

Fernley Youth Football League, Inc.

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BY-LAWS

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FYFL Executive Board

ARTICLE I – IDENTIFICATION

Section 1. Name: The name of the corporation is the Fernley Youth Football League Inc. also known as FYFL. Serving as a non-profit youth organization for our local community.

Section 2. Dates of operation: The Corporation's fiscal year shall begin upon the 1st day of January of each year and end on the 31st day of December of each year.

ARTICLE II – PREAMBLE

Section 1. Preamble: It shall be the sole purpose of the association to provide the youth of this area with a sports program to teach proper football and cheer technique, encourage physical fitness, strengthen character in the face of victory or defeat, and enjoy the pleasures of its competition.

ARTICLE III – DEFINITIONS

Section 1. Definitions: Definitions as used in these By-Laws and are a part of Fernley Youth Football League Football be defined as follows:

Section 2. Articles: **Articles** means the Articles of Incorporation executed and acknowledged by Fernley Youth Football League to be appended and filed with the Secretary of the State of Nevada defining how business within the organization is conducted.

Section 3. By-Laws: **By-Laws** mean the document prescribing the operational boundaries, scope and governing rules of the organization.

Section 4. League: **League** also known as HLA means the Highest League Authority. This is the local governing body for Sagebrush Empire Football League of which Fernley Youth Football League is a part.

Section 5. Association: **Association** means Fernley Youth Football League.

Section 6. Membership: **Membership** means an individual involved in Fernley Youth Football League including all volunteers, coaches, player/participants and/or board members.

Section 7. Quorum: **Quorum** means that a minimum of 51% of acting board members must be present to vote concerning Association business.

Section 8. SOP: **SOP** means Standard Operating Procedures. These procedures act as the operating guide for the day-to-day business of Fernley Youth Football League. The SOP's may be amended from time-to-time.

ARTICLE IV – PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Section 1. Description: Parliamentary procedure is designed to protect the rights of **membership** in joining together to accomplish common goals in an organization. It also allows and enables the debate of issues in a fair manner with the least amount of controversy.

Section 2. Guideline: The association may choose to use Robert's Rules of Order as a *guideline* to proper parliamentary procedure. If the association chooses to use this as its guideline, it is imperative that all members become fully invested in its contents and knowledgeable of their rights and limitations within its boundaries.

ARTICLE V – GOVERNMENT

Section 1. Association Management: The management of Fernley Youth Football League shall be vested in its board of directors exclusively.

Section 2. Qualifications: Fernley Youth Football League will not tolerate or condone discrimination with its participants, coaches, board members or parents. We are all equal regardless of race, ethnicity, religion, color, gender, education, etc. To participate as a member of the board of directors, candidates must meet the following requirements.

- a. Must be 21 years of age.
- b. Must be a Nevada resident.
- c. Must complete a board member application.
- d. Must complete volunteer form.
- e. Must pass the association background check.

Section 3. Restrictions: In order to meet the regulations provided by the League and National organization, coaches liaisons (head or otherwise) sitting on the board may not vote in matters of league policy (i.e. voting on matters that concern the membership or government of the association). Furthermore, because a quorum is required to vote on matters of the association, two *elected* coaches liaisons (head coach or otherwise) may vote so long as a quorum can still exist on the board of directors without violating the creation of league policy rule.

Section 4. Board of Directors Bodies: The board of directors shall be comprised of two bodies, the executive officers and the non-executive directors.

Section 5. Board of Directors Positions: The following positions comprise the board of directors.

- a. Executive Officers
 - i. President
 - ii. 1st Vice President
 - iii. 2nd Vice President
 - iv. 3rd Vice President
 - v. Secretary
 - vi. Treasurer

- b. Non-executive Directors
 - i. Business Manager
 - ii. Cheer Coordinator
 - iii. Two Coaches Liaisons
 - iv. Equipment Manager
 - v. Two Scholastic Coordinator
 - vi. Two Football Coordinators
 - vii. Concession Manager
 - viii. Two Fund Raising Coordinators

Section 6. Length of Terms: All terms for E Board shall be for a period of Three years and shall serve no more than five consecutive terms in any one of these offices. Terms for General Board shall be for a period of Two years and shall serve no more than 3 consecutive terms in any of these offices. Terms of office shall begin at the close of the January annual meeting.

