

REGULATIONS & BYLAWS



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Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association

Mission:

Promote excellence in girls' softball through teamwork, quality coaching and integrity.

Cultivate community, political, and financial support to spotlight the Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association as the "Diamond of the USA".

Develop opportunities to host large tournaments that showcase the LJGSA as a world-class softball organization.

Provide an enjoyable experience and a learning opportunity for all girls who participate in the Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association.

Always remember to first ask

"WHAT IS BEST FOR THE GIRLS?"

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

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SECTION 1 - REGISTRATION

1. Spring season dates will be set by the Board in late Fall and registration will be opened as soon as possible.
2. Fall season will be organized by the Board of Directors in June with play beginning in September.
3. The recreational league will consist of T-ball through 18 and under. The Division I League will consist of age groups 8 and under through 18 and under.
4. For Division Teams ONLY
 - a. Registration fees will be determined by the Board at the November Board Meeting annually.
 - b. Each team will be required to either provide proof of insurance or purchase USA Softball insurance through the League.
 - c. Fees are due each season with the year being divided into 2 seasons; Spring and Summer.

SECTION 2 - PARENT AND PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Parents will be informed of both their rights and obligations at the time of registration. Their obligations may include some volunteer hours in the concession stands and for field maintenance to help the Association serve their child. Parents will sign an acknowledgement of their obligation to adhere to a Parent Code of Conduct agreed upon by the Board of Directors.
2. Each player and parent must support the LJGSA through activities which may include concession stand duty, field maintenance, and assistance during tournaments at the LJGSA Complex, fund raising or other assigned projects.
3. Each player and parent is responsible for cleaning the dugout and park area following each game.

SECTION 3 - RECREATIONAL TEAM DRAFT PROCESS

Sub-Section 1- Seasons and Options

1. Recreational ball teams shall have three playing seasons.
 - a. The first shall run from January 1 through the end of the League's last scheduled game and shall be referred to as the Spring Season.
 - b. The second playing season shall run from the end of the Spring Season (above) through the end of the USA Softball National tournament for that age group and referred to as the Summer Season.

- c. The third playing season shall be from the end of the Summer Season (above) until 31 December and referred to as the Fall Season.
- 2. Types of “options”
 - a. Sister Option - applies to all age divisions
 - i. Sisters that have the option of playing on the same team.
 - b. Player Options (Coaches pick)- applies to all age divisions
 - i. When forming a new team, defined as never existing before and no returning players, the manager can pick up 2 coaches and their daughters before the draw/draft process begins.
 - ii. These selections will fall into the 3rd and 5th rounds as coaches options currently do.
 - iii. A coach can choose to only pick up one coach/daughter in the first year and pick up the second coach/daughter in the next year.
 - iv. Concerning returning teams, if a team has lost one or both player options, then the manager is allowed to fill those spots. Meaning, if one is lost, the manager can fill one spot. If two are lost, then the manager can fill two spots. If no player options have been lost, then no player options are available.

Sub-Section 2- Tee Ball League

- 1. Spring
 - a. All players who are 3 years old on January 1st of the current year will have the choice of playing Tee-Ball
 - b. Players will be assigned to a team at random, with the intention of keeping the teams’ number of players as even as possible. The registrar will attempt to honor the player’s team and/or coach request, but the request is not guaranteed.
 - c. This league is instructional: no scores or records will be kept and no umpires will be used.
 - d. Tee-Ball teams will be offered one (1) practice day a week. Requests for specific practice days/times will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.
- 2. Fall
 - a. Generally, LJGSA does not offer Tee-Ball in Fall. If there are enough interested players then the board may approve, by majority vote, a Fall season for T-Ball.
 - b. All players who are 3 years old on January 1st of the current year will have the choice of playing Tee-Ball

- c. Players will be assigned to a team at random, with the intention of keeping the teams' number of players as even as possible. The registrar will attempt to honor the player's team and/or coach request, but requests are not guaranteed.
- d. This league is instructional: no scores or records will be kept and no umpires will be used.
- e. Tee-Ball teams will be offered one (1) practice day a week. Requests for specific practice days/times will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.

Sub-Section 3- Pixie I (6U) Only

- 1. This age division is recreational.
- 2. Spring
 - a. Pixie I teams will be formed via random draw, split by age group. Players will be divided by age (4,5, or 6 year old) and the Coach will have the option of which age group to pick from at each of his/her draws.
 - b. New teams draw out of the hat (reversing order after each round) until they have as many players as the established teams (those in the same league with at least four returning players) with the least number of returning players.
 - c. The returning teams begin joining in the draw as their number of players is reached.
 - d. Sister option player goes to the next available position.
 - e. If a parent wants to put a refusal in to play with a coach, the refusal must be in writing, not via email and be approved with a majority Executive board vote of validity.
 - f. After a player has been selected for a team, she must remain on that team for that season. If a player refuses the team she has been placed on she forfeits the right to play with LJGSA for that current season. Including picking up for games and tournaments with any LJGSA team.
- 3. Fall
 - a. The registrar will make every attempt to make each team's number of players as even as possible.
 - b. The registrar will assign returning players to their previous team, unless the player's parent requested otherwise. New players will be assigned to a team at random.
 - c. When registering for Fall season players may request specific coaches/teammates. Requests will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.
 - d. When registering as a coach for the Fall season, coaches may request specific players. Requests will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.
 - e. If two coaches request the same player, the parents of the player will be contacted and asked to choose which team they would like to be on.

- f. If a coach requests a player whose parents requested a different team, the parents of the player will be contacted and asked to choose which team they would like to be on.
- g. That coaches can NOT host tryouts for a fall league team.

Sub-Section 4- All Age Divisions Except Pixie I (6U) and Tee-Ball

- 1. Spring
 - a. Player Evaluations (Try-outs)
 - i. All players will be notified of their tryouts day(s). Attending try-outs is optional. However, any player who chooses not to participate in the try-outs, will be placed in a pool and will be assigned a team via random draw at the end of the draft. (See Draft Process for more information)
 - ii. Each approved coach will be allowed to come evaluate the players on their own or send a representative in their place with a maximum of 2 representatives from each team.
 - b. Pitchers Draft (10U) and up only.
 - i. In an attempt to make all leagues more competitive LJGSA will attempt to place at least one pitcher on each team for 10u and up. A "pitchers" draft will be held prior to the normal draft and any girl who tried out as a pitcher will be eligible for this draft. If a team already has a pitcher on their roster they will pass on this draft. Once each team has had the opportunity to draft a pitcher, the teams will start over with the normal draft process. Only girls who tried out as a pitcher during tryouts will be eligible for this draft. Teams shall draw from a hat for their draft order and the draft choice will then be placed in the last available draft position.
 - ii. If for any reason the player selected in the Pitchers draft is no longer on the original team they were drafted to by way of the supplemental pitchers draft, the team that loses that play may participate in the supplemental pitchers draft for the same age group again with the only provision being that the returning team automatically draft in the last position in the pitchers draft. If two (or more) returning teams are both able to participate in the supplemental pitchers draft, then they will also draw from a hat to determine the order of the draft.
 - c. Draft Process- The regular season draft will be run by the respective age division coordinator (or designee) and will be attended by one neutral (no daughters involved in that age division) LJGSA board member.
 - i. The first round will proceed with new teams drafting first, and established teams (being those in the same league with at least four returning players) with less than eight (8) players returning, will draft in order of smallest roster to largest roster size. New teams and all ties by established teams will determine draft order by a "draw/coin flip."

- ii. After the first round all teams with four (4) or more players will drop out of each round until all rosters contain at least the same number of players as any established team in that round.
- iii. The second round will precede the same as the first round except that the daughter of the manager will be automatically placed in this roster spot in place of a draft choice. Also, the draft order will be the reverse order of the first round.
- iv. The third round will precede the same as the previous round except that the assistant coach's option players will be automatically placed in this roster spot in place of a draft choice. Also, the draft order will be the reverse order of the second round.
- v. The fourth round will precede the same as the previous round except that the draft order will be the reverse order of the third round.
- vi. The fifth round will precede the same as the fourth round except that the second assistant coach's option players will be automatically placed in this roster spot in place of a draft choice. If a Manager has elected not to fill this position with a coach's option then they will be able to draft a player in reverse order of the fourth round.
- vii. The sixth round will proceed with the established teams joining the draft in order of smallest roster to teams with largest roster. Established teams will join the draft at their first open draft position and remain in this order for the remainder of the draft. Also, the draft order will be the reverse order of the fourth round.
- viii. The seventh round will be the same as the sixth round, and the draft will continue in this manner, reversing draft order each round, until all players have been drafted.
- ix. Players from the pool will be added to rosters in draft order via a "Blind Draw" until rosters are full.
- d. If a team must be dropped for any reason, the low roster team will be dropped. If there are two or more teams with the same number of players, the manager with the least seniority in that league will be dropped.
- e. If the coach has more than one (1) daughter those additional daughters will be automatically placed in the last draft position.
- f. Sister option players go to the next available position.
- g. Any league with too few players to have two (2) or less teams will redraft all players each year.
- h. No coach's gentlemen's agreements or parent/player requests will be proposed or honored during any draft.
- i. Any player selected in the "supplemental pitchers draft" will automatically be placed in the last available draft position.
- j. Once you attend tryouts, you cannot be placed in the blind draw.
- k. If a parent wants to put a refusal in to play with a coach, the refusal must be in writing, not via email and be approved with a majority Executive board vote of validity, then the player must go into blind draft.

