

CONSTITUTION OF NORTH KINGSTOWN/ WICKFORD LITTLE LEAGUE (League #2390307)

ARTICLE I- NAME

This organization shall be known as the North Kingstown/Wickford Little League (referred to as NKW).

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE SECTION 1

The objective of the NKW Little 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.

SECTION 2

To achieve this objective, the NKW Little 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, NKW Little League shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball games. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP SECTION 1

Eligibility. Any person sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of this NKW Little League may apply to become a Member. Active membership will be limited to any boy or girl of Little League age residing in the Town of North Kingstown within the boundaries of NKW Little League described in the national charter or under the rules of the school exemption, or anyone who has resided within the boundaries of NKW Little League at one time and has a waiver on file with the League. No one shall be denied registration due to financial hardship.

SECTION 2

Classes. There shall be the following classes of Members:

General Members. Any adult person actively interested in furthering the objectives of NKW Little League may become a General Member as a parent or legal guardian of a player in NKW Little League. Voting members include Executive Board Members, current Managers, current Coaches, General

Officers and any general member that has attended a minimum of 2 NKW Little League general meetings within the previous 12 months. The secretary shall maintain the roll of membership to qualify voting members. Only Voting Members are eligible to vote at Annual League Meetings.

Executive Board Members. Any adult person so voted to an Executive Board position by the General Membership at the annual meeting. Executive Board member's duties are discussed later in the document with their primary duties including the management of NKW Little League.

SECTION 3

Other Affiliations.

Executive Board Members should not be actively engaged as a board member of any other competing youth baseball program.

SECTION 4

Suspension or Termination. Membership may be terminated by resignation or action of the Disciplinary Committee and/or Executive Board as follows.

(a) The Disciplinary Committee is comprised of the President, Vice President, Player Agent, Safety Officer and the Commissioner of the Division in which the manager, coach, parent or player is in. If a member of the Disciplinary Committee is the person for whom action is being taken, he/she relinquishes their ability to vote and the Past President will take their position on the Committee. The Disciplinary Committee shall have the authority to discipline, suspend or terminate the membership of any Member of any class, including managers and coaches, when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests of NKW Little League and/or Little League Baseball. A simple majority vote of the Disciplinary Committee members present shall determine the outcome of the disciplinary action, for which the Disciplinary Committee shall be deemed actionable, and the Member for whom action has been taken, shall have the ability to appeal the decision to the Executive Board. The President will only vote in the event of a tie amongst the other members of this Committee.

(b) The Executive Board, by a two-thirds vote of the quorum at any duly constituted Executive Board meeting, shall have the authority to uphold or admonish the action taken by the Disciplinary Committee, after hearing the appeal of the Member to whom action is being taken.

ARTICLE IV - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

SECTION 1

Definition. A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the membership of the league. A minimum of one meeting per year (Annual Meeting, see Section 5) is required.

SECTION 2

Notice of Meeting. Notice of each General Membership Meeting shall be delivered personally, electronically, media outlet or by mail to each Member at the last recorded address at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting, 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.

SECTION 3

Quorum. At any General Membership Meeting, at least five (5) Executive Board Members must be present, along with the General Members in attendance, shall constitute a quorum.

SECTION 4

Voting. Only General Members shall be entitled to make motion to vote for the Executive Board at Annual Membership Meetings. All other policy and procedures are voted upon by only the Executive Board.

SECTION 5

Annual Meeting of the Members. The Annual Meeting of the Members of NKW Little League shall be held in December each year, at a date, time and location to be determined annually, for the purpose of receiving reports, reviewing the Constitution receiving input from the General Membership regarding the Constitution and Local Rules, 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 NKW Little League a report, verified by the President and Treasurer, or by a majority of the Directors, showing:
 - (1) The condition of NKW Little League, to be presented by the President or his/her designate;
 - (2) A general summary of funds received and expended by NKW Little League for the previous year, the amount of funds currently in possession of NKW Little League, and the name of the financial institution in which such funds are maintained;
- (b) Prior to the Annual Meeting, the Executive Board shall determine the number of Directors to be elected at the Annual Meeting by the General Membership
- (c) Immediately following the election, the Executive Board shall assume the performance of its duties. The Board's term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section
- (d) The Executive Board shall include, at a minimum, the President, one or more Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, one or more Player Agents and a Safety Officer
- (e) Elections for officers/directors shall be held at the October meeting.

