



## 2020 STSLL Bylaws

**Bylaws are intended to guide the operation of the League for the fiscal year. Bylaws may be amended or changed by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.**

### Volunteers

1. Prospective volunteers will fully complete the 2020 version of the Little League Volunteer Application and provide a photocopy of a government issued photo ID (driver's license, state ID card, passport or military ID are acceptable).
  - a. Volunteer applications are being done online, using the Little League vendor, JD Palatine. Please complete the Volunteer Request Form (under Volunteers) at [www.stsll.org](http://www.stsll.org) or contact Tom Connolly ([president@stsll.org](mailto:president@stsll.org)) or Craig Scott ([safety@stsll.org](mailto:safety@stsll.org)) to have the necessary link provided.
  - b. The Social Security number must be provided to accurately process the background check.
  - c. Refusal to provide a completed volunteer form will result in termination, or elimination for consideration, from any position.
2. The League President or Safety Officer will order a background check.
  - a. When completed online the background check is completed automatically.
3. The background check will be reviewed.
  - a. Any background check that reveals a conviction, guilty plea, or no-contest plea, for any crime involving or against a minor will result in termination, or elimination for consideration, from any position.
  - b. Any background check that reveals an individual to be placed on the sex offender registry in any state/locality will result in termination, or elimination for consideration, from any position.
  - c. Any background check that reveals a conviction, guilty plea, or no-contest plea for any felony offense will result in termination, or elimination for consideration, from any position.
  - d. Any background check that reveals pending charges of any kind will result in termination, or elimination for consideration, from any position.
    - i. If the case is adjudicated and charges are dismissed or there is acquittal, the volunteer application may be resubmitted for consideration.
  - e. In the event a report is made to the League that an individual has been charged with a crime during the season, or has a previous unreported conviction that is brought forward to the Board of Directors, the Board of Directors reserves the right to re-run the background check and review the volunteer application again.
4. The President shall nominate anyone that passes the background check and the Board of Directors shall review and discuss candidacy of the volunteer and vote to approve or deny the application.

- a. Discussions of volunteer candidacy will be conducted either via closed session of a board meeting or via e-mail.
  - b. A simple majority of directors is required for approval.
  - c. The background check is not the sole factor for determining volunteer status. The Board of Directors will review the entirety of the application, including, but not limited to, previous volunteer background and history, special certifications, status of children in the program, and overall need for volunteers for specific functions.
  - d. The local league shall only share personal information contained in the volunteer application, background check or other information obtained through the screening process with other members of the board of directors in order to make personnel decisions. If the information obtained through the background check is public record and causes an individual to not be appointed or to be terminated, this information shall be shared with the parents/guardians of the children who have had contact with the individual previously.
5. In the event an individual's volunteer application is denied, they have the right to appeal the denial in writing within 10 days of the notification e-mail being sent.
- a. Denials based on failure to complete a volunteer form or 3a, 3b, 3c or 3d are not eligible for appeal.
  - b. Appeals will be heard at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.
  - c. The appellant will share with the Board of Directors the reason why their application should be approved.
  - d. The Board of Directors, at their discretion, may ask questions as needed.
  - e. The Board of Directors will vote on the appeal. To overturn a denial requires a super-majority (66 2/3%) of the present members of the board of directors to reverse the denial.

## Membership

Pursuant to the Saginaw Township South Little League Constitution, Article III, Section 2(b); and Article IV, Sections 1 and 2, applications for membership will be made available on May 1<sup>st</sup> on the Saginaw Township South Little League website, [www.stsll.org](http://www.stsll.org). Dues for the 2020 fiscal year (October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020) shall be \$5.00 per member.

**Note:** Dues shall be refundable in the event at the regular meeting of the members the prospective member is not elected to be a Regular Member. Refunds shall be issued by check via mail no more than 30 days after the Annual Meeting of the Members.

