



Salem Youth Baseball League
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SYBL, Inc.
dba, SALEM YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE
(Salem Little League)

Constitution

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Article I. Name and Location

Section 1 - The name of this organization shall be SBYL, Inc. doing business as (dba) Salem Youth Baseball League, hereinafter referred to as "Local League".

Section 2 - The location of this Local League shall be in the Town of Salem, Connecticut.

a) Mailing address (in agreement with the Town's First Selectman), will be at the Town Hall. 270 Hartford Turnpike, Salem, CT 06420

Article II. Objective

Section 1 - The objective of this Local League shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens.

Section 2 - To Achieve this objective, the Local League will provide a supervised program under the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All Directors, Officers and Members shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance. In accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the Local League shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball and softball games. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

Article III. Membership

Section 1 - Eligibility:

a) To apply for membership of the SYBL and/or be eligible for any position on the SYBL Board of Directors, the individual must be 18 years or older and a resident of Salem, CT. The person should be sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of this Local League.

Section 2 - Classes:

a) **Player Members-** Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Little League Regulation IV shall be eligible to compete for participation. Player Members shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.

b) **Regular Members-** Any Salem resident who is at least eighteen (18) years of age and actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may petition to become a Regular Member by attending a meeting, requesting membership at that meeting, and being accepted by a majority vote of the members present at the meeting.

1) Only Regular Members in good standing (Article VI, Section 4(b)), are eligible to vote at General Membership Meetings. All Officers, Board Members, Committee Members,



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Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, and other elected or appointed officials must be active Regular Members in good standing.

2) 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 volunteer titles listed below:

c) Honorary Member- Any person may be elected as Honorary Member by the unanimous vote of all Directors present at any duly held meeting of the Board of Directors but shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.

d) As used hereinafter, the word "Member" shall mean a Regular Member unless otherwise stated.

Section 3 - Other Affiliations:

a) Members, whether Regular or Player, shall not be required to be affiliated with another organization or group to qualify as members of the Local League.

b) Regular Members should not be actively engaged in the promotion and/or operation of any other baseball/softball program.

Section 4- Suspension or Termination: Membership may be terminated by resignation or action of the Board of Directors as follows:

a) The Board of Directors, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present at any duly constituted meeting, shall have the authority to discipline or suspend or terminate the membership of any Member of any class, including managers and coaches, when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests of the Local League and/or Little League Baseball, Incorporated. The Member involved shall be notified of such meeting, informed of the general nature of the charges and given an opportunity to appear at the meeting to answer such charges.

b) The Board of Directors shall, in case of a Player Member, give notice to the manager of the team for which the player is a Player Member. Said manager shall appear, in the capacity of an advisor, with the player before the Board of Directors or a duly appointed committee of the Board of Directors. The player's parent(s) or legal guardian(s) may also be present. The Board of Directors shall have full power to suspend or revoke such player's right to future participation by two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present at any duly constituted meeting (quorum is required).



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Article IV. Board of Directors

Section 1 -- The Board of Directors shall be composed of no less than the following 10 positions. Filling the Executive Board positions takes precedence.

The "Local League" shall consist of the following positions.

1. President of the League (Executive Board)
2. Vice President of the League (Executive Board)
3. Secretary/Treasurer (Executive Board)
4. Treasurer (Executive Board)
5. Player Agent (Board of Directors)
6. Safety Officer (Board of Directors)
7. Coaching Coordinator (Board of Directors)
8. Director of Baseball Operations (Board of Directors)
9. Director of Softball Operations (Board of Directors)
10. Director of Tee Ball Operations (Board of Directors)

Section 2 – Regular member Positions supporting SYBL Board and league operations.

These Manager positions will support the "Local League" operation and the Board of Directors listed above (in Article IV Section 1). These positions can be filled at either the Annual Meeting or anytime after the Board of Directors positions (in Article IV Section 1) have been filled.

