

LENAPE VALLEY BASEBALL ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

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ARTICLE I – NAME

This organization shall be known as the Lenape Valley Baseball Association, LVBA, hereinafter referred to as “Local League.”

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVE

SECTION 1

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

SECTION 2

To achieve this objective, the Local League will provide a supervised program under the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All Directors, Officers and Members shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance. 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 games. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1

Eligibility. Any person sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of this Local League may apply to become a Member.

SECTION 2

Classes. There shall be the following classes of Members:

- (a) **Player Members.** Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Little League Regulation IV shall be eligible to compete for participation. Player Members shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.
- (b) **Regular Members. (Good Standing Clause)** Any adult person actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may become a Regular Member upon election. The Secretary shall maintain the roll of membership to qualify voting members.

Only Regular Members in good standing are eligible to vote at General Membership Meetings. All Board Members and other elected or appointed officials must be active Regular Members in good standing. A Regular Member in good standing attends or participates in 50% of the monthly LVBA Member Meetings.

Note: Regular Members of the league automatically include all current Board Members and any other person who is recognized by the Board of Directors as an elected volunteer in the Local League, including those volunteers with the following roles:

- Fundraising Coordinator
- Field Maintenance Coordinator
- Marketing and Social Media Coordinator
- Umpire-in-Chief
- Little League Tournament Director
- Snack Stand Coordinator
- Special Events Coordinator
- Registration and Uniform Coordinator
- Equipment Coordinator
- Schedule Coordinator
- In-House Commissioner (Single A, Double A, Triple A, Majors, ITL, and Fall Ball)
- LVBA Webmaster
- Travel Vice President
- Travel Commissioner
- Travel Secretary
- Connie Mack Vice President
- Connie Mack Commissioner
- Connie Mack Secretary

(c) 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. LVBA Travel Board and Connie Mack board members must have the best interests of the Local League in mind.
- (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 vote of those present at any duly constituted Board meeting, shall have the authority to discipline or suspend or terminate the membership of any Member of any class, or any manager or coach, when the conduct of such person, including on social media, is considered detrimental to the best interests of the Local League and/or Little League Baseball, Incorporated. The person 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 (and such Player Member’s parent(s) or legal guardian(s), as determined by registration in the Local League). Said manager shall appear, in the capacity of an adviser, with the Player Member before the Board of Directors or a duly appointed committee of

the Board of Directors. The Player Member'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 Member's right to future participation by two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted Board meeting (quorum is required).

ARTICLE IV - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

SECTION 1

Definition. A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the membership of the Local League. 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 or electronically to each Member at the last recorded email address at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting, setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting. In lieu of the above methods, notice may be given in such form as may be authorized by the Members, from time to time, at a regularly convened General Membership Meeting. All General Membership Meetings will be posted on the Local League website.

SECTION 3

Quorum. At any General Membership Meeting, the presence in person or representation by absentee ballot of one fourth (25%) 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.

SECTION 4

Voting. Only Regular Members shall be entitled to make motions and vote at General Membership Meetings. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during General Membership Meetings. (Those eligible to take part at meetings of the Board of Directors are described in Article V, Section 4.) To conduct business, a majority vote of those present at any duly constituted General Membership Meeting is required (quorum is required).

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 Local League. The absentee ballot shall be properly completed and (1) signed and returned in a sealed envelope or (2) sent electronically 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 Meeting of the Members. The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League shall be held in October 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 the Local League a report, verified by the President and Treasurer, or by a majority of the Directors, showing:
 - 1) The condition of the Local League, to be presented by the President or his/her designate;

- 2) A general summary of funds received and expended by the Local League for the previous year, the amount of funds currently in possession of the Local League, and the name of the financial institution in which such funds are maintained;
 - 3) The whole amount of real and personal property owned by the Local League, where located, and where and how invested;
 - 4) For the year immediately preceding, the amount and nature of the property acquired, with the date of the report and the manner of 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 persons who have been admitted to regular membership in the Local League during such year. This report shall be filed with the records of the Local League and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting.
- (b) At the Annual Meeting, in addition to electing new Members, the Members shall determine if any additional Directors are to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect all new Directors as well as any Directors whose term is up for election pursuant to Article V, Section 7. The number of Directors in any given year shall not be less than seven (7).
 - (c) After the election, the Board of Directors and all Members shall assume the performance of their duties on November 1st. Each Board Member's term of office shall continue until its successor is elected and qualified under this section.
 - (d) The Board of Directors shall include, at a minimum, the positions of President, one or more Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, Player Agent, Safety Officer and one or more Coaching Coordinators.

