

YOUTH SPORTS OF HOLLYWOOD, INC.

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ARTICLE I

Section 1 NAME: Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc.

This organization is incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida and shall be known as Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc.

Section 2 PURPOSE: The objective of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. is to promote, encourage, and develop the children in our community with the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, and reverence so that they will be finer healthier, happier children This objective shall be achieved by providing supervised baseball and softball games. The Board of Directors, coaches, parents, and all associated with Youth Sports of Hollywood shall bear in mind at all times that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or winning of games is secondary and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance.

Section 3 ELIGIBILITY:

Any child meeting the requirements as to age and residence as set forth by Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc., shall be eligible for participation. Any non-resident of the City of Hollywood will be assessed a non-resident registration fee at time of sign-ups. Players found to be ineligible will be removed from the team roster and will be replaced in accordance with the procedure established by the Board of Directors of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc.

ARTICLE II

Membership of Board

Section 1 ELIGIBILITY: Any person having an interest in the objectives of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. shall be eligible for membership.

Section 2 COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD: The board of Directors shall consist of not less than fifteen (15) or no more than twenty-five (25) people. The government and policy-making responsibilities shall be vested in the Board of Directors which shall control its property, finances, and direct its affairs.

Section 3 SELECTION AND ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND TERM OF OFFICE: Election of said members shall be held at the regular June meeting annually, based upon nominating recommendations. Newly elected officers will take office at the following meeting after the elections and shall serve for a one-year term. A member of the board shall only fill one officer position at any given time. If an officer's position is unfilled due to resignation, termination, or unforeseen circumstances, a special election should be held to fill the position.

Section 4 TERMINATION: Any member may resign from Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. Board of Directors upon a written request. The Board of Directors shall have the power, by a majority vote of those present at any regular or special meeting, to discipline, suspend or remove any director, officer, committee member, manager, coach, or player whose conduct is considered detrimental to the best interest of the league.

Section 5 VOTING: Each member shall cast one vote in person.

Section 6 HONORARY MEMBERSHIP: Honorary members shall have the privilege of membership except the right to vote. The board of Directors shall confer or revoke honorary members by a majority vote.

ARTICLE III Meetings

Section 1 MONTHLY MEETINGS: The First Wednesday of each month shall be the official meeting date of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. A calendar of meeting dates should be provided to each board member at the beginning of the fiscal year. The President shall call each monthly meeting. and acceptance to the meetings should be provided by the Board Members at least one day prior to the meeting so it can be determined if enough members will be present. The President has the authority to change the meeting date for any specified month due to conflicts or potential lack of attendance. An agenda should be sent out a minimum of three days in advance of the meeting. Any Board Member can make recommendations to add items to the agenda. . Any member of the Board of Directors who misses two (2) consecutive meetings of the board without advising the President, the Vice President, or the Secretary shall be subject to dismissal by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 2 SPECIAL MEETINGS: Special meetings may be called by the President, or Vice President, or upon a written request of at least five (5) members of the Board of Directors. Each member must be notified in writing of a special meeting.

Section 3 ANNUAL MEETING: The August meeting shall be the annual meeting. At this meeting, the President shall call for drafted yearly reports from all committees and the Treasurer should provide a complete financial report from the closing of the previous fiscal year. All such reports must be turned over to the President.

Section 4 QUORUM: All matters concerning the policy and League Rules of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. shall be carried with a favorable vote so long as a quorum is present. A majority of the Board of Directors must be present to constitute a quorum for all meetings.

ARTICLE IV Officers

Section 1 DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS:

A. PRESIDENT. The President shall preside over the meetings of the Board of Directors at which they are present. They shall see that all policies of the Board of Directors are conducted. They shall be responsible for the duties as President, and requirements for Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc., the City of Hollywood, and USSSA.

B. VICE PRESIDENT. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall conduct the meetings of the Board of Directors and shall see that the policies of the Board of Directors are conducted in the same manner as the President.

C. SECRETARY. The Secretary shall be responsible for all correspondence and other administrative duties as directed by the President. The duties of the Secretary will be responsibility for all Board minutes and correspondence.

D. TREASURER. The Treasurer shall be responsible for the administration of all finances and shall provide the Board with a monthly written financial report.