1. Prospective and/or renewing Regular Members must complete the membership application and return it to the Secretary in person or by mail (P.O. Box 6206, Saginaw, MI 48608).
  - a. Multiple applications from a single household may be submitted together.
  - b. The \$10 Volunteer Deposit may be applied toward the membership dues, covering up to 2 applications per household.

- c. Prospective and/or renewing Regular Members must be active volunteers, as recognized by the Board of Directors between October 1, 2019 and the date of membership application.
2. Membership applications and dues in the amount of \$5 per member are due no later than May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
  - a. A postmark of May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 shall be used to determine if the application was submitted by the due date. Applications with a postmark after May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 shall be returned to the prospective/renewing member.
3. Renewing members that fail to return the membership application by May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 shall have their name removed from the membership rolls.
  - a. Renewing members that fail to be volunteers during the fiscal year shall be removed, as Regular Members must be active volunteers within Saginaw Township South Little League in accordance with the Constitution.

## Scholarships

Saginaw Township South Little League will not prevent a child living in, or attending school in, the boundary from participating in baseball. Full and partial scholarships are available for families in need. The President, Treasurer and Player Agent shall make up the Scholarship Committee, who shall review all scholarship requests.

Registration fees are a necessary and normal part of the operation of Saginaw Township South Little League. These fees help to pay for equipment, safety training, officiating and maintenance of the facilities. Annually the Board of Directors reviews the fees and sets them based on expected expenses and other revenue sources, with the goal being to have registration fees be as low as possible, while still meeting all requirements for a safe and fun experience for all players.

**Please be aware that scholarship funding in excess of what is budgeted can place a burden on the annual finances and can impact the league's ability to provide a fun and productive playing experience.**

**Requirements:** Families seeking a scholarship need to provide the following information to the President, Treasurer, or Player Agent at any of our regular registration events. This request will need to be made annually.

- Registration **must** be completed in person.
- A completed scholarship request.
- Players must reside or go to a school that is within the existing boundary for Saginaw Township South Little League.
  - Boundaries may be found at: <https://www.littleleague.org/play-little-league/league-finder/>
- Granting scholarships does not exempt families from the annual fundraiser or volunteer deposit.

Once provided, the Scholarship Committee shall review the documentation and provide a response to the scholarship application during the registration event. **Two (2)** members of the Scholarship Committee must approve any scholarship request. Denials shall have a detailed written explanation provided.

## Waivers

The purpose of this policy is to define the conditions and process by which an individual may be granted waiver under Regulation II(a), Regulation II(d), and Regulation IV(h).

Waivers under Regulation V(a) are under the purview of the Player Agent and the decisions of the Player Agent may be appealed, in writing, to the Board of Directors for review. In the event of appeal, a two-thirds majority of Board Members present is required to overturn the decision of the Player Agent. Parents/guardians should contact the Player Agent directly in reference to Regulation V(a) waivers.

**Overview:** Waivers are an optional process that must have approval from the Board of Directors and the player/guardian involved in the waiver request. It is the objective of Saginaw Township South Little League to ensure fair and honest competition, focused on those players living within the established boundary for the League.

### **Definition of waivers:**

**Regulation II(a):** Players requesting to play at South Little League that do not live or attend school within the boundaries of South Little League.

**Regulation II(d):** Players requesting to play at South Little League that previously lived or attended school within the boundary but did play during the 2019 season while living or attending school within the boundaries of South Little League.

**Regulation IV(h):** If a person had previously resided within the league boundaries for two years while serving that league as a dedicated manager, coach or member of the Local League Board of Directors for two years, his or her sons and/or daughters are eligible to try out and be selected by teams in that league (1) provided such service to the league from which the person has moved has continued, (2) subject to written agreement from the league within whose boundaries they currently reside and (3) supported by a recommendation of the District Administrator, to Regional Director to the Charter Committee.

### **Process for players granted waiver under Regulation II(d) or Regulation IV(h) for the 2019 playing year:**

- Players that had been granted waiver to play under Regulation II(d) for the 2019 or earlier playing season may, at board discretion, register as normal; their ongoing play within the league is covered under the previously granted waiver (continuation provision of Regulation II(d)).

