

# STOCKTON DELTA SUNRISE LITTLE LEAGUE, INC. CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I: NAME

This Organization shall be known as Stockton Delta Sunrise Little League, Inc. 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 grow 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. Per 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 person actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may become a Regular Member upon election and payment of dues as hereinafter provided. The secretary must receive regular membership applications no later than May 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Regular Members will be issued a card numbered in sequential order annually. Membership will expire on September 30th of each year. 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, Official Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, Board Members, Officers of the Board, and Committee Chairpersons appointed by the Board.
- c) Honorary Members. Any person may be elected as an 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 the property of the Local League.
- d) Sustaining Members. Any person not a Regular Member who makes financial or other contributions 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 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 shall not be actively engaged in the promotion and/or operation including management of any other baseball program.
- c) Regular Members shall not be actively engaged in the promotion and/or operation including management of any other softball program if the local league offers a 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 member is a member of the team and the player member's parent(s) or legal guardian. Said manager and parent(s) shall appear, in the capacity of an adviser, with the player before the Board of Directors or the Rules Committee as defined in Article IX Section 13. The Board of Directors shall have full power to suspend or revoke such players 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 I**

Dues for Regular Members may be fixed at such amounts as the Board of Directors shall determine for a particular fiscal year.

### **SECTION 2**

Regular Members who fail to pay their fixed dues within 10 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 I**

**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 each Member at the last recorded address at least *ten days* in advance of the meeting, setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting.

### **SECTION 3**

**Quorum:** At any General Membership Meeting, the presence in person or representation by absentee ballot of 20% 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 in 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 before 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, before 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 at the Annual League Closing Picnic in June of each year (usually the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of June) to elect new Members; electing the following board members – President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Player Agent, and Senior League / Junior League Vice President; 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 the manner of the acquisition, the amount applied, appropriated or expended, and the purposes, objects or persons 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 elect the following officers:
1. President
  2. Vice-President
  3. Secretary
  4. Treasurer
  5. Player Agent
  6. Senior League Vice President (if the Local League offers the Junior and/or Senior Program). The Members shall determine the number of Directors to be appointed for the ensuing year. After the election, the President-Elect., shall appoint the remaining members of the Board of Directors, with the consent and approval of a majority vote of the newly elected officers when they assume their duties on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The number of Directors shall not be less than twenty-four (24) or more than thirty (30), which includes the officers elected at the Annual Meeting.
- c) After the election, the Board of Directors shall assume the performance of its duties on October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. The Board's term of office shall continue until September 30<sup>th</sup> of the following year.
- d) The Elected Officers of the Board of Directors; shall include, at a minimum, the President, Vice President, Junior / Senior League Vice President (if Junior / Senior League is offered), Treasurer, Secretary, and Player Agent. The Board shall also include a minimum of one manager and one volunteer umpire. Only volunteer umpires may be elected to the Board. After the election, the President shall appoint the remaining members of the Board of Directors, with the consent and approval of the Elected Officers. Appointed Officers of the Board shall include at a minimum the following, Major Administrator, Minor A Administrator, Minor B Administrator, TeeBall Administrator, Fall Ball Administrator, Senior Field Manager, Major Field Manager, Minor A Field Manager, Minor B Field Manager, TeeBall Field Manager, Equipment. Manager, Handbook Coordinator, Information Officer, Legal Officer, Official Scorekeeper, Safety Officer, Snack Bar Coordinator, Sponsor/Ad Coordinator, Umpire-In-Chief, and Uniform Coordinator. These positions are voting members of the Board of Directors.

## 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* 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. Such Special General Membership Meeting shall be scheduled to take place not less than ten days after the request is received by the President or Secretary.

