and serve as the main contact for all team parents.

(b) Utilize TeamSideline to enroll, roster, create contact list and update Team Parent webpage.

(c) Schedule, organize, and inform families about team pictures.

(d) Order trophies for Tee Ball, Farm, Minors 1st place trophies, Majors Championship and 2nd place, and Juniors Homerun Derby plate engraving.

Section 15 Field Manager

The Field Manager shall:

(a) Oversee the maintenance of fields, mounds and practice areas during regular and post season play.

(b) Coordinate all League maintenance work to be performed, including obtaining personnel, materials and coordinating with city, county and recreational offices.

(c) Request approval to spend over \$250 on supplies and provide all receipts to Treasurer.

(c) Prepare annual field conditions report and suggestions for improvements to be approved by the Board.

Section 16 Apparel Manager

The Apparel Manager shall:

(a) Determine yearly uniform requirements and Local League's inventory to take advantage of bulk orders and pre-season savings.

(b) Present jersey and hat brand options, prices, and screen-print logo/sponsorship costs to the Board for approval to purchase within given budget.

(c) Along with the Registrar and Player Agent, set deadline for enrollment to ensure uniforms will arrive before first game.

(d) Obtain player, manager/coach sizes via online registration, submit purchase order and distribute Local League uniforms and hats to all teams. Distributing uniforms, hats and patches may be delegated to another Board member.

(e) Order and distribute Little League Patches to all teams.

(f) Work with Sponsorship/Fundraiser and screen-print business to order sponsor names for specific team jerseys.

(g) Inform the Board of unforeseen expenses regarding player uniforms.

(h) Provide SFLL apparel sales at Local League events.

(i) Provide Treasurer with SFLL apparel invoices, sale monies for deposit, and total sale amounts on a monthly basis.

(j) Order post-season All-Star jerseys, hats and distribute all including Little League Patches to All-Star managers.

(k) Order commemorative All-Star shirts if approved by board.

Section 17 Equipment Manager

The Equipment Manger shall:

(a) Inspect each teams' bag of equipment and to ensure all items are in good condition.

(b) Establish bids from suppliers on replacement items, present bid to BOD for approval.

(c) Purchase equipment, stock team bags and distribute bags to all managers.

(c) Replace damaged or faulty team equipment throughout the season. An inspection of such equipment must be made prior to replacement.

(d) Maintain an adequate supply of game and practice baseballs at all times.

(e) Collect and inventory all equipment bags from managers at the end of the season.

(f) Purchase scorebooks and line up cards and distribute to all teams.

ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No local league is required to appoint Board members to Committees or use this tool of operation to manage the local league. However, the committee structure is recommended to engage the Board of Directors, assist with efficiently delegating responsibilities throughout the year, and provide oversite in the operation of the local league.

Section 1

The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee, which shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than six (6) Directors, one of whom shall be the President of the Local League.

Section 2

The Executive Committee shall advise with and assist the Officers of the Local League in all matters concerning its interests and the management of its affairs and shall have such other powers as may be delegated to it by the Board, but in no event will the Executive Committee have authority over the Board of Directors.

Section 3

At any meeting of the Executive Committee, a majority of the total number of members then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the act of a majority present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Committee.

ARTICLE IX - OTHER COMMITTEES

(Place an "X" next to each applicable committee)

Section 1

□ Nominating Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall investigate and consider eligible candidates and submit at the Annual Meeting a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors. The Committee shall also submit for consideration by the Board of Directors a slate of Officers and Committee Members.

Section 2

□ **Membership Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Membership Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall receive the names of prospective Honorary, Sustaining and Regular Members, investigate for eligibility and recommend those qualified for election at the annual, regular, or any special meeting of the members or the Board of Directors as the case may be.

Section 3

□ Finance Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Finance Committee consisting of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) Directors. The Treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee. The Committee shall investigate ways and means of financing the Local League including team sponsorships and submit recommendations. It

shall be responsible for taking up collections at games, if such collections are authorized by the Local League, and shall turnover said collections to the Treasurer immediately after each game.

Section 4

□ Building and Property Committee. (May be combined with Grounds Committee) The Board of Directors may appoint a Building and Property Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall investigate and recommend available, suitable sites and plans for development, including ways and means, the latter in cooperation with the Finance Committee. It shall be responsible for repair and improvement recommendations, other than normal maintenance, and supervise the performance of approved projects.

Section 5

□ **Grounds Committee.** (May be combined with Building and Property committee) The Board of Directors may appoint a Grounds Committee, which shall be responsible for the care and maintenance of the playing field(s), buildings, and grounds. It shall operate within the amount appropriated in the approved budget for that purpose.

Section 6

□ Playing Equipment Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Playing Equipment Committee with shall secure bids on needed supplies and equipment and make recommendations for their purchase to the Board. The Committee shall be responsible for the proper issuance of such supplies and equipment and for the repair, cleaning and storage thereof at the close of the season.

Section 7

□ Managers Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Managers Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The committee shall interview and investigate prospective managers and coaches, including those for Minor League teams and recommend acceptable candidates to the President, for appointment and subsequent approval by the Board of Directors. It shall, during the playing season, observe the conduct of the managers and coaches and report its findings to the President of the Local League. It shall, at the request of the President or Board of Directors, investigate complaints concerning managers and coaches and make a report thereof to the President or Board of Directors as the case may be.