### **Process for players requesting a new waiver under Regulation II(a), Regulation II(d) or Regulation IV(h):**

- Players applying for waiver may do so by completing the registration paperwork at any registration session.
  - Registration fees will be assessed at that time, players that are not approved for a waiver shall be refunded within 7 days of the waiver request being denied.
- Following completion of the regularly scheduled registration, the Player Agent will review registration data and make a recommendation to the Board of Directors for maximum numbers of waivers to grant by age group.
  - The maximum number being recommended may be 0, but shall not exceed 12 for any single age group.
  - Age groups shall be baseball ages 4-5; ages 6-7; age 8; age 9; age 10; age 11, age 12, age 13 and age 14.
    - New players age 12 or 14 will be referred to their home Little League for registration.
    - As no Senior division is being played, for the purposes of waiver requests, player age 14 is the last year of eligibility.
    - Age groups may be combined by the Player Agent, at their discretion, for maximum limits (e.g. 8 and 9 may be combined).
- The Board of Directors will review and, as necessary, discuss the recommendation and vote on approval.
  - If the recommendations are not approved as written, the Board of Directors may, at their discretion, amend the recommendation and approve maximum limits or choose to not accept waivers from specific age groups, or not accept waivers at all.
- In the event there are the same or fewer number of requests for waiver with reference to the total number of waivers approved by the Board of Directors, all players in an age group shall be accepted upon completion of their registration by paying the registration fees.
- In the event there are more requests than available number of waivers for an age group with reference to the total number of waivers approved by the Board of Directors, the players granted waiver shall be done by lot.
  - In the event a player/guardian declines waiver or fails to complete the waiver within 72 hours following their selection by lot, additional name(s) shall be drawn and contacted and offered waiver.
- Players registering under Regulation II(a) are not be eligible for tournament play by rule.
- Players registering under Regulation II(a) must renew their Regulation II(a) waiver each year.

## Player Placement – Regular Season

### Process for Juniors:

1. The draft shall run in fixed order based on record from the previous season with the last place team drafting first in each round.
2. Managers have the ability to protect up to two players *if* the players are the children of the manager or a coach returning to work with the same manager.

- a. All coaches must have an approved background check prior to the draft in order to be considered a coach for the sake of protected players.
  - b. The round where the player is selected is determined by age.
  - c. 14-year-old children of coaches must be taken in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, 13-year-old players must be taken in the 4<sup>th</sup> round.
  - d. If both players are 14, they will be taken in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> rounds. If both players are 13, they will be taken in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> rounds.
3. If there are siblings in the same draft, the manager who selects one child has the right to take the other child with their next draft choice. If the second sibling is not selected in the next round, he/she can be drafted by any other coach.
  4. Any manager requiring 8 or more players to complete his/her roster shall receive a bonus pick following the completion of round four. If this applies to more than one manager, the managers will select bonus players based on draft order.
  5. All players age 13-15 who do not attend skill drills shall be placed via draft. Players not at skill drills will have their known playing backgrounds shared. Managers who know the player are expected to provide a fair assessment of the player to the other Managers.

#### **Process for Majors:**

1. The draft shall run in fixed order based on record from the previous season tournament results with the last place team drafting first in each round.
2. Managers have the ability to protect up to two players *if* the players are the children of the manager or a coach returning to work with the same manager.
  - a. All coaches must have an approved background check prior to the draft in order to be considered a coach for the sake of protected players.
  - b. The round where the player is selected is determined by age.
  - c. 12-year-old children of coaches must be taken in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round, 11-year-old players must be taken in the 4<sup>th</sup> round, 10-year-old players must be taken in the 5<sup>th</sup> round
  - d. If both players are 12, they will be taken in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> rounds. If both players are 11, they will be taken in the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> rounds, if both are 10, they will be taken in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> rounds.
3. If there are siblings in the same draft, the manager who selects one child has the right to take the other child with their next draft choice. If the second sibling is not selected in the next round, he/she can be drafted by any other coach.
4. Any manager requiring 8 or more players to complete his/her roster shall receive a bonus pick following the completion of round four. If this applies to more than one manager, the managers will select bonus players based on draft order.
5. No roster can be comprised of more than eight 12-year-old players.
6. All players shall be placed via draft. Players not at skill drills will have their known playing backgrounds shared. Managers who know the player are expected to provide a fair assessment of the player to the other Managers.
  - a. All 10, 11 and 12-year-old players not at skill drills will be eligible to be drafted on a Majors roster.