SECTION 6

Rules of Order for General Membership Meetings. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all General Membership Meetings, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of the NKW Little League.

ARTICLE V - EXECUTIVE BOARD

SECTION 1

Authority. The management of the property and affairs of NKW Little League shall be vested in the Executive Board.

SECTION 2

Vacancies. If any vacancy occurs in the Executive Board, by death, resignation or otherwise, it may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Executive Board members at any Executive Board meeting.

SECTION 3

Executive Board Meetings, Notice and Quorum. Regular meetings of the Executive Board are to be held in accordance with the approved League calendar as shall be determined by the Board.

- (a) The President may, whenever he/she deem it advisable, issue a call for an Executive Board Meeting. In the case of Executive Board Meetings, such notice shall include the purpose of the meeting and no matters not so stated may be acted upon at the meeting.
- (b) Notice of each Executive Board meeting shall be given by the Secretary or information officer personally, electronically or by mail to each Executive Board member at least 48 hours before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded address of each Director
- (c) At least five (5) members of the Executive Board must be present to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business
- (d) Only members of the Executive Board may make motions and vote at meetings of the Executive Board. However, the Executive Board may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during Board meetings

SECTION 4

Duties and Powers. The Executive Board shall have the power to appoint such standing committees as it shall determine appropriate and to delegate such powers to them as the Executive Board shall deem advisable and which it may properly delegate. The Executive Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and the management of NKW Little League as it may deem proper, provided such rules and regulations do not conflict with this Constitution. The Executive Board shall have the power to admonish or uphold a suspension or termination in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article III, Section 4 (a,b).

SECTION 5

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

SECTION 6

Composition of the Executive Board. The Executive Board is comprised of the following positions, with their duties and powers noted in Article VI: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Player Agent, Safety Officer, Commissioner – Junior and Senior League, Commissioner – Major League, Commissioner – Triple A, Commissioner – Kid Pitch, Commissioner – Coach Pitch, Commissioner – T-Ball Division, Commissioner Fall Ball, Fields Manager, Past President, Sponsor Agent and Concession Director. It is desired that no person hold more than one

position on the Executive Board during any given year. If a person holds more than one position he/she only holds one vote.

ARTICLE VI - DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BOARD

SECTION 1

Appointments. The Executive Board 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 shall have no vote on actions taken by the Executive Board unless such individuals have been elected to the Board by the membership or have been elected to fill a vacancy on the Board.

SECTION 2

President. The President shall:

- (a) Conduct the affairs of NKW Little League and execute the policies established by the Executive Board
- (b) Present a report of the condition of NKW Little League at the Annual Meeting
- (c) Communicate to the Executive Board such matters as deemed appropriate, and make such suggestions as may tend to promote the welfare of NKW Little League
- (d) Be responsible for the conduct of NKW Little 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 NKW Little 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 NKW Little League such contracts and leases they may receive and which have had prior approval of the Executive Board
- (f) Is a member of all Committees established by the Executive Board
- (g) Managers and coaches are selected by the President, with recommendations from the Division Commissioners. The selections must be approved by a majority vote of the Executive Board present at the March General Membership Meeting
- (h) Investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to NKW Little League and report thereon to the Executive Board as circumstances warrant
- (i) Prepare and submit an annual budget to the Executive Board and be responsible for the proper execution thereof
- (j) With the assistance of the Player Agent, examine the application and support proof- of age documents of every player candidate and certify to residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection
- (k) Be responsible for ensuring concessions are staffed and coordinated

SECTION 3

Vice President. The Vice President shall:

- (a) Perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of the President, provided he or she is authorized by the President or Board so to act. When so acting, the Vice President shall have all the powers of that office
- (b) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Executive Board or by the President

SECTION 4

Secretary. The Secretary shall:

- (a) Be responsible for recording the activities of NKW Little 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 Executive Board
- (c) Keep the minutes of all meetings and cause them to be recorded for future reference and/or usage
- (d) Conduct all correspondence not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meeting and shall be responsible for carrying out all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed

SECTION 5

Treasurer. The Treasurer shall:

- (a) Perform such duties as are herein set forth and such other duties as are customarily incident to the Office of Treasurer or may be assigned by the Executive Board
- (b) Receive all monies and securities, and deposit same in a depository approved by the Executive Board
- (c) Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all monies and securities of NKW Little League, approve all payments from allotted funds and draw checks therefore in agreement with policies established in advance of such actions by the Executive Board. All disbursements over \$250 must be approved by two members of the Finance Committee
- (d) Prepare an annual budget, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Executive Board at the Annual Meeting
- (e) Prepare an annual financial report, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Membership and Executive Board at the Annual Meeting, and to Little League Headquarters

SECTION 6

Player Agent. The Player Agent shall:

- (a) Record all player transactions and maintain an accurate and up-to-date record thereof for all seasons (spring and fall)
- (b) Receive and review applications for player candidates and assist the President in verifying residence and age eligibility
- (c) Assist in the tryouts, the player draft and all other player transaction or selection meetings
- (d) Prepare the Player Agent's 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 Little League Headquarters of any subsequent player replacements or trades

SECTION 7

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. NOTE: In order to implement a safety plan using education, compliance and reporting, the following suggestions may be utilized by the Safety Officer:
 - (1) Education - Should facilitate meetings and distribute information among participants including players, managers, coaches, umpires, league officials, parents, guardians and other volunteers
 - (2) Compliance - Should promote safety compliance leadership by increasing awareness of the safety opportunities that arise from these responsibilities
 - (3) Reporting - Define a process to assure that incidents are recorded, information is sent to league/district and national offices, and follow-up information on medical and other data is forwarded as available
 - (4) To conduct necessary background checks as required by Little League International

SECTION 8

Commissioner – Junior and Senior League. The Commissioner – Junior and Senior League shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Senior League Division, including scheduling of games and umpires. Problems potentially detrimental to NKW Little League being immediately brought to the Executive Board's attention.
- (b) Provides the President with recommendations for vacant Manager positions
- (c) Assists in team assignments and/or draft, working with the Player Agent
- (d) Provides necessary input on By-laws with regards to Senior League Division
- (e) Keeps the President informed of Division activities, and provides this same information to the General Membership at the monthly League Meetings
- (f) Works with Slocum Baseball Club on maintenance issues with the field and any necessary improvements
- (g) Responsible for post-season All Star play

SECTION 9

Commissioner - Major League: The Commissioner – Major League shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Major League Division, including scheduling of games and umpires. Problems potentially detrimental to NKW Little League being immediately brought to the Executive Board's attention
- (b) Provides the President with recommendations for vacant Manager positions; Managers consideration will be given to board membership, committee membership, volunteer record, coaching experience, and meeting attendance
- (c) Coordinates the Tryouts and Major League Division draft, working with the Player Agent to ensure a fair process for all
- (d) Provides necessary input on By-laws with regards to Major League Division, and is responsible for attendance for Rules Meeting for Major League Division
- (e) Keeps the President informed of Division activities, and provides this same

information to the General Membership at the monthly League Meetings

- (f) Responsible for initial coordination of post-season All Star selection
- (g) Coordinates field usage with the other Minor Divisions
- (h) Assists Fields Director and Executive Board Members as needed

SECTION 10

Commissioner(s) - Minor League: Section includes: The Triple A Commissioner; the Kid Pitch Commissioner, Coach Pitch Commissioner. The Commissioner(s) – Minor League shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the day-to-day management of their respective Division, including scheduling of games and umpires, if applicable. Problems potentially detrimental to NKW Little League being immediately brought to the Executive Board's attention
- (b) Provides the President with recommendations for vacant Manager positions; Manager consideration will be given to board membership, committee membership, volunteer record, coaching experience, meeting attendance
- (c) Triple A Commissioner will assist with the coordination of tryouts for the Division, and will coordinate the Triple A draft with the Player Agent and work together to ensure a fair process for all
- (d) Kid Pitch/Coach Pitch Commissioner, in coordination with the Player Agent, will ensure that the distribution of players in the Division provides a fair and level playing field for all teams
- (e) Provides necessary input on By-laws with regards to their respective Division, and is responsible for attendance for Rules Meeting for their respective Division
- (f) Commissioners must coordinate field schedules with other Minor Division Commissioners and Major League Commissioner
- (g) Assists Fields Director and Executive Board as needed
- (h) Keeps the President informed of Division activities, and provides this same information to the General Membership at the monthly League Meetings
- (i) Triple A Commissioner will assist the Major League Commissioner, if necessary, with the coordination for additional players for All Star play, if applicable
- (j) Kid Pitch Commissioner is responsible for coordination of the Lombardi tournament (kid pitch), including player selection, game coordination, umpires and awards

