

## **BYLAWS OF ECYB**

### **A CALIFORNIA NONPROFIT PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION**

#### **1. NAME**

The name of this corporation is ECYB.

#### **2. OFFICES OF THE CORPORATION**

- a) Principal Office. The principal office for the transaction of the activities and affairs of the corporation (the "principal office") is located at 605 Balra Drive, in El Cerrito, Contra Costa County, California 94530. The board of directors (the "board") may change the principal office from one location to another. Any change of location of the principal office shall be noted by the secretary on these bylaws opposite this Section, or this Section may be amended to state the new location.
- b) Other Offices. The board may at any time establish branch or subordinate offices at any place or places where the corporation is qualified to conduct its activities.

#### **3. PURPOSES AND LIMITATIONS**

- a) General Purposes. This corporation is a nonprofit public benefit corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the nonprofit public benefit corporation law for charitable and public purposes.
- b) Specific Purposes. Within the context of the general purposes stated above, this corporation shall
  - i. provide an organized baseball program for the youth of the City of El Cerrito and the surrounding communities, which provides instruction of baseball skills, fair play, sportsmanship, self-discipline, positive reinforcement, and responsibility;
  - ii. to own and maintain or to lease suitable real estate and buildings, and any personal property which is deemed necessary for its purposes, and
  - iii. to the extent deemed necessary to carry out such purposes, to make, enter into, obligate itself to, and perform and carry out contracts, agreement and other obligations of every kind for any lawful purpose, with limitation as to amount.
- c) Limitations.
  - i. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for charitable and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. Notwithstanding any other provision of these bylaws, this corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise of any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this corporation, and the corporation shall no carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

- ii. No substantial part of the activities of this corporation shall consist of lobbying or propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, except as provided in Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and this corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including publishing or distributing statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office except as provided in Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

#### 4. MEMBERS

##### a) Qualifications and Rights of Membership.

- i. Classes and Qualifications. This corporation shall have one class of members. Any person dedicated to the purposes of this corporation and who is a parent, guardian or other legal representative ("Parent") of a youth who is eligible and is participating in the baseball program provided by this corporation shall be eligible for membership on approval of the membership registration application by the board and on timely payment of such dues and fees as the board may fix from time to time. Each Parent member shall be entitled to one (1) vote per family, which for purposes of these bylaws shall mean that for each youth and his or her sibling(s) whose principal residence is the same there shall be one (1) vote by such participant(s) member Parent. Each member registration application of a participant shall clearly designate who such member Parent is. If such member has not so notified the board, and there is more than one Parent casting a vote for the same youth participant and/or his or her sibling(s) then the following shall apply:
  - a) The persons casting a vote on behalf of a member may designate a voting representative.
  - b) If such persons do not so designate and more than one (1) person is present at a meeting to cast a vote on behalf of such Parent member, one (1) of them may cast the vote for their membership; provided, however, that no vote may be cast if any of the other co-owners of such membership object to the casting of such vote.
  - c) Where there is more than one person of a member and only one (1) such person is present at the member meeting, the person present must cast the membership Parent's vote, just as though he or she held the Membership individually, without establishing the concurrence of such person's membership.
- ii. Voting Members. All members shall have the right to vote, as set forth in these bylaws, on the election of directors, on the disposition of all or substantially all of the corporation's assets or any merger and its principal terms and any amendment of those terms, and on any election to dissolve the corporation. In addition, those members shall have all rights afforded members under the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law.
- iii. Other Persons Associated With the Corporation. The corporation may refer to persons or entities associated with it as "inactive members," even though those persons or entities are not voting members as set forth in Section 4(a)(i) of these bylaws. References in these bylaws to members shall mean members as defined in Section 5056 of the California Corporations Code unless that person or entity shall have qualified for a voting membership under Section 4(a)(1) of these bylaws. By amendment of its articles of incorporation or of these bylaws, the corporation may grant some or all the

rights of a member of any class, as set forth in these bylaws, to any person or entity that does not have the right to vote on any of the matters specified in Section 4(a)(i) of these bylaws, but no such person or entity shall be a member within the meaning of Section 5056 of the California Corporations Code.

