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ARTICLE I - NAME (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION:03/2019)

1.01: This organization shall be known as <u>West Lancaster Little League</u> (hereafter referred to as the "Local League"). The Local League shall operate and administer a Little League Baseball and Softball program in accordance with the rules and regulations of and franchised by Little League Baseball, Incorporated of Williamsport, Pennsylvania.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION)

- **2.01:** The objective of the Local League shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideas 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. The Local League shall promote fair play on all levels while learning the dynamics of the game. Participation within the Local League shall focus on the players and their positive experience at all times.
- **2.02:** To achieve this objective the Local League will provide a supervised program under the rules and regulations of Little League Baseball and Softball. All directors, officers and members shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skills or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance.
- **2.03:** In accordance with 501-(c)-(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the Local Little League shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, shall not be connected with any person or organization in which a 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 (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION)

- **3.01:** Eligibility. Any person sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of this Local League may apply to become a member.
- **3.02:** Classes. These shall be the following classes of members
 - **1. Player members.** Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Little League Regulation IV, and who resides or attends school within the authorized boundaries of the Local League, 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.
 - **2. Regular members.** Any adult person actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may apply to become a regular member. Regular members will consist of the Board of Directors, managers, coaches, team parents, committee members, umpires, any

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volunteer in Local League, and any other adult aged 18 or older that wishes to become a member, applies for annual membership, and is approved by the Board of Directors.

- **(A)** All volunteers within the organization (managers, coaches, team parents, Board of Director members, umpires, and any other person that has regular contact with the players or teams) are required by Little League to fill out a Volunteer Application each year and submit to an annual background check, and are required to enroll as regular member of the Local League.
- (B) Membership fee will be \$25.00 and will be included in each player's registration fees. Such fee will be charged times the number of players associated with the person seeking membership.
- **3.03:** The Secretary will be responsible for maintaining the list of regular members, maintaining the rules of membership, and qualifying regular members to cote at meetings.
- **3.04:** Suspensions or Terminations. Any member, whether player or regular, may be suspended and/or terminated by action of the Board of Directors, or by written resignation from said member.
 - 1. The Board of Directors, by a two-thirds vote of all directors then serving at any duty constituted meeting, shall have the authority to discipline, suspend, or terminate the membership of any member, including players, 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. In accordance with Little League official regulations and rules, the President may designate a subcommittee/disciplinary committee if deemed necessary; such committee will include at least the President and/or Vice President, the Player Agent and the Safety Officer.
 - 2. The member involved shall be notified of such meeting, informed of the general nature of the charges and given the opportunity to appear at the meeting to answer such charges at least 5 days prior.
 - 3. The Board of Directors shall, in the case of a player member, give notice to the manager of the team of which the player is a member. Said manager shall appear, in the capacity of an advisor, with the player before the Board of Directors or a duty appointed committee of the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall have full power to suspend or revoke such player's right to future participation by two-thirds vote at any duty constituted meeting.
 - 4. In the event that the concerned member is a minor child, notification shall be made to his/her parent(s) or guardian(s). The parent(s) or guardian(s) shall have the opportunity to accompany or represent the minor child at all proceedings.
 - 5. For any problem(s) and/or behavior related problem(s) that are in violation of any law, rule, or regulation external to the Local League, the member may be responsible for fines and penalties levied by external organizations.
 - 6. The Local League Board of Directors will have discretion to review each case individually.

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7. Manager/Coach/Player/Parent ejected from a game shall **not** be at the game site for the remainder of the game and their next physically played game, **NO EXCEPTIONS**.

If an ejected Manager or Coach is scheduled to be the Board Member on Duty when their ejection game is to be served,

the ejected Board Member shall find another Board Member to assume their duties. Plate Umpire shall report the ejection in writing to the President within 24 hours. Ejected Manager or Coach shall report in writing the circumstances of the ejection to PA within 24 hours.

EJECTION PENALTIES

1st Ejection 1 game suspension

2nd Ejection 3 game suspension

3rd Ejection permanent removal from team as Manager/Coach/Player.

ARTICLE IV - REGISTRATION GUIDELINES & PARTICIPATION FEE (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION)

- **4.01:** A reasonable league participation fee may be assessed as the parents' obligation to assure the operational continuity of the Local League. At no time should the inability to pay any fee hinder the participation in any league program.
- **4.02**: Registration shall continue through the final tryout <u>OR</u> upon reaching the maximum capacity as defined by the Board of Directors. For players on school Baseball or Softball teams, registration continues until 5 days after their release from the school team.
- **4.03**: There will be a Waitlist for all divisions after registration has ended. A waitlist may be formed at the Board of Director's discretion.
- **4.04**: All residence documents shall be established by documents, dated or in force between February 1 (previous year) and February 1 (current year). Three proof of residence or proof of school attended is required at registration. A copy of the state birth certificate is required, abstracts shall be accepted at the discretion of the Board of Directors for Tball/Coach Pitch/Challenger divisions only. No player will be eligible to be drafted to a team or placed on a team without this documentation.
- **4.05:** Registration fees may be refunded per the following schedule:
 - On or before January 25th Full refund minus \$25 administration fee per refunded player
 - January 26th through February 15th Half refund with medical note or verification of moving out of the Antelope Valley area/District 51
 - After February 16th No refund

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• ALL refunds are contingent upon the return of the uniform jersey AND forfeiture of player Jethawks ticket. All refund requests must be made in writing and submitted to the Board of Directors. All refunds must be approved by the Board of Directors.

4.06: At registration, the player shall specify trying out for Baseball or Softball.

ARTICLE V - MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION)

5.01: Notice of each meeting may be given in such form as may be authorized by the Board of Directors. At a minimum, the regularly scheduled meetings will be placed on the Local League website and/or social media account.