7. In the event that the Majors division will be expanding or contracting, a new draft policy will be determined and presented at the coaches' meeting.

#### **Process for Minors and Bantam:**

1. The draft order shall be selected at random prior to the start of the draft.
2. Once the draft order is established, the draft will proceed in a serpentine fashion (e.g. Round 1: 1-2-3-4, Round 2: 4-3-2-1 etc.)
3. Managers have the ability to protect up to two players *if* the players are the children of the manager or a coach returning to work with the same manager.
  - a. All coaches must have an approved background check prior to the draft in order to be considered a coach for the sake of protected players.
  - b. The children of managers and coaches will be selected in rounds 4 and 5 of the draft.
  - c. No more than two players can be protected by managers and coaches unless two of the players are siblings. In that situation, three total players could be protected and must be taken in rounds 3, 4 and 5.
4. If there are siblings in the same draft, the manager who selects one child has the right to take the other child with their next draft choice. If the second sibling is not selected in the next round, he/she can be drafted by any other coach.
5. Players not present for skill drills will be either drafted to a Minor or Bantam team.
  - a. All 7, 8, 9, and 10-year-old players not at skill drills will be eligible to be drafted on a Minor roster.
  - b. All 11-year-old players shall be drafted to a Minor team.
6. 6-year-old players will be eligible to be drafted to Bantam **only** if the player is at Skill Drills.

#### **Process for Machine Pitch and Tee-Ball:**

1. Players shall be placed on teams at the discretion of the Player Agent, Division Coordinator and President.
2. Teams shall be reviewed and approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

**Players may be moved between teams and/or Divisions at the discretion and approval of the Board of Directors.**

## Manager Placement – Regular Season

#### **Requirements for Managers:**

- All managers in the Minor, Major and Junior divisions must be available for tournament team selection, pursuant to the Tournament Player Selection Policy. The date for these tryouts is to be determined, but Managers will be notified at least 2 weeks in advance.
- The CDC provided “HEADS UP” concussion training must be completed and the certificate returned with the application if the previous certification is more than 3 years old.
  - <https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html>

### **Process for Tee-Ball, Coach Pitch Tee-Ball, Bantam and Minor Divisions:**

1. Prospective managers and coaches have successfully completed the volunteer form and have been approved as volunteers by the board of directors in accordance with the Volunteer Policy.
  - a. If the volunteer form has not been completed in advance of the coaching application it must be attached and both the volunteer application and coaching application will be reviewed simultaneously.
2. Prospective managers and coaches will complete a coaching application.
3. The President and Coaching Coordinator shall review all applications and make recommendations to the board of directors.
  - a. Recommendations will be guided by, but not limited to: previous experience (both in STSLL and outside coaching experience), status of children playing in the league/requested division, overall background, and any external recommendations.
  - b. The board of directors shall review all applications along with the recommendations.
4. The board of directors will, by majority vote, elect managers.
5. The board of directors will, by majority vote, approve candidates to be selected as coaches.
6. Following the player draft/placement, managers will be able to select up to **three (3)** more coaches from the approved list based on the players drafted to their respective teams.
  - a. If a manager does not have individuals already approved as coaches, additional individuals may be requested under this policy.
  - b. Coaching limits are covered in the local rules and Little League rulebook.

