

CONSTITUTION

THE EAST GREENBUSH GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE INC.

ARTICLE I – DEFINITIONS

SECTION I: This corporation shall be known as the

"EAST GREENBUSH GIRLS SOFTBALL LEAGUE INC."

SECTION II: The objective of the East Greenbush Girls Softball League Inc. (hereinafter “the 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. To achieve this objective, the League will provide a supervised program under the Rules and Regulations of Little League Softball, 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 League shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive 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 II – MEMBERSHIP IN THE LEAGUE

SECTION I: PLAYERS & AGE CLASSIFICATION WITHIN DIVISIONS

Players shall be female. The player age as of January 1st of the current season year determines the division for which they are eligible. The table below defines eligibility ages:

Division	Age as of Current Season Year
Jr. Major/Major	13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18
Intermediate	11, 12
Minor	9, 10
Mini-minor	7, 8
T-ball	4, 5, 6

Requests to place players in divisions above or below their age classifications will be addressed as follows:

- Division change requests must be presented to the Board from the player’s parent/guardian. Criteria for change:
 - Player safety, skill balance, team size across all divisions
- Division changes shall be decided by a simple majority board vote, and are evaluated annually on a case-by-case basis. Wherever possible a standardized skills assessment rubric will be used for all evaluations.

SECTION II: MANAGERS AND COACHES

All managers and coaches shall be Members of the League, and shall be approved by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS each year. They shall be at least 18 years of age by January 1st of the year they wish to Manage or Coach. At least one manager/coach for each team is required to be safety certified. At least one manager/coach for each team is required to attend the coaches training clinic.

SECTION III: MEMBERS OF THE LEAGUE

- A. The Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) of the players shall be Members of the League
- B. The BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall be Members of the League

SECTION IV: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. The BOARD OF DIRECTORS as referred to herein shall consist of the OFFICERS of the League (PRESIDENT, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, and TREASURER), plus the CONCESSION DIRECTOR, EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR, SAFETY DIRECTOR, SCHEDULING DIRECTOR, PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR, FIELDS & GROUNDS DIRECTOR, FACILITY MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR, TRAVEL/FALL BALL DIRECTOR, LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STAR DIRECTOR, TRAINING DIRECTOR, YOUTH UMPIRE DIRECTOR, DIVISION REPRESENTATIVES (One per Division), STAFFING DIRECTOR, UNIFORM DIRECTOR, WEBMASTER, EVENTS DIRECTOR, GRANTS DIRECTOR, FUNDRAISING DIRECTOR, IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT and MEMBERS-AT-LARGE (up to seven).
- B. The BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall have general charge and management of the affairs and property of the League. They shall have full power and duty to carry out the purpose of this corporation according to its Constitution.
- C. The term of office for all Officers and Members of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall be one year. Terms of office shall commence and terminate at the ANNUAL MEETING.
- D. Upon being so directed by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS, any 2 of the following 5 Board positions shall sign all leases, contracts, or other instruments: PRESIDENT, FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, SECOND VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, or TREASURER.
- E. Any purchase or vendor service contract of \$300 or more must be reviewed and approved by a simple majority vote of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Where practical, at least 3 competitive pricing options from different vendors should be obtained
- F. If a vacancy occurs on the BOARD OF DIRECTORS, a NOMINATING COMMITTEE shall be appointed by the PRESIDENT to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term.

SECTION V: DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE OFFICERS OF THE LEAGUE

A. PRESIDENT

Shall preside at all meetings of the League and of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS and assume all responsibility for operation of the League. Receives all mail, supplies and other communications from Little League International and sees that all League personnel are properly briefed on all phases of rules, regulations and policies of Little League.