5.02: Special meeting of the members may be called by the Board of Directors, the Secretary or the President as they deem necessary. In addition, the President of the Local League shall call a special meeting to discuss a specific subject if such meeting is requested (in writing) by no less than ten (10) regular members. No business other than that subject specified in the notice of the meeting shall be transacted at any special meeting of the regular members. In the event of such a meeting the board must provide 24 hour notice of the special meeting.

5.03: A quorum is defined as the number of regular members that must be present at a membership meeting for business to be legally transacted. A quorum refers to the number of regular members present at the meeting, not necessarily the number of voting (although they can be the same), one-half (1/2) the total number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

5.04: Voting for officers at the annual election may only be done by regular members on the finalized membership list, as provided by the Secretary following Articles 3.02 and 3.03.

1. Election Procedures:

- a. Determine if a quorum is present (as outlined in 5.03);
- b. Appoint an election chairperson (may or may not be the current President);
- c. Ratify the membership list as provided by the Secretary;
- d. Present the nominations (nominations may be by position);
- e. Nominations are opened to the floor. Any member is eligible for nomination (Per Robert's Rules of Order);
- f. Any nominee for President must have served on the board for no less than one year previously.
- g. Nominations are closed by vote of membership;
- h. Regular members vote for eligible candidates;
- i. Nominees must receive at least 51% of the vote to be elected;
- j. Election results are announced (new Board announced);
- k. Membership votes to accept the result of the election (qualified);
- l. New Board elects officers from among its number.

5.05: Proxy votes are not permitted at any time. Absentee ballots are not permitted, except that they may be exercised for the election of members of the Board. Absentee ballots for the election of Board

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Members must be presented in person to the Secretary in a sealed envelope prior to the election. Failure to provide the absentee ballot in person to the Secretary in a sealed envelope prior to the election will render said ballot null and void.

5.06: Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all meetings, except where same conflicts with the constitution and/or by laws of the Local League. It is emphasized that the Board members act in a professional manner with respect to Board members, regular members, and visitors.

ARTICLE VI – BOARD OF DIRECTORS (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION)

- **6.01:** The management of the property and affairs of the Local Little League shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Local Little League shall have a Board of Directors that number shall not be less than seven (7) and not more than thirty (30).
- **6.02:** The Local League Board of Directors, elected from and by the adult members of the Local League or otherwise duly appointed, is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Local League within the rules, regulations, and policies of Little League International. This Board does not have the authority to alter, suspend, or change any of the rules, regulations, or policies of Little League except as expressly permitted and stated by Little League in writing.
 - **(A)** In order to ensure day-to-day operations of the Local League, at least one Board Member must be present to represent the Local League at each game played at the Local Leagues fields; Board Members will volunteer on a rotating basis to ensure coverage at the fields at all times. Hereafter, this Board Member task will be referred to as "board duty". Board duty shifts shall be assigned **equally** amongst all Local League Board Members throughout the season. Auxiliary Board Members may be appointed to assist with "board duty" and managing the fields on game days.
- **6.03:** The Board of Directors must at a minimum consist of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Safety Officer, Information Officer, and Player Agent. The directors shall upon election immediately enter upon the performance of their duties and shall continue in office until their successors have been duly elected and qualified.
- 1. The current Board of Directors consists of twenty-four (24) members.
 - (A) One President, Vice President, Player Agent (Jr.) Baseball, Player Agent (Major) Baseball, Player Agent (Minor) Baseball, Player Agent (Farm) Baseball, Player Agent Softball, Player Agent Coach Pitch/T-Ball, Safety Officer, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Snack Bar Coordinator Park View, Snack Bar Coordinator Monte Vista (two), Sponsor Coordinator, Equipment Manager, Coaching Coordinator, Head Team Parent, Head Scorekeeper, two Field Maintenance (PV), Field Maintenance (MV), Building Maintenance, UIC, UIC Assistant, Information Officer.
- **6.04:** Any Board member must have served on the Board of Directors of the Local League for one (1) year as either an elected or appointed official to be eligible to hold the position of President of the Local League.

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- **6.05:** Term of Office. There will be no term limits for Board members, provided that elected Board members get re-elected as per the election procedures outlined in these by-laws, and that appointed Board members are duly re-appointed and qualified as outlined in these by-laws.
- **6.06:** Vacancies. If any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors, by death, resignation or otherwise, it may be filled by majority vote of the remaining directors at any regular Board meeting or at any special Board meeting called for that purpose.
- **6.07:** One-half (1/2) the total number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business of \$250 or more. Amounts under \$250 must be approved by the President and Treasurer.
- **6.08:** Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all meetings, except where same conflicts with the constitution and/or by laws of the Local League. It is emphasized that the Board members act in a professional manner with respect to Board members, regular members, committee members, and visitors.
- **6.09:** The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint such standing committees as it shall determine and to delegate such powers to them as the Board shall deem advisable and which it may properly delegate.
- **6.10:** Attendance: Board members are expected to attend all board meeting and regular membership meetings. However from time to time, circumstances may prevent attendance. The Board will use caution regarding disciplinary action when a member is unable to attend meetings, action to be taken when Board Members are not doing the duties of their position. In order for a board member to participate in All Star player voting, they must have attended at minimum of 70% of all regularly scheduled board meetings.
- **6.11:** The Board shall have the power by a two-thirds vote of all directors then serving at any regular or special meeting to discipline, suspend or remove any director, officer, or committee member of the Local League in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article 3.05.

ARTICLE VII - LITTLE LEAGUE AFFILIATION (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION)

- **7.01:** 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.
- **7.02:** 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.
- **7.03:** The local rules, by-laws, and constitution 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 and shall in no way conflict with the rules and regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. The local rules shall be approved by a vote of the membership on an annual basis. The local rules of this Local League shall expire at the end of each fiscal year but govern its operation until the following years local rules are approved.

