

# PRINCESS ANNE LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

## ARTICLE I – NAME

1. This organization shall be known as the Princess Anne Little League, Incorporated hereinafter referred to as “Local League.”
2. Local League shall be operated under the supervision of the Board of Directors as elected by the regular membership.

## ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVE

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.
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 and 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 III – MEMBERSHIP

1. Eligibility. Any person sincerely interested in active participation to affect the objective of this Local League may apply to become a member.
2. Classes. There shall be the following classes of members:
  - 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 to compete for participation but shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.
  - b. Regular Members. Any person actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may become a regular member. 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 and the annual meeting.
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.

b. Regular members should not be actively engaged in the promotion and/or operation of any other baseball/softball program, unless such activities are determined by the Board of Directors not to be detrimental to the interests of the Local league. The member in question will be asked to cease such activities or be considered for suspension or termination as indicated in paragraph 4.a. of this article.

4. Suspensions 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 (2/3) vote of those present at any duly Constituted Board meeting, shall have the authority to discipline, suspend or terminate the membership of any member of any class when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests of the Local League and/or Little league Baseball, Incorporated. The member 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 of which the player is a member. Said manager shall appear, in the capacity of an adviser, with the player before a duly appointed committee of the Board of Directors. The Player'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's right to future participation by two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present at any duly constituted meeting (quorum is required).

5. Member in good standing. A member is determined to be in good standing by participating at one (1) of the seven (7) scheduled General Meetings and/or payment of such membership fee as deemed by the Board. No new members will be added after August 31<sup>st</sup> of the current year.

#### ARTICLE IV – DUES FOR REGULAR MEMBERS (NOT PLAYERS)

1. Dues for regular members may be fixed at such amounts, as the Board of Directors shall determine prior to the beginning of any membership period.

2. Members who fail to pay their fixed dues within thirty (30) days of April 30<sup>th</sup> of the current year of application may by majority vote of the Board present at the board meeting, be dropped from the rolls and shall forfeit all rights and privileges of membership.

3. A reasonable Little League membership fee may be assessed as a parent's obligation to assure the operational continuity of the Local League. However, at no time should payment of any fee be a prerequisite for participation in the Little League Baseball Program in accordance with Little League Regulation XIII (c).

#### ARTICLE V – GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

1. Definition. A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the membership of the league (including Special General Membership Meetings, Section 7). A minimum of one per year (Annual Meeting, see Section 6) is required.

2. Notice of Meeting. Notice of each General Membership Meeting shall be made to each member electronically or by newspaper at least ten (10) days in advance thereof 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.

3. Quorum. At any General Membership Meeting, the presence in person, or representation by absentee ballot of one-third (1/3) of the members in good standing and shall be necessary to constitute a quorum.

4. Voting. Only regular members in good standing (Article III, Section 5) 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.

5. Absentee Ballot. For regular members in good standing who cannot be in attendance at the annual meeting, for circumstances approved by the Board of Directors, an absentee ballot may be requested and obtained from the Secretary. The absentee ballot shall be properly completed, signed and returned in a sealed envelope to the Secretary prior to the date of the annual meeting and the election of members to the board of Directors. The Secretary shall present all absentee ballots to the Election Chairman on the date of the annual meeting prior to the voting portion of the election process.

6. Election meeting will be held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of September at 7:30 PM for the purpose of electing a new board of directors.

7. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the members of the Local League shall be held the fourth Wednesday in September at 7:30 PM 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 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 of 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 the 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 the 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. A copy of such report shall be forwarded to Little League International.

b. At the Annual Meeting, the Members shall determine the number of Directors to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect such number of Directors. The number of Directors elected shall be not less than seven (7).

c. After the Board of Directors is elected, the Board shall meet to elect the officers. After the election, the Board of Directors shall assume the performance of its duties on October 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year. The Board's term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section

d. The Officers of the Board of Directors shall include, at a minimum, President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, A Treasurer, Auxiliary Coordinator, Player Agents, Information Officer, Chief Umpire, Coaching Coordinator and Safety Officer. Only volunteer umpires may be elected to the Board.

8. Special General Membership Meetings. Special General Membership Meetings of the Members may be called by the Board of Directors or by the Secretary or President at their discretion. Upon the written request of ten (10) 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 the (10) days after such request is received by the President or Secretary.

9. Rules of Order. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all meetings, except where same conflicts with the Constitution or By-Laws of the Local League.