## **SECTION 8**

**Rule of Order for General Membership Meetings:** Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all General Membership Meetings, except where it conflicts 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 by majority vote of all Regular Members present or represented by a properly executed and signed absentee ballot filed with the Secretary before 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 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 Seven (7) 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 3 days before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded address of each Director. c) Seven (7) 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 President with the approval of the Board of Directors may appoint such other officers or agents, as he/she 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 [Article V Section 6 (a, d)] 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, and principles. Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, as agreed to under the conditions of the charter issued to the Local League by that organization
- e) Designate in writing other officers, if necessary, to have the 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 assistant of the Treasurer, 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) Chairperson or Manager Selection Committee and Protest Committee.

### **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 the 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) Supervise field maintenance and field managers.
- d) Secure bids on needed supplies and equipment and make recommendations for their purchase to the Board. e) Member of Rules Committee and Manager Selection Committee.

### **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, 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 and 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.

### **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 it in a depository approved by the Board of Directors within 72 hours of receipt by the treasurer
- 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 by check must have dual signatures and/or approval of the President or Vice President. Designated signatories are the President, Vice President, and Treasurer. If designated Board members are related to each other, only one may be a designated signer. If necessary, The Board will appoint another designated signer.
- d) Prepare monthly budget reports to be presented to monthly Board of Directors and Members; monthly budget reports to be provided to District administration.
- e) 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.

## SECTION 6

**Player Agent:** The Player Agent shall:

- a) Record all player transactions and maintain an accurate and up-to-date record thereof.
- b) Receive and review applications for player candidates and assist the President in verifying residence and age eligibility.
- c) Conduct the tryouts, the player draft and all other player transaction or selection meetings.
- d) Prepare the Player Agent's list.
- e) Prepare for the President's signature and submission to Little League Headquarters, team rosters, including players' claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.
- f) Notify Little League Headquarters of any subsequent player replacements or trades.
- g) Member of the Management Selection Committee, Protest Committee, and Rules Committee.

## SECTION 7

**Safety Officer:** The Safety Officer shall:

- a) Be responsible for creating 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 the safety of activities, equipment, and facilities through education, compliance, and reporting.

NOTE: 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 8

**League Information Officer.** The League Information Officer shall:

- a) Manage the league's official home web page and social media accounts.
- b) Ensure that league news and scores are updated regularly
- c) Collect, post, and distribute important information on League activities including direct dissemination of fundraising and sponsor activities to Little League Baseball, district, public, league members, and media
- d) Serve as primary contact person for Little League and myteam.com regarding optimizing the use of the Internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League Baseball.

## SECTION 9

**Coaching Coordinator:** The Coaching Coordinator shall:

- a) Represent Coaches/Managers in the league.
- b) Present a Coach/Manager training budget to the Board.
- c) Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league-wide training program.
- d) Order and distribute training materials to Players, Coaches, and Managers.
- e) Coordinate mini-clinics as necessary.
- f) Serve as the contact person for Little League and its Manager/Coach education program for the league.

#### **SECTION 10**

**Junior/Senior League Vice President:** The Junior/Senior League Vice President shall:

- a) Make up Junior and Senior game schedules for approval by the Board of Directors
- b) Be the liaison between the Board and the Junior and Senior Managers.
- c) Member of the Manager Selection Committee, Protest Committee, and Rules Committee.
- d) Be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the Junior and Senior League operations.

#### **SECTION 11**

**Major League Administrator:** The Major League Administrator shall:

- a) Makeup Major League game schedule, likely in partnership with designated interleague partners, for approval by the Board of Directors.
- b) Be the liaison between the Board and the Major Managers.
- c) Member of the Manager Selection Committee, Protest Committee and Rules Committee
- d) Be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the Major League operation

#### **SECTION 12**

**Minor A League Administrator:** The Minor A League Administrator shall:

- a) Make up Minor A League game schedule, likely in partnership with designated interleague partners, for approval by the Board of Directors.
- b) Be the liaison between the Board and the Minor Managers.
- c) Member of the Manager Selection Committee, Protest Committee, and Rules Committee.
- d) Be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the Minor A League operation.