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ARTICLE VIII - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING (as listed in the WLLL CONSTITUTION)

- **8.01:** 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.
- **8.02:** The Board shall not permit the contribution of funds or property to individual teams but shall solicit some for the common treasurer of the Local League, thereby to discourage favoritism among teams and to endeavor to equalize the benefits of the Local League.
- **8.03:** 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.
- **8.04:** 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.
- **8.05:** No director, officer, umpire or member of the Local Little League shall receive, directly or indirectly, any salary, compensation, or enrollment from the Local Little League for services rendered as director, officer, or member. However the umpire and head scorekeeper will be provided a drink during a game; plate umpire will receive a meal after their game.
- **8.05:** Local League Treasurer will make a banking balance sheet available on a monthly basis

ARTICLE IX - MANAGERS, COACHES AND UMPIRES (By-Law)

- **9.01:** Team managers and coaches can be recommended by anyone on the Board, they will be voted on after mandatory meeting and screening process by the Board, and shall be responsible for the selection of their teams, (with the exception of T-ball and Coach Pitch) and for their actions on the field.
 - (A) Must pass a mandatory background check.
 - **(B)**The manager selection by the President and Board Approval for each division shall be selected in order of seniority by following these criteria:
 - 1. Returning managers for same division as previous season.
 - **when a vacant manager in Major division, coach of team from previous season
 - **when a vacant manager in Major division, parent of team from previous season
 - 2. Returning managers moving up to next division.
 - 3. Managers returning to a lower division.
 - 4. Coaches from previous season in same order of preference as for returning Managers.
 - 5. Board Member
 - 6. New volunteer with child playing in Division.
 - 7. All subject to review of previous seasons performance, discipline, etc.

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- **(C)** Must agree by signature to all terms of the Manager/Coach contract
- **9.02:** Managers/Coaches shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Board.
- **9.03:** The League shall not tolerate physical contact, intimidation, verbal attacks or assaults by any member. If anyone believes inappropriate behavior is being exhibited by anyone either at a practice or game, they shall submit their complaint or allegation in writing to the Board of Directors. The Executive Committee shall conduct a preliminary investigation. If the Executive Committee believes there is sufficient evidence to warrant disciplinary action, the Executive Committee recommendation shall be presented to the Board of Director for final decision.
 - **(A)** Managers and Coaches are expected to be role models for our Local League players, parents and spectators. Managers are expected to control their players, parents and spectators at all times. If a manager is deemed to not enforce the guidelines for appropriate conduct within his/her team, the manager will be held liable for the actions of his team and disciplinary action by the Board of Directors will be decided upon.
- **9.04:** Manager/Coach/Player ejected from a game shall **not** be at the game site for the remainder of the game and their next physically played game, **NO EXCEPTIONS.** If an ejected Manager or Coach is scheduled to be the Board Member on Duty when their ejection game is to be served, the ejected Board Member shall find another Board Member to assume their duties. Plate Umpire shall report the ejection in writing to the President within 24 hours. Ejected Manager or Coach shall report in writing the circumstances of the ejection to PA within 24 hours.

EJECTION PENALTIES

1st Ejection 1 game suspension

2nd Ejection 3 game suspension

3rd Ejection permanent removal from team as Manager/Coach/Player

NOTE: A MANAGER SUSPENDED SHALL NOT HAVE ANY CONTACT WITH ANY TEAM PRIOR TO OR DURING THE GAME. THIS INCLUDES WARM-UP DRILLS.

- **9.05:** Managers shall be responsible for their team's participation in field maintenance day and shall supply at least 4 workers, aged 16 or older. Failure to do so could result in 1 game suspension. All missed assignments shall be rescheduled.
- **9.06:** Managers shall be responsible for their team's participation in snack bar duty and shall supply at least 2 workers, aged 16 or older for all of their shifts. Snack bar duty could be assigned at either field location. NO children are allowed to operate the grill or fryers. Failure to ensure shifts are covered could result in 1 game suspension. All missed assignments shall be rescheduled.
- **9.07:** Managers of the competitive divisions, Farm divisions and above, shall be responsible for supplying at least one plate umpire to the number of games equaling their number of Home games. Failure to supply an umpire to the scheduled or assigned game could result in a 1 game suspension for

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the 1st offense. The 2nd offense will result in additional suspensions or possible termination. All missed assignments shall be rescheduled. (this excludes Coach Pitch and Tball and Challenger)

- **(A)** Farm managers are exempt from the responsibility of scheduling and supplying an umpire to Major division and Junior/Senior division games however Farm Managers are required to attend an Umpire Clinic and encouraged to volunteer for upper division umpire assignments.
- **(B)** Major division managers are required to schedule their team to supply an umpire to at least one Junior division game within the season.
- **9.08:** Umpires shall be comprised of parent volunteers, with the approval of the Board of Directors, and passing of a background check, which shall be responsible for their assignments and for their actions on the field.
 - (A) Managers and Coaches and all volunteer umpires shall attend 1 Umpire clinic per year.
- **9.09:** Once an umpire has attended training, the UIC shall give permission to that volunteer to be approved to represent the team Manager. Each team will be responsible for umpiring a specific number of games determined by the number of Home games played during the season. Manager will receive the number of games they are responsible for prior to opening day.
- **9.10:** The UIC shall create the umpire schedule and will manage the availability. The UIC will notify Managers and volunteers as dates become available. Volunteer umpires have the ability to self-schedule games for the first seven days that slots are open then the UIC shall begin to assign vacant games. Teams with no assignment or scheduled for the least number of umpire dates will be assigned first.
 - **(A)** Youth Umpires can be utilized with the following guidelines:
 - Major division and above players only
 - Must umpire with a specified adult supervisor present
 - Must attend an umpire clinic
 - Subject to age restriction, of Shall be at least league age 12
 May only umpire divisions below the division they participate in
 Must be 16 (or with age/experience approval by President and UIC/UIC Asst) to umpire
 behind the plate and the field umpire must be a responsible adult
- **9.11:** Rule interpretation questions shall be referred to the Board Member on Duty for clarification within the Little League Baseball/Softball Official Regulations, Playing Rules and Policies book as well as Local League Standing Rules. The Board Member on Duty shall consult with at least the President, Vice President, UIC and/or the Player Agent for any clarification.
- **9.12:** The Strike Zone of the designated Plate Umpire is solely at the discretion of that Plate Umpire; managers, coaches, players, parents, board members and spectators are not allowed to protest nor heckle a Plate Umpire for his strike zone. Disciplinary action can be taken against any person who

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causes interruption of the game or demeans or mistreats an umpire. Discipline is under the discretion of the Board of Directors and on a case by case situation.