SECTION 7

Special General Membership Meetings. Special General Membership Meetings of the Members may be called by the Board of Directors, Secretary or President at their discretion. Upon the written request of five (5) 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 five (5) days after the request is received by the President or Secretary.

SECTION 8

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

ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SECTION 1

Authority. The management of the property and affairs of the Local League shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2

Increase in number. The number of Board of Directors so fixed at the Annual Meeting may be increased at any General Membership Meeting or Special Meeting of the Members. If the number is increased, the additional Directors may be elected at the meeting at which the increase is voted, or at any subsequent General Membership Meeting. All elections of additional Directors shall be by majority vote of all Regular Members present or represented by a properly executed and signed absentee ballot filed with the Secretary prior to the election meeting.

SECTION 3

Vacancies. If any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors, by death, resignation or otherwise, it may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Directors at any regular Board meeting or 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 25% 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.
- (b) Notice of each Board meeting shall be given to each Director personally or electronically at least three (3) days before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded email address of each Director.
- (c) A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted.
- (d) Only members of the Board of Directors may make motions and vote at meetings of the Board of Directors. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during Board meetings.

SECTION 5

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

The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and the management of the Local League as it may deem proper, provided such rules and regulations do not conflict with this Constitution.

The Board shall have the power by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular Board or Special Board Meeting to discipline, suspend or remove any Director or Officer or Committee Member of the Local League in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article III, Section 4 (a, b).

SECTION 6

Rules of Order for Board Meetings. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all Board of Directors meetings, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of the Local League.

SECTION 7

Term of Office. The Board positions specified below shall serve for the term specified and are elected every other year as specified. All Board positions not specified shall have a one (1) year term.

Year One:

President: 2-Year Term

Safety Officer: 2-Year Term

Year Two:

Vice-President: 2-Year Term

Treasurer: 2-Year Term

ARTICLE VI - 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 the Local League and execute the policies established by the Board of Directors.
- (b) Present a report of the condition of the Local League at the Annual Meeting.
- (c) Communicate to the Board of Directors such matters as deemed appropriate, and make such suggestions as may tend to promote the welfare of the Local League.
- (d) Be responsible for the conduct of the Local League in strict conformity to the policies, principles, Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, as agreed to under the conditions of charter issued to the Local League by that organization.
- (e) 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.
- (f) Investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to the Local League and report thereon to the Board of Directors 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 and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection.
- (i) Preside over all regular and Special Board of Directors meetings.
- (j) Act as the official spokesperson for the Local League.
- (k) Report the state of the Local League to the Lenape Valley Recreation Council (LVRC) from time to time whenever necessary.
- (l) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 3

Vice President. The Vice President shall:

- (a) Perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of the President, provided he or she is authorized by the President or Board so to act. When so acting, the Vice President shall have all the powers of that office.
- (b) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.
- (c) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 4

Secretary. The Secretary shall:

- (a) Be responsible for recording the activities of the Local League and maintain appropriate files, email addresses 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 President or by the Board of Directors.
- (c) Maintain a list of all Regular Members, Directors and committee members and give notice of all meetings of the Local League, the Board of Directors and Committees.
- (d) Keep the minutes of the meetings of the Members, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, and cause them to be recorded.
- (e) 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.
- (f) Notify Members, Directors, Officers and committee members of their election or appointment.