E. COMMISSIONERS OF BASEBALL, SOFTBALL, AND DIRECTOR OF TRAVEL. The Commissioners of Baseball, Softball, and Travel respectively, of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. shall report directly to the President. It is their duty to uphold and enforce all League Rules under the guidance of USSSA and By-Laws as approved by the Board of Directors.

1. The Commissioners will have all the powers vested in them, and may function as Division Directors, when needed, and must be members of the Board of Directors.

2. They shall have the authority to overrule any decision of the Division Directors.
3. The Commissioners are to provide guidance to the Division Directors.
4. They will work with Division Directors to set up and supervise tryout procedures in all divisions of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc.
5. They are responsible for overseeing the operations of each season.
6. They will oversee the development of All-Star teams to include All-Star Head Coach, and All-Star evaluations.

F. DIVISION DIRECTORS.

1. Each Divisional Director shall work directly with the League Commissioner and serve as a direct line of communication between the teams, managers and coaches of their respective divisions and address any questions, concerns, or issues within their respective division. If additional support is needed or concerns left unresolved, they should be brought to the attention of the Commissioner as soon as possible.
2. They shall schedule and coordinate tryouts in conjunction with the Baseball or Softball Commissioner .
3. They shall oversee the selection of coaches within the division.
4. They shall conduct the draft in accordance with policy outlined by Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc.
5. They shall assign all later sign-ups (those who wish to participate after the draft has been completed) in accordance with the Youth Sports of Hollywood Rules on a first-come, first-serve basis to the teams which have the first roster openings. A duplicate of this list will be given to the appropriate Commissioner by the Divisional Director listing all players who are eligible.
6. They shall oversee the selection of teams and ensure that each eligible player is placed on a team through the designated software and ensure parents are notified,
7. They shall inform each team manager of times and dates and where they can obtain and return equipment and uniforms.
8. They shall notify the Commissioner of any player, who for any reason, is no longer associated with his assigned team, and the reasons, therefore.
9. The Division Directors shall have the right to suspend a player for one game without the approval of the Board of Directors. A player may not be suspended from more than one game during the season by the Division Director. Any further action needed is to be referred to the Commissioners or Board of Directors.

10. A Director of a division can temporarily manage or coach in the same division under his supervision only in the event of a managing or coaching emergency.
11. They shall coordinate all protests between the protesting team and the appropriate Commissioner. The Director will present the protest to the Commissioner, and it will be the responsibility of the Director to inform the protesting team of the Commissioner's decision.
12. They shall support the All-Star selection.
13. They shall distribute copies of all applicable playing rules to the managers in their divisions.

ARTICLE V

Committees and Divisions

Section 1 APPOINTMENTS: Committees and or Directors will be set up as needed to support the daily activities of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. In the event that board members do not volunteer to chair or serve on committee(s), the President shall then appoint all committees and committee chairperson. It shall be the function of these committees to conduct efforts and recommendations to the Board of Directors and to conduct such activities that may be delegated to them by the Board. Committee and Director Selections shall be delegated prior to each Youth Sports of Hollywood Baseball and Softball season.

Section 2 LIMITATIONS OF AUTHORITY: No action contrary to the policy of the Board by any member, committee, director, or officer shall be binding upon or constitute an expression of the policy of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. until it has been approved or ratified by the majority votes of the Board of Directors, at a duly constituted meeting thereof.

Section 3 DIRECTOR'S / COMMITTEE REPORT: At each monthly Board Meeting, the Committee Chair should provide an update of progress for designated initiatives. Recommendations may require Board approval before being executed or conducted.

G. REGISTRATION COMMITTEE: Will oversee the registration process both online and in-person each season. The committee will actively pursue any unpaid balances that are due for registration fees. Will monitor all information that is entered into designated software for accuracy. Deposits will be made in a timely manner for all paid fees.

H. SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE: In charge of soliciting sponsorships for all league teams; by collaborating with both coaches, parents, and the community.

I. SCHEDULING COMMITTEE: Responsible for establishing and coordinating schedules and re-schedules for baseball/softball games and practices during and before the season and ensuring that schedules are entered accurately in designated software.

I. DIRECTORS OF UMPIRES: In charge of the Leagues umpires, as well as umpires in training, in charge of scheduling and payment of all umpires; responsible for liaison with the league and umpires.

J. EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE: In charge of purchasing, distributing and collection of League equipment and providing recommendations for future needs.