Responsibilities:

- Oversees the affairs of the League and executes the policies established by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- Presents a report of the condition of the League at the annual meeting
- Is responsible for the conduct of the League in strict conformity to the policies, principles, rules and regulations of Little League Softball, Inc., as agreed to under the conditions of charter issued to the League
- Directs the Treasurer and assist if necessary in the submission of an annual budget to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS and is responsible for the proper execution thereof
- Appoints such committees as they or the League consider expedient or necessary
- President reviews open positions and presents new candidates, may create nominating committee if deemed necessary.
- Serves as an ex-officio member of all committees, except the Nominating Committee
- Investigates complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to the League and reports thereon to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS or Executive Committee as circumstances warrant
- With the assistance of the Second Vice President, examine application and support proof-of-age documents of every player candidate and certify residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for selection
- Assists with large fundraising projects as needed
- May only vote during Board meetings to break ties
- Performs such other duties as are necessary to the Office of President of the League
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

B. FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

In the absence of the PRESIDENT, the FIRST VICE PRESIDENT shall take the Office of PRESIDENT and form a NOMINATING COMMITTEE to nominate a candidate for PRESIDENT to be approved by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Organizes activities required to secure funds in support of League budget and fiscal plans.

Responsibilities:

- Secures team sponsorships, corporate sponsorships, and other fundraising to meet revenue requirements as identified in League budget
- Maintains database of sign sponsors and coordinates installation and removal
- Coordinates League apparel sale including selecting and negotiating with vendor
- Responsible for organizing the Rules Committee to establish the rules of play (including formulating the local rules) for all levels
- Responsible for disseminating the official rules and manager guides, monitoring the rules of play, and providing clarification on the rules of play when the need arises
- Serves as member of the Budget Committee
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

C. SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Oversees all aspects of registration, team selection and is the Plyer Agent, handling all player-related issues for the League. In the absence of the PRESIDENT and the FIRST VICE PRESIDENT, shall take the Office of PRESIDENT and form a NOMINATING COMMITTEE to nominate a candidate for PRESIDENT to be approved by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. May be a Manager or Coach ONLY with simple majority Board approval

Responsibilities:

- Publishes the dates, time and place of registration
- Collects and deposits the registration fee and reconciles registration monies with Treasurer
- Makes lists of players by age and by teams from previous year at the close of registration
- Conducts all player drafts and provides and distributes copies of team rosters following the draft
- Receives and reviews applications for player candidates and assists the President in verifying residence and age eligibility (birth records)
- Prepares residency and 12-year-old/AAA waivers as necessary
- Supervises and coordinates all player transfers according to provisions of the regulations of Little League and maintains an accurate and up-to-date record thereof
- Prepares the Little League rosters and submits online
- Prepares the All-Star Maps for tournament eligibility affidavit
- Notifies Little League Headquarters of any subsequent player replacements or movement
- Maintains Player and Manager Ratings (collected by Division Representatives) in a confidential manner
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

D. SECRETARY

The SECRETARY shall keep the MINUTES of all Meetings of the League and of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. They shall keep books, papers and effects other than the Book of the Treasurer and perform such other duties as may be required by the PRESIDENT or the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Responsibilities:

- Notifies the BOARD OF DIRECTORS and other necessary persons of all meetings
- Maintains a list of all Regular Members
- Assists at registration of players and makes a file of same
- Furnishes each Board Member a list of Managers and all Managers a list of Board Members
- Conducts 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
- Applies to the East Greenbush Central School District and Maple Hill School district for field use permits during the spring/summer and for gym time permits during the fall/winter
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

E. TREASURER

The TREASURER shall have charge of all receipts and funds of the League and deposit them in the name of the League in a Bank so designated by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. They shall keep League books and financial records and issue a report at every League Board meeting.

Responsibilities:

- Collects all fees, including registration, sponsorship, concessions and travel team fees
- Dispenses League funds (signs checks) as approved by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- Prepares an annual financial report under the direction of the President for submission to the Membership and BOARD OF DIRECTORS at the annual meeting and to Little League Headquarters
- Makes available all records and receipts at the request of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- Makes monthly bank statements available to Board Members and Members of the League, upon request
- Oversees the Budget Committee and prepares an annual budget under the direction of the President for submission to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- Maintains the petty cash balance in the concession stand
- Establishes a system for reporting and depositing the receipt of concession and raffle proceeds
- Reconciles checking account on a monthly basis
- Prepares documentation and assists accountant with filing annual tax returns
- Reviews and procures property insurance and Board insurance on annual basis
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

