



September 19, 2019

Rodger Alfaro
President
Northwest Downey LL, League ID #4052925

Dear Rodger,

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

The proposed Constitution indicates that the document was presented to the league membership on **08/22/2019**. We respectfully suggest that copies of this document be made available to any regular member upon request. Reference to this document should be included in the notice to members of the annual meeting for reports, election of Board Members, and any special membership meetings that may be scheduled.

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

Best regards to the Board of Directors and Membership of your league for a safe and successful 2020 season.

Sincerely,

Andrew Cortez
West Region Assistant Director
Little League Baseball and Softball

Cc: Carolyn Johnson, DA of CA - 29



NORTHWEST DOWNEY LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

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NORTHWEST DOWNEY LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

League ID Number 04052925

APPROVED

ARTICLE I - NAME

This Corporation shall be known as NORTHWEST DOWNEY Little League, Inc., ("NWDLL") a California non-profit corporation.

ARTICLE II – PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of this corporation must be in the CITY OF DOWNEY, unless otherwise ordered by the Board of Directors, shall be at the address of the Secretary.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

SECTION 1

The objective of NWDLL shall be to install in the youth 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 up to be decent, healthy, and trustworthy.

SECTION 2

These objectives will be achieved by providing supervised competitive baseball games. The supervisors shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary and the molding of future adults is of prime importance. In accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, NWDLL shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball 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, 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.

Members of this corporation may be any individual actively involved in NWDLL. Members will include, but will not be limited to, players, parents, coaches, managers, and volunteer umpires.

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 and who resides within the authorized boundaries of NWDLL shall be a player member, but shall have no rights, duties, or obligations in the management or in the property of NWDLL.
- (b) **REGULAR MEMBERS:** Any person actively interested in furthering the objectives of NWDLL may become a Regular member upon application to the League Secretary, and payment of membership dues. Regular members shall be issued a sequentially numbered membership card annually. Only Regular Members in good standing are eligible to vote at the Annual Election Meeting or at General Membership meetings. All Officers, Board members, Committee members, managers, coaches, volunteer umpires, and other elected or appointed officials or agents must be active Regular Members in good standing. The Secretary shall maintain the roll of Regular members.

Note: Regular Members of the league automatically include all current Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, Board Members, Officers of the Board, and any other person who is recognized by the Board as a volunteer in the Local League, including the following volunteers titles listed below:

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 NWDLL.
- (b) Regular Members should not be actively engaged in the promotion and/or operation of any other baseball/softball/travel ball 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 two-thirds vote of all directors present at any duly constituted meeting, shall have the authority to suspend or revoke the membership of any member of any class whose conduct is considered detrimental to the best interests of NWDLL. The member involved shall be notified of such meeting, informed of the general nature of the charges, and be given an opportunity to appear at the meeting to answer such charges.
- (b) The Board of Directors, in the instance of a Player member, shall give notice to the manager of the team to which the Player is assigned. The manager shall appear in the capacity of an advisor with the Player before a duly constituted committee of the Board of Directors consisting of the President, League Secretary, the Director and Player Agent of the Player's division which shall have full power to suspend or revoke the Player's right to future participation by two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted meeting (quorum is required). The players parents(s) or legal guardian(s) may also be present.

ARTICLE IV - DUES FOR REGULAR MEMBERS (NOT PLAYERS)

SECTION 1

Dues for Regular Members may be fixed at such amounts as the Board of Directors shall determine for a particular fiscal year. (See Article XI, Section 7 for fiscal year of this league.) Note: Dues for Regular Members are separate from registration fees for Player Members, which are determined annually by the Board of Directors in accordance with Regulation XIII (c). If no dues for Regular Membership are collected, Section 2 below does not apply. NWDLL will sell membership at a nominal fee for the current fiscal year. Only those who purchase membership would be able to vote at the General Membership Meeting with Secretary keeping the record. Membership will be sold from opening day of the current spring season through April 15th of the current year.

SECTION 2

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Regular Members who fail to pay their fixed dues within ten (10) day(s) of application to become a member may, by majority vote of the Board present at a Board meeting, be dropped from the rolls and shall forfeit all rights and privileges of membership.

ARTICLE V - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

SECTION 1

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

SECTION 2

Notice of Meeting: Notice of each General Membership Meeting shall be delivered personally, electronically, or by mail to each Member at the last recorded address ten (10) 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 one fifth (20%) of the members (as defined in Article III - Membership) shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted. Absentee ballots will not be accepted. All members will need to be present to validate a quorum.