K. DIRECTORS OF BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL TOURNAMENTS: responsible for scheduling of tournaments; responsible for registration and payment of tournament and registration for teams; responsible for representation of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. at all tournaments.

L. DIRECTOR OF CONCESSIONS: Responsible for concession stand operations to include staffing, stocking, and management. Should collaborate directly with President and Treasurer to develop standard operations to present and gain approval from Board of Directors.

M. GAME POSTPONEMENT DIRECTOR: Responsible for postponement of games due to inclement weather and/or poor field conditions. Will notify Director of Umpires, Division Directors and/or Managers affected, Scheduling Directors, Commissioners and concession stands as soon as possible after postponement. Will be responsible for checking field condition in time to have assigned umpires notified at least one hour prior to game time.

N. MARKETING/COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE: Shall be responsible for overseeing all communication and social media involving Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. Will also support the Board of Directors with overseeing Opening Day Ceremonies.

Q. UNIFORMS COMMITTEE: is responsible for selection of vendor, overseeing the ordering of uniforms and distribution to teams.

R. AWARDS/PICTURES COMMITTEE: is responsible for the selection of the vendor for awards and pictures and is responsible for distribution prior to end of season.

S. MEMBERS AT LARGE: Considered regular Board Members and shall be assigned to committees by the President.

T. ASSISTANT COMMISSIONERS OF BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL: Shall assist the Commissioners of Baseball and Softball in their assigned duties as contained in the By-Laws. The Assistant Commissioners will act in the capacity of Commissioner at the direction of the Commissioner of the respective program in which they serve or in the absence thereof.

U. LIAISON TO THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD: Shall be the representative of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. in all matters that need to be directed to the City's attention pertaining to the respective programs, as well as all other matters pertaining to interaction between Hollywood Hills Baseball and Softball and the City of Hollywood.

ARTICLE VI

Finances

Section 1 FUNDS: All money paid to Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. shall be placed in a general operating fund, except those specifically designated for baseball or softball tournaments and travel teams, which shall be kept in separate funding accounts, respectively. All collected funds should be deposited monthly to ensure accuracy of the financial balance statement.

Section 2 DISBURSEMENTS: The President is authorized to make disbursements on accounts and expenses provided for in the budget with additional approval of the Board of Directors. Disbursement shall be made by check.

A. Those officers who shall be authorized to sign checks are:

1. The President of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. or
2. The Treasurer of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. or
3. any other Board Member approved by the President and Treasurer of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc. All purchases not included in the approved budget shall be submitted to and approved by the Board of Directors.

Section 4 FISCAL YEAR: The fiscal year of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc., Inc, shall end on July 31st. The Treasurer must submit a detailed written financial status to the Board of Directors at the close of the fiscal period.

Section 5 BUDGET: Committees shall compile a budget of estimated expenses for each season (Fall & Spring) and submit it to the Board of Directors for approval a minimum of (30) days prior to the first game of the season . Any additional requests for funds to be allocated after approval of the budget must have the approval of the Board of Directors. The President has the authority to approve expenditures up to \$250 per season without board approval but must provide notice at the following board meeting to all Board members.

Section 6 TOURNAMENT BUDGETS: The Commissioners of Baseball and Softball and their Directors shall submit their respective budgets and proposed dates for tournaments by the May Board Meeting of each year for approval. A complete accounting of receipts and disbursements shall be presented to the Board of Directors at the July or August meeting each year for final review.

ARTICLE VII Dissolution

Section 1 PROCEDURE: The Board shall use its funds only to accomplish the objectives and purposes specified in these By-Laws for Youth Sports of Hollywood and no part of the said funds shall be distributed to the members of the Board. On dissolution of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc any funds remaining shall be distributed to one or more qualified charitable organizations to be selected by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII Parliamentary Authority

Section 1 PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY: The current edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall be the final source of authority in all questions of Parliamentary Procedure when rules are not consistent with the Rules or By-Laws of Youth Sports of Hollywood, Inc.

ARTICLE VIII

Amendments

Section 1 REVISIONS: These By-Laws may be amended or altered by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a meeting, providing the notice for the meeting includes the proposed amendments. Any proposed amendment shall be submitted to the Board of Directors in writing five (5) business days before the meeting which they are to be acted upon.