Section 8

□ **Umpire Committee:** The Board of Directors may appoint an Umpire Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Local League President shall be chairman of any such Committee. The Committee shall recruit, interview and recommend to the President for appointment a staff of umpires, including a UIC and replacements. When appointed, the staff of umpires shall be under the personal direction of the Local League President, assisted by the UIC who shall train, observe and schedule the staff.

SECTION 9

District Committee: The Board of Directors may appoint a District Committee consisting of the Local League President as chairman and two (2) other Directors. The Committee shall assist the District Administrator in interleague district functions including the selection of members of the District Administrator's Advisory Committee and the selection of tournament sites and area tournament directors.

SECTION 10

□ Auditing Committee: The Board of Directors may appoint an Auditing Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The President, Treasurer or signatories of checks are not eligible. The Committee will review the Local League's books and records annually prior to the Annual Meeting and attach a statement of its findings to the annual financial statement of the

President and Treasurer; or may, if directed by the Board of Directors or Membership, secure the services of a Certified Public Accountant to accomplish such review.

SECTION 11

□ **Minor League Committee**: The Board of Directors may appoint a Minor League Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The Chairman of the Committee shall be the Minor League Vice President and be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the Minor League operation.

SECTION 12

□ Other Committees and Board Positions: The Board of Directors may appoint a committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The Chairman of the Committee; or add Board positions for the specific purpose of fulfilling a need that is presently not addressed or accounted for by an existing committee.

List Additional Committees by name:

ARTICLE X - AFFILIATION

SECTION 1

Charter: The Local League shall annually apply for a charter from Little League Baseball, Incorporated, and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such charter. The Local League shall devote its entire energies to the activities authorized by such charter and it shall not be affiliated with any other program or organization or operate any other program.

SECTION 2

Rules and Regulations: The Official Playing Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball, Incorporated, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, shall be binding on this Local League.

SECTION 3

Local Rules, Ground Rules and/or Bylaws: The local rules, ground rules and/or bylaws of this Local League shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held not less than one month previous to the first scheduled game of the season, but shall in no way conflict with the Rules, Regulations and Policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, nor shall they conflict with this Constitution. The local rules, ground rules and/or bylaws of this Local League shall expire at the end of each fiscal year and are not considered part of this Constitution. (See Article XI, Section 7 for fiscal year of this league.)

ARTICLE XI - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING

SECTION 1

Authority: The Board of Directors shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the Local League and it shall place all income including Auxiliary funds, in a common league treasury, directing the expenditure of funds in such manner as will give no individual or team an advantage over those in competition with such individual or team.

SECTION 2

Contributions: The Board shall not permit the contribution of funds or property to individual teams but shall solicit funds for the common treasury of the Local League, thereby to discourage favoritism among teams and to endeavor to equalize the benefits of the Local League.

SECTION 3

Solicitations: The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Little League Baseball, Incorporated unless all of the funds so raised be placed in the Local League treasury.

SECTION 4

Disbursement of Funds: The Board shall not permit the disbursement of Local League funds for other than the conduct of Little League activities in accordance with the rules, regulations, and policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All disbursements shall be made by check, or league credit or debit card. All checks shall be signed by the Local League Treasurer and such other officer or officers, or person or persons, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

SECTION 5

Financial Transparency: No Board member authorized to disburse funds may be the spouse or family relative of the League President or Treasurer or have direct access to league funds without the written permission of the chairman of the league's Audit Committee. The use of a league credit or debit card is permitted, given than the card is returned to the League President, Treasurer, or Chairman of the Audit Committee with receipt for all purchases made within three (3) days of the purchase date.

SECTION 6

Compensation: No Director, Officer, or Member of the Local League shall receive, directly or indirectly any salary, compensation, or emolument from the Local League for services rendered as Director, Officer or Member.

SECTION 7

Deposits: All moneys received, including sponsorship and fundraising, shall be deposited to the credit of the Local League in/at: <u>Wells Fargo</u> (name of financial institution).

SECTION 8

Fiscal year: The fiscal year of the Local League shall begin on (Check one):

X_October 1 and shall end on September 30.

(Note: The above fiscal year must be chosen if the Local League intends to qualify under the Little League Baseball, Incorporated, Group Tax ID Number.)

____ January 1 and shall end on December 31, _____ (other date).

SECTION 9

Distribution of Property upon Dissolution: Upon dissolution of the Local League and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, the Members shall direct the remaining property of the Local League to another Federally Incorporated entity which maintains the same objectives as set forth in Article II of this Constitution, which are or may be entitled to exemption under Section 501-(c)-(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or any future corresponding provision.

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any duly organized meeting of the Members provided notice of the proposed change is included in the notice of such meeting.

Draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated, for approval before implementation. This Constitution was approved by the Little League Membership on <u>December 2, 2018</u>.

President's Name: Heidee Harvey

President's Signature:

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Little League ID: # 4051112 Federal Tax ID: # 68-020-5985 State ID #: 1814829

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Make one copy for the District Administrator and copies for the Local League. Send original to Regional Headquarters. This Local League's Constitution on file at Regional Headquarters (most recently-accepted copy) is the official Constitution of this Local League.

Little League Baseball, Incorporated does not limit participation in its activities on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, national origin, gender, sexual preference or religious preference.