- I. After a player has been drafted or randomly selected to a team, she must remain on that team for that season. If a player refuses the team she has been placed on she forfeits the right to play with LJGSA for that current season. Including picking up for games and tournaments with any LJGSA team.
2. Fall
 - a. The registrar will make every attempt to make each team's number of players as even as possible.
 - b. The registrar will assign returning players to their previous team unless the player's parent requested otherwise. New players will be assigned to a team at random.
 - c. When registering for Fall season players may request specific coaches/teammates. Requests will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.
 - d. When registering as a coach for the Fall season, coaches may request specific players. Requests will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.
 - e. If two coaches request the same player, the parents of the player will be contacted and asked to choose which team they would like to be on.
 - f. If a coach requests a player whose parents requested a different team, the parents of the player will be contacted and asked to choose which team they would like to be on.

SECTION 4 - DIVISION I RULES

1. The purpose of Division 1 is to further the skill level of the more competitive players in LJGSA for potential success in High School and College. Division 1 or "open" competition is extremely time consuming on the part of managers, players, and their families. Commitment to manage and play at this level must come with the knowledge and understanding of these requirements to be competitive.
2. The number of Division 1 teams in an age group will be determined according to the following guidelines:
 - a. Each team will have a minimum of 10 players.
 - b. Teams with 10 or more roster signatures of players, registered to play the specific League Division 1 and with an LJGSA board approved manager will be approved automatically
 - c. All Division 1 teams shall form or hold tryouts as needed and submit rosters for a season to the Registrar at least seven days prior to the Recreational League Draft. Should a player sign more than one roster they will be declared not eligible for Division 1 and asked if they wish to be placed in the recreation league.
 - d. All players must be insured (i.e. USA Softball, USSSA, USFA or equivalent). Managers must be able to produce insurance documentation when asked by a LJGSA Executive board member.

3. Each parent and player in Division 1 League must follow all requirements noted in SECTION 2 – PARENT AND PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES.
4. Managers are responsible for maintaining their assigned field. Division 1 field maintenance will include: emptying out dug out trash, watering fields with sprinkler system, dragging assigned field once a week, repairing batters' boxes, and repairing pitcher's mound.
5. Managers are responsible for maintaining a current USA Softball Background check card and having it on their person during LJGSA field activities.
6. Managers are responsible for the team's schedule, quality of instruction and development of the "team" concept with the goal of becoming competitive at the state or national level. Practice times must be set with the league scheduler to ensure Division practice times do not conflict with league use.
7. Managers that do not comply with item 2,4 and 5 above will be barred from the LJGSA fields until documentation can be provided and verified. After verification has been made the LJGSA executive board will vote the team in or out of LJGSA.
8. Division I teams are allowed to raise funds to defray travel and associated expenses. Fundraising at tournaments held at the Lake Jackson Youth Sports Complex will be allowed if they are not competing with the normal, regular concession stand items.
9. Division I teams are responsible for their own funds. They will furnish the LJGSA with a financial statement in detail to support IRS audit and to account for contributions and expenses at the Annual meeting each year upon request by the Board.
10. Division I teams wanting to recruit recreational players (defined as any player who is already assigned to a recreational roster for the upcoming season) to their teams, will need to follow the proper channels prior to asking any recreational player to play for them. This would include notifying the Age Division Coordinator (of the respective age group) and the League President. The League President and the Age Division Coordinator will then notify the player of the request. Failure to follow this procedure could disqualify a manager from participating in the LJGSA for the following season.
11. Pixie II Division I (8U) teams will be allowed to form but will be unable to play in recreational league games or tournaments. Pending approval from the USA Softball District Commissioner, Pixie II Division I (8U) teams will be allowed to play in the USA Softball District and State Tournaments.
12. 8U Division I teams will be required to submit their roster 7 days prior to the recreational draft.

SECTION 5 - POST SEASON TEAMS (All Stars)

Sub-Section 1- Post Season Team Selection Process

1. The league will recognize only one post season team for every five teams in an age group. 1-5 teams, one post season team; 6-10 teams, 2 post season teams; 11 or more teams, 3 post season teams. If additional teams want to form, do so,

but not be scheduled practice times until all post season, and division teams get scheduled.

2. Each manager should understand that he/she has a responsibility to help pick the league post season team at the end of the season and should continually evaluate talent during the season. Managers are encouraged to take notes and discuss girls with other managers before and after games are played.
3. A post season selection meeting will be set by each age division coordinator and held as soon as possible after the final regular Spring season game is played. This meeting will be attended by one manager from each team (or their designee), the age division coordinator, and one neutral LJGSA board member. No other parties shall attend this meeting (including children).
4. During the post season team selection meeting, all managers (or their designees) will discuss and nominate up to twelve girls that they have selected for the first post season team. The age division coordinator will end the discussion period at his/her discretion after sufficient discussion has occurred. Consideration for additional teams (based on league size) should be included in the discussion. This should not affect the way a coach votes for the first team girls. The most qualified players should be nominated for each team. A player can be nominated by their own team's manager or any attending manager or attending designee.
5. After the discussion period has ended, each manager, or designee, will pick the ten most qualified girls from the nominated list for the post season team via secret ballot. The secret ballots will then be submitted to the age division coordinator that is overseeing the vote. The following criteria should be used to determine the selections:
 - a. Players should be chosen on merit. (Hitting, fielding, base running, and understanding of concept)
 - b. The player can commit to the full post season.
6. No side deals should be made between managers to exclude any qualified girls from the first post season team for any reason.
7. The League Vice President and the neutral LJGSA board member will tally final votes. A list of the top 8 girls will be compiled. If several girls are tied with the lowest number of votes and the list exceeds 8, a run-off vote will be held by re-voting for the girls with the lowest number of votes. The vote count shall be kept confidential between the Age Division Coordinator, neutral LJGSA Board Member, and the Post-Season Manager or their designee.
8. First Team Roster Formation
 - a. After the nominations have been made then the ACE Certified coach that is selected for the post season team will take the top eight players with the most votes.
 - b. The coach can then pick the remainder of the team from the rest of the nominations to complete the roster up to fourteen.
 - c. After the first team is selected then all players except the ones chosen for the first team are put back into the selection process starting over with no votes.

- d. In the event of multiple teams, confirmation of each girl's availability should be completed within 24 hours to allow the additional team's manager to begin contacting players. If a player selected cannot commit to the post season play, then the coach can select from the girls on the second team if one has formed.
 - e. Any player that has turned down the first team cannot play on any other team.
9. Second Team Roster Formation
- a. In the event there is a second team, the coaches will then nominate up to twelve more players for the that team.
 - b. After the nominations have been made then the ACE Certified coach that is selected for the second post season team will take the top eight players with the most votes. The coach can then pick the remainder of the team from the rest of the nominations to complete the roster up to fourteen.
 - c. The second team can not notify any players until the first team has notified their players. If a player cannot play on the second team for any reason, then the coach can select a player from the third team. If a third team does not make, then the coach can select from any of remaining league players.
 - d. Any player that has turned down the first team cannot play on any other team.
10. Third Team Roster Formation
- a. If there are enough teams in the league for a third team then the coaches will nominate or recommend players for the third from the remaining league players.
 - b. The ACE Certified coach will then pick his players from that list.
 - c. The third team can not notify any players until the first and second teams have notified their players to complete their rosters.
 - d. Any player that has turned down the first or second team is not eligible for the third team.
11. The post season selection is complete.

Sub-Section 2- Post Season Manager Selection Process

- 1. The first-place manager of his/her respective age division shall be given the first opportunity to manage the First Post Season Team. Should that person decline, the order will continue successively down through the standings.
- 2. In case there is a tie for standings, the tie breaker will be 1. Head-to-head record 2. Record versus the highest-ranking opponent 3. Record of runs scored vs runs allowed
- 3. All additional post season teams (recognized or not recognized) will follow the same process as above.

SECTION 6 - PLAYER CLOTHING, EQUIPMENT, AND SAFETY

1. No short-shorts or tight knit shirts may be worn in practice, league play or tournaments.
2. All players must wear shoes and socks. No steel cleats or screw-in cleats will be allowed in any age division under 14 & under.
3. All catchers must wear all regulation A.S.A. equipment. Catchers shall wear a minimum of mask and helmet when receiving a pitched ball anytime during games and practice sessions.
4. League players must wear head protectors while batting, running bases, and in the "on deck" circle. This also includes practice sessions.
5. All equipment shall meet USA Softball requirements.
6. No bat person or mascot will be allowed out of the dugout onto the playing field at any time during game play.
7. Players from each team will be responsible for retrieving bats and headgear on the field. Managers are requested to remind girls to be careful when taking practice swings in the "on deck" circle and to remind all team players to approach this area with caution.
8. The following minimum equipment will be furnished to each team: catcher's mask, catcher's shin guards, catcher's chest-protector, catcher's throat-protector, 10 practice balls, and 4 game balls.
9. All pitchers are encouraged to wear a face mask. The league does not provide a face mask for pitchers.
10. All league-provided equipment will be turned in immediately after the close of the season at a date and time determined by the Equipment Manager. **A \$300 check, post-dated for the end of the season, shall be given to the Equipment Manager and returned to the coach upon return of the equipment.**
11. League sponsored jerseys, purchased by the league for each registered player, must be worn by players during league game

SECTION 7 - GAMES

Sub-Section 1- All Leagues

1. Team Managers must turn in lineups before game time to the official scorekeeper, the home plate umpire, and the opposing manager. Lineups must include first and last names and numbers of the players.
2. The home team will provide the official scorekeeper.
3. A team with only eight players available at game time may elect to play and use an eight-player batting rotation with no penalty. If the team loses an additional player, the team can play shorthanded with seven players, but must take an out each time the lost player would have come to bat.
4. Pick-up players are allowed for league and tournament play.