### **Process for Major and Junior Divisions:**

1. Prospective managers and coaches have successfully completed the volunteer form and have been approved as volunteers by the board of directors in accordance with the Volunteer Policy.
  - a. If the volunteer form has not been completed in advance of the coaching application it must be attached and both the volunteer application and coaching application will be reviewed simultaneously.
2. Prospective managers and coaches will complete a coaching application.
3. The President and Coaching Coordinator shall review all applications and make recommendations to the board of directors.
  - a. Recommendations will be guided by, but not limited to: previous experience (both in STSLL and outside coaching experience), status of children playing in the league/requested division, overall background, and any external recommendations.
    - i. Additional weight will be given to coaches that still have a player in the division and coached the same team the previous season. This added weight is contingent on the division remaining the same number of teams in the division year over year – expansion or contraction will eliminate



the additional weight in the interest of fairness to all prospective managers.

- b. The board of directors shall review all applications along with the recommendations.
4. The board of directors will, by majority vote, elect managers.
5. The board of directors will, by majority vote, approve candidates to be selected as coaches.
6. Following the player draft/placement, managers will be able to select up to **two (2)** more coaches from the approved list based on the players drafted to their respective teams.
  - a. If a manager does not have individuals already approved as coaches, additional individuals may be requested under this policy.
  - b. Coaching limits are covered in the local rules and Little League rulebook.

## Player Placement – Little League Tournament

Saginaw Township South Little League shall field teams for the Junior, 10-12, 9-11 and 8-10 age groups. All players must meet minimum eligibility requirements for proof of age, residency and participation. The Saginaw Township South Little League Board of Directors shall approve the player rosters prior to being submitted to Little League. The Player Agent shall make all roster notifications and adjustments for players placed on Tournament Teams.

- All District All-Star Teams shall have rosters with a minimum of **thirteen (13)** players and a maximum of **fourteen (14)** players.
  - In the event **thirteen (13)** players are not available, the Board of Directors will review and address the situation at that time.
- The 8-10 age group allows for the entry of two teams. The decision to field one or two teams for the 8-10 age group will be determined by the Board of Directors no later than May 17, 2020.
  - In the event 2 teams are fielded in the 8-10 age group, the second, “B”, team shall have no more than **twelve (12)** players.

### Process for Juniors:

1. Junior Division managers (or one coach from each team in the event the manager is unavailable), the division coordinator and Player Agent shall meet on or about **May 31<sup>st</sup>, and 50% of scheduled games have been played** to select eligible players for the Junior division team.
  - a. In the event the Player Agent is also acting as division coordinator, the President shall be given a vote.
  - b. The President shall act as the tie breaking vote unless they are given a vote in 1a.
    - i. In such a case, another member of the Board of Directors will be present to act as a tie breaker.
2. Managers will nominate eligible players from their team. Any player receiving a majority vote among the managers and division coordinator, shall be listed for consideration.

- a. Managers shall verify eligibility prior to making a nomination, including, but not limited to, participation and willingness/physical availability to join the team.
  - b. In the case of a tie vote, that will be broken by the Player Agent. If the Player Agent is also acting as division coordinator, the President will act as the tie-breaking vote.
3. If, after considering all nominations, there are more than **fourteen (14)** players selected, a second vote will take place with only those players who had previously received a majority vote eligible.
  - a. In the case of a tie vote, that will be broken by the Player Agent. If the Player Agent is also acting as division coordinator, the President will act as the tie-breaking vote.
4. A minimum of **three (3)** players, and a maximum of **five (5)** players shall be selected as alternates that shall be contacted in the event that a player is unable to play due to ineligibility, injury or other conflict.