- (g) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

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 President or 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, 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 for approval.
- (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.
- (f) Prepare monthly reports to be presented at the regular board meetings showing all revenues and expenses for that month and YTD.
- (g) Prepare and file all financial records required by the Lenape Valley Recreation Council for tax purposes.
- (h) Coordinate with the Snack Stand Coordinator and Fundraising Coordinator to accurately provide records of income / expenses of these departments.
- (i) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 6

Player Agent. The Player Agent shall:

- (a) Record all player transactions and maintain an accurate and up-to-date record thereof.
- (b) Receive and review applications for player candidates and assist the President in verifying residence and age eligibility.
- (c) Conduct the tryouts (if necessary), the player draft for appropriate Divisions and all other player transactions or team selection meetings.
- (d) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

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.
- (c) Complete all background checks per Little League Regulation I (b) and I (c) 8 & 9.
- (d) Supervise the maintenance of all playing fields for any areas that may be considered a hazard and report such to the Board of Directors.
- (e) Prepare and distribute first aid kits to all field boxes and snack stands and maintain them throughout the season.
- (f) Perform such duties as are herein set forth and such other duties or as may be assigned by the President or the Board of Directors.
- (g) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 8

Coaching Coordinator. The Coaching Coordinator shall:

- (a) Represent managers/coaches of the Local League.
- (b) Present a coach/manager training budget to the Board.
- (c) Prepare and present to the Board of Directors for approval a league-wide training program.
- (d) Upon approval by the Board, implement and manage the league-wide training program.
- (e) Coordinate player and manager training clinics as needed.
- (f) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

ARTICLE VII - DUTIES AND POWERS OF REGULAR MEMBERS

SECTION 1

Fundraising Coordinator. The Fundraising Coordinator shall:

- (a) Solicit and secure local sponsorships to support league operations.
- (b) Collect and review sponsorship and fundraising opportunities.
- (c) Organize and implement Board approved league fundraising activities.
- (d) Provide the Board with suggested fund raising options.
- (e) Coordinate the necessary materials, volunteers, locations to execute fund raising projects.
- (f) Account for overhead and profits in a report to the Treasurer at the conclusion of all fundraising projects.
- (g) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 2

Field Maintenance Coordinator. The Field Maintenance Coordinator shall:

- (a) Manage the operation of all playing fields in appropriate playing condition.
- (b) Organize the purchase, storage and distribution of all field maintenance products.
- (c) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 3

Marketing and Social Media Coordinator. The Marketing and Social Media Coordinator 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 initiatives offered by the Local League.
- (d) Promote the interests of the Local League on social media.
- (e) Coordinate efforts to make the Local League visible in the community year-round.
- (f) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 4

Umpire-in-Chief. The Umpire-in-Chief shall:

- (a) Serve as coordinator of the Local League umpiring program.
- (b) Advise the President on Local League umpire program.
- (c) Recommend volunteer umpires to President to serve the league.
- (d) Recruit, review and retain volunteer umpires.
- (e) Establish and implement an umpire training program for volunteer umpires consistent with Little League guidelines.
- (f) Manage scheduling of volunteer umpires for all games in appropriate Divisions.
- (g) Coordinate with any Board-approved umpiring services for umpiring Local League games.

- (h) Communicate with the umpire in the case of a cancelled or rescheduled game to make certain an umpire is present when needed and not present when games are cancelled.
- (i) Track records of payment to league umpires and keep records of their receipt of payments.
- (j) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 5

Little League Tournament Director. The Little League Tournament Director shall:

- (a) Prepare for the President's signature and submission to the Little League District Administrator, Little League Tournament team rosters and all required documentation, including affidavits.
- (b) Coordinate the necessary materials and volunteers required to host all Little League Tournament games.
- (c) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 6

Snack Stand Coordinator. The Snack Stand Coordinator shall:

- (a) Maintain the operation of snack stand facilities.
- (b) Organize the purchase of snack stand products.
- (c) Responsible for the management of all snack stand sales.
- (d) Organize, tally and keep records of concession sales and purchases.
- (e) Account for overhead and profits in a report to the Treasurer at the conclusion of every week.
- (f) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 7