- a. A team may pick up a maximum of three players to bring a team's roster level to ten players for any game for 10U and up OR eleven players for 8U and below.
 - b. Pickup players may be from a lower age division for league play or same age division if a tournament's rule allows it. 6U may pick up players from the same age division for league play.
 - c. For 10U and up, pickup players from the same age division may not play as pitcher or catcher. For 6U and 8U, no pickup player can play pitcher or 1st base.
 - d. Pick up players cannot start the game unless there are not enough players to complete the field and must bat at the bottom of the lineup.
 - e. All pickup players must be registered with LJGSA.
 - f. For League Placement playoff games, pick-up players are not allowed
 - g. Should a team have 10 or more regular team members (for 10U and up) or 11 or more regular team members (for 6U and 8U) for their league or tournament games, pick-up player(s) are not allowed.
 - h. Managers must get mutual consent from the pickup player's parents and age Division Coordinator before picking up the girl.
 - i. Pickup player(s) may not miss her regular team's game(s) to play in a tournament.
 - j. All pick-up players (league or tournament) must wear their current team uniform to easily identify them as such.
5. Every girl must play defense at least 2 innings in every game. If the game is cut short (less than 4 innings) before the player can play her required two innings, then she must start the next game. This rule does not apply to pickups or in the Division I Leagues.
6. During play, the fitness of the fields for a game shall be decided solely by the plate umpire. Prior to the start of a game, the fitness of the fields may be decided by either the plate umpire, head umpire, or Board Member. This decision shall consider input from the association President, field manager, and league scheduler.
7. Teams are expected to appear for their games, unless otherwise notified. Any team showing up more than ten minutes late shall forfeit. Coaches' teams that miss league game(s) intentionally (as decided so by the executive board) will be responsible for paying any associated umpire fees with the missed game(s).
8. The league scheduler and the Age Division Coordinators of each age division will meet to discuss the league schedule before the season begins.
9. The league scheduler will reschedule makeup games as soon as practical.
 - a. The manager or assistant manager will be notified at least 48 hours in advance of a rescheduled game. A game may be rescheduled with less notice if both managers consent.
 - b. Upon rescheduling a game, the league scheduler notifies
 - i. Age Division Coordinator who then notifies the teams involved.
 - ii. Head umpire who notifies the umpires.
10. Written notification of a protested ball game must be filed within 48 hours with the President, League Vice President or Secretary of the association. A protest

committee consisting of a majority of association officers, as appointed by the President, shall meet within a reasonable time (normally less than four days) to consider the formal written protest. A protested game upheld by the committee shall be rescheduled and completed within two weeks.

Sub-Section 2- Pixie Divisions Only (6U and 8U)

1. Texas USA Softball Pixie rules will govern play in the Pixie 1 and Pixie 2 leagues. Complete USA Softball Pixie rules can be found at the following web site location:
 - a. Link Updated November 2021:
https://cdn1.sportngin.com/attachments/document/ebc8-2216946/State_Pixie_Rules.doc#_ga=2.40447594.974026082.1635905474-1435763073.1635905473
2. For any conflicts existing between LJGSA Rules and Regulations and the Texas USA Softball Pixie Rules, the LJGSA Rules and Regulations will apply.

Sub-Section 3- T-Ball Division Only

1. This league is instructional. No scores or records will be kept, and no umpires will be used.
2. This division will play by the same rules as Pixie I with the following exceptions
 - a. After 3 pitches the player will be allowed to hit off of the tee.
 - b. When a ball is thrown to a base as an out attempt the runner may only advance 1 additional base if the ball goes past the defensive player that was attempting the catch.

SECTION 8 - TOURNAMENTS AND TROPHIES

1. Each girl on any Recreational League team shall be offered the option of participating on the team if the decision is made to play in a tournament.
2. The Board of Directors must sanction all invitation games and tournaments. League officers must verify the rosters of teams entering outside tournaments.
3. Tournaments hosted by LJGSA shall have a completed tournament checklist at time of vote. Checklist must have list of volunteers, volunteer assigned duties, schedule for coverage of assigned duties, budget and required actions for tournament.
4. Tournaments hosted by LJGSA do not require LJGSA Board positions to volunteer. All volunteers shall be signed up before tournament is voted upon.
5. Senior (16U and 18U), Junior (14U), Sophomore (12U), Freshman (10U), Pixie I (8U), and Pixie II (6U) tournament trophies will be awarded as set by the league Tournament Director and the Board of Directors.
6. Qualified teams (meeting items 1 and 2 in Section 4) may schedule the LJGSA fields for fundraising tournaments at their own financial risk with approval from the Board of Directors if another Division Team or League Tournament has not

already been scheduled at that time. Tournament dates will be scheduled in the order of being requested.

- a. The Tournament Director for the division team that is hosting the tournament will pay LJGSA 25.00 per team registered in the tournament.
- b. A \$500 post clean-up deposit will be collected by a LJGSA Executive board member prior to the tournament and returned after the LJGSA Field Operations (includes Field Coordinator) have assessed the fields for damage and trash on the following weekday: this includes repairs of batter boxes and pitching mounds.
- c. Field drying agents and/or field conditioners are not included, if used shall be replaced (not reimbursed) by the host team.
- d. Field maintenance equipment can be used but must be checked out with Field Coordinator and cleaned before returned; any damages noted shall be repaired (not reimbursed) by host team.

SECTION 9 - MANAGERS AND ASSISTANT MANAGERS

1. All managers and assistant managers must submit a completed Manager Application. All Manager and Assistant Manager Applications (one for each person applying) may be submitted to any LJGSA board member. Information on these forms will be used in the manager screening process.
2. All Coaches and dugout parent(s) must have USA Softball background badge on person and readily available for background verification.
3. All managers and assistant managers must complete an USA Softball background check and submit evidence of passing.
4. Candidates for manager shall be screened individually and openings filled by the Board of Directors prior to spring and fall registration and tryouts using the following requirements/guidelines
 - a. Requirements that must be fulfilled for approval
 - i. The candidate must pass the USA Softball background check before being approved as a manager or Assistant Manager.
 - b. Guidelines that help improve possibility of approval, but do not guarantee it
 - i. Past manager of a team
 - ii. Past assistant manager of team
 - iii. Other experience
 - iv. Association member
5. An Executive Advisory Committee consisting of the President, Vice President, League VP, Administrative VP, and Operational VP and also on an as needed basis may include the Lake Jackson Parks and Recreation Director or a person appointed by the city of Lake Jackson. If any member of the committee wants to be excused from the committee or is directly involved in the situation under review, the President or Executive VP will name a replacement committee member. The purpose of this Committee will be to review appeals or disputes as defined below:

- a. Appeal related to an expulsion or suspension of Manager, Assistant Manager, Coach, or Team Mom
 - b. Appeal related to approved Manager
 - c. Decisions related to any complaint that is related to any member of the Association or is private in nature
 - d. Age Division Coordinators have the right to determine that a situation is sensitive or private in nature and needs to be brought before the Committee
 - e. In the event of an appeal or request to come before the Executive Advisory Committee, the member should contact the Executive VP. A time will be set for the member to come before the Executive Advisory Committee and the member will have the opportunity at that time to defend/share further information. The committee will then have the opportunity to discuss the options privately and will notify the candidate within 24 hours of their decision. A decision by this Committee must be unanimous. Should the member not be approved through the committee they then have the option to appeal the decision to the entire board for a vote.
6. All managers and assistant managers must follow the rules and regulations set up by the association. They shall ensure that their team members obey the official softball rules and shall always teach good sportsmanship. They shall be required to attend orientation/training at the direction of their Age Division Coordinator.
 7. The purpose of the Pixie I and Pixie II leagues is to begin the development of the fundamental softball skills and to introduce the concept of participation in team sports to girls of the ages 4-8. The managers, assistant managers and coaches are expected to instruct the girls in the basics of softball and to teach them the concepts of good sportsmanship and fair play. It is strongly suggested that playing time will be equal for all girls (independent of their abilities) and that each girl is given the opportunity to play a variety of positions.
 8. All managers and team assistants are required to wear shoes and shirts while working with the players or when representing the league in any capacity.
 9. No tobacco or profanity will be allowed on the field or benches during an official game or tournament - this includes players, managers, and umpires.
 10. Players, managers, and assistant managers may be suspended by the Board of Directors for not complying with the rules and regulations of the association, or for disorderly conduct during association activities or when representing the LJGSA. When a manager or assistant manager is ejected from a game or is unruly to the point of disorder, the Board of Directors shall review his actions within three (3) days. Reasons for suspension must be in written form to be presented to the Board of Directors. All those persons suspended from managing or assisting in the association may not manage, assist, or occupy the field or dugout during league or tournament games.
 11. No manager can suspend a girl without the approval of the vice president of his league. Reasons must be in written form outlining reasons for removal or

suspension. A manager must inform the league vice president of any deletion of a player(s) from his roster as soon as it occurs.