#### **SECTION 13**

**Minor B League Administrator:** The Minor B League Administrator shall:

- a) Make up Minor B League game schedule for approval by the Board of Directors.
- b) Be the liaison between the Board and the Minor B Managers.
- c) Member of the Manager Selection Committee, Protest Committee, and Rules Committee.
- d) Be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the Minor B League operation.

#### **SECTION 14**

**Tee Ball League Administrator:** The Tee Ball League Administrator shall:

- a) Make up Tee Ball game schedule for approval by the Board of Directors.
- b) Be the liaison between the Board and the Tee Ball Managers
- c) Member of the Manager Selection Committee, Protest Committee, and Rules Committee.
- d) Be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the Tee Ball League operation.

#### **SECTION 15**

**Fall Ball Administrator:** The Fall Ball Administrator shall:

- a) Be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the FallBall Program.
- b) Be the liaison between the Board and the FallBall Managers.
- c) Work with the Player Agent in organizing the FallBall Program.

#### **SECTION 16**

**Senior Field Manager:** The Senior Field Manager shall:

- a) Be responsible for the safety and upkeep of the Senior fields on a year-round basis.
- b) Schedule work parties as needed to maintain the fields.
- c) Order needed supplies and equipment through the Vice President

## SECTION 17

**Major Field Manager:** The Major Field Manager shall:

- a) Be responsible for the safety and upkeep of Major fields on a year-round basis.
- b) Schedule work parties as needed to maintain the field.
- c) Order needed supplies and equipment through the Vice President.
- d) If tournaments are hosted locally, help coordinate additional staff to maintain fields for tournament games.

## SECTION 18

**Minor A Field Manager:** The Minor A Field Manager shall:

- a) Be responsible for the safety and upkeep of the Minor A fields on a year-round basis.
- b) Schedule work parties as needed to maintain the field.
- c) Order needed supplies and equipment through the Vice President.
- d) If tournaments are hosted locally, help coordinate additional staff to maintain fields for tournament games.

## SECTION 19

**Minor B Field Manager:** The Minor B Field Manager shall:

- a) Be responsible for the safety and upkeep of Minor B fields on a year-round basis.
- b) Schedule work parties as needed to maintain the field.
- c) Order needed supplies and equipment through the Vice President.

## SECTION 20

**Tee Ball Field Manager:** The Tee Ball Field Manager shall:

- a) Be responsible for the safety and upkeep of Tee Ball field on a year-round basis.
- b) Schedule work parties as needed to maintain the field.
- c) Order needed supplies and equipment through the Vice President.

## SECTION 21

**Snack Bar Coordinator:** The Little League Snack Bar Coordinator shall:

- a) Supervise the operation of the snack bar.
- b) Schedule snack bar supervisors and makeup team snack bar duties schedule.
- c) Secure bids on needed foods and supplies and make recommendations for their purchase to the Board.
- d) Coordinate purchasing and stock of goods sold in the snack bar, submitting receipts of expenses
- e) Report daily sales on cash receipt report and turn all monies received over to the Treasurer on a daily to weekly basis.
- f) Provide reporting from Square to the Treasurer for monthly budget purposes.

## SECTION 22

**Equipment Manager:** The Equipment Manager shall:

- a) Be responsible for keeping an inventory of the League's equipment.
- b) Repair and replace equipment as needed in accordance with Little League Safety Regulations; secure bids on needed supplies and equipment and make recommendations for their purchase to the Board.
- c) Distribute equipment to teams at the beginning of the season and during the season as needed.
- d) Collect and store equipment *as* appropriate at the close of the season.

## SECTION 23

**Legal Officer:** The Legal Officer shall:

Be an Advisor on all legal matters that may involve the Local League and/or its members of any class.

## SECTION 24

**Official Scorekeeper:** The Official Scorekeeper shall:

- a) Keep the official standings of the Senior, Junior, Major, and Minor A games throughout the season
- b) Conduct and/or coordinate scorekeeping clinics.
- c) Check the scorebooks for minimum play [Regulation IV (i)] as requested by the Player Agent.



d) If tournaments are hosted locally, help coordinate scorekeepers for tournament games.

