

By-Laws of the Northwest 45 Little League, Inc.

ARTICLE I – Name

This organization shall be known as the Northwest 45 Little League, Inc., hereinafter referred to as the board.

ARTICLE II – Objective

- A. The objective of this Board shall be to implant firmly in the young people of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, and reverence so that they may be well adjusted, stronger, and happier, and will grow to be good, clean, healthy, and trustworthy adults.
- B. To achieve this objective, the Board will provide a supervised program under the rules and regulations of Little League Baseball, Inc. 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 the future adults is the prime importance. In accordance with Sections 501-(c)-(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the Board 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

- A. Player Members – Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Little League Regulation IV and who resides within the authorized boundaries of the local league shall be eligible for participation, but shall have no rights, duties, or obligations in the management or in the property of the Board.
- B. Regular Members – Any person actively interested in furthering the objective of the Board may become a regular Member upon election as hereinafter provided.
- C. 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.
- D. The government of the Little League Board shall be under supervision of the President and Board of Directors. All matters concerning the policies of the Little League Board shall be decided by a vote of the Little League Board of Directors, and no motion shall be carried without favorable vote from the majority of those present at a duly constituted meeting.

In case of a tie vote, the President is the deciding vote. If President waives vote, the motion is lost for want of a majority.

- E. The Directors shall be elected annually, and each Director shall continue in office until his/her successor shall have been elected or until his/her death, his/her resignation, or his/her dismissal. The number of Directors shall include at least one team manager.
- F. The Little League Board of Directors shall have the power by a two-thirds vote by ballot of those present at any regular or special meeting to discipline, suspend, or dismiss any

Director, Officer, or Committee Member whose conduct is considered as detrimental to the best interests of the Little League Board provided that all Little League Board Directors and the person concerned shall have been notified at least two days in advance thereof that such action will be considered at the meeting and be heard in the matter. A Little League Board Director may disqualify himself/herself from a vote for cause shown and a two-thirds vote of those remaining shall carry.

- G. Any Northwest 45 Little League Board Member removed from the Northwest 45 Little League Board of Directors by vote of the Northwest 45 Little League Board of Directors is ineligible to be placed on the ballot for the annual Northwest 45 Little League Board of Directors - Elections Ballot for 2 years after his removal. A Board Member that has been removed from the board by vote, may be placed back onto the Board by appeal by 2/3 vote of the Board.
- H. A vacancy occurring on the Little League Board of Directors shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by a person elected by majority vote, by ballot, of the respective Directors present at a duly constituted meeting.
- I. Directors shall be elected not later than August 1 of each year and shall serve for one year or until successors are elected and their term of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting which they are elected.
- J. Annually, the slate of candidates prepared by the nominating committee shall be present for consideration to all members of the Little League Board. Additional nominations for Directors may be made as write-in candidates. The number of directors to be elected shall be a minimum of twelve (12) and a maximum of twenty (20) voting positions. The respective candidates receiving the most votes shall be deemed elected. In the case of a tie for the last position open, the candidates tied for such position shall be resubmitted for vote. Voting shall be by ballot. Cumulative voting is prohibited.
- K. The newly elected Little League Board President shall have the authority to appoint from zero (0) to six (6) additional Little League Board Directors, provided that the total of elected and appointed directors does not exceed twenty (20) voting positions. These appointments shall be confirmed by a majority of the elected directors at a duly constituted meeting.
- L. Persons entitled to vote annually are: the officers, directors, committee members, team managers, and coaches who participated in the member league programs during the immediately preceding Spring season, and the parents or guardians of the youngsters who played on member league teams during the immediately preceding Spring season. There shall be one vote per family.
- M. Candidates must have had a child play on a member league team during the immediately preceding Spring season, or in order to maintain a level of experience on the Board of Directors, Board members that have 3 consecutive years of contiguous service are exempt from the qualifications in this section and have grandfather rights in the Little League Board and member league programs. In addition, the board may vote to add a director with other applicable and needed experience related to the operation of the league.