12. No alcoholic beverages will be allowed in association activities.
13. All managers are encouraged to attend a softball coaching clinic. All Managers must designate, to the Registrar and appropriate Age Division Coordinator, who the Manager, Asst. Manager, and Asst. Coach(es) are for their team and verify with the Registrar that all appropriate paperwork, including registration application and proof of background check, is turned in.
14. After the draft is complete each team manager must submit to the Registrar, the names of the additional coaches/helpers that are to be covered by USA Softball insurance. All coaches/helpers that will be on the field or in the dugout during game time or practice must be covered by USA Softball insurance and complete an USA Softball background check. LJGSA will pay for insurance for a total of 6 coaches/helpers in T-ball, Pixie I, and Pixie II and a total of 4 coaches/helpers in 10U and up. Additional coaches/helpers must purchase their own USA Softball insurance through the league. Each coach/helper is required to submit the proper application. NO ONE without USA Softball insurance and background check will be allowed on the field or in the dugout during practices or games. All coaches/helpers' applications are subject to approval by the Board.

SECTION 10 - POST SEASON ACTIVITIES (ALL STARS)

1. All league recognized post season teams will take the names Elite, Extreme, Express.
 - a. If you are selected as the first team then you take the name of Elite.
 - b. If you are selected as the second team then you take the name of Extreme.
 - c. If you are selected as the third team then you take the name Express.
 - d. The above applies to all age groups Pixie I - 14u.
2. Championship teams and other post season team(s) are responsible for their own funds.
3. If the Treasurer confirms that funds are available and the Board approves by vote, up to the following amounts of financial assistance may be provided to the Post Season Teams
 - a. Pixie 1 - 2 USA Softball tournaments (district and state) @ \$250 each.
 - b. Pixie 2 - 2 USA Softball tournaments (district and state) @ \$250 each.
 - c. Freshman - 2 USA Softball tournaments (etc.) @ \$250 each.
 - d. Sophomore - 2 USA Softball tournaments (etc.) @ \$250 each.
 - e. Jr./Sr. - 2 USA Softball tournaments (etc.) @ \$250 each.
4. Each team will furnish the LJGSA with a financial statement in detail to support IRS audit and to account for contributions and expenses at the Annual meeting each year upon request by the Board. Fund raising money or sponsor contributions may be used for equipment, uniforms or expenses as needed.
5. Any team that is recognized by receiving an award for their placement at an USA Softball State, Regional or National Tournament is allowed, at their own expense,

to hang a banner at the complex. The team banner must be hung in a designated area chosen by the Facilities Manager. All banners will be removed after a period of five (5) years if the space is needed.

SECTION 11 - TEAM SPONSORED UNIFORMS

1. All Recreational League players will have shirts provided by LJGSA. Teams must have shorts that are alike in color and style to concur with USA Softball Rules.
2. Division I teams are responsible for obtaining sponsors to cover the cost of their uniforms.

SECTION 12 - LEAGUE TROPHIES

1. No trophies, plaques, or other awards purchased by the association will be awarded to any officer or manager for outstanding work or performance.
2. The Board of Directors will approve trophy/award prices as well as how many teams and players will receive trophies and/or awards per age group.

BY-LAWS

Article I – Name and Organization

1. The name of this association shall be the “Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association”. The words “Association” or LJGSA will be used to mean the Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association throughout the balance of these By-Laws, Rules and Regulations and Tournament Rules.
2. Participation in this Association shall be for all girls registering with the Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association.

Article II – Purpose

1. The purpose of this organization is to provide a recreational program and a Division 1 program, to help develop girls as a whole, through their moral, emotional, social, spiritual, mental, and physical growth.

Article III - Membership

1. Control of the Association shall be in the membership. Members of the Association shall be:
 - a. Any parent or guardian of a daughter playing softball on an Association team.
 - b. Managers of an Association softball team.
2. Each member, who is not in arrears for dues or fees, shall have one vote at all meetings.

Article IV – Registration Fees

1. The Board will determine the amount per player or per family before the start of each spring and fall season.
2. For individuals who have a daughter playing softball for an Association team during the current season, the registration fee that they pay for their daughter includes their membership dues.
3. Parents may request a refund from the Board of Directors should their daughter become injured and deemed unable to compete before the start of game play.
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4. Registration fees shall be due and payable on or before the first game of the season.
 - a. A delayed payment option, waiver or payment exemption may be approved by the LJGSA Board for good cause.
 - i. A parent or guardian may be asked to appear before the board to prove hardship in these cases at the request of a Board member.
 - ii. The waiver shall only be for the registration fees for the current season.

- b. All uncollected fees due to the association must be collected before a player can register (or sign a roster) for the next season of play, including Post Season.

Article V - Meetings

1. Meetings of the Association shall consist of two regular meetings of the membership and shall take place in September and November at a time and place to be determined by the Board of Directors at the Annual board meeting. The September meeting shall be the annual meeting.
 - a. Business at these meetings shall include but are not limited to the following agenda items
 - i. September (Annual meeting) – the election of new officers and selection of a Bylaws committee
 - ii. November – vote on Bylaws changes, finalize spring registration
2. Notice of regular and annual meetings shall be posted on the LJGSA website and be posted at The Youth Sports Complex by the Publicity Chairman ten days before the meetings, but failure to give notice shall not invalidate the meeting from being conducted.
3. The Board of Directors may call a special meeting of the membership and notice of such membership meetings must be published in at least the on the LJGSA website and at the Youth Sports Complex no less than three days before the meeting.
4. A general membership quorum shall consist of twenty voting members present.
5. All meetings of the membership or the Board of Directors of the Association shall be governed by the most current edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised.
6. Attendants in Association and Board Meetings will conduct themselves in a respectable manner, discussing issues in civil tones, without name calling or attacking another person's character. Anyone in violation will be asked to leave by the designated Sergeant-at-Arms.

Article VI – Board of Directors

1. The Board of Directors of the Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association shall consist of the following officers
 - a. President
 - b. Executive Vice President
 - c. Administrative Vice President
 - d. Operational Vice President
 - e. League Vice President
 - f. Division 1 Coordinator
 - g. Freshman/Sophomore/Junior Division Coordinator
 - h. Pixie II Division Coordinator
 - i. Pixie I/T-ball Division Coordinator
 - j. Secretary

- k. Treasurer
 - l. Equipment Manager
 - m. Field Manager
 - n. Facilities Manager
 - o. League Scheduler
 - p. Tournament Director
 - q. Concession Stand Manager
 - r. Procurer/Purchasing Agent
 - s. Publicity Chairperson/Fund-raising Chairperson
 - t. Registrar
 - u. Webmaster.
2. Each year officers of the Association shall be elected by the voting membership at the Annual meeting.
 - a. An individual must be a member of the Association to be elected as an officer of the Association.
 - b. The term of office for all officers shall be from the date of their election until the two-year term for that position has expired.
 3. A search committee to find candidates for board positions for the following year and consisting of at least five members shall be appointed by the Board of Directors by February 1st of the current year. No more than two members of the committee shall be current board members. A list of board positions, the names and phone numbers of the search committee and a description of the duties of each position will be posted on the LJGSA website and near the concession stand for at least one week prior to closing ceremonies.
 4. The search committee shall submit a list of candidates to the board at least two weeks prior to the annual meeting. The list of candidates will be posted at the Youth Sport Complex and on the LJGSA website. Each board member will have copies of the list to be handed out upon request.
 5. Nominations for current Board position openings will be closed at 48 hours prior to the vote unless the position has no nominations or is vacated during the vote.
 6. Each board position must be voted on an individual basis.
 7. The board positions are for a two-year term. The position elections will be staggered (12 elected in one year, the remaining 12 in the following year).
 8. Secret ballot need only be required for contested positions.
 9. The search committee shall provide the candidates with a printed description of the positions.
 10. Any board position with only one candidate shall be voted as either yes or no, as to whether that person may hold that position.
 11. Election should be by a show of hands or acclamation for uncontested positions.
 12. Any officer may be removed from office with cause. Officers missing three consecutive board meetings will be subject to cause review.
 13. A vacancy on the Board of Directors after the annual November meeting shall be filled by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Board.
 14. The President of the preceding, if not returning as an elected Board member, year shall act as an ex officio member of the Board of Directors for the period of one year.