SECTION VI: DUTIES AND POWERS OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A. CONCESSION DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Oversees concessions operation to ensure the realization of optimal revenue and operating profit
- Determines menu and pricing for all concession offerings, after review by the Board
- Designs and procures necessary signage for concession stand
- Selects and negotiates with vendors and maintains appropriate inventory levels
- Conducts purchasing and receiving for all concession supplies and equipment
- Determines and communicates all opening, closing and operating procedures to volunteer staff
- Ensures proper change is available for daily cash register needs
- Provides training to new Board Members
- Oversees training of youth workers in concessions stand
- Completes all documentation and paperwork necessary for operation
- Coordinates annual stand opening and closing including cleaning and winterization
- Serves as a member of the Budget Committee
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

B. STAFFING DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- In coordination with the Concessions Director, manages all staffing of the concession stand and press box
- Communicates with coaches to establish team parent concession schedules
- Recruits youth workers for concession stand and game announcing
- Trains youth workers on game announcing/scoreboard operation
- Schedules youth workers and monitors performance
- Establishes Board Member on Duty schedule
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

C. EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Maintains playing equipment supply and condition
- Coordinates and purchases any necessary playing equipment

- Prepares team equipment bags and distributes to managers prior to the season
- Furnishes an itemized list of equipment to the SECRETARY for the records
- Collects and inventories equipment bags at the end of the recreation season
- Attends manager meetings when necessary
- Prepares inventory report and purchase recommendations for simple majority board approval
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

D. UNIFORM DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- In conjunction with the Equipment Director, manages all aspects of ordering and maintaining uniforms
- Coordinates with First Vice President to assign team sponsors to teams
- Selects and negotiates with vendors for uniforms and supplies
- Places orders with approved vendors and monitors progress
- Communicates with coaches to solicit team colors and collect players' sizes and preferred numbers as well as sizes for manager t-shirts (one per team)
- Plans and coordinates uniform distribution procedures
- Works with vendor to secure uniform corrections and/or additions
- Coordinates sale of parent team t-shirts
- Orders "Board Member on Duty" t-shirts, as necessary
- Orders youth umpire t-shirts, as necessary
- Coordinates with Little League All-Star Director for purchase of All-Star player uniforms and coaches shirts
- Issues and coordinates return of uniforms for Fall Ball teams
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

E. SAFETY DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Creates awareness through education and information of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for all participants of Little League Softball and implements a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting
- Creates Safety Plan and distributes to Division Representatives and Managers
- Coordinates First Aid training for all managers and coaches prior to the season
- Monitors background checks for all adult managers, coaches and team parents
- Coordinates reporting and prevention of injuries
- Maintains First Aid supplies at fields, in the concession stand, and with teams
- Coordinates liability and accident claims
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

F. DIVISION REPRESENTATIVES (one per division)

Responsibilities:

- Familiarizes themselves with the Division rules
- Helps recruit strong managers for teams in his/her Division
- Acts as a liaison between managers and BOARD OF DIRECTORS, conducting manager meetings as necessary
- Participates as member of the Rules Committee
- Participates with decisions regarding requests for players to move up or down as they impact their Division, along with Second Vice President and Training Coordinator
- Participates with selection of All-Star manager and All-Star roster
- Maintains and coordinates player call-up lists, containing an ordered listed of first-drafted players at each level. Entire list shall be made available to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS and each individual player and parent/guardian made aware and approve of selection.
- Collects player ratings from managers
- Helps recruit players for their division - including posting registration open signs around town (picking up when registration closes)

- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

G. SCHEDULING DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Prepares and distributes the recreation season schedule under the direction of the President
- Coordinates the number of teams with the Second Vice President based upon registration
- Prepares and distributes pre-season and in-season practice time for fields
- Procures school sports and events schedules to assist in scheduling
- Coordinates all in-season rescheduling of postponed games with affected teams
- Works with Webmaster to keep schedule current on League website
- Provides schedule to professional umpire assigner and coordinates rescheduling of postponed games
- Coordinates professional umpires for all playoffs at Minor, Intermediate and Junior Major/Major levels
- Prepares pre-season and in-season practice scheduling plan for all fields and provides to the board for review and approval by majority vote
- Organizes/Schedules field use for private/non league requests
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