- b) Dues, Fees, and Assessments. Each member must pay, within the time and on the conditions set by the board, the dues, fees, and assessments in amounts to be fixed from time to time by the board. The dues, fees, and assessments shall be equal for all members; provided however, the board may, at its discretion, set different dues, fees, and assessments for each member on the basis of number of participants from each member family, residing requirements, late payments and hardships; as an example, for purposes of youth registration in the baseball program of this corporation, each youth of a Parent member shall be subject to the registration fees duly called for by the board of directors and residents of the City of El Cerrito shall be subject to a lower fee.
  - i. Hardships. Notwithstanding the foregoing dues and assessment requirements, a member who is otherwise in good standing with this corporation, but is unable to pay any or all of the duly called for fees and assessments, may request a reduction or elimination of such fees and assessment based upon reasonably determined requirements, including, without limitation, the request that such member contribute time and participation in the baseball program, without losing the rights and privileges of membership duly granted hereunder.
- c) Good Standing. Those members who have paid the required dues, fees, and assessments in accordance with these bylaws (except as otherwise provided herein) and who are not suspended shall be members in good standing.
- d) Termination and Suspension of Membership
  - i. Causes of Termination. A membership shall terminate on occurrence of any of the following events:
    - a) Resignation of the member, on reasonable notice to the corporation;
    - b) Expiration of the period of membership, unless the membership is renewed on the renewal terms fixed by the board;
    - c) Failure of the member to pay dues, fees, or assessments as set forth by the board within the time period designated in the annual registration packet, delivered to every member after they become due and payable;
    - d) Occurrence of any event that renders the member ineligible for membership, or failure to satisfy membership qualifications; or
    - e) Suspension or expulsion of the member under Section 4(d)(ii) of these bylaws.

- ii. Suspension/Expulsion of Membership. A member may be suspended or expelled, under Section 4(d)(iii) of these bylaws, based on the good faith determination by the board, or a committee or person authorized by the board to make such a determination, that the member (or the youth(s) of such member participating in the baseball program) has failed in a material and serious degree to observe the corporation's rule of conduct, or has engaged in conduct materially and seriously prejudicial to the purposes and interests of the corporation.

A person whose membership is suspended shall not be a member during the period of suspension, and a person who has been expelled shall have his/her membership terminated.

- iii. Procedure for Expulsion or Suspension. If grounds appear to exist for expulsion or suspension of a member under Sections 4(d)(i) of these bylaws, the procedure set forth below shall be followed:
  - a) The member shall be given fifteen (15) days' prior notice of the proposed expulsion or suspension and the reasons for the proposed expulsion or suspension. Notice shall be given by any method reasonably calculated to provide actual notice. Any notice given by mail shall be sent by first-class or registered mail to the member's last address as shown on the corporation's records.
  - b) The member shall be given an opportunity to be heard, either orally or in writing, at least five (5) days before the effective date of the proposed expulsion or suspension. The hearing shall be held, or the written statement considered, by the board or by a committee or person authorized by the board to determine whether the expulsion or suspension should take place.
  - c) The board, committee, or person shall decide whether or not the member should be suspended, expelled, or sanctioned in some other way. The decision of the board, committee, or person shall be final.
  - d) Any action challenging an expulsion, suspension, or termination of membership, including a claim alleging defective notice, must be commenced within one (1) year after the date of the expulsion, suspension, or termination.
- e) Transfer of Memberships. No membership or right arising from membership shall be transferred. Subject to Section 4(h) (4) of these bylaws, all membership rights cease on the member's death or dissolution; provided, however, that a legal representative replacement of such member within fifteen (15) days following the occurrence of such event. The board may by resolution impose transfer fees or other conditions on the transferring party as it deems fit, provided these fees and coordination are the same for similarly situated members.
- f) Meetings of Members.
  - i. Place of Meeting. Meetings of the members shall be held at any place or outside California designated by the board or by the written consent of all members entitled to vote at the meeting, given before or after the meeting. In the absence of any such designation, members' meetings shall be held at the corporation's principal office.