15. To be nominated for president, a person must have been a member of the Association for the preceding two years. Presidential candidates must have a minimum of one year of board experience. Presidential candidates must have previously served on the LJGSA Board without having quit his/her previous position.
16. No business may be conducted at meetings of the Board of Directors without a quorum present, with a quorum being a simple majority of the members of the Board of Directors, unless there was at least 7 day's notice given of the meeting and that there were matters to be voted on. With 7 day's notice given to the Board of Directors, those in attendance at a meeting may vote and make a decision by a simple majority of attendees
17. All decisions of the Board of Directors must have at least a simple majority vote of those present, with the exception of the following decisions, which must have at least a two-thirds majority vote of those Board members present:
 - a. exceptions to the By-Laws or Rules and Regulations
 - b. exceptions to eligibility requirements
 - c. approval of managers
 - d. expulsion or suspension of managers, assistant managers, coaches or team mothers
 - e. removal of a member of the Board of Directors.
18. The Board of Directors shall conduct regular meetings as needed. The president may call a special meeting of the Board of Directors at such time and place as he or she may designate. Notice of such special meetings may be by telephone, email or other means.
19. Each officer shall prepare and submit all proposed spending to the Treasurer by October the treasurer shall submit a final budget for approval by the Association at the November meeting.
20. All expenditures over \$250.00, not previously approved in the budget, must be approved by the Board of Directors. Getting estimates prior to presenting expenditures for a vote is encouraged.
21. In the matter of the Board of Directors voting via email, the entire Board should receive the email and a decision must have at least a simple majority vote of ALL Board members.
22. Decisions of the Board of Directors involving exceptions to the Bylaws or Rules and Regulations WILL NOT be conducted via e-mail. (LJGSA BY-LAWS Page 5 Revised October 2014)
23. Any disagreements about the interpretation or meaning of any By-Law can be presented to the Executive Board for clarification via written or emailed request. The Executive Board will reply with clarification on the By-Law in question within 3 business days of the request. The Executive Board must agree on the interpretation or meaning by majority vote.
24. Any clerical edits needed to be made to the By-Laws may be done so immediately, with approval of the Executive Board majority vote. Clerical edits, meaning the definition of the By-law is not changed whatsoever, only worded better for clarity.

Article VII – Duties of Officers

1. The President shall:
 - a. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board of Directors
 - b. appoint all committees, except the search committee
 - c. exercise supervision of the Association in general
 - d. issue/carry out all final decisions of the Executive Board of Directors
 - e. sign all official league documents
 - f. be an ex officio member of all committees except the search committee as needed.
 - g. assume the duties of other Executive Board Members in their absence or pass-down responsibility to the Executive Vice President to do so as needed
 - h. assist other Executive Board Members as required.
2. The Executive Vice President shall:
 - a. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board of Directors
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors
 - c. exercise supervision of the Association in general
 - d. assume the duties of the President in their absent as needed.
 - e. assume the duties of other Executive Board Members in their absence or appoint other Executive Board Members to do so as needed if the President is unable or request it.
 - f. participate as a member of the concession committee.
 - g. assist other Executive Board Members as required.
3. Administrative Vice President shall:
 - a. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board of Directors
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors
 - c. exercise supervision of the Association in general
 - d. work closely with Treasurer and Secretary to maintain administrative balance.
 - e. help resolve any issues that may arise that pertain to the administrative health of the league. If directly involved or the Administrative Vice President feels the matter warrants extra care, he/she may refer the issue to the Executive Vice President or the entire Executive Board to be handled.
 - f. assist other Executive Board Members as required.
4. Operational Vice President shall:
 - a. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board of Directors
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors
 - c. exercise supervision of the Association in general

- d. work closely with the Publicity Director, Procurement, Facilities Manager, and Field Coordinator to maintain proper operational standards are upheld.
 - e. help resolve any issues that may arise that pertain to the operational health of the league. If directly involved or the Operational Vice President feels the matter warrants extra care, he/she may refer the issue to the Executive Vice President or the entire Executive Board to be handled.
 - f. assist other Executive Board Members as required.
5. League Vice President shall:
- a. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board of Directors
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association and of the Board of Directors
 - c. exercise supervision of the Association in general
 - d. work closely with all Age Division Coordinators to ensure cohesive environment within the league and league play.
 - e. help resolve any issues that may arise amongst coaches, Age Division coordinators, or parents/players. If directly involved or the League Vice President feels the matter warrants extra care, he/she may refer the issue to the Executive Vice President or the entire Executive Board to be handled.
 - f. assist other Executive Board Members as required.
 - g. work with the Secretary, Registrar, and Age Division Coordinators to prepare for the Spring Draft and Post Season (All Star) Draft.
6. The Secretary shall:
- a. report to the Administrative Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. keep the minutes of all meetings of the Association and of the Executive Board of Directors
 - d. keep and maintain all records, documents, complaints, etc. for the league. The method of how these are kept is up to the Secretary, but should be fully accessible to all Board Members, with the exception of complaints or other items the Executive Board Members deem confidential. Confidential items will only be directly available to the Executive Board Members but can be requested for viewing by other Board Members. Request must be sent to the Executive Board for approval.
 - e. contact all members of the Executive Board of Directors for special meetings
 - f. contact all Board Members for regular and special meetings as needed
 - g. carry on the correspondence of the Association
 - h. supply a list of names, addresses, and phone numbers of all officers, managers, and assistant managers to all team managers and officers on draft night or when requested to do so (within a reasonable timely manner) by any member of the association.
 - i. maintain a current list of all coaches picks and keep record of previous coach's picks.
 - j. keep record of previous seasons rosters.

- k. work with the Registrar, League Vice President, and Age Division Coordinators to prepare for the Spring Draft and Post Season (All Star) Draft.
 - l. contribute meeting minutes and other content as needed to the Webmaster for the LJGSA website.
- 7. The Treasurer shall:
 - a. report to the Administrative Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. have custody of all Association money
 - d. sign all checks
 - e. keep regulation books of all financial records of the Association
 - f. issue regular reports to the Board of Directors and the membership including actual spending versus budget, at least monthly
 - g. be responsible for submitting a budget to the membership during the November meeting
 - h. present a final accounting of all monies at the annual meeting.
 - i. file and pay sales tax quarterly with the State of Texas.
 - j. on October 1, print reports from Microsoft Money and send to LJGSA's accountant so a 990 Form can be filed with the IRS in February of the following year.
- 8. The Official Registrar shall:
 - a. report to the Administrative Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. conduct registration of players and collection of membership dues at the time period designated by the Board
 - d. furnish, prior to draft night, a list of officially registered players and their team status
 - e. maintain a current team status list.
 - f. send the secretary copies of all team rosters after teams have officially formed each season for purpose of record keeping.
 - g. work with the Secretary, League Vice President, and Age Division Coordinators to prepare for the Spring Draft and Post Season (All Star) Draft.
 - h. send a file (excel, word, etc.) to the Executive Board and the District Commissioner with information on all registered players after the close of registration. The document will include at minimum the first and last name of players, their date of birth, and their address. For Tee Ball players their gender must be included, since either a boy or girl may play Tee Ball. The document must also include the total number of players registered in each age division.
 - i. collect proof of background checks and any other USA required documents from all volunteers. If unable to acquire documents from volunteers, the applicable Age Division Coordinator will help the Registrar acquire documents. If still unable, the matter will escalate to the Executive Board.
 - j. work with coaches directly to form teams for the Fall Season.
- 9. The Publicity Director shall:
 - a. report to the Administrative Vice President

- b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. coordinate all Association publicity
 - d. notify the public of all monthly meetings including discussion meetings for proposed by-laws changes as needed.
 - e. oversee the process of sales and construction of field signs for sponsors.
 - f. coordinate all fund-raising activities of the Association, except for post season (All Stars) travel expenses.
 - g. work directly with sponsors who wish to donate to our league.
 - h. maintain and actively update the Leagues social media accounts.
 - i. report all financial information pertaining to fund-raising, signage, or sponsors to the Treasurer and Administrative Vice President.
10. Each Age Division Coordinator shall:
- a. report to the League Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. have the responsibility of his/her age division
 - d. recommend all managers in the age division to be approved by the Board of Directors
 - e. see that all Rules and Regulations set up by the Association are carried out
 - f. keep his/her age divisions won and lost records, the number of tournaments entered by each team, and where tournaments were played. These records are to be turned in at the end of the season to the President for next year's officers.
 - g. notify all managers of monthly meetings and information from meetings that pertain to their age division
 - h. settle disputes within his/her age division. In the event the Age Division Coordinator cannot resolve a problem in his/her division, between two managers, or himself/herself and a manager, the problem will be submitted in writing, by the manager(s) involved to the Executive Board of Directors.
 - i. help prepare for their specific age division Spring and Post Season (All Stars) draft.
11. The Division I (Select) Coordinator shall:
- a. report to the League Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. have the responsibility of all Division I (Select) teams.
 - d. notify all managers of monthly meetings and information from meetings that pertain to their division
 - e. see that all Rules and Regulations set up by the Association are carried out
 - f. confirm Division I (Select) Teams maintain proper insurance and collect payment for fees.
 - g. help settle disputes pertaining to Division I (Select) teams as needed. In the event the Division I (Select) Coordinator cannot resolve a problem between two managers, or himself/herself and a manager, the problem will be submitted in writing, by the manager(s) involved to the Executive Board of Directors.
12. The Equipment Manager shall:

- a. report to the Operational Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. see that each team is properly equipped at the beginning of the season
 - d. collect and maintain control of coaches postdated checks that are held until the coach has returned all distributed gear.
 - e. work with the Procurement Director to purchase team equipment
 - f. furnish any special equipment requested by a manager only with the approval of the Executive Board of Directors
 - g. issue equipment during the playing season
 - h. keep a record of equipment issued to each team during the season.
 - i. request the help of the Operational Vice President if any issues arise that pertain to equipment
13. The Field Coordinator shall:
- a. report to the Operational Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. be responsible for ensuring the conditions of the fields and field maintenance equipment
 - d. see that assigned fields for regular scheduled league games and tournaments are in appropriate playable condition, but not responsible for preparing or maintaining fields for tournaments without tournament checklist approved with named volunteers.
 - e. be responsible for establishing a schedule each year for the teams to participate in field maintenance
 - f. be responsible for providing a list of field duties to be distributed with the schedule, including picking up trash around the bleachers.
 - g. coordinate field crew including training on equipment and assignment of field activities
 - h. coordinate manager and coaches field preparation training
14. The League Scheduler shall:
- a. report to the League Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. schedule all regular season and make-up games
 - d. assign times for practice fields for League teams prior to the start of league play
 - e. assign times for practice fields for Division I (Select) Teams
 - f. be responsible for scheduling practices, games, and other use of the field for persons or teams outside of the Association
15. The Tournament Director shall:
- a. report to the Administrative Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. coordinate all LJGSA tournaments
 - d. gather the information about LJGSA tournaments, send out the invitations, set up the brackets, and collect the money, confirm insurance information for all teams
 - e. turn all information for the tournament over to the Administrative Vice President.
 - f. turn all money for the tournament over to the League Treasurer
 - g. help prepare a list of all volunteers prior to the tournament

- h. turn in a list of all teams playing in tournament to the Secretary for record keeping purposes.
- 16. The Concession Manager shall:
 - a. report to the Operational Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. form a committee to assist with duties
 - d. purchase supplies
 - e. assign teams to work the concession stand
 - f. oversee the operation of the concession stand
- 17. The Procurement Director shall:
 - a. report to the Administrative Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. be responsible for collect all teams' players' shirt sizes for uniforms, place orders for uniforms, pick up uniforms, and distribute uniforms. If the Procurement Director would like to enlist the help of Age Division Coordinators for the task of collecting sizes and compiling the orders, he/she may do so.
 - d. be responsible for purchasing all equipment, scorekeeping, large field items (bases, chalkers, mowers, etc.), association T-shirts, trophies for league and tournaments
 - e. request bids and actively seek the best price for quality products. The procurement director shall strive to do business locally unless the price difference is significant enough to warrant purchase outside of the Brazosport area.
- 18. The Facilities Manager shall:
 - a. report to the Operational Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. backup for concession Manager
 - d. coordinate the cleaning crews for the Youth Sports Complex
 - e. arrange for general complex maintenance and aesthetics.
 - f. head up the facility enhancement projects.
- 19. The Webmaster shall:
 - a. report to the Administrative Vice President
 - b. be present at all meetings of the Association
 - c. maintain and update LJGSA website
- 20. The Field Crew shall:
 - a. report to the Field Coordinator
 - b. assist with maintenance and upkeep of the fields
 - c. non-voting board positions
 - d. number of positions determined by Field Coordinator
 - e. trained on field equipment operations and usage

Article VIII - Amendments

1. These By-Laws Rules and Regulations and Tournament Rules may be amended, repealed, or altered by two-thirds vote of the total Association membership present at the November General meeting. All changes to the By-Laws, the

Rules and Regulations and Tournament Rules will be made according to the following procedure:

- a. A By-Laws, Rules and Regulations and Tournament Rules Committee consisting of three Board members and three at-large members appointed by the president at the Annual meeting will accept all proposals turned over by the previous year's committee and begin accepting proposed changes to the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Tournament Rules of the LJGSA immediately after the Annual meeting. The Bylaws committee shall be a standing committee and the members shall hold their position until the next Annual meeting. All proposed changes to the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Tournament Rules of the LJGSA must be submitted in writing with the originator's name and phone number to a member of the By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Tournament Rules Committee by September 30.
 - b. The By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Tournament Rules Committee will meet the first week of October to compile proposals and draft wording necessary to implement the proposals. The draft shall be shown to the originator to ensure that it meets the original intent.
 - c. A copy of the proposed changes will be posted at the Youth Sports Complex and on the league website and will be available from any By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Tournament Rules Committee member or board member by October 20.
 - d. The proposed changes will be presented to the general membership at the November Association meeting for the purpose of voting. On controversial issues one person for and one against will be given two minutes to present a summary. More time may be allocated equally to both sides by a majority vote of those present, provided that the extra time does not exceed a total of ten minutes.
2. The By-Laws, Rules and Regulations, and Tournament Rules shall be effective as of the date of passage.
 3. Beginning on the date of passage and continuing until regular season play begins, the Board of Directors may, at a special Association meeting, propose those changes in the Rules and Regulations necessary to ensure conformity with rules and requirements mandated by Texas and USA Softball.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

This section will include documents, rules, and procedures that are used throughout Lake Jackson Girls Softball Association. This section may be updated as needed to match current LJGSA and USA Softball standards and policies.

Table of Key Rules

Note: USA Softball rules are in effect unless specifically noted otherwise in these rules and regulations.

League/ Division	Age (1)	Game Time	Ball Size	Half Inning	Pitching Distance	Infield Fly Rule	Dropped 3 rd Strike Rule	Base Stealing	Tie Breaker	Standings Kept
Tee-Ball	4	2 innings	11-inch Safety	Bat the Lineup	35'	No	No	No	No	No
Pixie I (6U)	6	55 min. (2)	11-inch Safety	3 Outs or 6 Runs	35'	No	No	No	No	Yes
Pixie II (8U)	8	55 min. (3)	11-inch	3 Outs or 6 Runs	35'	No	No	No	ITB (5)	Yes
Freshman (10U)	10	70 min. (3)	11-inch	3 Outs or 4 Runs	35'	Yes	Yes	Yes	ITB (5)	Yes
Sophomore (12U)	12	70 min. (3)	12-inch	3 Outs or 6 Runs	40'	Yes	Yes	Yes	ITB (5)	Yes
Lower Junior (14U)	14	70 min. (3)	12-inch	3 Outs or 6 Runs	43'	Yes	Yes	Yes	ITB (5)	Yes
Upper Junior (16U)	16	70 min. (3)	12-inch	3 Outs or 6 Runs	43'	Yes	Yes	Yes	ITB (5)	Yes
Senior (18U)	18	70 min. (3)	12-inch	3 Outs or 6 Runs	43'	Yes	Yes	Yes	ITB (5)	Yes

Table of Key Rules Continued

The USA Softball season, or “Softball Year”, runs from September 1 to August 31.

- (1) Maximum age of player.
 - a. The USA Softball 2022 season starts on September 1, 2021 and ends August 31, 2022. The age an individual player is on December 31, 2021 defines their age group for the 2022 season.
 - i. Example: The players date of birth is 12/30/2012. The player must play in 10U or up for the “Fall 2021” season and play in 10U or up for the “Spring 2022” season.
 - b. The USA Softball 2023 season starts on September 1, 2022 and ends August 31, 2023. The age an individual player is on December 31, 2022 defines their age group for the 2023 season.
 - c. Pixie I (6U) or Tee Ball players may not be less than 4 years old as of January 1st of current year, due to insurance purposes.
- (2) Start no new inning after 55 minutes, however, may complete an inning started.
- (3) Innings started before time expires will be completed unless a team is behind by more runs than they can score in a half inning.
- (4) ITB – International Tie Breaker in effect.

** Note: All Co-op games will be played for 1 hour 20 minutes. **

Round #	Team1	Team2	Team3	Team4	Team5	Team6	Team7	Round #	
1								1	
2								2	Coach's Daughter- 2nd position only
3								3	1st Coach Opt.- 3rd position only
4								4	
5								5	2nd Coach Opt.- 5th position only
6								6	
7								7	
8								8	
9								9	
10								10	
11								11	
12								12	
Sister Option- Goes to next available draft position									Returning Players

6U Draft Template

8U and Up Draft Template

Round #	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6	Team 7	Round #	
1								1	
2								2	Coach's Daughter- 2nd position only
3								3	1st Coach Opt. - 3rd position only
4								4	
5								5	2nd Coach Opt. - 5th position only
6								6	
7								7	
8								8	
9								9	
10								10	
11								11	
12								12	
Sister Option- Goes to next available draft position									
Pitcher Option- Goes to last available draft position (10U and up)									
Returning Players									

Most Recent By-Laws Vote

Meeting Date: November 3, 2021

Additions

1. Add "Related Documents" section to end of the By-Laws
Passed
2. Any disagreements about the interpretation or meaning of any By-Law can be presented to the Executive Board for clarification via written or emailed request. The Executive Board will reply with clarification on the By-Law in question within 3 business days of the request. The Executive Board must agree on the interpretation or meaning by majority vote.
Passed
3. Add draft sheet example with arrows included to "Related Documents" section.
Passed
4. Move "Table of Key Rules and Variations" to "Related Documents" section.
Passed
5. Change Pixie I (6U) to mirror Pixie II (8U) rules in regard to: Tryouts, draft process
Not Passed
6. Change Pixie I (6U) to mirror Pixie II (8U) rules in regard to: Keeping scores and records, post season team selection, post season manager selection.
Passed
7. Add to current By-Law. (After a player has been drafted or randomly selected to a team, she must remain on that team for the season.) If a player refuses the team, she has been placed on she forfeits the right to play with LJGSA for that current season. Including picking up for games and tournaments with any LJGSA team.
Passed
8. Add to Section 3 line 106-108 more information about refusals process to look as it does below:
16) If a parent wants to put a refusal in to play with a coach, the refusal must be in writing, not via email and be approved with a majority Executive board vote of validity, then the player must go into blind draft.
(ADDED AT BYLAW MEETING NOV 2020).
Passed
9. Coaches' teams that miss league game(s) intentionally (as decided so by the executive board) will be responsible for paying any associated umpire fees with the missed game(s).
Passed
10. Any clerical edits needed to be made to the By-Laws may be done so immediately, with approval of the Executive Board majority vote. Clerical edits, meaning the definition of the By-law is not changed whatsoever, only worded better for clarity.
Passed
11. Change \$500 spending without a vote to \$250. Getting estimates are encouraged
Passed
12. Coaches should have 4 coaches picks, because it would allow for an easier developing process as a team.
Not Passed