- **9.13:** All protests shall be handled in accordance with the Little League Baseball/Softball Official Regulations, Playing Rules and Policies book. In accordance with this rule book, all protests will be resolved **BEFORE NEXT PITCH in Farm, Minor, Major Baseball and Minor, Major Softball**. Protest Committee for Farm, Minors and Major shall be the Board Member on Duty and one parent from each team. If Board Member on Duty is affiliated with either team, they will abstain and a call will be placed to the UIC to vote in their place. This decision will be **FINAL**.
- **9.14:** A dress code will be enforced for any and all managers; coaches, and any other adult assisting during a practice, game, and in the dugout. Provocative clothing and/or lewd graphics on clothing will not be permitted. Please cover-up appropriate body parts that should not be partially or fully exposed to minor children. All footwear must be completely closed (i.e. tennis shoes). Snack Bar volunteers must adhere to the same dress code regarding footwear above; as per California's Health Code statues.

ARTICLE X - PLAYER DEFINING AGE GROUPS FOR DIVISION OF PLAY (By-Law)

- **10.01: Tee Ball:** 4 to 6 years of age as of August 31, 2019, only. This is the only division that 4 year olds may participate. (No exceptions)
 - **(A)** T-Ball is a developmental training division, which emphasizes non-competitive play while focusing on the enhancement and development of basic skills as well as having fun.
 - **(B)** T-Ball team roster shall be at least 6 players no more than 10 players. If a team roster goes below 10 players, the team may be assigned an eligible player if possible by the PA.
 - **(C)** A T-Ball game shall consist of at least three innings or 1 1/2 hours, whichever comes first.
 - **(D)** The batting tee shall be utilized the entire season; the Manager/Coach shall be responsible for immediately removing the batting tee from the home plate area once the batter hits the ball.
 - **(E)** No stealing of bases. Base runners shall **not** advance on an errant throw from any player to the pitcher.
 - **(F)** The Manager and up to 3 volunteers, including the coach may be on the field instructing the players during defense, but shall avoid interference, assisting players, or touching a ball in play.
 - **(G)** A half inning is completed when the offense bats all players in the lineup; continuous batting order.
 - **(H)** All players shall play on defense. Players shall be placed in the appropriate infield positions and place the remainder of the players throughout the outfield.
- **10.02:** Coach Pitch: 5 to 7 years of age as of August 31, 2019, only. 5 year olds may participate in this division if they have participated in one (1) year of Tee Ball at the discretion of the Player Agent.

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- **(A)** Coach Pitch is a developmental training division (within LL Tee Ball Division), which emphasizes non-competitive play while focusing on the enhancement and development of basic skills as well as having fun.
- **(B)** Coach Pitch team roster shall be at least 8 players and no more than 10 players. If a team roster goes below 10 players, the team may be assigned a player if possible by the PA.
- **(C)** A Coach Pitch game shall consist of 4 innings or 1 and 1/2 hours, whichever comes first.
- **(D)** A Coach will deliver up to 4 pitches for the player to attempt to hit; if the ball has **not** been successfully put into play by the batter a batting tee shall be placed on home plate for the player to use. The Coach shall be responsible for immediately removing the batting tee from home plate once the batter hits the ball. This rule is intended to keep the game flowing and the players engaged in the game.
- **(E)** There is no stealing of bases. Base runners shall **not** advance on an errant throw from any player to the pitcher.
- **(F)** All players shall play on defense. Players shall be placed in the appropriate infield positions and place the remainder of the players throughout the outfield.
- **(G)** There shall be **NO** use of a pitching machine for this division during practices or games.
- **(H)** The Manager and up to 3 volunteers may be on the field instructing the players during defense, but shall avoid interference, assisting players, or touching a ball in play.
- (I) A half inning is completed when the offense team bats all players in the lineup; continuous batting order.
- (J) In order to achieve a fair batted ball, the ball shall travel a distance of 10 feet from home plate and the bat must come into contact with the ball.
- **10.03: Farm Baseball:** 7 to 9 years of age as of August 31, 2019, only. 6 year olds may **NOT** try out for this division; without Board of Director approval of special circumstances.
 - **(A)** Farm is a training Division (within LL Minor Division) and emphasis shall be placed on the development of the younger players. This division shall play at least 12 games during the season in accordance to LL Minor Division rules. All games shall be played competitively with an Official Scorekeeper from the Home team keeping score at each game. Standings for this division will be determined through the point system of wins/losses/ties throughout the entire season.
 - **(B)** Up to three coaches including the manager may participate in each game in the Farm Division.