## **SECTION 25**

**Sponsor/Ad Coordinator:** The Sponsor/Ad Coordinator shall:

- a) Be responsible for soliciting advertisements for banners, jerseys, website and social media
- b) If a schedule of posts to represent a sponsor is required, a schedule will be developed and maintained.  
Coordination with the League Information Officer will be required for information dissemination.
- c) Be responsible for soliciting sponsors for the teams of all Divisions and work in conjunction with the Uniform Coordinator.

## **SECTION 26**

**Uniform Coordinator:** The Uniform Coordinator shall:

- a) Be responsible for keeping an inventory of uniforms.
- b) Secure bids on needed uniforms and make recommendations for their purchase to the Board
- c) Distribute uniforms to the managers of all teams at start of the season
- d) Same responsibilities are required for All Star tournaments in applicable division

## **SECTION 27**

**Umpire-In-Chief:** The Umpire-In-Chief shall:

- a) Be responsible, under the direction of the President for recruiting, training, and scheduling Umpires for all divisions except Tee Ball.
- b) Be a member of the Rules Committee and Protest Committee.
- c) Responsible for the conduct of the game in accordance with the Official Rules of Little League Baseball.

## **ARTICLE VIII – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

### **SECTION 1**

The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of not less than (3) nor more than five (5) 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 LX – OTHER COMMITTEES**

### **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. The chairperson for the committee will be the Secretary.

### 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.

### SECTION 4

**Building and Property 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:** 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. The chairperson for this committee will be the Vice President. Other committee members include the field manager of each field – Senior, Junior, Major, Minor A, Minor B, and Tee Ball.

### SECTION 6

**Playing Equipment Committee:** The Board of Directors may appoint a Playing Equipment Committee, which 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 the repair, cleaning, and storage thereof at the close of the season. The chairperson for this committee will be the Equipment Manager.

### SECTION 7

**Managers Selection Committee:** The Board of Directors shall appoint a Manager Selection Committee consisting of the President, Vice President, Player Agent, Junior/Senior League Vice President, Major Administrator, Minor A Administrator, Minor B Administrator, and Tee Ball Administrator. The Committee shall interview and investigate prospective managers and coaches, 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 a 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 chief umpire and replacements. When appointed, the staff of umpires shall be under the personal direction of the Local League President assisted by the Umpire-in-Chief who shall train, observe, and scrutinize the staff.

### SECTION 9

**District Committee:** The Board of Directors shall appoint a District Committee consisting of the Local League President as chairman and Vice President and a third party designated by the President. This committee is responsible for sending at least one person to the District President's Meetings and other District functions as requested by the District Administrator.

### SECTION 10

**Auxiliary Committee:** The Board of Directors may appoint an Auxiliary Committee consisting of the Local League Treasurer and two (2) other Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall coordinate the activities of the Auxiliary. It shall review and evaluate auxiliary projects for raising money and disposition of profits and make recommendations to the Board. The Board of Directors shall approve in advance all projects and actions of the Auxiliary.

## **SECT10N 11**

**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.

## **SECT10N 12**

**Minor League Committee:** The Board of Directors may appoint a Minor League Committee consisting of Minor A Administrator, *Minor B* Administrator, and Tee Ball Administrator. The Chairman of the Committee shall be the Minor A Administrator and be responsible to the Local League President for the proper conduct of the Minor League operation.

## **SECTION 13**

**Rule Committee:** The Board of Directors shall appoint a Rules Committee as per Rule 9.05(c) consisting of the Vice President (Chairperson), Umpire-In-Chief, Player Agent, and the Administrator of the Division in question to hear the case of disqualified managers, coaches, and/or players and impose such penalty, as they feel justified. The Rules Committee may also review cases of possible suspension or termination of a Player Member with regards to Article III Section 4 (b) and rule accordingly.