13. League sponsored jerseys must be worn during league games. We have too many girls with sponsorships that it isn't fair for girls to be asked to purchase jerseys for regular games. It's included in registration.
Passed
14. A \$500 post clean-up deposit will be collected by a LJGSA Executive board member prior to the tournament and returned after the LJGSA Field Operations (includes Field Coordinator) have assessed the fields for damage and trash on the following weekday: this includes repairs of batter boxes and pitching mounds.
Passed
15. Field drying agents and/or field conditioners are not included, if used shall be replaced (not reimbursed) by the host team.
Passed
16. Field maintenance equipment can be used but must be checked out with Field Coordinator and cleaned before returned; any damages noted shall be repaired (not reimbursed) by host team.
Passed
17. Fields shall be returned to same or better condition than before tournament; this includes batters' boxes and pitching mounds.
Passed
18. Managers are responsible for maintaining their assigned field. Division 1 field maintenance will include: emptying out dug out trash, watering fields with sprinkler system, dragging assigned field once a week, repairing batters' boxes, and repairing pitcher's mound.
Passed
19. Tournaments hosted by LJGSA shall have a completed tournament checklist at time of vote. Checklist must have list of volunteers, volunteer assigned duties, schedule for coverage of assigned duties, budget and required actions for tournament.
Passed
20. Tournaments hosted by LJGSA does not require LJGSA Board positions to volunteer, volunteers shall be signed up before tournament is voted upon.
Passed
21. Section 20 Field Coordinator duties shall look as it does below:
- a. The Field Coordinator shall:
 - b. be responsible for ensuring the conditions of the fields and field maintenance equipment
 - c. see that assigned fields for regular scheduled league games and tournaments are in appropriate playable condition, but not responsible for preparing or maintaining fields for tournaments without tournament checklist approved with named volunteers.
 - d. be responsible for establishing a schedule each year for the teams to participate in field maintenance
 - e. be responsible for providing a list of field duties to be distributed with the schedule, including picking up trash around the bleachers.
 - f. coordinate field crew including training on equipment and assignment of field activities
 - g. coordinate manager and coaches field preparation training
- Passed
22. Section 20 Field Crew Duties shall look as it does below:
- a. Assist with maintenance and upkeep of the fields
 - b. Non-voting board positions
 - c. Number of positions determined by Field Coordinator
 - d. Trained on field equipment operations and usage
- Passed

Removals

1. Section 5, Line 36 remove “and the Post-Season Manager or their designee.” From the end of the sentence. It does not make sense to have it here since the post-season manager has not even been selected yet at this point.
Passed
2. Section 6, Line 18 remove “and equipment bag”. The league does not provide this and has not for quite some time.
Passed
3. Section 7, Line 6-7 remove “and the visiting team will provide the scoreboard operator.” The scoreboards do not work at the fields and have not for quite some time.
Passed
4. Section 7, Line 52 remove) Concession stand manager who notifies the team mothers involved.” Team mom’s do not handle any concession stand work unless they choose to so this line is unnecessary.
Passed
5. Section 9, Line 72-73 remove “ LJGSA will pay for the first clinic a manager attends.” The league does not pay for this and has not for quite some time.
Passed
6. Section 11, Line 6-7 remove “3. After a girl leaves or transfers to another league, her uniform, if paid for by a sponsor, should be turned in to the manager for other players coming to that team.” Players do not return their uniforms. Their uniform cost is covered by their registration fee, and it is theirs to keep as long as their registration is paid.
Passed
7. Section 1, Line 16 remove “As of 2017, the current fee is \$400 per season” Change to “Fees are seasonal”. There is no need to list previous years fee amount. Just that it is a seasonal fee.
Passed

Clerical Edits

1. No information within bylaws will be changed from this, only labels and structure made more efficient. Adjust all By-Laws to be structured as follows:
Section (Number)- Title
Sub-Section (Number)-Title
 1.
 - a.
 - i.
Passed
2. Section 5, Line 11-26 Fix punctuation and grammatical errors and add information to further explain current bylaw. Also, in place of where it says, “League Vice President” it will read “age division coordinator”. The “-age- division coordinator” position used to be called “League Vice President for -age group-” The clerical edits will look like this (Any other By-Laws passed that change or further effect this section will be either included or in place of this section with the same type of structure. If no other By-Laws are passed in regard to this section, then the section will look as it does below):
 2. A post season selection meeting will be set by each age division coordinator and held as soon as possible after the final regular season game is played. This meeting will be attended by one

manager from each team (or their designee), the age division coordinator, and one neutral LJGSA board member. No other parties shall attend this meeting (including children).

3. During the post season team selection meeting, all managers (or their designees) will discuss and nominate up to twelve girls that they have selected for the first post season team. The age division coordinator will end the discussion period at his/her discretion after sufficient discussion has occurred. Consideration for additional teams (based on league size) should be included in the discussion. This should not affect the way a coach votes for the first team girls. The most qualified players should be nominated for each team. A player can be nominated by their own team's manager or any attending manager or attending designee.
4. After the discussion period has ended, each manager, or designee, will pick the ten most qualified girls from the nominated list for the post season team via secret ballot. The secret ballots will then be submitted to the age division coordinator that is overseeing the vote. The following criteria should be used to determine the selections:

Passed

3. Section 5, Line 38-64: Restructure to look like this, no information has been removed or changed or added within this section just organized. (Any other By-Laws passed that change or further effect this section will be either included or in place of this section with the same type of structure. If no other By-Laws are passed in regard to this section, then the section will look as it does below) :>>

7. First Team Roster Formation
 - a. After the nominations have been made then the ACE Certified coach that is selected for the post season team will take the top eight players with the most votes.
 - b. The coach can then pick the remainder of the team from the rest of the nominations to complete the roster up to fourteen.
 - c. After the first team is selected then all players except the ones chosen for the first team are put back into the selection process starting over with no votes.
 - d. In the event of multiple teams, confirmation of each girl's availability should be completed within 24 hours to allow the additional team's manager to begin contacting players. If a player selected cannot commit to the post season play, then the coach can select from the girls on the second team if one has formed.
 - e. Any player that has turned down the first team cannot play on any other team.
8. Second Team Roster Formation
 - a. In the event there is a second team, the coaches will then nominate up to twelve more players for the that team.
 - b. After the nominations have been made then the ACE Certified coach that is selected for the second post season team will take the top eight players with the most votes. The coach can then pick the remainder of the team from the rest of the nominations to complete the roster up to fourteen.
 - c. The second team can not notify any players until the first team has notified their players. If a player cannot play on the second team for any reason, then the coach can select a player from the third team. If a third team does not make, then the coach can select from any of remaining league players.
 - d. Any player that has turned down the first team cannot play on any other team.
9. Third Team Roster Formation
 - a. If there are enough teams in the league for a third team then the coaches will nominate or recommend players for the third from the remaining league players.
 - b. The ACE Certified coach will then pick his players from that list.
 - c. The third team can not notify any players until the first and second teams have notified their players to complete their rosters.
 - d. Any player that has turned down the first or second team is not eligible for the third team.
10. The post season selection is complete.

Passed

4. Section 1, Line 6-10: Move to Section 2, line 2

Passed

5. Change the use of the verbiage of “League VP”, where it is meant as the different age division coordinator, to “-Age- Division Coordinator”

Passed

6. Section 3, Line 20-24: Edit and split into Spring and Fall sub-sections to look like >>>

Tee-Ball League

1.Spring

- a. All players who are 3 years old on January 1st of the current year will have the choice of playing Tee-Ball
- b. Players will be assigned to a team at random, with the intention of keeping the teams' number of players as even as possible. The registrar will attempt to honor player's team and/or coach request, but request is not guaranteed.
- c. This league is instructional: no scores or records will be kept, and no umpires will be used.
- d. Tee-Ball teams will be offered one (1) practice day a week. Request for specific practice day/times will attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.

2.Fall

- a. Generally, LJGSA does not offer Tee-Ball in Fall. If there are enough interested players then the board may approve, by majority vote, a Fall season for T-Ball.
- b. All players who are 3 years old on January 1st of the current year will have the choice of playing Tee-Ball
- c. Players will be assigned to a team at random, with the intention of keeping the teams' number of players as even as possible. The registrar will attempt to honor player's team and/or coach request, but request is not guaranteed.
- d. This league is instructional: no scores or records will be kept, and no umpires will be used.
- e. Tee-Ball teams will be offered one (1) practice day a week. Request for specific practice day/times will attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.