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- **(C)** Farm team roster shall be at least 10 players and no more than 12 players. If a team roster goes below 10 players before the last 4 weeks of the season, the team may be assigned a player if possible by the PA. Placement shall be approved by the Board of Directors.
- **(D)** No batting tee shall be used. Players pitch to players.
- **(E)** The pitcher's mound <u>shall be 46 feet</u> from the front of pitching plate to rear of home plate.
- **(F)** Hard balls will be used all season.
- **(G)** Hot Plate for passed balls/ wild pitches from pitcher to the catcher. Cold Plate for balls thrown from catcher to the pitcher. Hot plate if balls are thrown to any other position.
- **(H)** Farm Managers will be responsible for umpiring within the Farm division; they should not umpire their own game. This must be done behind the plate with proper umpire attire.
- **10.04: Minor Baseball/Softball:** 8 to 10 years of age as of August 31, 2019 for baseball; 7 to 11 years of age as of December 31, 2018 for softball. Players 11 to 12 year olds, to play in this division must meet Little League International's criteria, as outlined in the rulebook.
 - **(A)** Minor Baseball/Softball team roster shall be at least 10 players and no more than 12 players. If a team roster goes below 12 players before the last 4 weeks of the season, the team will be assigned a player if possible by the PA. Placement shall be approved by the Board of Directors.
 - **(B)** Each regular season Local League Board of Directors may elect for Softball divisions to participate in District 51 Interleague or not. If the Local League elects for this division to participate in District 51 Interleague, District 51 Standing Rules shall apply and supersede Local League Bylaws and Standing Rules.
- **10.05**: **Major Baseball/ Softball**: 10 to 12 years of age as of August 31, 2019 [or April 30, 2019] for baseball; 10 to 12 years of age as of December 31, 2018 for softball.
 - **(A)** Major team roster shall be at minimum of 12 players. If a roster goes below the minimum before the last 4 weeks of the season, the team shall pull from the Major Division waitlist; if there is no player on the waitlist, a manager may call up a player from Minors. A Major Manager has 10 days to select a player or the PA shall select a player for the team. The player shall be eligible for Majors immediately and shall not appear in a Minor game.
 - **(B)** After completion of a tryout, ALL league age 11 and 12 year old players must be drafted to a Major team prior to drafting of a 10 year old; absence of any waiver presented by a parent, Player Agent or Safety Officer which meets the criteria to remain in the Minor division.
 - **(C)** Each regular season Local League Board of Directors may elect for Softball divisions to participate in District 51 Interleague or not. If the Local League elects for this division to

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participate in District 51 Interleague, District 51 Standing Rules shall apply and supersede Local League Bylaws and Standing Rules.

10.06: Junior & Senior Baseball/Softball: Any player with amateur status who will attain the age of 13 years before September 1 and who will not attain the age of 15 years before January 1 of the year in question shall be eligible to compete in the **Junior division**. Any player with amateur status who will attain the age of 13 years before September 1 and who will not attain the age of 17 years before January 1 of the year in question shall be eligible to compete in the **Senior division**. A 15 years old may request to play on a Junior team with an approved waiver through local league, District and Regional.

- **(A)** Junior and Senior team rosters shall be at least 12 players and no more than 15 players. If a team roster goes below 15 players, the team may be assigned a player if possible. Placement shall be approved by the Board of Directors.
- **(B)** Each regular season Local League Board of Directors may elect Junior and Senior divisions to participate in District 51 Interleague or not. If the Local League elects these divisions to participate in District 51 Interleague, District 51 Standing Rules shall apply and supersede Local League Bylaws and Standing Rules.

ARTICLE XI: PLAYER SELECTION SYSTEM (By-Law)

- **11.01**: President, Secretary, PA and Managers shall be present at their Division draft.
- **11.02**: Determination of method of team name selection by managers shall be at the discretion of the Vice President. Managers returning to the SAME DIVISION shall be given first option to RETAIN team name from last season. If they do not wish to retain name, they will draw names with the remaining managers.
- **11.03:** Only players that attend at least 1 tryout to be eligible for draft. Exception for **returning** Major Baseball and Softball Division Players not moving up this year. Players that do **not** tryout may be assigned to teams if allowed by Little League Rules as space becomes available by the PA with Board of Directors approval based on the date of player registration.
 - **(A)** For the Major Baseball and Softball divisions, any returning player will return to their previous team.
 - **(B)** If a player requests to be re-entered in the draft, a written letter must be submitted to the Board of Directors within 72-hours prior to the scheduled draft. The request must be presented to the Board of Directors for consideration. The Board of Directors will be responsible for approval or denial of the request. If approved, once in the draft, the player is eligible to be drafted by any manager to include the manager to include the previous team manager.
- **11.04**: During the draft there may be a 1 minute time limit for choosing a player. Any Manager failing to comply within this time limit may lose his/her turn. The VP has the authority to change the imposed time limit at the time of the draft if the conditions warrant.

11.05: Division Eligibility

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(A) Baseball, all league age 11 and 12 year old players shall be drafted to a Major team.

EXCEPTION: Major Player Agents and Safety Officer may recommend an 11 or 12 year old be left down in Minors if there is a safety issue regarding that player playing at the Major Level. This recommendation must then be approved by the Executive Board. District and/or Little League approval must be received for a 12 year old to play in the minor division. This exception pertains to Baseball and Softball.