#### ARTICLE VI – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. Board and Number. The management of the property and affairs of the Local League shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The number of Directors shall be not less than seven (7). The Directors on October 1<sup>st</sup> shall enter upon the performance of their duties and shall continue in office until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

2. Required Members. The Officers of the Board of Directors shall include, at a minimum, President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, Auxiliary Coordinator, Player Agents, Information Officer, Chief Umpire, Coaching Coordinator, and Safety Officer. The number of managers and coaches including minor league representation elected to the Board shall not exceed a minority of the total Board Members.

3. Annual Election and Term of Office. At each annual meeting, the members shall determine the number of directors to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect such Directors to specific offices. The number of directors so fixed may, within the limits prescribed by the foregoing paragraph 1 above, be increased at any regular or special meeting of the members, and if the number is increased, the additional Directors may be elected at the meeting at which the increase is voted, or at any subsequent meeting. All elections of Directors shall be by majority vote of all members present or represented by a properly executed and signed absentee ballot filed with the Secretary prior to the election meeting.

4. 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.

5. Meetings Notice and Quorum. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the annual election and, on such days, thereafter, as shall be determined by the Board. The President or the Secretary may, whenever they deem it advisable or the Secretary shall at the request in writing of five (5) Directors issue a call for a special meeting of the Board. Notice of each meeting shall be given by the Secretary to each Director by telephone or personal notice at least seventy-two (72) hours preceding the meeting.

a. In the case of special meetings, such notice shall include the purpose of the meeting and not matters not so stated may be acted upon at the meeting.

b. Five (5) members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

6. 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.

a. 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.

b. The Board shall have the power by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those present at any regular or special 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, paragraph 4.a.

c. The Membership shall receive at the annual meeting of the Members of the Local League a financial report verified by the President and Treasurer, and such report shall be forwarded to Little League Baseball, Incorporated.

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

#### ARTICLE VII – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of not less than three (3) or more than five (5) Directors, one of whom shall be the President of the Local League.

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.

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 VIII – OTHER COMMITTEES

1. Nominating Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.

a. The Committee shall investigate and consider eligible candidates and submit at the annual meeting a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors.

b. The Committee shall also submit for consideration by the Board of Directors a slate of Officers and Committee Members.

2. Budget & Finance Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Budget Committee consisting of not less than three (3) or more than five (5) Directors.

a. The Treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee.

b. The Committee shall investigate ways and means of financing the Local League including team sponsorships and submit recommendations.

c. It shall be responsible for taking up collections at games, if such collections are authorized by the Local League and turnover said collections to the Treasurer immediately after each game.

- d. Prepare an annual budget, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Board of Directors.
3. Building and Grounds Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Building and Grounds Committee consisting of four (4) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.
  - a. The Committee shall be responsible for repair and improvement recommendations, other than normal maintenance, and supervise the performance of approved projects.
  - b. The Committee shall be responsible for the care and maintenance of the playing fields, building and grounds. It shall operate within the amount appropriated in the approved budget for that purpose.
4. Equipment Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint an Equipment Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.
  - a. The Committee shall secure bids on needed supplies and equipment and make recommendations for their purchase to the Board.
  - b. It shall be responsible for the proper issuance of such supplies and equipment and for the repair, cleaning and storage thereof at the close of the season.
5. Managers & Coaches Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Managers Committee consisting of three (3) Directors.
  - a. Prior to registration, the Committee shall contact all managers and coaches from the previous year to determine eligibility and availability for the up-coming year.
  - b. The Committee shall interview and investigate prospective managers and coaches during registration and recommend acceptable candidates to the President for appointment and subsequent approval by the Board of Directors.
  - c. It shall, during the playing season, observe the conduct of the managers and coaches and report its findings to the President of the Local League.
  - d. It shall, at the request of the President of Board of Directors, investigate complaints concerning managers and coaches and make a report thereof to the President or Board of Directors as the case may be.
6. Umpire Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint an Umpire Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.

- a. The Local League resident shall be chairperson of any such Committee.
- b. The Committee shall recruit, interview and recommend to the President for appointment a staff of umpires, including a chief umpire and replacements.
- c. When appointed, the staff of umpires shall be under the personal direction and responsibility of the Local League President, assisted by the Chief Umpire who shall train, observe and schedule the staff.
- d. If paid umpires are utilized, the Chief Umpire will ensure that umpires assigned to officiate games for our League have current background investigations completed for the current season.

7. District Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a District Committee consisting of the Local League President as chairperson and two (2) other Directors.

- a. The Committee shall assist the District Administrator in inter-league district functions including the selection of members of the district Administrators Advisory Committee and the selection of tournament sites and area tournament directors.