Section 7. Elections: Elections will take place at the December Board Meeting. The passing of the position will be at the January annual meeting. All nominations for the positions up for election will be taken starting November 1st, up until the December Monthly meeting.

Section 8. Election Voting: Voting procedure will go as follows.

- a. Each member of the Board of Directors will have one vote for each position by secret ballot counted by two non-partisan members.

- b. Voting will take place in person or by proxy in a sealed envelope delivered by a non-partisan member and presented to the board for approval at the January annual meeting.

Section 9. Vacancies: A vacancy among the Board of Director positions, other than that of president, shall be filled by the Board by appointment until the next annual election. A vacancy in the office of president is to be filled by the 1st Vice President.

Section 10. Conflict of Interest: A conflict of interest is determined to exist when the interests or concerns of any member of the board of directors, or any member of her or his family, or any party, group, or organization in which the individual is actively

involved, may be seen as competing with the interest of or violating the ethical integrity of Fernley Youth Football League, Sagebrush Empire, Pacific Northwest or National Pop Warner. Any party can testify as witness but cannot vote on outcome of board decision.

Section 11. Attendance of In Person Meetings, and League Sponsored Events: Board Members are required to be physically present to 75% of Board Meetings, Sign ups, volunteer activities and Home Games. At these event Board Members are required to be present and accounted for 85% of the scheduled time of Event. Failure to abide by set times will result in removal from the board and position vacated.

ARTICLE VI – DUTIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Overview: This article is designed to give a broad overview of the responsibilities of the Executive officers. More detail on the day-to-day responsibilities of all members of the Board of Directors can be found in the SOP's.

Section 2. President: The president shall be the chief corporate officer of the Association and be responsible for:

- a. Preside and maintain order at the regular and annual meetings of the Board of Directors.
- b. Is responsible for ensuring the association is run in the best interest of all membership and according to all rules and procedures at all levels such as Association, League, Regional and National.
- c. Serve as an unbiased voice during discussion.
- d. Break ties in the votes on league policy.

Section 3. 1st Vice President: In the temporary absence or disability of the President, the 1st Vice President shall preside at the meetings of the Board of Directors and other duties as may be defined by the SOP's.

Section 4. 2nd Vice President: In the temporary absence or disability of both the President and 1st Vice President, the 2nd Vice President shall take on the duties of the 1st Vice President.

Section 5. 3rd Vice President: In the temporary absence or disability of both the President and 1st Vice President and/or the 2nd Vice President the 3rd Vice President shall take on the duties of the 1st Vice President and/or the 2nd Vice President

Section 6. Secretary: The Secretary will be responsible for **accurate** documentation and correspondence in regards to league business.

Section 7. Treasurer: The Treasurer will be responsible for reception and will maintain custody of all moneys in regards to the association. The Treasurer will have bank and all teams balance readily available.

ARTICLE VII – APPOINTED POSITIONS

Section 1. Definition of Appointments: Over the course of a season, the Board of Directors may find it necessary to appoint people to positions in terms of skill, ability or desire to help the association. These positions include, but are not limited to, committee chairpersons, League Youth representatives and other tasks that may be deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. Specifics and default assignment of these positions may be found in the SOP's.

ARTICLE VIII – MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular Meetings: Regular open meetings will be held each month by the Board of Directors for the membership of the association. Or more as see fit for the sole purpose of the League.

Section 2. Annual Meeting: The annual open meeting will take place in January. The Board of Directors elections shall take place at this meeting.

Section 3. Special Meetings: The president or other members given such privileges as defined by the SOP's may call special meetings restricted to associated matters. These meetings might be used to discuss sensitive membership business and can be restricted to only the Board of Directors if the calling member deems it appropriate.

ARTICLE IX– BY LAW AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Power to Change: The power to alter, amend or repeal these By-laws or to adopt new By-laws is vested in the Executive Board of Directors.

Section 2. Amending the By-Laws: Proposed changes to the by-laws must be made in an official typewritten document and presented to the Executive Board of Directors. The proposed changes must then pass by a majority vote to be considered for amendment. At the next meeting, the proposed changes, as presented at the previous meeting, must then pass by a two thirds vote to become official changes.