

## **The Mission of Little League Baseball, Incorporated**

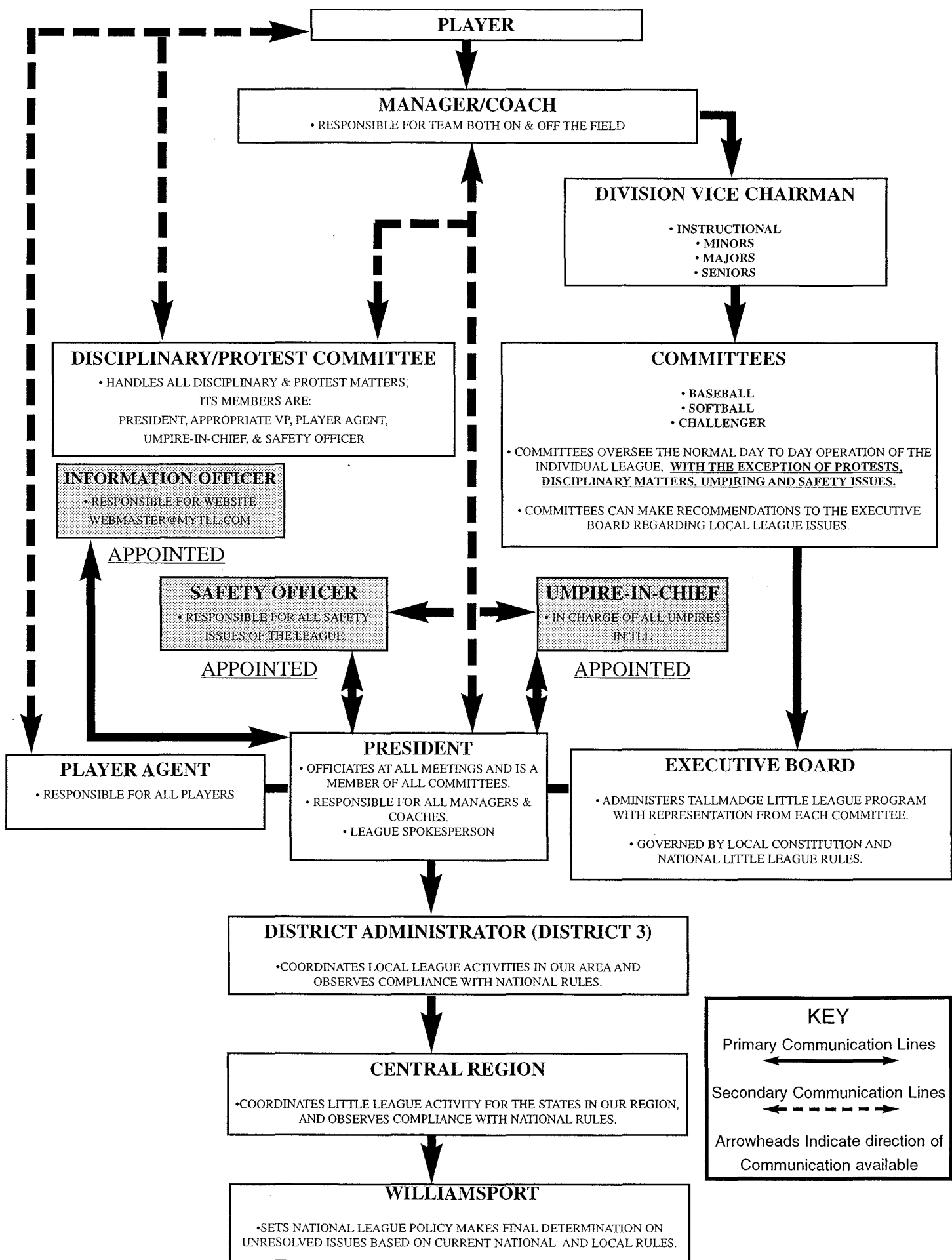
**Little League Baseball, Incorporated is a non-profit organization whose mission is to “promote, develop, supervise and voluntarily assist in all lawful ways, the interest of those who participate in Little League Baseball.”**

**Through proper guidance and exemplary leadership, the Little League program assists youth in developing the qualities of citizenship, discipline, teamwork and physical well-being. By espousing the virtues of character, courage and loyalty, the Little League Baseball program is designed to develop superior citizens rather than superior athletes.**

**Founded in 1939; granted Federal Charter July 16, 1964, by unanimous act of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and signed by President Lyndon B. Johnson as Public Law 88-378, 88<sup>th</sup> Congress H.R. 9234, and amended December 26, 1974, Public Law 93-551, 93<sup>rd</sup> Congress, H.R. 8864. Little League is tax exempt.**