ARTICLE IV – Election of Directors

- A. At or shortly after the annual meeting, the Little League Board of Directors shall elect from its own membership a President. The President must have served a minimum of TWO (2) full current consecutive years on the Little League Board. If no one meets these requirements for President, then the President shall be elected from the general assembly of the Little League Board. The Little League Board of Directors shall then elect from its own membership a Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Information Officer, Player Agent and

such other officers, as they may deem necessary. Each officer shall continue in office for the duration of his/her term or until his/her resignation or dismissal. These officers shall perform the duties prescribed by these by-laws and by the parliamentary authority adopted by the Little League Board.

- B. No person running for a position of Director on the Little League Board may run for the Softball Board.
- C. The Little League Board may hold its election of new officers at a date and time at their discretion.

ARTICLE V – Meetings

- A. The regular meeting of the Little League Board shall be held on regular basis August through July inclusive unless otherwise ordered by the Little League Board and/or the Executive Committee. Amendment: The regular meetings will be scheduled for the 1st Monday of every month. The President has the authority to reschedule the regular meetings to another day or week during the month but must notify all Little League Board members 24 hours in advance of the scheduled regular meeting.
- B. The election of new officers' positions may be held in June, July, or August, but such meeting may not necessarily be the annual meeting of the Little League Board. The Little League Board Treasurer shall give a detailed financial report for the preceding year and shall bring his/her books and records for inspection by any interested persons and shall be prepared to answer any questions relating to financial matters.
- C. Notice of the time and place of the annual meeting shall be given to all officers, directors, committee members, and team managers of all leagues who participated in the immediate Spring season, and such notice shall be given to them at least five days in advance of such meeting. Each team manager shall be encouraged to notify the parents of the youngster who plays on his/her team of time, place, and purpose of this annual meeting and to invite them to attend. In addition, notice shall be posted at Bayer Park.
- D. Special meetings may be called by the Little League Board President or Executive Committee at any time or shall be called upon by written request by 1/3 of the total members of this board, with the purpose of the meeting stated in the written request.
- E. Notice of all Little League Board meetings shall be given at least two days in advance thereof to all members of the Little League Board unless waiver of such notice is received. Any director may waive his/her right to notice of any board meeting and the attendance of a Director at a board meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting.
- F. A board member who misses three meetings without assigning proxies and/or who assigns five or more proxies during their term of office, will be assumed to have submitted a resignation and the board will vote at the next meeting whether to accept it. Proxies can only be given to the Little League Board President and/or league Secretary. It is the individual board member's responsibility to contact the Board President and/or league Secretary to receive any assignments made at this meeting.
- G. 2/3 of the members of this Little League Board shall constitute a quorum at any board meeting and a majority vote of those present shall govern, except where otherwise specifically provided in these by-laws or in Robert's Rules of Order, current edition.
- H. Procedures for Phone or email Ballots

1. Phone or email ballots may be called by the Little League Board President or the Executive Committee at any time or shall be called upon by written or verbal request of 1/3 of the total members of this Little League Board for any purposed provided same could not for strong justification await the next regular or special meeting of this Little League Board. In order for a phone or email ballot to be called, a mover and seconded must be identified to the Secretary, in writing within (24) Twenty-Four Hours of the phone or email ballot commencement signed by the mover and seconded for inclusion in the official minutes of this Little League Board.
2. The Secretary shall take the ballot, if unavailable, substituted by the Vice-President, the Treasurer in that order.
3. The Secretary will recite only the motion and request the vote of the member being polled. The motion may not be discussed during the polling between the taker and the voter. Only votes of yes, no, abstain, or request for a special meeting to consider are permitted. One-third of the total board members requesting a special meeting will nullify the vote and a special meeting will be called in accordance with Article V(D).
4. Phone or email ballots may be voted on a maximum of (24) Twenty-Four Hours notification to the Secretary. A minimum of two (2) attempts, fully documented, shall be made to contact each board member, if not successful the vote shall be cast as automatic abstention. After forty-eight (48) hours if a majority of the membership has not voted in the affirmative, the motion will be considered to have failed for lack of a majority.

ARTICLE VI – The Executive Committee

- A. The President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Safety Officer, and Player Agent shall constitute the Executive Committee of the Little League Board.
- B. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Little League Board, fix the hour and place of board meetings, make recommendations to the board, and shall perform such other duties as specified in the by-laws. The Executive Committee shall be subject to orders of the Board and none of its acts shall conflict with actions taken by the board.
- C. Unless otherwise ordered by the Little League Board, regular meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at up to three days prior to any regularly scheduled Little League board meeting, but may also occur on the same day.