**Process for 10-12:**

1. Major Division managers (or one coach from each team in the event the manager is unavailable), the division coordinator, and the Player Agent shall meet on or about **May 31<sup>st</sup> and 50% of scheduled games completed** to select eligible players for the 10-12 team. This shall constitute the Selection Committee.
  - a. In the event the Player Agent is also acting as division coordinator, the President shall be given a vote.
  - b. The President shall act as the tie breaking vote unless they are given a vote in 1a.
    - i. In such a case, another member of the Board of Directors will be present to act as a tie breaker.
2. Managers will nominate eligible players from any team.
  - a. Managers shall verify eligibility prior to making a nomination, including, but not limited to, participation and willingness/physical availability to join the team.
3. Once the pool of nominees is created, the Selection Committee shall discuss the nominees.
  - a. Statistical information kept during the regular season by managers and in the official score book shall be used to facilitate discussion and assist in answering any questions from the Selection Committee.
4. Once members of the Selection Committee are satisfied with the discussion, all nominated players will be subject to individual votes. Players not receiving a majority of the vote shall be removed from consideration.
  - a. If **thirteen (13) or fourteen (14)** players are selected, they will constitute the 10-12 All-Star team.
  - b. If, after considering all nominations, there are more than **fourteen (14)** players selected, a second vote will take place with only those players who had previously received a majority vote eligible.
    - i. The Selection Committee shall discuss the eligible players prior to taking a second vote.

- ii. In the event more than **fourteen (14)** players remain following a second vote, age will be used to eliminate players, if possible. (e.g. 15 players remain after the second vote, with 1 10-year old player in the 15; the 10-year old player shall be eliminated, and the remaining 14 players aged 11 and 12 shall constitute the 10-12 All-Star team).
  - 1. If elimination based on age is not feasible, (e.g. 15 players remain and there are 9 12-year-olds and 6 11-year-olds), the Division Coordinator shall decide on which players are eliminated.
- iii. In the event fewer than **thirteen (13)** players are selected, another discussion shall take place with the Selection Committee and subsequently voting on players that received at least 2 votes, but fewer than a majority.
  - 1. If after the second round of voting a full roster, **thirteen (13)** or more players, is not able to be reached, a special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be called to identify if it is in the best interest of the League to field a team, and if so, what criteria shall be used to complete the roster.
- 5. A minimum of **three (3)** players, and a maximum of **five (5)** players shall be selected as alternates that shall be contacted in the event that a player is unable to play due to ineligibility, injury or other conflict.

**Process for 9-11:**

- 1. Immediately following the selection of the 10-12 All-Star team, the same Selection Committee shall meet to select the 9-11 team.
- 2. Major Division managers (or one coach from each team in the event the manager is unavailable), the division coordinator, and the Player Agent shall meet on or about **May 31<sup>st</sup> and 50% of scheduled games completed** to select eligible players for the 9-11 team. This shall constitute the Selection Committee.
  - a. In the event the Player Agent is also acting as division coordinator, the President shall be given a vote.
  - b. The President shall act as the tie breaking vote unless they are given a vote in 1a.
    - i. In such a case, another member of the Board of Directors will be present to act as a tie breaker.
- 3. Managers will nominate eligible players from any team.
  - a. Managers shall verify eligibility prior to making a nomination, including, but not limited to, participation and willingness/physical availability to join the team.
- 4. Once the pool of nominees is created, the Selection Committee shall discuss the nominees.
  - a. Statistical information kept during the regular season by managers and in the official score book shall be used to facilitate discussion and assist in answering any questions from the Selection Committee.
- 5. Once members of the Selection Committee are satisfied with the discussion, all nominated players will be subject to individual votes. Players not receiving a majority of the vote shall be removed from consideration.