H. PUBLIC RELATIONS DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Keeps entire League family and community informed of all activities and aspects of League life through multiple media
- Secures available publicity regarding all activities of the League
- Works with East Greenbush Castleton Youth Baseball League to schedule Opening Day parade and ceremonies, including invitations to dignitaries, inviting emcee and organizing police support
- Identifies and coordinates opportunities for the League to add value to the community through events or programs
- Coordinates publicity for registration through local businesses, media and school fliers
- Secures advertising and compiles Opening Day program
- Submits press releases to newspapers, radio and TV
- Oversees the League's web site and Facebook page in coordination with the Webmaster
- Serves as primary contact person for Little League and third-party Web services provider regarding optimizing use of the Internet for League administration and for distributing information to League members and to Little League Softball
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

I. WEBMASTER

Responsibilities:

- In coordination with the Public Relations Director, manages the League's web site content and social media accounts and ensures that League news is updated on a regular basis
- Maintains a current email distribution list for the League
- Serves as Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

J. EVENTS DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Coordinates with photographer, secures site, and organizes and oversees Picture Day
- Coordinates Pitch, Hit & Run competition and Jr HomeRun Derby
- Coordinates and manages year-end picnic
- Oversees the coordination of Picture Day
- Plans and performs trophy ceremony for their Division
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

K. FACILITY MAINTENANCE DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Oversees all aspects of maintenance of softball complex facility including all structures, sheds, clubhouse, etc.
- Maintains sprinkler system, including yearly opening and closing

- Coordinates with and oversees contractors hired to improve facilities
- Maintains keys, locks and security codes for buildings and fields
- Arranges for complex water to be shut off in late fall and turned on in early spring
- Coordinates with Department of Corrections work crews and Town of East Greenbush
- Serves as member of the Complex Facilities Committee
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

L. FIELDS & GROUNDS DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Leads volunteer group to ensure that fields are properly mowed
- Coordinates with contractors to perform yearly field maintenance
- In combination with the League President, is responsible for cancelling games and closing fields in the event of inclement weather
- Coordinates with and oversees contractors hired to improve facilities
- Maintains field supplies in sheds
- Provides orientation/training for new Board Members and Managers on equipment use
- Creates pre/post-game field maintenance procedures and insures they are being followed
- Plans and coordinates field cleanup days for Spring and Fall and ensures supplies and tools are available
- Serves as member of the Complex Facilities Committee
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

M. TRAVEL/FALL BALL DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Coordinates interviews and selection of Travel Team managers and provides details to the Board for approval by simple majority vote
- Coordinates details of Travel Team tryouts including use of standardized rubric
- Serves as the League's representative to the Hudson Mohawk League/District 7 ASA, attends meetings and communicates information to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS and travel managers
- Coordinates interviews and selection of Fall Ball managers and provides details to the Board for approval by simple majority vote
- Assists Second Vice President with Fall Ball registration and selection of teams
- Communicates with Hudson Mohawk to determine number and levels of teams
- Distributes Fall Ball schedule to managers and Public Relations Director
- Determines whether Fall Ball managers would like to host games and coordinates with Hudson Mohawk
- Coordinates with Scheduling Director to secure umpires with professional umpire assigner for Fall Ball games at East Greenbush complex
- Coordinates with Equipment Manager to distribute uniforms and equipment to Fall Ball managers
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

N. LITTLE LEAGUE ALL-STAR DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Develops post season registration information and notifications
- Organizes and presides over All-Star Manager interviews and provides details to the Board for approval by simple majority vote
- Organizes and presides over All-Star Player evaluation and provides details to the Board for approval by simple majority vote
- Collects All-Star player interest forms and determines number of teams at the various playing levels
- Coordinates All-Star player identification guidelines and communicates with managers and coaches regarding player selection
- Manages All-Star roster development for District tournaments
- Coordinates All-Star affidavit completion process

- Coordinates with Uniform Coordinator for purchase of All-Star player uniforms - Coordinates purchase of All-Star trophies and awards
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

O. TRAINING DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Prepares plan and gains support necessary to implement a League-wide training program
- Coordinates winter skills clinics for girls of all ages
- Organizes move up assessments and, along with Second Vice President and Division Representatives, participates with decisions regarding requests for players to move up or down
- Conducts preseason coaches clinic for managers and coaches of all levels
- Works with Division Representatives to provide adequate player development resources to managers and coaches
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

P. YOUTH UMPIRE DIRECTOR

Responsibilities:

- Assists with youth umpire interviews and recommendations to the Board for approval by simple majority vote
- Trains board approved youth umpires by holding training sessions and participating with winter clinics
- Coordinates youth umpire scheduling for the Mini Minor and Minor divisions throughout the season
- Informs Equipment Director of need for umpiring apparel and equipment
- Provides quality checks and tracks performance through feedback from managers and communication with youth umpires throughout season and conducts ongoing training as necessary
- Recommends rates of pay for new and returning youth umpires to the Board for approval by simple majority vote
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

Q. GRANT COORDINATOR

Responsibilities:

- In conjunction with the First Vice President, identifies potential sources of funding and coordinates applications to secure funding and perform any required reporting. Board review and approval by simple majority vote is required before any applications are submitted
- Communicates with Little League International to stay abreast of potential funding opportunities
- Communicates with local businesses to identify possible grant funding sources
- Communicates with public officials to identify possible public grant funding sources
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

R. FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR

Responsibilities:

- Coordinates all fundraisers and recruits volunteers as required. Fundraisers shall be reviewed by the board and approved by simple majority vote prior to execution.
- Assists First Vice President with fundraising duties, as needed
- Whenever counting cash proceeds, a minimum of 2 board members (one should be a league officer) must be present.
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

S. IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT

Responsibilities:

- Serves as a voting member of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS for one year after they leave the office of PRESIDENT
- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

T. MEMBERS-AT-LARGE (up to seven)

Responsibilities:

- Assists the Officers and Directors in various capacities upon request, with the goal of getting acquainted with Board activities and serving as an Officer or Director in the future

- Serves as the Board Member on Duty periodically during the recreation season

Note: Members-at-large are intended to be an introductory position. They shall consider taking on a more specific role which matches their skill set and the needs of the League as soon as they are capable.

ARTICLE III – FEES

SECTION I: All registered players shall pay a fee designated by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS. This fee will be used to pay for the costs of insurance for said players during the season and help defray other costs in the operation of the League.

SECTION II: The payment of this fee is not a prerequisite for playing in the League. Players unable to pay the fee should make this known in writing at the time of registration to any member of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS

SECTION I: The ANNUAL MEETING shall be defined as the first meeting held in October, and shall be open to anyone interested in working within the League. At this Meeting, election of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS will be held. The SECRETARY shall notify all BOARD MEMBERS, and other Members of the League from the previous season. A Public Notice shall be given at least seven (7) days before the Meeting date.

SECTION II: Monthly meetings shall be held at a date, time and place designated by the Board.

SECTION III: Special meetings of the League may be called by the PRESIDENT or two MEMBERS of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS at their discretion. The SECRETARY shall notify all Members of the Board of the date, time and place of the special Meeting.

SECTION IV: A majority of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, the presiding officers must re-schedule the meeting. The SECRETARY shall notify all Members of the Board of the new meeting details.

SECTION V: At all regular meetings, the order of business shall be:

1. Review of Minutes of last meeting for information and approval;
2. Reports of the TREASURER;
3. Reports of Committees;
4. Unfinished business;
5. New business.

ARTICLE V – ELECTIONS

SECTION I: The Board of Directors shall be nominated by the Members of the League. The Nominating Committee will issue ballots to the members, with a two week window for nominations.

SECTION II: Once nominations are submitted, the Nomination Committee distributes ballots to the Members of the League and the Board is elected by simple majority of votes for up to the maximum available board positions.

SECTION III: Once Board has been elected, each member submits to the Nominating Committee their desired Board role. Each position must be confirmed by simple majority of the Board, whether running opposed or unopposed. Member-At-Large positions should be filled only after all roles are filled. Exceptions may be approved by a simple majority Board vote.

ARTICLE VI – RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PLAY

SECTION I: The Playing Rules shall be the same as those established and approved by Little League Softball, Incorporated, except as modified and described in the "East Greenbush Girls' Softball League RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR RECREATION LEAGUE PLAY."

SECTION II: The Rules and Regulations may be amended. The DIVISION REPRESENTATIVES shall present to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS changes approved by the majority of managers. A majority vote of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS is needed to adopt the changes.

SECTION III: RULES COMMITTEE

1. Shall consist of three persons designated by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS;
2. Shall hear and rule upon all protested games; decisions shall be by simple majority of the members of the Committee;
3. Decisions of the RULES COMMITTEE may be appealed to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS only upon majority vote of the Board to hear the appeal.