- (B) Baseball, if all league age 11 and 12 year old players have been drafted to a Major team and 1 or more Major teams have less than 12 players; league age 10 year old player(s) may be drafted to a Major team(s) achieving a total of 12 players per team.
- (C) Baseball, if all league age 9 and 10 year old players have been drafted to a Minor team and 1 or more Minor teams have less than 12 players; league age 8 year old player(s) may be drafted to a Minor team(s) achieving a total of 12 players per team.
- (D) Softball, all league age 12 years old players shall be drafted to a Major team.
- (E) Softball, all returning Major league age 11 year old players shall be drafted to a Major team.
- (F) Softball, all non-returning league age 11 year old players are eligible to be drafted to a Major team.
- (G) Softball, no league age 10 players are eligible to be drafted to Majors unless there are not enough 11 and 12 year olds to make a 12 player roster. If there are not enough 11 and 12 year old players to make a 12 player roster, only enough 10 year olds to fill the roster to 12 players may be drafted. No team will have more than one 10 year old more than the other teams.
- (H) League age 9 year old players shall **not** be eligible to be drafted to a Major team. 9 year olds will not be permitted to play in the Farm division UNLESS all Minor teams have met the 12 player limit and the player is not drafted to the Minor Division, or requested by the parent and approved by the Player Agent.
- (I) League age 8 year old or younger players shall **not** be drafted to Minor Baseball except as noted in 11.05 (C).
- (J) League age 7 year old players may try out for Farm Baseball or Minor Softball; based on a review by the PA and Safety Officer or written request by a parent, a 7 year old may play in the Coach Pitch division.
- (K) League age 6 year old or younger player shall **not** be drafted to a Farm or Minor Softball team; unless approved by Little League International (see section 10.03). League age 6 year old player shall be placed on a Coach Pitch team by the PA.
- (L) League age 4 and 5 year old players shall be placed on a T-Ball team by the PA. League age 5 year old players may be placed on a Coach Pitch team if they have participated in one (1) year of Tee Ball and if requested by the player's parent.
- (M) Managers will have the option of drafting one coaches pick, on or before the 3rd round. Coach must be approved and established as a division coach prior to the draft.

11.06: Draft Option Plan A from the Little League Official Regulations, Playing Rules and Policies will be adopted by the Local League

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- **(A)** Farm/Minor/Junior Baseball and Softball Divisions will be serpentine draw for draft and position; the draft order shall be determined by pulling a number from a hat (no sooner than 15 minutes prior to each Division's draft) and serpentine after the first pick.
- **(B)** Major Divisions will not be a serpentine draft.

After a thorough player evaluation/try-out has been completed, the last place team of the Major Division of the preceding season gets the first choice in every round of the draft, the next to last place team gets the second selection in every round and the remaining teams select in the reverse order of standing. For the purpose of explanation, let us assume that there are four teams in the league:

First round:

Fourth place manager selects the first player Third place manager selects the second player Second place manager selects the third player First place manager selects the fourth player

Second round:

Fourth place manager selects the fifth player
Third place manager selects the sixth player
Second place manager selects the seventh player
First place manager selects the eight player etc. until the rosters are completed.

Of course, the managers must keep in mind that they must not select more than eight players in a given age group. The team roster may be comprised of players of league age 10, 11, and 12 unless modified by the local league according to options established by Little League. The local league may opt to allow only 10, 11, and 12 or 11 and 12 year olds, to try out for the major division.

Secrecy: Players shall never be told the position in which they were drafted.

Bonus Picks: Each manager requiring eight or more players prior to the draft to complete the roster will be allowed one bonus pick at the completion of round four. If more than one manager is allowed bonus picks under this section, the order of rotation will be identical to that being followed in the draft.

(C) When two or more existing major teams require a new manager, the existing team names will be placed in a hat and a blind draw will be completed; each manager will be assigned to the team they drew. Order of draw will be determined by each manager selecting a number from a hat at the time of arrival to the draft.

OPTIONS ON SONS, DAUGHTER, AND SIBLINGS:

An option is an agreement between a manager and the Player Agent covering a special condition. All options must be in writing (except No.1) and be submitted to the Player Agent 48 hours prior to the draft. The options are as follows:

1. Brother/Sister in the Draft

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When there are two or more siblings in the draft, and the first brother or sister is drafted by a manager, that manager automatically has an option to draft the other brother or sister on the next turn. If the manager does not exercise the option, the second sibling is then available to be drafted by any team.

2. Brother/Sister of a Player Currently on a Team

If desired, a manager shall submit an option in writing on a draftee if the player candidate's brother or sister is a member of that manager's team. If such an option is submitted, the manager MUST draft the sibling within the first three draft selections.

3. Sons/Daughters of Managers

If a manager has sons and/or daughters eligible under Regulation II for the draft, and wishes to draft them, he/she must submit the option in writing. If so stated, the parent/manager is required to exercise the option at or before the close of the specific draft round, depending on the League Age of sons and/or daughters. Parent/manager options takes priority over any other option.

NOTE: These provisions also apply for managers having eligible brothers or sisters in the draft.

4. Sons/Daughters of Coaches

A NEW coach shall not be appointed nor approved until after the draft to avoid "Red Shirting" of players through selective coaching appointments. A returning coach, through the manager, may exercise an option in writing to the Player Agent provided:

- (A) The coach has served as a manager or coach in the league (at any level) for the past two years AND,
- (B) The coach is returning to the same Major League team as last year.

IMPORTANT: In order for a manager to exercise this option, the coach must qualify under BOTH conditions above.

5. Draft Rounds

If an option is submitted in writing for the son and/or daughter of a manager or coach, such candidate must be drafted in or before the following round:

Baseball			
Draft Round	Little League	Junior	Senior
5	9-10	12	14
4	11	13	15
3	12	14	16
Softball			
Draft Round	Little League	Junior	Senior
5	9-10	12	14.13

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4	11	13	15
3	12	14	16

6. Special Considerations Which Apply

- (A) If the manager so chooses, the option on son or daughter may be waived.
- (B) In the event the parent becomes a manager in another league, that parent may not claim the son or daughter.
- (C) Players are eligible only in the league whose boundaries include the parent/manager's home residence or school of attendance (as defined by Little League).
- (D) When a vacancy occurs during the playing season, the player selected to fill the vacancy becomes a permanent member of that team, governed by the same regulations as all members of the team selected in the draft.
- (E) All players, including sons/daughters of managers and coaches at the Minor League level, are subject to the draft.
- (F) Parents of Major League players who become managers or coaches after their children have been selected to a Major team may not automatically claim their sons or daughters, but may trade for them at the proper time subject to requirements for trading in the next section.
- (G) Parents of Major League players who become managers in the major division after their children are already married to an existing major team, must submit a request in writing for their son or daughter be put back into the draft. As a manager, the parent must then draft his/her son/daughter during the draft round as noted above (11.06, 5.).