SECTION 4

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

SECTION 5

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

SECTION 6

Annual Meeting of the Members: The Annual Meeting of the Members of NWDLL shall be held during the closing ceremonies of NWDLL after the conclusion of the regular season, which will take place on the last Thursday in the month of May each year for the purpose of electing new Members, electing the Board of Directors, receiving reports, reviewing the Constitution, appointing committees, and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

- (a) The Membership shall receive at the Annual Meeting of the Members of NWDLL a report, verified by the President and Treasurer, or by a majority of the Directors, showing:
- (1) The condition of NWDLL, to be presented by the President or his/her designate;
 - (2) A general summary of funds received and expended by NWDLL for the previous year, the amount of funds currently in possession of NWDLL, and the name of the financial institution in which such funds are maintained;
 - (3) The whole amount of real and personal property owned by NWDLL, 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 NWDLL during such year. This report shall be filed with the records of NWDLL and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting. A copy of such report shall be forwarded to Little League International.
- (b) At the Annual Meeting, the Members shall determine the number of Directors to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect such number of Directors. The number of Directors elected shall be not less than seven (7) or no more than (17)
- (c) After the Board of Directors is elected, the Board shall meet to elect the officers. After the election, the Board of Directors shall assume the performance of its duties on October 1st. Elections of officers may take place before, however new elected officers will not take office prior to October 1st. The Board's term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section.
- (d) The Officers of the Board of Directors shall include, at a minimum, the President, one or more Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, one or more Player Agents, a Safety Officer and a Coaching Coordinator Regulation I (b). The Board shall also include a minimum of one manager and one volunteer umpire. Only volunteer umpires may be elected to the Board.

SECTION 7

Special General Membership Meetings - Special General Membership Meetings of the Members may be called by the Board of Directors or by the Secretary or President at their discretion. Upon the written request of a minimum of five 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 (10) days after the request is received by the President or Secretary.

SECTION 8

Rules of Order for General Membership Meetings and Regular Meetings of the Board of Directors - Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of General Membership meetings, and all regular meetings of the Board of Directors, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of NWDLL.

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1

Authority: The management of the property and affairs of NWDLL 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 prior to the election meeting.

The Board of Directors of this corporation shall not exceed 17, nor consist of less than five, elected Directors.

SECTION 3

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

SECTION 4

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

- (a) The President or the Secretary may, whenever they deem it advisable, or the Secretary shall at the request in writing of Fifty (50) percent of the 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 two (2) Days before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded address of each Director.
- (c) More than fifty (50) + 1 percent of the Members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted.
- (d) Only members of the Board of Directors may make motions and vote at meetings of the Board of Directors. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during Board meetings.

SECTION 5

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

The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and the management of NWDLL 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 NWDLL 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 league meetings, including Board of Directors meetings, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of the Local League.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BOARD

SECTION 1

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

SECTION 2

President - The President shall:

- (a) Conduct the affairs of NWDLL and execute the policies established by the Board of Directors.
- (b) Present a report of the condition of NWDLL 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 NWDLL in strict conformity to the policies, principles, Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, as agreed to under the conditions of charter issued to NWDLL by that organization.
- (e) Designate in writing other officers, if necessary, to have power to make and execute for/and in the name of NWDLL such contracts and leases they may receive and which have had prior approval of the Board.
- (f) Investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to NWDLL and report thereon to the Board or Executive Committee as circumstances warrant.
- (g) 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 or school enrollment, and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection.
- (i) Complete the required background checks per Little League Regulation I (b) and I (c) 8 & 9; or delegate this responsibility to the league's Safety Officer, or other designated Board member.

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.

SECTION 4

Secretary - The Secretary shall:

- (a) Be responsible for recording the activities of NWDLL 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 not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meeting and shall be responsible for carrying out all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed.
- (g) Notify Members, Directors, Officers and committee members of their election or appointment.

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 moneys and securities, and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors.
- (c) Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all moneys 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.
- (d) Prepare an annual budget, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting.
- (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 International.

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 or school enrollment 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 International, team rosters, including players claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.
- (f) Notify Little League International of any subsequent player replacements or trades.

SECTION 7

Safety Officer - The Safety Officer shall:

- (a) Be responsible to create awareness, through education and information, of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for children and all participants of Little League.
- (b) Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting.

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

- (1) Education - Should facilitate meetings and distribute information among participants including players, managers, coaches, umpires, league officials, parents, guardians and other volunteers.
- (2) Compliance - Should promote safety compliance leadership by increasing awareness of the safety opportunities that arise from these responsibilities.
- (3) Reporting - Define a process to assure that incidents are recorded, information is sent to league/district and national offices, and follow-up information on medical and other data is forwarded as available.
- (4) Background Checks - If the League President so designates, the safety officer will complete the required background checks per Little League Regulation I (b) and I (c) 8 & 9.