ARTICLE VII – Committees

- A. The Finance Committee is a committee composed of the whole Little League Board of Directors.
- B. The President of the Little League Board shall appoint a Nominating Committee chaired by the Vice President of the Little League Board and consisting of four (4) members.
- C. Committees, standing or special, shall be appointed by the President of the Little League Board as deemed necessary to carry on the work of the Board. The President shall be ex-officio member of all committees. The President of the Little League Board shall not serve on the nominating committee.

ARTICLE VIII – Parliamentary Authority

The rules contained in the current revised edition of Robert's Rules of Order shall govern Little League Board in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these by-laws and any other rules of order the Little League Board may adopt.

ARTICLE IX – Rules

The Official Playing Rules and Regulations, as published by Little League, Inc. and ground rules as passed for the current season shall be binding on this Little League Board.

ARTICLE X – Amendments

These by-laws, or any section thereof, may be amended at a meeting of the Little League Board by a two-thirds vote of the total membership of the Little League Board; provided that such amendment does not conflict with Little League Board member program rules or regulations; and further, provided that written notice of such proposed change, over the signature of the President, or the Secretary, shall have been presented to each member of the Little League Board at least fifteen (15) days before the meeting at which such proposed changes shall be submitted to vote. Any Little League Board Director may waive his/her right to the 15 days notice and the attendance of a Little League Board Director at a board meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice of such meeting.

ARTICLE XI – Financial Policies

- A. The Little League Board of Directors shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the Little League Board and it shall place all income in a common treasury directing the expenditure of same in such manner as will give no individual, team, or member program an advantage over the others as to equipment, uniforms, or the like.
- B. The Little League Board of Directors shall not permit the contributions of funds, uniforms, equipment or other gifts to individuals or teams except where provided for the majority vote of the Little League Board. All funds contributed shall be placed in the common treasury of the Little League Board; except where provided for by a majority vote of the Little League Board.
- C. All playing equipment, All-Star, and Tournament and the like, furnished to the individual teams remain the property of the Little League Board and shall be returned when and as directed by the Little League Board.
- D. Monetary funds of the Little League Board shall be deposited with an acceptable bank approved by the Board of Directors of the Little League Board. Funds shall be withdrawn by any two of the following persons: President, Vice-President, and Treasurer.
- E. The Board of Directors of the Little League Board must approve any expenditure in excess of \$2,000.00. Expenditures of \$1,000.00 or less may be made with approval of the President of the Little League Board and or the approval of the Vice-President in the absence of the President. Receipts for all expenditures must be forwarded within 24 hours to the Treasurer.
- F. Any expenditure in excess of \$5,000.00 must be made by 3 bids and read before a duly constituted Little League Board of Directors meeting and approved by a majority vote of said Board of Directors.
- G. Any expenditure in excess of \$5,000.00 must be made by 3 sealed bids and read before a duly constituted Little League Board of Directors meeting and approved by a majority vote of

the said Board of Directors. Uniforms, trophies, and baseball equipment are exempt from sealed bid requirement.

- H. The Treasurer shall keep an accurate record of all income and expenditures. The books and records shall be open to inspection at any time by any member of the Little League Board.
- I. A detailed financial report for the past year shall be presented at the annual meeting and written copies of such report shall be available for each person entitled to vote at the annual meeting. An annual financial report for the Little League Board shall be published and handed out at registration.

ARTICLE XII – Equality

In order to discourage favoritism among the teams and to endeavor to equalize the benefits of the program, all teams shall utilize the equipment and wear only the uniforms provided by the Little League Board. In no case shall any team member be required to purchase team jackets or other items of clothing or equipment as a prerequisite to playing baseball on a particular team when such items of clothing or equipment are intended to have the effect of distinguishing one team over another. This applies to all regular season teams. All-Star game uniforms shall be consistent for all applicable divisions and approved by the board.

ARTICLE XIII – Minutes

Each respective secretary shall keep minutes of all meetings of the Northwest 45 Little League Board in detail. The Little League Board secretary shall make all minutes of all meetings available and distribute it to all directors at their next regularly scheduled board meeting.

ARTICLE XIV – Grandfather Clause.

These by-laws are effective November 1, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

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