Special Events Coordinator. The Special Events Coordinator shall:

- (d) Coordinate the necessary materials, volunteers, and locations to host league-wide events such as Opening Day, All-Star Games, and Closing Ceremony.
- (e) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 8

Registration and Uniform Coordinator. The Registration and Uniform Coordinator shall:

- (a) Set up online registration and ensure the league rosters are uploaded to the league website.
- (b) Organize the purchase and distribution of all uniforms to in-house commissioners or managers.
- (c) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 9

Equipment Coordinator. The Equipment Coordinator shall:

- (a) Organize the purchase, storage, and distribution of all equipment to managers.
- (b) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 10

Schedule Coordinator. The Schedule Coordinator shall:

- (a) Organize the In-House schedules for all Divisions and load to the league website.
- (b) Manage all requested changes to game and practice schedules.
- (c) Schedule all league-wide events on the league website.

- (d) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 11

In-House Commissioner(s). The In-House Commissioner(s) shall:

- (a) Under the direction of the Coaching Coordinator, provide all appropriate direction and instruction to the managers and coaches of the respective Division in accordance with league by-laws.
- (b) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 12

LVBA Webmaster. The Webmaster shall:

- (a) Set up and manage the league's official website (site authorized by Little League International).
- (b) Assign online administrative rights to other local volunteers.
- (c) Perform all other tasks as agreed upon by the Board of Directors and as documented in the Local League's By-Laws.

SECTION 13

Single A Commissioner. The single A commissioner shall:

- (a) Organizes Single-A players into teams.
- (b) Solicit and oversee all Single-A baseball Manager/Coach activities with league.
- (c) Coordinate with the LVBA in making sure that all safety issues are addressed as well as collecting manager/coach state/local volunteer clearances.
- (d) Coordinate and communicate with teams to ensure that all managers, coaches, and players are receiving proper instruction and equipment.
- (e) Coordinate with the LVBA board, Safety Officer and Managers/Coaches in executing all national rules and in developing and executing all local youth baseball rules and regulations.
- (f) Attend monthly LVBA board meetings.
- (g) Plan and organize end of season "Single A Appreciation Day" event

ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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 the Local League in all matters concerning its interests and the management of its affairs, and shall have such other powers as may be delegated to it by the Board, but in no event will the Executive Committee have authority over the Board of Directors.

SECTION 3

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

ARTICLE IX – OTHER COMMITTEES

SECTION 1

The President or Board of Directors may appoint an Audit 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.

ARTICLE X - AFFILIATION

SECTION 1

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

SECTION 2

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

SECTION 3

Local Rules, Ground Rules and By-Laws. The local rules, ground rules and By-Laws of the 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 By-Laws of the Local League shall expire at the end of each fiscal year, and are not considered part of this Constitution. (See Article XI, Section 8 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 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. 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 the Local League treasury.

SECTION 4

Disbursement of Funds. The Board shall not permit the disbursement of Local League funds for other than the conduct of Little League activities in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All disbursements shall be made by check. All checks shall be signed by the Local League Treasurer, Vice President or President. There must be two signatures on all checks.

SECTION 5

Financial Transparency. No Board member authorized to disburse funds may be the spouse or family relative of the Local 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 debit or credit card is permitted, given that the league 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 the Local League shall receive, directly or indirectly any salary, compensation or emolument from the Local League for services rendered as Director, Officer or Member.

SECTION 7

Deposits. All monies received, including Auxiliary Funds, shall be deposited to the credit of the Local League in/at a financial institution approved by the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting.

SECTION 8

Fiscal year. The fiscal year of the Local League shall begin on November 1 and shall end on October 31.

SECTION 9

Distribution of Property upon Dissolution. Upon dissolution of the Local League and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, the Members shall direct the remaining property of the Local League to the Lenape Valley Recreation Council to establish a fund to support the youth sports programs in the community. Such funds will be divested under the auspices of the Local League.

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.

This Constitution was approved by the Local League Membership on December 16, 2021.

President’s Name: Matt Benscoter

President’s Signature  (date) March 9, 2022.

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