1. Equipment Manager
2. Sponsorship/Fundraising Manager
3. League Information Officer
4. Concession Manager
5. Umpire Coordinator

Section 3 - Authority:

- a) 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.
- b) The Board of Directors shall be vested to formulate the polices, manage the property and affairs of the Local League.
- c) The "local league", providing sufficient volunteers are available, will ensure the number of managers and coaches including Minor League representation elected to the board shall not exceed a minority of the total board members.
- d) The local league shall try to have no less than one Director that will not manage or coach in the "Local League".
- e) Managers (Article IV Section 2) will receive automatic membership in the "Local League" and have voting right for all meetings with exception of Executive Board Meetings or Board of Director Meeting (as designated by League President).

Section 4 – Increase in number:

- a) 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.
 - 1) 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



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elections of additional Directors shall be by majority vote of all Regular Members in good standing who are present or represented by a properly executed and signed absentee ballot filed with the Secretary prior to the election meeting.

Section 5 - Vacancies:

- a) If any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors, by death, resignation, or otherwise, it may be filled by a majority vote of Regular Members in good standing at any regular meeting or Special Meeting called for that purpose

Section 6 - Duties and Powers:

- a) 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
- b) The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meeting and the management of the Local League as it may deem proper, provided such rules and regulations do not conflict with this Constitution
- c) The Board shall have the power by two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present at any Board, Regular, or Special Meeting to discipline, suspend or remove any Director or Officer or Committee Member of the Local League in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article III, Section 4 (a,b)

Article V. Executive Board of Directors

Section 1 - Officers:

- a) The Executive Board shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5), duly constituted Officers of the Local League. President, Vice President, Secretary/ Treasurer, Treasurer and optionally, an additional Board of Director Member at large, as elected at the Annual Meeting

Section 2 - Purpose:

- a) The Executive Board of Directors shall advise with and assist the Officers of the Local League in all matters concerning its interests and management of its affairs. In addition, the Executive Board shall have other powers as may be delegated to it by the Board of Directors in order to conduct business in between meetings and/or in expedient circumstances
- b) To investigate and recommend action in regard to all formal complaints in regard to the Board of Directors and all other Membership that may be considered detrimental to the best interests of the Local League and/or Little League Baseball, Incorporated

Section 3 - Meeting:

- a) At any meeting of the Executive Board, a majority of the total number of members then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and act of a majority present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Executive Board
- b) An Executive Board Meeting will be held to privately discuss matters and formulate the position of the Executive Board to be presented to the Board of Directors as a recommendation to make a Motion to Suspend or Terminate by direction of Article III, Section 4(a,b,c).



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Article VI. Officer Duties

Section 1 - President: Shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the League and shall have general executive management of its affairs.

- a) Preside at league meetings and assumes full responsibility for the operation of the local league.
- b) As the chief administrator, the president selects and appoints managers, coaches, umpires and committees. All appointees are subject to the approval of the league's Board of Directors.
- c) Receive all mail supplies and other communications from Little League International.
- d) Attends local District 10 Little League meetings or find a designee to attend in his absence.
- e) Communicates with District 10 Administrator and surrounding local league presidents for the betterment the local league
- f) Shall be the contact between local organization and the Little League International.
- g) Must know the regulations under which the league operates and in authorizing the annual application for charter, binds all members of the league to faithfully observe the regulations.
- h) See that league personnel are properly briefed on all phase of rules, regulations and policies of Little League.
- i) Present a report of the condition of the Local League at the Annual Meeting.
- j) 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
- k) Be responsible for the conduct of the Local League in strict conformity to the policies, principles, Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Inc., as agreed to under the conditions of charter issued to the Local League by that organization
- l) Designate in writing other officers, if necessary, to have power to make and execute for/and in the name of the Local League such contracts and leases they may receive, and which have had prior approval of the Board
- m) Investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to the Local League and report thereon to the Board of Executive Committee as circumstances warrant
- t) Approve the prepared annual budget from the treasurer to submit to the Board of Directors and be responsible for the proper execution thereof
- g) 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
- h) 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
- i) Prior to the annual meeting, the President shall request the Membership to appoint a nominating committee to select a slate of officers to present at the annual October meeting for election
- j) The President shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors at his discretion
- k) The President shall be responsible to appoint a Chairperson for each League Supportive Committee

Section 2 - Vice President: When delegated by the President, the Vice President shall act as President of the League in their absence and retain the above responsibilities until such a time the President returns to their position. If the President resigns their position the Vice President has the first option to become President until the next annual meeting and a new President is elected.