8. Auxiliary Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint an Auxiliary Committee consisting of the Local League Treasurer, Auxiliary Coordinator, Secretary and other appointed Regular Members.

- a. The Committee shall coordinate the activities of the Auxiliary.
- b. It shall review and evaluate auxiliary projects for raising money and disposition of profits and make recommendations to the Board.
- c. The Board of Directors shall approve in advance all projects and actions of the Auxiliary.

9. Auditing Committee. The Board of Directors shall appoint an Auditing Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The President, Treasurer or signatories of checks are not eligible.

- a. The committee will review the Local League's books and records annually prior to the Annual Meeting and attach a statement of their findings to the annual financial statement of the President and Treasurer, or;
- b. If directed by the Board of Directors or Membership, secure the services of a Certified Public Accountant to accomplish such review.



10. Background Investigations Committee. The Board of Directors shall appoint a Background Investigations Committee consisting of the President and at least two (2) other Members.

a. The Committee shall conduct a nationwide search that contains the applicable government sex offender registry data on all Board Members, managers, coaches, and other volunteers or hired workers who provide regular service to the league and/or who have repetitive access to or contact with players or teams.

b. It shall, upon becoming aware of information, by any means whatsoever, that an individual, including but not limited to, above named personnel, has been convicted of or pled guilty to any crime involving or against a minor, the Local League must contact the applicable government agency to confirm the accuracy of the information.

c. Upon confirmation of above information, the Local League shall not permit the individual to participate in any manner.

d. It shall retain the volunteer application and any attached documents on file for the year of service at which time they will be destroyed, unless the League has taken action or made any decision based upon information contained in the volunteer application.

11. Disciplinary Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Disciplinary Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.

a. The Committee shall gather complaints, in writing if possible, and report its finding to the Board of Directors.

b. The disciplinary hearing will be conducted following the guidelines of Article III, Paragraph 4(b).

c. Any punishment must be approved by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Board.

12. Field of Dreams Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Field of Dreams Committee consisting of five (5) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.

a. The Committee shall investigate and recommend available suitable sites and plans for development, including ways and means, the latter in cooperation with the Budget & Finance Committee.

b. It shall draft all correspondence necessary in a timely manner to continue progress towards a new complex.

c. Attend all necessary functions, meeting, and council sessions as necessary to further the goal of the new complex.

d. When appropriate, it shall work closely with the Auxiliary Committee to procure corporate sponsorships of buildings or stages of the complex, as allowed by local laws and building codes.

e. Report all progress to the Board of Directors at the earliest board meeting.

13. Travel Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Travel Committee consisting of the Treasurer and three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.

a. The Committee shall meet no later than two weeks prior to the first All-Star game of the post season to collect data on the costs of hotels, transportation, meals, petty cash and any security deposits needed for any traveling All-Star team.

b. It shall no later than two (2) day prior to travel supply any vouchers, checks and or cash to the manager(s) of the traveling All-Star team(s) and educate the manager(s) of any documentation requirements they must obtain.

14. Protest Committee. The Board of Directors shall appoint a Protest Committee consisting of the President, Chief Umpire, Player Agent of the division being protested and one (1) or more Officers or Directors who are not managers or umpires.

a. The Committee is totally responsible for solving protests of regular season games at Princess Anne Little League. (Rule 4.19f.)

b. The President may call the district administrator or Regional Headquarters for interpretation of a Rule or Regulation as it applies to the protest, but not for a ruling on a protest.

15. Public Relations Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Public Relations Committee consisting of five (5) Directors and other appointed Regular Members.

a. The Committee shall collect news and prepare it for presentation by news and sports editors of the local newspapers, radio or television news programs.

b. It shall encourage community interests and adult volunteer participation in the program by whatever means are available and should be sensitive to the reactions of the community to Little League.

#### ARTICLE IX – OFFICERS, DUTIES AND POWERS

1. Election. Immediately following the annual meeting, the Directors present, provided there be a quorum, shall meet for the purpose of appointing committees for the ensuing year.

2. Officers. The Officers of the Local League shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer, Auxiliary Coordinator, Player Agents, Information Officer, Chief Umpire, coaching coordinator, and Safety Officer all of whom shall hold office for the ensuing year or until their successors are duly elected.

3. 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 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.

4. 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 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 Agents, examine the application and supporting proof-of-age documents of every player candidate and certify the residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection.

5. Vice President. In case of the absence or disability of the President, and provided he/she is authorized by the President or Board so to act, the Vice President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of that office, and shall have such other duties as from time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.