SECTION 8

Coaching Coordinator - The coaching coordinator shall:

- (a) Represent coaches/managers in 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 International.

SECTION 9

League Information Officer - The League Information Officer shall:

- (a) Set up and manage the league's official website (site authorized by Little League International);
- (b) Set up online registration and ensure player, manager, and coach data is uploaded to the Little League Data Center;
- (c) Assign online administrative rights to other board members;
- (d) Encourage creation of team web sites to other board members;
- (e) Ensure that league news and scores are updated online on a regular basis;
- (f) Collect, post, and distribute important information on league activities including direct dissemination of fund-raising and sponsor activities, the district, the public, league members, and the media;
- (g) Serves as primary contact person for Little League regarding optimizing use of the Internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League Baseball, Incorporated.

SECTION 10

Marketing/Public Relations Manager - The Marketing/Public Relations Manager shall:

- (a) Oversee new player recruitment efforts;
- (b) Develop and maintain a league marketing plan focused on player recruitment and retention;
- (c) Oversee efforts to market new divisions of play and initiatives offered by the league;
- (d) Work with local media to promote the interests of Little League;
- (e) Coordinate efforts to make NWDLL visible in the community year-round.

SECTION 11

Sponsorship/Fundraising Manager - The Sponsorship/Fundraising Manager shall:

- (a) Solicit and secure local sponsorships to support league operations;
- (b) Collect and review sponsorship and fundraising opportunities;
- (c) Organize and implement approved league fundraising activities;
- (d) Coordinate participation in fundraising activities;
- (e) Maintain records of monies secured through sponsorship and fundraising initiatives.
- (f) Ensure regulation and policies related to sponsorships and fundraising are followed.

SECTION 12

Concession Manager - The Concession Manager shall:

- (a) Maintain the operation of concession facilities;
- (b) Organize the purchase of concession products;
- (c) Be responsible for the management of the concession sales at league events;
- (d) Schedule volunteers to work the concession booth during league events;
- (e) Collect and review concession-related offers, including discounts and bulk-purchasing opportunities;
- (f) Organize, tally, and keep records of concession sales and purchases.

SECTION 13

Umpire-in-Chief - The Umpire-in-Chief (U.I.C.) shall:

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

ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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

SECTION 1

The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than 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 NWDLL in all matters concerning its interests and the management of its affairs, and shall have such other powers as may be delegated to it by the Board, but in no event will the Executive Committee have authority over the Board of Directors

SECTION 3

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

ARTICLE IX - OTHER COMMITTEES AND BOARD POSITIONS

(Place an "X" on the line next to each applicable committee)

SECTION 1

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

SECTION 2

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

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 NWDLL including team sponsorships and submit recommendations.

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

SECTION 4

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

SECTION 5

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

SECTION 6

- ☐ **Playing Equipment Committee:** The Board of Directors may appoint a Playing Equipment Committee 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 for the repair, cleaning and storage thereof at the close of the season.

SECTION 7

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

SECTION 8

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

SECTION 9

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

SECTION 10

- ☐ **Auditing Committee:** The Board of Directors may appoint an Auditing Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The President, Treasurer or signatories of checks are not eligible. The Committee will review the Local League's books and records annually prior to the Annual Meeting and attach a statement of its findings to the annual financial statement of the President and Treasurer; or may, if directed by the Board of Directors or Membership, secure the services of a Certified Public Accountant to accomplish such review.

SECTION 11

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

SECTION 12

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

List Additional Committees by name:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

ARTICLE X - AFFILIATION

SECTION 1

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

SECTION 2

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

SECTION 3

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

ARTICLE XI - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING

SECTION 1

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

SECTION 2

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

SECTION 3

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

SECTION 4

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

SECTION 5

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

SECTION 6

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

SECTION 7

Deposits: All moneys received, including sponsorship and fundraising, shall be deposited to the credit of NWDLL in BANK OF AMERICA in the city of Downey, California or, other financial institution approved by the majority vote of the Board of Directors.

SECTION 8

Fiscal year: The fiscal year of NWDLL shall begin on (Check one):

☒ October 1 and shall end on September 30.

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

☐ January 1 and shall end on December 31.

☐ (Other date)

SECTION 9

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

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

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

Draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated, for approval before implementation.

This Constitution was approved by the Little League Membership on (date) August 22nd 2019

President's Name (Print) Roger Alfaro

President's Signature

Roger Alfaro

Date 08/22/2019

Little League ID No. 04052925

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

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