- a) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President
- b) Will assume the role of Player Agent in the absence of the position until the position is filled. This action should not take longer than one meeting cycle
- c) Regularly attend local board meetings.
- d) Attend District 10 Little League meetings for scheduling and All Stars (as needed/necessary).



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Section 3- Secretary: Shall be responsible for recording the activities of the Local League and maintain appropriate files, mailing lists and necessary records.

- a) 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
- b) Maintain a list of all Regular Members, Director and Committee members.
- c) Records attendance of meetings for the purpose of establishing “Good Standing” requirements for voting privileges.
- d) Responsible for sending out notice of all meetings of the Local League, the Board of Directors and Committees.
- e) Keep the minutes of the meetings of the Members, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, and cause them to be recorded in a book kept for that purpose
- f) Conduct all correspondence not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meeting and shall be responsible for carrying out all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed
- g) Notify Members, Directors, Officers and committee members of their election or appointment
- h) In the absence of the President, and if the Vice President is unavailable to serve as President, the Secretary shall perform the duties of the President. If, however, the Secretary assumes the duties of the President on a permanent basis as elected by the Board of Directors, a special election shall be held to elect a new Secretary until the next annual meeting
- i) In the absence of a Treasurer, the Secretary may hold the position of Treasurer and perform the duties as such (Section 4), until the position is filled
- j) Regularly attend local board meetings.

Section 4 - Treasurer: Shall 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.

- a) Receive all moneys and securities, and deposit the same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors
- b) 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 therefor in agreement with policies established in advance of such actions by the Board of Directors. All disbursements by check must have dual signatures
- c) Prepare an annual budget, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting
 - a) 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.
- e) Any purchases may be authorized by the Treasurer and President up to \$250.00 for emergency use. Anything over \$250 must be brought before the Membership for approval at a scheduled meeting
- f) The Treasurer shall be bonded.
- g) Regularly attend local board meetings.

Section 5 – 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.



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- g) If the Player Agent accepts a position as a Manager or Coach of any baseball or softball team in Local League at the Minor League or above, he/she will forfeit the position of Player Agent. A new Player Agent will be appointed as soon as possible.
- h) Regularly attend local board meetings.
- i) Attend District 10 Little League meetings for scheduling and All Stars (as needed/necessary).

Sections 6 – 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) Regularly attend local board meetings.
- c) Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting.
 - 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 Local League President so designates, the Safety Officer will complete the required background checks per Little League Regulation I (b) & I (c) 8&9

Section 7 – Coaching Coordinator: The Coaching Coordinator shall:

- a) Represent coaches/managers in the league
- b) Present a coach/manager training budget to the Board
- c) Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league-wide training program
- d) Order and distribute training materials to players, coaches and managers.
- e) Regularly attend local board meetings.
- f) Attend District 10 Little League meetings for scheduling and All Stars (as needed/necessary).
- g) Coordinate mini-clinics as necessary.

Section 8 – Director of Baseball Operations: Shall be responsible for the proper functioning of the Intermediate, Majors and Minors (Coach & Player Pitch) divisions of Little League baseball for the Local League.

- a) Represent the Intermediate, Majors and Minors Coach & Player Pitch divisions for the Local League.
- b) Communicate to the SYBL Board the needs unique to each division and oversee implementation of policies relevant to each division.
- c) Coordinate with all other directors and managers to as fully as possible, integrate Intermediate, Majors and Minors Coach & Player Baseball into the operations of the Local League.
- d) Regularly attend local board meetings.
- e) Attend District 10 Little League meetings for scheduling and All Stars (as needed/necessary).



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Section 9 - Director of Softball Operations: Shall be responsible for the proper functioning of the Majors and Minors (Coach & Player Pitch) divisions of the Local League.

