

RICE LAKE YOUTH BASEBALL ASSOCIATION BY-LAWS

PREAMBLE:

We, the members of the Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association (RLYBA) do for the support and purpose of furthering the objectives for which we have united, agree to support the following for our code of laws:

Any amendment to these By-Laws shall be presented in writing and be read at two (2) regular RLYBA meetings and all members notified that it will be voted on at the last meeting. A three-fourths (3/4) vote of the eligible members present will be necessary for amending the By-Laws.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the RLYBA will be to support baseball and be it understood that said Association will be available to support additional youth movement or community project that is beneficial to Rice Lake under these conditions:

1. Said project is non-political
2. Said project shows no religious prejudice
3. Any additional projects be voted by registered membership, and passed by three-fourths (3/4) of majority present.
4. All registered members in good standing must be notified of time and place of meeting.

In as much as the RLYBA is a duly registered charter organization, all monies collected, by any means, or any affiliate activity name is used or implied, must be deposited into the general fund.

ORGANIZATION

Part 1 - Association:

- The organization shall be known as the Rice Lake Youth Baseball Association (RLYBA) and shall consist of such personnel that shall be deemed necessary for the best interests of the organization and shall be elected from time to time as herein specified.

Part 2 – Members:

- The word members, wherever occurring in this constitution and By-Laws, shall be taken to mean only active members in good standing in the RLYBA.
- A member in good standing shall be one who is willing to participate actively in support of all RLYBA projects, and who has attended 3 regular meetings in the previous 12 calendar months (eligible to vote – 4th meeting).
- Members suspended shall have the right to appeal to the Board of Directors, subject to the vote of all members present shall be considered binding.
- Any member of the RLYBA who shall resign, leave the RLYBA, or be suspended for any reason shall immediately turn over to the proper officers of the RLYBA all monies, books, papers, or any other property belonging to the RLYBA within 15 days.

Part 3 – Board Members:

- The Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, High School Head Coach and up to eleven (13) additional Board members.
- The additional Board Members are as follows;
 - Marketing Coordinator
 - Field/Equipment Coordinator
 - Traveling Coordinator
 - Concessions Coordinator
 - Fund Raising Coordinator
 - T-Ball Commissioner
 - Coach Pitch Commissioner
 - Minor League Commissioner

- Major League Commissioner
- 13U Commissioner
- 14U-15U Commissioner
- Legion commissioner
- Umpire Coordinator
- A Board Officer can also fill one (1) of the additional Board Member positions.
- Nominees have the right to have their name removed from the list of candidates. They should however keep in mind their moral responsibility to the organization and community as a whole. The candidate receiving the majority of the votes shall be declared the winner. In case no candidate receives a majority of votes on a second ballot, then the election shall be confined to the two (2) candidates who had received the highest two (2) votes and all others shall be dropped.
- All elected officers shall attend all meetings. Three (3) meetings missed in succession without legitimate excuse shall be grounds for removal from office.
- It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to act as a board of arbitration, police the organization, and make recommendations.
- It shall be the duty of the President:
 - To preside at all meetings
 - Preserve the order and due observance of all laws of the Association
 - Decide subject to appeal all parliamentary questions which may arise in a meeting
 - Inspect, in conjunction with the Vice President, all ballots cast
 - Cast the deciding vote upon any questions before the Association upon which there may be an equal division of members
 - Act as an Ex-Officio Chairman of all committees, except where otherwise provided
 - Perform all other duties which may pertain to the office
- It shall be the duty of the Vice President:
 - In absence of the President to perform all duties of the President as prescribed in the aforementioned.
- It shall be the duty of the Treasurer:
 - To collect all monies and to deposit same into the general fund
 - Sign all checks drawn on the general fund
 - Keep record of all collections and expenditures
 - Coordinate and borrowing up to a limit of \$5000.00
- It shall be the duty of the Secretary:
 - Keep account of all meetings and happenings thereof
 - Handle Association correspondence and communications in conjunction with proper officers
- It shall be the duty of the Marketing Coordinator:
 - Provide publicity for the Association and manage the web site
- It shall be the duty of the Field/Equipment Coordinator:
 - Inventory all equipment
 - Inspect all fields
 - Make recommendations for new equipment and field improvements.
- It shall be the duty of the Traveling Coordinator:
 - Schedule try-outs for Traveling Teams
 - Verify schedules for Traveling Teams.
- It shall be the duty of the Concessions\Fund Raising Coordinator:
 - Coordinate all food and beverage supplies for the Concession Stand.
 - Provide instructions for those running the concessions stand.
 - Serve on all Tournament Committee's
- It shall be the duty of the Umpire Coordinator :

- Ensure all umpires are properly trained.
- Schedule umpires for all needed games including tournaments
- League Commissioner duties are listed in Section 1-3 of the RLYBA General Association Rules.
- It shall be the joint responsibility of all Officers to put before the membership the best available insurance policy at a cost in accordance with available finances, covering personnel at such time when waivers are not in effect.
- Removal from office:
 - Three fourths (3/4) majority legal vote of the membership present shall be necessary to remove any member of the office in the Association for any cause what so ever, other than at the times his term shall have expired.
 - Charges must be made in writing and may be drawn on any of the following offenses:
 - Violation of rules
 - Failure of duty or conduct
 - Prejudiced to good order and good name of the RLYBA
 - All disputes or complaints shall be settled and decided at a regular meeting or a special meeting for that purpose and must be disposed of as quickly as possible
- Terms of Board Members:
 - Officer of the Board – terms to be two (2) years
 - Member of the Board – terms to be one (1) year
- Elections:
 - Nominations will be held the second (2nd) meeting in August of each year
 - Secret ballot vote will be done during the second (2nd) meeting in September of each year
 - The newly elected Board Member(s) will take over October 1st of each year

MEETING PROCEDURES

The order of business shall be as follows:

1. Reading of Minutes of previous meeting
2. Reports of Officers – Treasurer, and/or others
3. Unfinished business
4. League Commissioners / Sub Committee report
5. New business
6. Reading of communications and bills, and dispose of same
7. Anything of importance either forgotten or not covered above
8. Announcement of next meeting date
9. Adjournment

For all other purposes, voting shall be by word of mouth however, a standing vote shall be called by the President, upon demand of any member present.

Any changes to the rules and regulations shall be presented in writing (three copies), be read at two (2) regular meetings of the RLYBA, and all members notified the same will be voted on at the last reading. A majority vote of the eligible members present will be necessary for amending the rules and regulations.

When rules changes occur as mention in above paragraph, they must be adhered to by all for the entire season.

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