(NOTE: THE LITTLE LEAGUE DEFINITION OF RESIDENCE IS LOCATED IN THE "LITTLE LEAGUE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS" SECTION OF THE "LITTLE LEAGUE POLICIES AND PRINCIPLES" CHAPTER OF THIS MANUAL, AND IN THE RULEBOOKS.)

11.07: ALTERNATE METHODS OF OPERATION - The Regular Season

To aid leagues that are having a difficult time getting enough players for their regular season teams the following option is available:

A pool of players from existing regular season teams can be created with players that are willing to participate in extra games during the regular season when teams face a shortage of roster players for a regular season game. Pool players cannot pitch. All pool play must be in accordance to Little League Official Guidelines, Playing Rules and Regulations. *note: Pool play or replacement players cannot be used during Tournament of Champions or All Star tournament play.

11.08: Team Expansions: Expanding by two (2) or more teams, all players are redrafted, No serpentine, Major Division only.

11.09: TRADES\CALL-UPS (BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL)

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- **(A)** There shall not be any communications between the Managers, Coaches, or parents about player trades. All communications regarding trades shall be made from the team Manager to the PA. If communications between the Managers, Coaches, or parents occurs, the trade shall not be allowed by the Board of Directors. All trades shall be completed immediately after the draft, and trade will be made within the same number of picks in that division. (Example: If the division has 12 picks per round, the players traded must have been picked within 12 picks of each other.) All trades must be approved by the division Player Agent.
- **(B)** Trading of players between Major and Minor/Farm Divisions shall not be allowed.
- **(C)** A player not attending at least 1 tryout may be called up to a Major team if: 1) a Major team has less than 12 players on their roster 2) Board of Directors approves the call up, and 3) the call up does not occur within the last 4 weeks of the regular season. Playoff games are not considered part of the regular season for this rule.
- **(D)** Major team roster shall be 12 players. If a roster goes below the minimum before the last 4 weeks of the season, the team shall pull a player form the major division waitlist; if there are no players on the waitlist, a manager may call up a player from the Minor division. A Major Manager has 10 days to select a player or the PA shall select a player for the team. The player shall be eligible for Majors immediately and shall not appear in a Minor game.
- **(E)** Major Baseball, if a team roster is less than 12 players and a league age 11 year old player is drafted to a Minor team, the player selected from Minors shall be a league age 11 year old player. A league age 10 year old player shall not be selected until all league age 11 year old players have been selected to Majors. EXCEPTION: 11 year old players left down to Minors **due to special waiver or safety reasons**.
- **(F)** If a Minor player gets a call up to Majors, the player automatically receives a nomination to for selection to play for the Local League All Star Tournament team. If the player refuses to be called up, they will lose eligibility to be called up to Majors for the remainder of the season.
- **(G)** Parents of Minor siblings on the same team may refuse the call up to Majors if this creates a family hardship. If the parents refuse call up to Majors, the sibling shall stay on their team, however, the sibling shall not be eligible to be called up to Majors for the remainder of the year.
- **(H)** The Manager's child is exempt from a call up to Majors. If a Manager agrees to his/her child to be called up to Majors, the Manager shall state this permission in writing to the PA. If a Manager declines his/her child to be call up to Majors, the Manager shall state this denial in writing to the PA. Once a Manager declines his/her child to be call up to Majors, the player loses eligibility to be called up to Majors for the remainder of the year.
- (I) A maximum of two players from any individual team may be called up. No team shall lose a second player until all other teams in that division have also had a player called up from their teams.

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- (J) Players shall not be called up to Majors within the last 4 weeks of the regular season. Playoffs are not considered regular season for this rule.
- **(K)** League age 9 year old players shall not be called up to a Major team.
- **(L)** Farm players shall not be called up to a Major baseball team. Minor teams are not required to call up from the Farm division if the minimum requirement of 9 players is met. Farm players will not be penalized for declining to be called up to Minors however they will lose eligibility to be called up to Minors for the remainder of the year.

ARTICLE XII: ALL STAR SELECTIONS (By-Law)

- **12.01:** All players who have played at least 60% of the season will be eligible for Nomination.
- **12.02**: The Eligible players will then be ranked by the Team Manager, Coach, and the Division Player Agent and placed on the Voting Ballot by team.
- **12.03**: Each Team Manager will then select their top 10 (ten) players.
- **12.04:** Two (2) Board of Director members, to include the division Player Agent, President, Secretary or Vice President will tally each player's votes. The top ten (10) voted players will be placed on the team.
- **12.05:** The voted All Star Manager will then have the option to select up to five (5) additional players to be placed on their team.
- **12.06**: Voted Managers' & Coaches' of All Star Teams will not be notified until Teams have been selected. Managers will then choose their 2^{nd} Coach.

ARTICLE XIII: PRACTICES AND GAMES (By-Law)

- **13.01:** Teams shall practice only on Board approved practice fields.
- **13.02:** All practices shall be conducted under direct supervision of a Board Approved Manager/Coach. Medical releases shall be in possession of Manager/Coach conducting practice.
- **13.03:** The Home Team shall provide an official score keeper for Farm, Minors, Majors, Junior and Senior divisions. The official scorekeeper shall also keep track of pitch count for both teams.
 - **(A)** The official HOME game score books will be housed upstairs in the score booth at each respective field, PV and MV. There will be one (1) official book for each division, for each field at each respective location.
 - **(B)** The Home Team official score keeper shall obtain the book prior to the start of the game, maintain the book during the game, obtain signatures from both Managers at the end of the game and return the book to the score booth at the respective field. The official score keeper is to take score in the score booth; if a score booth is not available, the score keeper shall sit away from the team. The score keeper may not sit in the stands with the parents/players.