ARTICLE VII – TRAVEL TEAMS

SECTION I: Travel teams shall be administered as described in "Travel Team Rules and Guidelines." All travel players are also rec players, and must follow all applicable rules.

SECTION II: The Travel Team Rules and Guidelines may be amended. The TRAVEL COORDINATOR shall present to the BOARD OF DIRECTORS changes approved by the majority of the travel team managers. A majority vote of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS is needed to adopt the changes.

ARTICLE VIII – SUSPENSION

SECTION I: If a player is removed from the game (after a first warning), by disciplinary action of the Umpire, they must leave the playing field and she may not be recalled to the game. Further disciplinary action shall be decided upon by the player's manager. If the same player is involved in a second incident, then said player and her manager will be requested to appear before the BOARD OF DIRECTORS at a special meeting.

SECTION II: If a Manager or Coach is removed from the game (after a warning), for disciplinary action by an umpire, they must leave the field, may not sit on the bench or in the stands, and may not be recalled to the game. The League PRESIDENT, upon being notified of such incident, shall call a special meeting of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS, shall direct the manager or coach to appear at the special meeting. The Manager or Coach shall represent themselves at the meeting, or they may bring an advisor with them. The BOARD OF DIRECTORS, after hearing the facts on the matter; may impose such penalty as they feel is justified by simple majority vote. Any decision is final and may not be appealed.

SECTION III: Any other member of the League, or officers and members of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS, may be suspended for a period, or expelled, for cause such as a violation of the Constitution, or Rules and Regulations of the League, or for conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the League. The presiding officer of the League shall notify the member or official to appear at a special meeting called for this purpose. The member of the League, or officer and member of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall be given an opportunity to present a defense at the special meeting. Suspension or expulsion shall be by a majority vote of the members of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SECTION IV: RULES OF CONDUCT FOR ALL MEMBERS OF THE LEAGUE

- A. There shall be no smoking, use of alcohol, or use of illegal drugs at any time by anyone (players, managers, coaches, parents, League officials, etc.) on the grounds occupied by the East Greenbush Girls' Softball League, on East Greenbush School property, or in the vicinity of any other area being used by players of the East Greenbush Girls' Softball League for games or practices including away games.
- B. No profanity, abusive language or heckling of Players, Officials or other Members of the League will be tolerated.
- C. No one shall operate an unauthorized motor vehicle within the confines of our fields.
- D. Any infraction of the above rules results in immediate Board action with no previous warning necessary.

SECTION V: CONDUCT FOR SPECTATORS

- A. The rules of Article VIII, Section IV apply to spectators.
- B. No spectator will obstruct the playing of games.

- C. No spectator shall be within confines of back-stop area or other areas specifically designated by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS or Umpires as off-limits.
- D. Any infraction of the above rules may result in immediate eviction by the Police Department.

ARTICLE IX – COMMITTEES

SECTION I: During the month of September of each year, the PRESIDENT shall appoint a NOMINATING COMMITTEE from the BOARD OF DIRECTORS, whose duty shall be to nominate candidates for the various offices of the League and members of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SECTION II: The PRESIDENT may, at any time, appoint other committees for any purpose for which there is not standing committees of the League.

SECTION III: The Chair of the Committee shall have the power to fill any vacancy in the membership of any Committee.

ARTICLE X – FINANCES AND ACCOUNTING

SECTION I: The BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the League and it shall place all income 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 II: The BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall not permit the disbursement of League funds for other than the conduct of League activities in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of Little League Softball, Incorporated. All disbursements shall be made by check. All checks shall be signed by the League Treasurer and such other officer or officers or person or persons as the BOARD OF DIRECTORS shall determine.

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

SECTION IV: Refunds will be handled on a case-by-case basis and are never guaranteed. Any refunds shall take into account any expenses incurred such as jerseys, equipment and field/space rental.

SECTION V: The fiscal year of the League shall begin on October 1st and shall end on September 30th.

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

ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENTS

These By-Laws and Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting of the League by a majority vote of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS, provided that the purport of the proposed Amendment has been mailed to each member of the BOARD OF DIRECTORS at least one week in advance of the date when such Amendment is to be voted upon.

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