## **SECTION 14**

**Protest Committee:** The Board of Directors shall appoint a Protest Committee consisting of the President (Chairperson), Player Agent, Umpire-In-Chief, the Administrator of the Division in question, and one or more Directors who are not managers or umpires to hear and resolve any properly lodged protests in accordance with Rule 4.19 (f).

## **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 on September 30<sup>th</sup> of each year and are not considered part of this Constitution.

## **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 expenditures 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 discouraging favoritism among teams and endeavoring to equalize the benefit of the Local League.

### **SECTION 3**

**Solicitations:** The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Little League Baseball unless all of the funds so raised are 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 with the presentation of a dated itemized invoice or receipt. All disbursements by check must have dual signatures. Designated signatories are the President, Vice President, and Treasurer. If designated Board members are related to each other, only one may be a designated signer. If necessary, Board will appoint another designated signer. All checks must be completed in full, including the date, payee, and purpose of expenditure. Blank checks shall only be dispersed by the Treasurer with prior Board approval of budgeted item or in an emergency situation approved by the President. The amount of the purchase, if not known in advance, shall be filled in at the time of purchase. Dated, itemized receipts must be turned into the League Treasurer, as promptly as possible, in no circumstances more than 72 hours. All monies received by anyone on behalf of Delta Sunrise Little League, Inc., shall be deposited in Local League bank account within 72 hours of recipients thereof.

### **SECTION 5**

**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 6**

**Deposits:** All monies received, including Auxiliary Funds, shall be deposited to the credit of the Local League at PNC Bank, Stockton, California.

### **SECTION 7**

**Fiscal year:** The fiscal year of the Local League shall begin on October 1 and shall end on September 30.

### **SECTION 8**

**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 that 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 my 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.

## **ARTICLE XIII – INDEMNIFICATION**

### **SECTION 1**

**Right of Indemnity:** To the fullest extent permitted by law, this corporation shall indemnify its directors, officers, employees, and other persons described *in* Section 5238(a) of the California Corporations Code, including persons formerly occupying any such position, against all expenses, judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred by them in connection with any "proceeding", as that term is used in that Section, and including action by or in the right of the corporation because the person is or was a person described in that section. "Expenses", as used in this bylaw shall have the same meaning as in Section 5238 (a) of the California Corporations Code.

**SECTION 2**

**Approval of Indemnity:** On written request to the Board by any person seeking indemnification under Section 5238(b) or Section 5238(c) of the California Corporation Code, the Board shall promptly determine under Section 5238 (e) of the California Corporations Code whether the applicable standard of conduct outlined in Section 5238(b) or Section 5238(c) has been met and, if so, the Board shall authorize indemnification. If the Board cannot authorize indemnification because the number of directors who are parties to the proceeding for which indemnification is sought prevents the formation of a quorum of directors who are not parties to that proceeding, the Board shall promptly call a meeting of members. At that meeting, the members shall determine under Section 5238(c) of the California Corporation Code whether the applicable standard of conduct outlined in Section 5238(b) or Section 5238(c) has been met and, if so, the members present at the meeting in person or by proxy shall authorize indemnification.

**SECTION 3**

**Advancement of Expenses:** To the fullest extent permitted by law and except as otherwise determined by the board in a specific instance, expenses incurred by a person seeking indemnification under Sections 1 and 2 above of these bylaws in defending any proceeding covered by those sections shall be advanced by the corporation before final disposition of the proceeding, on receipt of the corporation of an undertaking by or on behalf of that person that the advance will be repaid unless it is ultimately determined that the person is entitled to be indemnified by the Corporation for those expenses.

**SECTION 4**

**Insurance:** The corporation shall have the right to purchase and maintain insurance to the full extent permitted by law on behalf of its officers, directors, employees, and other agents, against any liability asserted against or incurred by any officer, director, employee, or agent in such capacity or arising out of the officer's, director's, employee's, or agent's status as such.

This Constitution was approved by the \_\_\_\_\_ Little League  
Membership on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

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