- a) Represent Majors and Minors Coach & Player divisions of Little League softball for the Local League.
- b) Communicate to the SYBL Board the needs unique to each division and oversee implementation of policies relevant to each division.
- c) Coordinate with all other directors and managers to as fully as possible, integrate Intermediate, Majors and Minors Coach & Player Baseball into the operations of the Local League.
- d) Regularly attend local board meetings.
- e) Attend District 10 Little League meetings for scheduling and All Stars (as needed/necessary).

Section 10 – Director of Tee Ball Operations: Shall be responsible for the proper functioning of the Tee Ball division of Little League for the Local League.

- a) Represent the T-Ball League Baseball division to and for the Local League
- b) Communicate to the Board the needs unique to the division and oversee implementation of policies relevant to the division.
- c) Coordinate with all other directors and managers to as fully as possible, integrate T-Ball League Baseball into the operations of the Local League
- d) Regularly attend local board meetings.

Section 11 - Equipment Manager: Shall be responsible for maintaining and accountability for all the equipment the Local League has ownership of.

- a) Keep an inventory of what the Local League has in possession of and be able to present current inventory at a scheduled meeting
- b) Keep a detailed list of assigned equipment in the possession of division coaches
- c) Maintain Local League inventory to present to membership as required for the season
- d) In cooperation with Directors, obtain needed equipment purchase quotes to be presented at a scheduled meeting for approval
- e) In cooperation with the Treasurer, develop an equipment budget for season that sustains operation throughout the year
- a) Maintain records of equipment purchases and up-to-date vendor lists.
- b) Regularly attend local board meetings.

Section 12 - Sponsorship/Fundraising Manager: The Sponsorship/Fundraising Manager shall:

- a) Solicit and secures 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
- t) Ensure regulations and polices related to sponsorships and fundraising are followed
- g) Maintain and replace when necessary sponsorship banners
- h) Regularly attend league meeting to provide updates and funds to league's Treasurer.



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Section 13 - 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 local volunteers if needed.
- d) Encourage creation of team websites to managers, coaches, and parents
- 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: fundraising and sponsorship activities.
- g) Regularly attend league meetings and/or handle in person sign-ups.

Section 14 - Concessions Manager: The league Concessions Manager shall:

- a) Set up and manage the league's concession stand.
- b) Organize the volunteer schedule to support the league's concession stand, consisting of parents from all division of the local league.
- c) Regularly attend league meeting to present a report in needs, finances and return/receive funds from the league's Treasurer.

Section 15 – Umpire Coordinator: The league Umpire Coordinator shall:

- a) Maintain a list of local resources for umpiring games of the following levels Minors Player Pitch (baseball and softball).
- b) Volunteers who might want to umpire Minors Coach Pitch (baseball and softball).
- c) Obtain schedule from Minors baseball and softball and attempt schedule umpires for these games.

Article VII. General Membership Meetings

Section 1 - Definition:

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

Section 2 - Notice of Meeting:

- a) Notice of each Membership Meeting shall be delivered electronically, or by mail to the last recorded address, or posted via Social Media at least 7 days in advance of the meeting, setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting.

Section 3 - Quorum:

- a) At any General Membership Meeting, the presence of at least six (6) voting eligible Members in good standing.

Section 4 - Voting Rights:

- a) Only Regular Members as described in Article III, Section 2 (b), in good standing shall be entitled to make Motions and vote at General Membership Meetings. The Local League Secretary will be responsible for verifying eligibility to vote at the beginning of all League Meetings
- b) All members must attend three (3) consecutive meetings or 50% of meetings held within



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the Local League's operational year in order to obtain general voting rights, establishing "good standing" recognition. (All votes with exception of Executive Board elections)

c) All members must attend five (5) consecutive meetings or 70% of the total meetings held within the Local League's operational year in order to vote at Executive Board elections.