SECTION 11

Commissioner - T-Ball Division: The Commissioner T-Ball shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Division, including scheduling of games. Problems potentially detrimental to NKW Little League being immediately brought to the Executive Board's attention
- (b) Provides the President with recommendations for vacant Manager positions
- (c) Commissioner, in coordination with the Player Agent, will ensure that the distribution of players in the Division provides a fair and level playing field for all teams
- (d) Provides necessary input on By-laws with regards to their respective Division, and is responsible for attendance for Rules Meeting for their respective Division
- (e) Assists Fields Director and Executive Board as needed
- (f) Keeps the President informed of Division activities, and provides this same information to the General Membership at the monthly League Meetings

SECTION 12

Commissioner - Fall Ball: The Commissioner - Fall Ball shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the day-to-day management of the Division, including scheduling of games with District Fall Ball Coordinator. Problems potentially detrimental to NKW Little League being immediately brought to the Executive Board's attention
- (b) Directs player registration and tryouts, if necessary, for the Division, in coordination with the Player Agent
- (c) Commissioner, in coordination with the Player Agent, will ensure that the distribution of players in the Division is performed in a fair manner
- (d) Provides the President with recommendations for vacant Manager positions
- (e) Provides necessary input on By-laws with regards to their respective Division
- (f) Assists Fields Director and Executive Board as needed
- (g) Keeps the President informed of Division activities, and provides this same information to the General Membership at the monthly League Meetings
- (h) Works with the Training and Development Officer and/or performs duties self to ensure that the primary objective of all Fall Ball programs be player and coach skill development oriented, rather than primarily team competition oriented

SECTION 13

Equipment and Purchasing Manager(s): Equipment and Purchasing Manager(s) shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the uniforms and equipment for the league
- (b) Purchase new uniforms and equipment as necessary
- (c) Oversee repairs and replacement as necessary, purchasing through League approved vendors
- (d) Establish a budget for uniform and equipment purchases and provide this to the League Treasurer for inclusion into annual budget

SECTION 14

Fields Director: Fields Director shall:

- (a) Organizes volunteers to ensure a safe and quality playing field and environment for the kids
- (b) Communicates and coordinates with Town of North Kingstown Facilities Department necessary maintenance and repairs to playing fields and facilities
- (c) Helps the League identify and coordinate any capital improvement projects to the playing fields/facilities
- (d) Provides Managers/Coaches with basic training on field maintenance practices, and establish a weekly schedule for field maintenance
- (e) Purchases field supplies, such as lime, striping paint and drying agents, to maintain fields
- (f) Organizes and coordinates a field day to open and ready the playing fields, and one to close the fields at season-end

SECTION 15

Past President: Past President position is the immediate Past President and shall:

- (a) Provide guidance to the incoming President at his/her request
- (b) The term of the Past President as an Executive Board position is one year immediately after his/her tenure as President

SECTION 16

Sponsor Agent: Sponsor Agent shall:

- (a) Annually review list of sponsors to determine which sponsors wish to continue their relationship with the League
- (b) Maintain a listing of past, present and potential sponsors
- (c) Maintain communication with the sponsors throughout the year updating them on activities of interest
- (d) Assist the Treasurer in collection of sponsorship fees
- (e) Determines what the League should provide the sponsors in recognition of their sponsorship (i.e. team photo, letters, plaques, etc.)