6. Secretary. The Secretary shall:

- a. Be responsible for recording the activities of the Local League and maintain appropriate files, mailing lists 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 Board of Directors.
- c. Maintain a list of all Players and 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 and Board of Directors and cause them to be recorded in a book kept for that purpose.
- e. Shall conduct all correspondence not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meetings 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. Send final rosters to the Information Officer.

7. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall:

- a. Perform such duties as are herein specifically set and such other duties as are customarily incident to the office of Treasurer or may be assigned by 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, including the Auxiliary, 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 be signed by the Local League Treasurer, President and/or Vice President.
- d. Prepare an annual financial report, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Membership and Board of Directors at the annual meeting.

8. Vice President of Baseball/Coaching Coordinator. Responsible to the President for the operation of Big League, Senior, Junior, Intermediate, Major, Minor, T-ball, Challenger baseball divisions.

9. Vice president of Softball/Coaching Coordinator. Responsible to the President for the operation of Big League, Senior, Junior, Major, and Minor softball divisions.

10. Player Agents. The Player Agents of respective divisions 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 checking residence and age eligibility.
- c. Conduct the tryouts, the player draft and all other player transactions or selection meetings.
- d. Prepare the Player Agents list.
- e. Prepare for the President's signature and submission to Little League Headquarters, team rosters, including players claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.
- f. Notify, through the Secretary, Little League Headquarters of any subsequent player replacements.

11. 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 youngsters and all participants of Little League Baseball.
- b. Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting.

12. League Information Officer. The League Information Officer shall:

- a. Manage the Leagues' official home page on [www.palittleleague.org](http://www.palittleleague.org).
- b. Manage the online registration process and ensure that the league rosters are maintained on the site.
- c. Assign administrative rights.
- d. Ensure the league news and scores are updated on a regular basis.
- e. Collect, post and distribute important information on League activities including direct dissemination of fund-raising and sponsor activities to Little League Baseball, district, public, league members and media.

6. Serves as primary contact person for Little League and Dick's Team Sports HQ regarding optimizing use of the Internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League International. Provides player, coach, and manager records to Little League International in electronic format.

13. Coaching Coordinator. The Coaching Coordinator shall:

- a. Represent coaches/managers in league.
- b. Present a coach/manager training budget to the Board.
- c. Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league-wide training program.
- d. Order and distribute training materials to players, coaches and managers.
- e. Coordinate mini-clinics as necessary.
- f. Serve as the contact person for Little League and its manager-coach education program for the League.

ARTICLE X – MANAGERS, COACHES AND UMPIRES

1. Team Managers and Coaches shall be appointed annually by the President and be approved by the Board of Directors. Managers shall be responsible for the selection of their teams and for their actions on the field.
2. Volunteer Umpires shall be appointed annually by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors. Chief Umpire will be responsible for their assignments and for their actions on the field. Only Volunteer Umpires may be elected to the Board.
3. When holding such office, the:
  - a. President may manage, coach or umpire, provided he/she does not serve on the Protest Committee nor serve as Tournament Team Manager or Coach.
  - b. Vice Presidents of Baseball and Softball may manage or coach in their respective divisions but will not be involved in the review of any protests from that division.

## ARTICLE XI – AFFILIATION

1. Charter.
  - a. 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.
  - b. 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.
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.
3. Local League Rules. The Local Rules of this 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 and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated.

## ARTICLE XII – FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING

1. 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 same in such manner as will give no individual or team an advantage over those in competition with such individual or team.
2. The Board shall not permit the contributions of funds or property to individual teams but shall solicit same 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.
3. The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Little League Baseball unless all the funds so raised are placed in the Local League Treasury.
4. 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 and policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated.
5. 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.

6. All moneys received, including Auxiliary Funds, shall be deposited to the credit or the Local League in TowneBank, approved by the Board of Directors and all disbursement shall be made by check. All checks shall be signed by the Local League Treasurer and by the President or Vice President.

7. The fiscal year of the Local League shall be on the first day of October and shall end on the last day of September.

8. All unbudgeted expenditures must be presented to the Board of Directors for approval.

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 another Federally Incorporated entity which maintains the same objectives as set forth herein, which are or may be entitled to exemption under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or any future corresponding provision.

ARTICLE XIII – AMENDMENTS

1. 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.

2. Draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated for approval.

The Princess Anne Little League Membership approved this Constitution on January 4, 2023.

<u>Stephanie E O'Reilly</u>	_____	<u>1/12/23</u>
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