- a. If **thirteen (13) or fourteen (14)** players are selected, they will constitute the 9-11 All-Star team.
- b. If, after considering all nominations, there are more than **fourteen (14)** players selected, a second vote will take place with only those players who had previously received a majority vote eligible.
  - i. The Selection Committee shall discuss the eligible players prior to taking a second vote.
  - ii. In the event more than **fourteen (14)** players remain following a second vote, age will be used to eliminate players, if possible. (e.g. 15 players remain after the second vote, with 1 9-year old player in the 15; the 9-year old player shall be eliminated, and the remaining 14 players aged 10 and 11 shall constitute the 9-11 All-Star team).
    1. If elimination based on age is not feasible, (e.g. 15 players remain and there are 9 11-year-olds and 6 10-year-olds), the Division Coordinator shall decide on which players are eliminated.
  - iii. In the event fewer than **thirteen (13)** players are selected, another discussion shall take place with the Selection Committee and subsequently voting on players that received at least 2 votes, but fewer than a majority.
    1. If after the second round of voting a full roster, **thirteen (13)** or more players, is not able to be reached, a special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be called to identify if it is in the best interest of the League to field a team, and if so, what criteria shall be used to complete the roster.
6. A minimum of **three (3)** players, and a maximum of **five (5)** players shall be selected as alternates that shall be contacted in the event that a player is unable to play due to ineligibility, injury or other conflict.

**Process for 8-10:**

1. Minor Division managers (or one coach from each team in the event the manager is unavailable), the division coordinator, and the Player Agent shall meet on or about **May 31<sup>st</sup> and 50% of scheduled games completed** to select eligible players for the 8-10 team. This shall constitute the Selection Committee.
  - a. In the event the Player Agent is also acting as division coordinator, the President shall be given a vote.
  - b. The President shall act as the tie breaking vote unless they are given a vote in 1a.
    - i. In such a case, another member of the Board of Directors will be present to act as a tie breaker.
  - c. The Selection Committee shall know in advance if there is a plan to have one or two 8-10 teams. This process will be repeated, steps 2 through 4 if there is a second team, creating an "A" team and "B" team.
2. Managers will nominate eligible players from any team.
  - a. Managers shall verify eligibility prior to making a nomination, including, but not limited to, participation and willingness/physical availability to join the team.

- b. All players baseball age 10 and playing in the Major division shall be nominees, with the Player Agent providing relevant information regarding those players.
- 3. Once the pool of nominees is created, the Selection Committee shall discuss the nominees.
  - a. Statistical information kept during the regular season by managers and in the official score book shall be used to facilitate discussion and assist in answering any questions from the Selection Committee.
- 4. Once members of the Selection Committee are satisfied with the discussion, all nominated players will be subject to individual votes. Players not receiving a majority of the vote shall be removed from consideration.
  - a. If **thirteen (13) or fourteen (14)** players are selected they will constitute the 8-10 All-Star team.
  - b. If, after considering all nominations, there are more than **thirteen (12) or fourteen (14)** players selected a second vote will take place with only those players who had previously received a majority vote eligible.
    - i. The Selection Committee shall discuss the eligible players prior to taking a second vote.
    - ii. In the event more than **twelve (13) or fourteen (14)** players remain following a second vote, age will be used to eliminate players, if possible. (e.g. 15 players remain after the second vote, with 1 8-year old player in the 15; the 8-year old player shall be eliminated, and the remaining 14 players aged 9 and 10 shall constitute the 8-10 All-Star team).
      - 1. If elimination based on age is not feasible, (e.g. 15 players remain and there are 9 10-year olds and 6 9-year olds), the Division Coordinator shall decide on which players are eliminated.
    - iii. In the event fewer than **thirteen (13)** players are selected, another discussion shall take place with the Selection Committee and subsequently voting on players that received at least 2 votes, but fewer than a majority.
      - 1. If after the second round of voting a full roster, **thirteen (13)** or more players, is not able to be reached, a special meeting of the Board of Directors shall be called to identify if it is in the best interest of the League to field a team, and if so, what criteria shall be used to complete the roster.
- 5. Once the team(s) are selected, minimum of **three (3)** players, and a maximum of **five (5)** players shall be selected as alternates that shall be contacted in the event that a player is unable to play due to ineligibility, injury or other conflict. Alternates must be baseball age 10.