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3. If after three (3) rounds of voting no candidate receives a majority, the Tournament Committee will privately vote for the manager. The decision of this committee is final.
  4. The manager will nominate a coach. All approved Major Baseball managers and coaches are eligible to be a Major All-Star team coach, and ALL approved Major and Minor AA managers and coaches are eligible to be a 9-10 Allstar team coach. The nominee will be voted upon using the method outlined above.
- B. Major All-Star Baseball player selection
1. The All-Star manager shall declare the number of players he/she wishes to carry on the team roster before voting. The current maximum (14), and minimum (12), are listed in the official Little League manual.
  2. Each manager may nominate as many players from his/her own team, or from other teams that they feel deserve attention. Nominations will be kept confidential.
  3. The managers will only vote for player selection. On the first round of secret ballot voting, a player must receive a unanimous, or one less than unanimous vote to make the team. On all subsequent rounds a player(s) with the highest vote count and having a majority vote will be placed on the team. This will continue until all placements are made. ***The All-Star manager shall reserve the right to place one player on the team. If he/she chooses to exercise this option it must be done after the team has been selected and it must be the 13th or 14th player on the roster and must be someone from the list of nominated players. This must be done the day the team is selected. This option may be waived at the manager's discretion. If a player is selected to the All-Star team and declines to play or can't play because of an injury, the manager must replace the player with the top vote getter of the non-selected players. If there is a tie, the manager may select from the tied players. This must be done immediately upon notification of such a situation. The ballot committee only will have the information for the votes of non-selected players.***
  4. The nomination meeting for the Major League All-Star teams ***shall not be held before the date listed in the Little League rule book.*** The President Player Agent, BB Player Rep, VP Baseball, the Major League Chairperson, and the League's Managers shall be the only individuals admitted to the meeting.
- C. The 11 yr. old all stars selection process for players and coaching staff will be the same as the majors with the following exceptions:
1. If no major managers are interested in being the manager of the all star team. Then major coaches are eligible to be nominated for the manager position. Major managers have first priority for this position.
  2. Any 11 year old players in the Majors may be nominated and one 11 year old from each Minor AA team may be nominated for the 11 year old All-Star Team.
- D. 9/10 Yr. Old Baseball All-Star Player Selection -After selection of the Manager and Coach but no sooner than 15 days prior to the beginning of All-Star District play, the players will be selected.
1. The appointed All-Star manager will decide the number of player on the team. A max. of 14 and a min. of 12 must be maintained.
  2. Each Major manager may nominate any 10 year old from the Major League rosters who they feel are deserving of nomination. There is no limit on the number of nominations any one manager may make. Nominations will be kept confidential.
  3. Next all Major managers will vote on the nominated players. If a player receives a majority vote he will be placed on the 9-10 All-Star team.
  4. All remaining positions will be filled by the remaining eligible players in Majors and Minor AA. Such eligible players must be nominated by Minor AA managers. There is no limit on the number of nominations anyone manager may make. Nominations will be kept confidential. All nominations will be voted on by Minor AA managers. Those players receiving the most votes will be placed on the team to complete the roster.
  5. ***In the case of a tie for the final positions, those players will not be assigned to the team and the minor AA managers will vote again on the tied players. Only if there is still a tie after the first "tie breaker" then the All-Star manager may select the final player(s) from the tied players.*** If he declines to do so, a "Ballot committee" consisting of the VP Baseball, Major Baseball chair, Minor AA Baseball chair, will convene privately to vote for the final players. The vote will be conducted by ballot and all ballots will be destroyed after being counted. ***If a player is selected to the All-Star team and declines to play or can't play because of an injury, the manager must replace the player with the top vote getter of the non-selected players, if there is a tie. The manager may select from the tied players. This must be done immediately upon notification of such a situation. The ballot committee only will have the information for the votes of non-selected players.***
  7. ***The selection process for the 9 -10 All-Stars involving both leagues shall be conducted on the same day.***
  8. When a 10 year old is pulled up from Minor AA to Majors to fill a vacant roster position. And this player is an All-Star nominee, he must be nominated and voted upon by managers in the league he spent the majority of the season.

#### ARTICLE C. -SOFTBALL DIVISION LOCAL RULES

##### SECTION 1

Softball Local Rules -The Local League Softball Program adheres to the Little League, Inc. Rule Books and Operating Manual. Where local options are allowed, the following Local League Rules apply.