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- **(C)** The Local League Board of Directors Head Score Keeper will track and maintain all official score books to ensure fair play and official standings of the competitive divisions.
- (D) If a division is playing through District 51 Interleague, the Manager is responsible for selecting one volunteer to maintain a score book for the Local League. The Manager is responsible for making this score book available at any time to the Board of Directors Head Score Keeper and PA. The manager is also responsible for reporting all scores of interleague games to the Head Score Keeper within two (2) hours of the end of the game. This Local League score book will be used to determine official standings for the Local League.
- **13.04:** Every effort shall be made to start a game on time. The Board Member on Duty shall ensure games start at the scheduled time.
- **13.05: Game Time Limits:** The rules in the 2019 Baseball/Softball Official Regulations and Playing Rules must be followed in all aspects.
 - **(A)** The 10 run mercy rule is in effect after 4 complete innings (Junior/Senior 5 complete innings). If both teams desire to continue playing, no score will be kept beyond the mercy point. PITCHING STATS will count. Final score is at time of the mercy.
 - **(B) FARM:** No new inning after 1 hour and 30 minutes. Must complete last inning. Home plate is open meaning a player can steal home on a passed ball or an attempt by any defensive player to throw out a runner. A player cannot steal home on a throw or over throw back to the pitcher. There will be a 5 run rule per half inning; 6th inning is open. There is NO drop dead time limit.
 - **(C) MINORS:** No new inning after 1 hour 45 minutes. Must complete the last inning. There will be a 5 run rule per half inning. The 6^{th} inning is the only open inning the 5-run rule does not apply. There is NO drop dead time limit.
 - **(D) MAJORS:** No new inning after 2 hours. Must complete last inning. There will be a 10 run rule per half inning. If an offensive team attains 10 runs during their offensive inning, the half inning will end. There is NO drop dead time limit.

13.06: POINT SYSTEM FOR LEAGUE STANDINGS

Two (2) points shall be awarded to the winning team of each game. One (1) point shall be awarded to each team for a tie. Zero (0) points shall be awarded for a loss. The team with the most accumulated points at the end of the regular season shall be awarded 1st place. In the event there is a tie for points at the end of the regular season, the tie breaker shall be as follows:

- 1. Most wins
- 2. Head to Head
- 3. Runs allowed (head to head total of the two tied teams)
- 4. Runs Scored (head to head total of the two tied teams)

Note: If a game has been determined complete by either time, or innings played, and the game is still tied, the game is **COMPLETE/OVER**. Instead each team shall be awarded 1 point toward the final standings.

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- **13.07:** Games tied after 6 innings (7 for JR/SR) can go into extra innings if there is time left on the clock. Games tied once time expires shall <u>not</u> be replayed or continued and each team shall be awarded 1 point.
 - **(A)** If a game is tied and there is no game scheduled afterward and curfew rules permit, the game can continue until a winner is determined. All curfew rules must be abided by.
- **13.08**: Majors and Higher Divisions, games tied after 4 complete innings (5 for JR/SR) and have been called due to time or weather constraints shall <u>not</u> be replayed or continued, each team is awarded 1 point.
- **13.09:** Weather/Time Suspended games (not regulation) shall be made up on the Sunday following the scheduled game that was suspended (providing field safety) and shall be made up in the order of suspension. Suspended games shall not be scheduled on Easter/Memorial weekends and Mother's Day.

GAMES SHALL NOT BE RESCHEDULED FOR ANY REASON. ONLY EXCEPTIONS ARE SAFE PLAYING CONDITION OF THE FIELD OR INCLEMENT WEATHER.

- **13.10**: Any player missing 7 or more consecutive days shall be reported to the PA by the team Manager. The PA shall notify the parents and VP.
- **13.11:** Any player injured (practice, game, home, etc.) shall be reported to the PA by the team Manager and shall require a note from a medical provider in order to return to practice or game.
- **13.12:** Pool play shall be allowed in Farm/Minor/Major/Junior Baseball and all Softball Divisions only in strict accordance with the Guidelines of the Little League rule book. Pool players playing for a team other than their own shall not pitch in those games and shall be placed at the end of the batting order.
 - **(A)** If a Manager has less than 9 players for a game and the PA has set up a pool players list, the Manager must contact the PA for the division and request the number of players needed to make 9. Once the PA has confirmation a pool player is going to the game, the PA is to call the Manager and advise who the player is. A pool player's minimum playing time is 9 defensive outs and 1 at bat. If one of the regular season players shows up, they must enter the game and meet the minimum play time. Opposing Managers/Coaches and Umpires must be notified of the pool player's attendance prior to the start of the game. *Note: Pool play or replacement players are not allowed at Tournament of Champions or All Star tournament games.
- **13.13:** Drop third strike shall be in effect for the following divisions: Sr. /Jr. Baseball and Softball, Major Softball and Major Baseball. Drop third strike will not be permitted for Minor baseball, Minor softball and Farm Divisions.
- **13.14: Tournament Play/City Series Tournament of Champions:** The 1st and 2nd place regular season teams for all divisions, excluding Coach Pitch and T-Ball, may be participating in City Series Tournament of Champions (TOC) Tournament Play. Pitching restrictions carry from regular season to playoffs to TOC regarding pitch counts/innings and days of rest.

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- (A) Teams shall not be able to pick up a player for TOC if they lose a player. There will be no pool play allowed in TOC. If a team cannot field a team due to a shortage of players, the 3rd place team may be sent in their place.
- (B)
- **(B)** District 51 District Administrator shall determine the number of City Series Tournament teams from each Little League. District 51 will also supply a Standing Rules for the TOC play that must be adhered to.

ARTICLE XIV – AMENDMENTS (By-Law)

14.01: This document 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.

14.02: Draft of all proposed amendments specific to the Constitution portion of this document shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated, for approval before implementation.

Any other suggestions for addendums or changes to the current By-Laws are acceptable via the Board of Directors.