## Manager Placement – Little League Tournament

Individuals interested in becoming a tournament manager or coach must be an already approved manager or coach for Saginaw Township South Little League. Final approval must be completed by the Board of Directors no later than May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

### Process for Juniors:

1. Prospective tournament managers and coaches will complete an application to be a manager or coach.
2. If multiple managers from the division apply to be the tournament manager, the recommendation to the board will be to select the manager with the best record at the end of the season.
  - a. Tie breaker 1: head to head record
  - b. Tie breaker 2: run differential
  - c. If still tied, the board will review all applications and ask the Juniors division coordinator and coaching coordinator for recommendations.
3. The manager shall be eligible to select coaches from the pool of coaches that have applied under this policy.
  - a. The manager shall select **two (2)** coaches, **one (1)** of whom must be from a regular season coaching staff from another team during the season. (e.g. Team 1 Manager is selected, Team 1 manager must take a coach from Team 2).
  - b. If no coaches from other teams have applied, the manager may select both coaches from their regular season team.
4. The manager shall present their coaching selections to the Board of Directors for approval.

### Process for 10-12, 9-11 and 8-10:

1. Managers and coaches from the Major division are eligible to apply for the manager position of the 10-12 and/or 9-11 tournament teams.
  - a. A manager or coach in the Major division is eligible to apply for the manager position of the 8-10 team(s) in the event they have a child/dependent playing on that team.
2. Managers and coaches from the Minor division are eligible to apply for the manager position of the 8-10 tournament team(s).
  - a. A manager or coach in the Minor division is eligible to apply for the manager position of the 10-12 and/or 9-11 teams in the event they have a child/dependent playing on that team.
3. All eligible applications shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors during a special meeting and a vote will be taken to determine managers.
  - a. The respective division coordinators and coaching coordinator shall provide feedback to the Board of Directors regarding win/loss records, player development and parent feedback as appropriate for the manager candidates.
  - b. In the case of a tie between two managers for a single position, a second vote shall take place with only the tied candidates eligible.
    - i. If a tie still remains, the managers for the corresponding division teams shall be asked to vote to break the tie.
    - ii. If a tie still remains, the manager with the better record head to head shall be named the manager of the tournament team.

- iii. In cases of a tie, the individual not selected as manager, must be given first right of refusal to be a coach on that team. (e.g. Team 1 and Team 2 managers tie in the first vote; after a second vote the Team 2 manager is selected, the Team 1 manager must be given the first option to be a coach).
  - c. The board will review the remaining applications and vote to affirm eligibility of the remaining managers and coaches to be selected as coaches for the tournament teams.
- 4. The manager of the 10-12 tournament team shall be given the eligible names of coaches to select their coaches.
  - a. The manager shall select **two (2)** coaches, **one (1)** of whom must me from a regular season coaching staff from another team during the season. (e.g. Team 1 Manager is selected, Team 1 manager must take a coach from Team 2).
  - b. If no coaches from other teams have applied, the manager may select both coaches from their regular season team.
- 5. The manager of the 9-11 tournament team shall be given the eligible names of coaches to select their coaches.
  - a. The manager shall select **two (2)** coaches, **one (1)** of whom must me from a regular season coaching staff from another team during the season. (e.g. Team 1 Manager is selected, Team 1 manager must take a coach from Team 2).
  - b. If no coaches from other teams have applied, the manager may select both coaches from their regular season team.
- 6. The manager of the 8-10 tournament team shall be given the eligible names of coaches to select their coaches.
  - a. The manager shall select **two (2)** coaches, **one (1)** of whom must me from a regular season coaching staff from another team during the season. (e.g. Team 1 Manager is selected, Team 1 manager must take a coach from Team 2).
  - b. If no coaches from other teams have applied, the manager may select both coaches from their regular season team.
- 7. If there is a second 8-10 team, the manager of the 8-10 tournament “B” team shall be given the eligible names of coaches to select their coaches.
  - a. The manager shall select **two (2)** coaches, **one (1)** of whom must me from a regular season coaching staff from another team during the season. (e.g. Team 1 Manager is selected, Team 1 manager must take a coach from Team 2).
  - b. If no coaches from other teams have applied, the manager may select both coaches from their regular season team.