SECTION 17

Publicity Agent and League Information Officer: Publicity Agent and League Information Officer shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the League's official web site
- (b) Assign administrative rights to the web site to League volunteers and teams
- (c) Work with the Publicity Agent to ensure that League news and scores are updated on a regular basis and that the information is sent to the local papers
- (d) Serves as primary contact person for Little League and web site regarding optimizing use of the Internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League Baseball
- (e) Provide managers and coaches with guidance as to how to report game scores and highlight
- (f) Gather scores and summaries and report them to local newspapers
- (g) Gather team standings from Division Commissioners
- (h) Coordinate with League Information Officer the reporting of game scores, summaries and standings to the official League web site
- (i) Place public announcements, as required by the President and/or Executive Board, regarding special league events and tournaments

SECTION 18

At Large Member: Between 0 and 3 members shall:

- (a) All at large members shall be former executive board members or general officers
- (b) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Executive Board or by the President

ARTICLE VII - GENERAL OFFICERS

SECTION 1

Authority. The Executive Board has determined that the following General Officer positions are required to assist in the running of NKW Little League.

SECTION 2

Vacancies. If any vacancy occurs in the General Officers, by death, resignation or otherwise, it may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Executive Board members at any Executive Board meeting.

SECTION 3

Duties and Powers. The General Officers shall have the power to perform the activities listed under their respective titles; as such powers were delegated by the Executive Board. The General Officers have no voting privileges other than those of the General Members.

SECTION 4

Appointments. The Executive Board may appoint such officers as it may deem necessary or desirable and may prescribe the powers and duties of each. Appointed officers or agents shall have no vote on actions taken by the Executive Board unless such individuals have been elected to the Executive Board by the membership or have been elected to fill a vacancy on the Executive Board.

SECTION 5

Training & Development Officer: Training & Development Officer shall:

- (a) Develops and manages the League's training and development program(s), primarily utilizing the official training materials and programs of Little League Baseball, Inc. and/or materials and programs consistent with it
- (b) Implements training and skill development programs to provide players with a progression of baseball skill development throughout each season and as they move from one league division to the next
- (c) Implements training and skill development programs to help team managers and coaches:
 - a. To create and maintain a positive environment for each player, with an emphasis on competition that is appropriate for the age and maturity level of the child
 - b. Teach fundamental baseball skills on a progression throughout the season, and from one season to the next
 - c. Structure team practices, and manage both instructional and competitive game formats

SECTION 6

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.

SECTION 7

Banquet Coordinator: The Banquet Coordinator shall:

- (a) Be responsible for coordination of food, beverages and event supplies at end of year cookout
- (b) Shall organize a group of volunteers to assist at the end of year cookout

SECTION 8

Picture Day Coordinator: The Picture Day Coordinator shall:

- (a) Choose the company that will photograph players and teams
- (b) Will develop a schedule to accommodate the league calendar

ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SECTION 1

The Executive Board may appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of not less than three (3) or more than five (5) Executive Board members, one of whom shall be the President of NKW Little League. Committee(s) may be open to General Membership for involvement.

SECTION 2

The Executive Committee shall advise with and assist the Executive Board members of NKW Little 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 Executive Board, but in no event will the Executive Committee have authority over the Executive Board.

SECTION 3

At any meeting of the Executive Committee, a majority of the total number of members 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 IX - OTHER COMMITTEES

SECTION 1

Nominating Committee. The President may appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) Executive Board Members and other appointed General Members. The Committee shall investigate and consider eligible candidates and submit at the September Meeting a slate of candidates for the Executive Board. The Committee shall also submit for consideration by the Executive Board a slate of Officers and/or Committee Members. The Nominating Committee is put together before the September Executive Board Meeting, with their listing of candidates and/or their solicited positions presented for the October election meeting.

SECTION 2

Finance Committee. The Finance Committee is comprised of the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Committee shall investigate ways and means of financing NKW Little League including team sponsorships and submit recommendations. It shall be responsible for taking up collections at games, if such

collections are authorized by The Executive Board of NKW Little League, and shall turnover said collections to the Treasurer immediately after each game. Any expenditure over \$250 must be approved by two members of the Finance Committee and the invoice/bill/receipt must note the two members who approved the expenditure.