Passed

7. Separate each age division into sub-sections labeled as Spring and Fall to help further explain rules. The Spring section will read the same as the current By-Laws with only adjustments made to the structure (listing numbers). Any other By-Laws passed that change or further effect the Spring season will be either included or in place of the Spring section seen below. If no other By-Laws are passed in regard to Spring season, then the Spring section will look as it does below. Currently there is no information on Fall season for any age division. There is a standard as to how the Fall season has been conducted. The way the Fall season has been handled in the past is how this section will read. Any other By-Laws passed that change or further effect the Fall season will be either included or in place of the Fall section. If no other By-Laws are passed in regard to Fall season, then the Fall section will look as it does below. Each section will look as follows:

All Age Divisions Except Tee-Ball

1.Spring

a. Player Evaluations (Try-outs)

- i. All players will be notified of their try outs day(s). Attending try-outs is optional. However, any player who chooses not to participate in the try-outs, will be placed in a pool and will be assigned a team via random draw at the end of the draft. (See Draft Process for more information)
- ii. Each approved coach will be allowed to come evaluate the players on their own or send a representative in their place with a maximum of 2 representatives from each team.

b. Pitchers Draft (10U) and up only.

- i. In an attempt to make all leagues more competitive LJGSA will attempt to place at least one pitcher on each team for 10u and up. A “pitchers” draft will be held prior to the normal draft and any girl who tried out as a pitcher will be eligible for this draft. If a team already has a pitcher on their roster they will pass on this

draft. Once each team has had the opportunity to draft a pitcher, the teams will start over with the normal draft process. Only girls who tried out as a pitcher during try outs will be eligible for this draft. Teams shall draw from a hat for their draft order and the draft choice will then be placed in the last available draft position.

- ii. If for any reason the player selected in the Pitchers draft is no longer on the original team they were drafted to by way of the supplemental pitchers draft, the team that loses that play may participate in the supplemental pitchers draft for the same age group again with the only provision being that the returning team automatically draft in the last position in the pitchers draft. If two (or more) returning teams are both able to participate in the supplemental pitcher's draft, then they will also draw from a hat to determine the order of draft.

c. Draft Process- The regular season draft will be run by the respective age division coordinator (or designee) and will be attended by one neutral (no daughters involved in that age division) LJGSA board member.

- i. The first round will proceed with new teams drafting first, and established teams (being those in the same league with at least four returning players) with less than eight (8) players returning, will draft in order of smallest roster to largest roster size. New teams and all ties by established teams will determine draft order by a "draw/coin flip."
- ii. After the first round all teams with four (4) or more players will drop out of each round until all rosters contain at least the same number of players as any established team in that round.
- iii. The second round will precede the same as the first round except that daughter of the manager will be automatically placed in this roster spot in place of a draft choice. Also, the draft order will be the reverse order of the first round.
- iv. The third round will precede the same as the previous round except that the assistant coach's option players will be automatically placed in this roster spot in place of a draft choice. Also, the draft order will be the reverse order of the second round.
- v. The fourth round will precede the same as the previous round except that the draft order will be the reverse order of the third round.
- vi. The fifth round will precede the same as the fourth round except that the second assistant coach's option players will be automatically placed in this roster spot in place of a draft choice. If a manager has elected not to fill this position with a coach's option then they will be able to draft a player in reverse order of the fourth round.
- vii. The sixth round will proceed with the established teams joining the draft in order of smallest roster to teams with largest roster. Established teams will join the draft at their first open draft position and remain in this order for the remainder of the draft. Also, the draft order will be the reverse order of the fourth round.
- viii. The seventh round will be the same as the sixth round, and the draft will continue in this manner, reversing draft order each round, until all players have been drafted.
- ix. Players from the pool will be added to rosters in draft order via a "Blind Draw" until rosters are full.

d. If a team must be dropped for any reason, the low roster team will be dropped. If there are two or more teams with the same number of players, the manager with the least seniority in that league will be dropped.

e. If the coach has more than one (1) daughter those additional daughters will be automatically placed in the last draft position.

f. Sister option players go to the next available position.

g. Any league with too few players to have two (2) or less teams will redraft all players each year.

h. No coach's gentlemen's agreements or parent/player requests will be proposed or honored during any draft.

- i. Any player selected in the “supplemental pitchers draft” will automatically placed in the last available draft position.
- j. Once you attend tryouts, you cannot be placed in the blind draw.
- k. If a parent wants to put a refusal in to play with a coach, the refusal must be in writing, not via email and the player must go into blind draft.
- l. After a player has been drafted or randomly selected to a team, she must remain on that team for that season.

2. Fall

- a. The registrar will make every attempt to make each team's number of players as even as possible.
- b. The registrar will assign returning players to their previous team, unless the player's parent requested otherwise. New players will be assigned to a team at random.
- c. When registering for Fall season players may request specific coach/teammates. Request will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.
- d. When registering as a coach for Fall season, coaches may request specific players. Request will be attempted to be honored but are not guaranteed.
- e. If two coaches request the same player, the parents of the player will be contacted and asked to choose which team they would like to be on.
- f. If a coach requests a player whose parents requested a different team, the parents of the player will be contacted and asked to choose which team they would like to be on.

Passed

- 8. Change Section 5, Line 1 to read: Section 5- Post Season Teams (All Stars)

Passed

- 9. Replace all references of “ASA” to “USA Softball”

Passed

- 10. Move Section 12 – Tournament Trophies to Section 8 – Tournaments

Passed

- 11. Section 7 Pixie Leagues Only need to update link to rules

https://cdn1.sportngin.com/attachments/document/ebc8-2216946/State_Pixie_Rules.doc#_ga=2.40447594.974026082.1635905474-1435763073.1635905473

Passed

- 12. Update “Table of Key Rules Variations”

- a. Move this table to end of bylaws
- b. Change title to “Table of Key Rules”
- c. Change “note” from ASA to USA
- d. Pixie II ball size to 11-inch, removing “safety”
- e. Change 14U thru 18U pitching distance from 40’ to 43’
- f. Change Pixie II game time note from “2” to “3”
- g. Change Note 1 to “new” age requirement

Passed

- 13. UPDATE SECTION 1 ROW 2 “THE RECREATIONAL LEAGUE WILL CONSIST OF T-BALL THROUGH 14 AND UNDER” to “The recreational league will consist of T-Ball through 18 and Under”

Passed

- 14. Section 4 No. 3 – move to Section 8 – Tournaments

Passed

Misc.

- 1. Update entire Job Duties section to mirror current board positions and their duties.

Passed

Proposed Bylaw changes (November 2022)

- I. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
Parents must buy out or sell amount required each season for fundraising or will not be able to register for the following season/ until paid. **PASSED**
- II. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
No board member shall be paid for working concession stand shifts. **PASSED**
- Buyout option for “required” shift work for concession.
- Voucher option?
- III. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
Add checklists to articulate the duties, and add resource expectations for duties of board members
- Be clear on what needs to be done per board position, maybe not an added bylaw
- IV. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
A \$300 check, post-dated for the end of the season, shall be given to the Equipment Manager and returned to the coach upon return of the equipment. **PASSED**
- V. What is the bylaw currently?**
A \$75 check, post-dated for the end of the season, shall be given to the Equipment Manager and returned to the coach upon return of the equipment.
- VI. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
If you request a refund, there is a \$30 charge taken from your refund amount. **PASSED**
- When late registration ends and fully closes, a fee for refund gets applied.
- VII. What is the bylaw currently?**
Doesn't specify.
- VIII. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
Any contractors hired and their employees to conduct work during playing time must pass USA softball background checks **NOT PASS**
- IX. What is the bylaw currently?**
None
- X. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
Multiple
- Putting something in place on Job Duties
- XI. What is the bylaw currently?**
Cash handling policies. Quorum requirements.
- XII. What is your proposed bylaw change?**
Upon registering a player if player decides to quit and parent submits a refund there should be a nonrefundable fee for processing refund and or cancelling players registration.
- Combine with VI.
- XIII. What is the bylaw currently?**

There isn't one

XIV. What is your proposed bylaw change?

No LJGSA board members personal business can profit from LJGSA. We join the board to volunteer help for the youth, not prosper. **PASSED**

XV. What is the bylaw currently?

Not specified.

XVI. What is your proposed bylaw change?

Any rule or bylaw not specifically stated in LJGSA bylaws shall be governed by USA Softball Bylaws **N/A**

XVII. What is the bylaw currently?

idk, prob executive decision or asking Ed, which isn't reliable.

XVIII. What is your proposed bylaw change?

Spring and fall uniforms can have up to 3 color logos. **PASSED**

XIX. What is the bylaw currently?

Doesn't specify

XX. What is your proposed bylaw change?

That coaches can NOT host tryouts for a fall league team. **PASSED**

XXI. What is the bylaw currently?

There is not one pertaining to that.

XXII. What is your proposed bylaw change?

That if there is a tie for standings, the tie breaker should be 1. Head-to-head record 2. Record versus the highest-ranking opponent 3. Record of runs scored vs runs allowed **PASSED**

XXIII. What is the bylaw currently?

In case of ties the tiebreakers will be in order(1)head-to-head record,(2) record vs highest ranking opponent, (3) coin flip.

XXIV. What is your proposed bylaw change?

Draft 6u by name **NOT PASS**

XXV. What is the bylaw currently?

There's a blind draw for 6u.

XXVI. What is your proposed bylaw change?

That board members have to have a child playing in league ball. No select. **NOT PASS**

XXVII. What is the bylaw currently?

Doesn't specify