- ii. Annual Meeting. An annual meeting of members shall be held on the first Wednesday of October of each year at 7:30 p.m., unless the board fixes another date or time or so notifies members as provided in Section 4(f)(iv) of these bylaws. If the scheduled date falls on a legal holiday, the meeting shall be held the next full business day. At this meeting, directors shall be elected and any other proper business may be transacted, subject to Section 5(f)(iv) of these bylaws.
- iii. Special Meetings.
  - a) Persons Authorized To Call. A special meeting of the members for any lawful purpose may be called at any time by the board or the chairman of the board, if any, or by the president, or by five percent (5%) or more of the members.
  - b) Calling Meetings. A special meeting called by any person (other than the board) entitled to call a meeting shall be called by written request, specifying the general nature of the business proposed to be transacted, and submitted to the chairman of the board, if any, or the president or any vice president or the secretary of the corporation. The officer receiving the request shall cause notice to be given promptly to the member entitled to vote, in accordance with Section 4(f)(iv) of these bylaws, stating that meeting will be held at a specified time and date fixed by the board, provided, however, that the meeting date shall be at least thirty-five (35) but not more than ninety (90) days after the request is received, the person or persons requesting the meeting may give the notice. If the notice is not given within twenty (20) days after the request is received, the person or persons requesting the meeting may give the notice. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as limiting, fixing, or affecting the time at which a meeting of members may be held when the meeting is called by the board.
  - c) Proper Business of Special Meeting. No business, other than the business the general nature of which was set forth in the notice of the meeting, may be transacted at a special meeting.
- iv. Notice Requirements for Members' Meetings.
  - a) General Notice Requirements. Whenever members are required or permitted to take any action at a meeting, a written notice of the meeting shall be given, in accordance with Section 4(f)(iv) of these bylaws, to each member entitled to vote at that meeting. The notice shall specify the place, date, and hour of the meeting and (1) for a special meeting, the general nature of the business to be transacted, and no other business may be transacted, or (2) for the annual meeting, those matters that the board, at the time notice is given, intends to present for action by the members, but except as provided in Section 4(f)(v) of these bylaws, any proper matter may be presented at the meeting. The notice of any meeting at which directors are to be elected shall include the names of all persons who are nominees when notice is given.
  - b) Notice of Certain Agenda Items. Approval by the members of any of the following proposals, other than by unanimous approval by those entitled to vote, is valid only if the notice or written waiver of notice states the general nature of the proposal or proposals: (1) Removing a director without cause; (2) Filling vacancies on the board;

(3) Amending the articles of incorporation; or (4) Electing to wind up and dissolve the corporation.

- c) Manner of Giving Notice. Notice of any meeting of members shall be in writing and shall be given at least ten (10) but no more than ninety (90) days before the meeting date. The notice shall be given either personally or by first-class, registered, or certified mail, or by other means of written communication, charges prepaid, and shall be addressed to each member entitled to vote, at the address of that member appearing on the books of the corporation or at the address given by the member to the corporation for purposes of notice. If no address appears on the corporation's books and no address has been so given, notice shall be deemed to have been given if either (1) 'notice is sent to that member by first-class mail or telegraphic or other written communication to the corporation's principal office or (2) notice is published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in which the principal office is located.
- d) Affidavit of Mailing Notice. An affidavit of the mailing of any notice of any members' meeting, or for the giving of such notice by other means, may be executed by the secretary, assistant secretary, or any transfer agent of the corporation, and if so executed, shall be filed and maintained in the corporation's minute book

v. Quorum.

- a) Percentage Required. Twenty percent (20%) of the voting power shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of members provided, however, that if any regular or annual meeting is actually attended in person or by proxy by less than one third of the voting power, the only matters that may be voted on are those of which notice of their general nature was given under the first and second sentences of Section 4(f)(iv)(1) of these bylaws.
  - b) Loss of Quorum. Subject to Section 4(f)(v)(1) of these bylaws, the members present at a duly called or held meeting at which a quorum is present may continue to transact business until adjournment, even if enough members have withdrawn to leave less than a quorum, if any action taken (other than adjournment) is approved by at least a majority of the members required to constitute a quorum.
- vi. Adjournment and Notice of Adjourned Meetings. Any members' meeting, whether or not a quorum is present, may be adjourned from time to time by the vote of the majority of the members represented at the meeting, either in person or *by* proxy. No meeting shall be adjourned for more than forty-five (45) days. When a members' meeting is adjourned to another time or place, notice need not be given of the adjourned meeting if the time and place to which the meeting is adjourned are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken. If after adjournment a new record date is fixed for notice or voting, a notice of the adjourned meeting shall be given to each member who, on the record date for notice of the meeting, is entitled to vote at the meeting. At the adjourned meeting, the corporation may transact any business that might have been transacted at the original meeting.

vii. Voting.