SECTION 3

Safety Committee. The Safety Committee is comprised of the Vice President, Player Agent and Safety Officer. The primary purpose of the Safety Committee will be to review any adverse findings arising from volunteer applications and background checks, and to recommend to the President the approval or disqualification of any such league volunteer

SECTION 4

Disciplinary Committee. The Disciplinary Committee is comprised of the President, Vice President, Player Agent, Safety Officer and the Commissioner of the Division in which the manager, coach, parent or player is in. If a member of the Disciplinary Committee is the person for whom action is being taken, he/she relinquishes their ability to vote and the Past President will take their position on the Committee. The Disciplinary Committee shall have the authority to discipline, suspend or terminate the membership of any Member of any class, including managers and coaches, when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests of NKW Little League and/or Little League Baseball. A simple majority vote of the Disciplinary Committee members present shall determine the outcome of the disciplinary action, for which the Disciplinary Committee shall be deemed actionable, and the Member for whom action has been taken, shall have the ability to appeal the decision to the Executive Board. The President will only vote in the event of a tie amongst the other members of this Committee.

SECTION 5

All Star Committee. The All Star Committee is comprised of at least three members of the General Membership, and not more than seven, of the membership of NKW Little League, with at least one member of the Executive Board as a member of the committee. The All Star Committee shall define the procedure for Major League Division and Minor League Division All Star and Friendship manager, coach and player selection process. This procedure must be in place at least one month in advance of player selection, and should be reviewed annually and updated as necessary. This procedure must be approved by a simple majority of the Executive Board members present at the meeting in which the procedure is noted on the agenda.

SECTION 6

Audit Committee. An Audit Committee is comprised of more than one and no more than three Executive Board members, all of which cannot be a member of the Finance Committee. The role of the Audit Committee is to review a representative sample of transactions, including the invoice, ledger and balance sheet to ensure the integrity of the financial controls for the League.

ARTICLE X - AFFILIATION

SECTION 1

Charter. NKW Little League shall annually apply for a charter from Little League

Baseball, Incorporated, and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such charter. NKW Little 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.

SECTION 2

Rules and Regulations. The Official Playing Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball, Incorporated, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, shall be binding on this NKW Little League in conjunction with local rules.

SECTION 3

Local Rules. The local rules of NKW Little League shall be adopted by the Executive Board 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, Regulations and Policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, nor shall they conflict with this Constitution. The local rules of NKW Little League shall expire at the end of the fall season, and are not considered part of this Constitution.

ARTICLE XI - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING

SECTION 1

Authority. The Executive Board shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of NKW Little League and it shall place all income in a common league treasury, directing the expenditure of funds in such manner as will give no individual or team an advantage over those in competition with such individual or team.

SECTION 2

Contributions. The Board shall not permit the contribution of funds or property to individual teams but shall solicit funds for the common treasury of NKW Little League, thereby to discourage favoritism among teams and to endeavor to equalize the benefits of NKW Little League.

SECTION 3

Solicitations. The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Little League Baseball unless all of the funds so raised are placed in the NKW Little League treasury.

SECTION 4

Disbursement of Funds. The Board shall not permit the disbursement of NKW Little League funds for other than the conduct of Little League activities in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All checks shall be signed by NKW Little League Treasurer and such other officer or officers or person or persons as the Executive Board shall determine.

SECTION 5

Compensation. No Director, Officer or Member of NKW Little League shall receive, directly or indirectly any salary, compensation or emolument from NKW Little League for services rendered as Executive Board Member, Officer or General Member.

SECTION 6

Deposits. All monies received, including Auxiliary Funds, shall be deposited to the credit of the NKW Little League at the bank of the board’s choosing.

SECTION 7

Fiscal year. The fiscal year of NKW Little League shall begin on October 1 and shall end on September 30.

SECTION 8

Distribution of Property upon Dissolution. Upon dissolution of the NKW Little League and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, the Members shall direct the remaining property of NKW Little League to another Federally Incorporated entity which maintains the same objectives as set forth in Article II of this Constitution, which are or may be entitled to exemption under Section 501-(c)-(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or any future corresponding provision.

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

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. Draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated, for approval before implementation. This Constitution was approved by the NKW Little League Executive Board on December 7, 2017.

Arnold Sarazen - President

Signature Date

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