Section 5 - Absentee Ballots:

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

Section 6 -Annual Membership Meeting: The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League shall be held the First Sunday of the Month of October at 1830hrs (6:30pm), each year for the purpose of electing new Board Members, receiving reports, appointing Committees, and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting

- a) The order of business for the Annual Meeting will be:
 - 1) The President shall call the meeting to order
 - 2) The Secretary shall pass around an attendance sheet
 - i) Take roll call of Officers and Board of Directors
 - ii) Verify Local League eligible voters
 - iii) Report on minutes of last meeting
 - 3) The Secretary shall present a year-end report of the Local League showing:
 - i) The total number of members on record for each member class including the names of the persons who have been admitted to regular membership during such year, including any Board Member changes
 - ii) List of Committees active and inactive during such year
 - 4) The Treasurer shall present a year-end report of the Local League showing:
 - i) Summary of funds received and expended by the Local League for the previous year
 - ii) Amount of funds currently in possession of the Local League, including the name of the financial institution in which funds are maintained
 - iii) Items of significance that may or may not have occurred
 - 5) The Equipment Manager shall present a year-end report of the Local League showing:
 - i) The amount and nature of equipment acquired during such year
 - ii) Total expenditures for such equipment
 - iii) Complete and updated inventory of Local League owned Equipment including locations of equipment
 - iv) Items of significance that may or may not have occurred or purchased
 - 6) The President shall present a year-end report of the Local League showing:
 - i) The overall condition of the Local League
 - ii) Items of significance that may or may not have occurred
 - iii) Reflection
 - 7) Director Reports.
 - 8) Committee Reports
 - 9) The President will then suspend the regular order of the meeting to turn the meeting over to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee for the nominations and elections of Directors: Members shall determine the number of Directors to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect such numbers of Directors. The number of Directors elected



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shall not be less than seven (7) or attempt to fill all of the little league mandate board positions.

10) After the Board of Directors is elected, the incoming Board and any members that have attended 5 consecutive meetings or 70% of meetings within the Local League's operational year (Article VII Section 4 C.) shall meet to elect the Executive Board of Officers for the ensuing year. The Executive Board shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5), duly constituted Officers of the Local League. President, Vice President, Secretary/ Treasurer, Treasurer and optionally, an additional Board of Director Member at large

11) The outgoing President will then return the meeting to order and have the nominations Chairman present the outcomes of the elections

12) The outgoing President will then turn the meeting over to the newly elected President, at which time along with all other newly elected Directors and Officers, assume the performance of their duties

13) Final remarks

14) Adjournment

Section 7 - Special General Membership Meetings:

a) Special General Membership Meetings of the Members may be called by the President at their discretion

b) Upon written request of a minimum of five (5) members, the President shall call a Special General Membership Meeting to consider the subject specified in the request

c) No business other than that specified in the notice of the meeting shall be transacted at any Special General Membership Meeting

d) Such Special General Membership Meetings shall be scheduled to take place not less than ten (10) days after the request is received by the President or Secretary

e) Notice of such Special General Membership Meeting shall be delivered electronically, or by mail to the last recorded address, or posted via Social Media at least 5 days in advance of the meeting, setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting

Section 8 - Rules of Order:

a) Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all Local League meetings, except when in conflict with this Constitution

Article VIII. Affiliation

Section 1 - Authority:

a) The Local League shall annually apply for a charter from Little League Baseball, Incorporated, and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such charter. The Local League shall devote its entire energies to the activities authorized by such Charter.

Section 2 - Rules and Regulations:

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



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Section 3 - Local Rules, Ground Rules and or Bylaws:

- a) 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 (1) 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 operational year and are not considered part of this Constitution. (See Article VIII, Section 7 for fiscal year of this league.)

Article IX. Financial and Accounting

Section 1 - Authority:

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

Section 2 - Contributions:

- a) The Board shall not permit the contribution of funds or property to individual teams but shall solicit funds for 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:

- a) 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.
- b)

Section 4 - Disbursement of funds:

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

Section 5 -Financial Transparency:

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

Section 6 - Compensation:

- a) No Director, Officer, or Member of the Local League shall receive, directly or indirectly and salary, compensation, or emolument from the Local League for services rendered as Director, Officer, or Member