- a) Eligibility to Vote. Subject to the provisions of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law, members entitled to vote at any meeting of members shall be members in good standing as of the record date determined under Section 4(h)(i)(iii) of these bylaws.
- b) Manner of Casting Votes. Voting may be by voice or ballot, except that any election of directors must be by ballot if demanded by any member at the meeting before the voting begins.
- c) Voting. Each member entitled to vote shall be entitled to cast one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members.
- d) Approval by Majority Vote. If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power represented at the meeting, entitled to vote and voting on any matter, shall be the act of the members, unless the vote of a greater number, or voting by classes, is required by the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law or by the articles of incorporation.

viii. Waiver of Notice or Consent By Absent Members.

- a) Written Waiver or Consent. The transactions of any meeting of members, however called or noticed and wherever held, shall be as valid as though taken at a meeting duly held after regular call and notice, if (1) a quorum is present either in person or by proxy, and (2) either before or after the meeting, each member entitled to vote, not present in person or by proxy, signs a written waiver of notice, a consent to the holding of the meeting, or an approval of the minutes of the meeting. The waiver of notice, consent or approval need not specify either the business to be transacted or the purpose of any meeting of members, except that if action is taken or proposed to be taken for approval of any of those matters specified in Section 4(f)(iv)(2) the waiver of notice, consent or approval shall state the general nature of the proposal. All such waivers, consents, or approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meeting.
  - b) Waiver by Attendance. A member's attendance at a meeting shall also constitute a waiver of notice of and presence at that meeting, unless the member objects at the beginning of the meeting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not a waiver of any right to object to the consideration of matters required to be included in the notice of the meeting but not so included, if that objection is expressly made at the meeting.
- g) Action Without a Meeting.
- i. Action by Unanimous Written Consent. Any action required or permitted to be taken by the members may be taken without a meeting, if all members consent in writing to the action. The written consent or consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the members. The action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as the unanimous vote of the members.

- ii. Action by Written Ballot Without a Meeting. Any action that may be taken at any meeting of members may be taken without a meeting by complying with Sections 4(g)(ii)(1-4) of these bylaws.
  - a) Solicitation of Written Ballots. The corporation shall distribute one written ballot to each member entitled to vote on the matter. Such ballots shall be mailed or delivered in' the manner required by Section 4(f)(iv)(3) of these bylaws. All solicitations of votes by written ballot shall (1) indicate the number of responses needed to meet the quorum requirement; (2) with respect to ballot other than for election of directors, state the percentage of approvals necessary to pass the measure or measures; and (3) specify the time by which the ballot must be received in order to be counted. Each ballot so distributed shall (1) set forth the proposed action; (2) provide the members an opportunity to specify approval or disapproval of each proposal; and (3) provide a reasonable time within which to return the ballot to the corporation. If the corporation has one hundred (100) or more members, any written ballot distributed to ten (10) or more members shall provide, subject to reasonable specified conditions, that if the person solicited specifies a choice with respect to any such matter, the vote shall be cast in accordance with that specification. In any election of directors, a written ballot that a member marks "withhold," or otherwise marks in a manner indicating that authority to vote is withheld, shall not be voted either for or against the election of a director.
  - b) Number of Votes and Approvals Required. Approval by written ballot shall be valid only when (1) the number of votes cast by ballot (including those ballots that are marked "withhold" or otherwise indicate that authority to vote is withheld) within the time specified equals or exceeds the quorum required to be present at a meeting authorizing the action, and (2) the number of approvals equals or exceeds the number of votes that would be required for approval at a meeting at which the total number of votes cast was the same as the number of votes cast by written ballot without a meeting.
  - c) Revocation. A written ballot may not be revoked.
  - d) Filing. All written ballots shall be filed with the secretary of the corporation and maintained in the Corporate records for at least three (3) years.
- h) Record Date for Notice, Voting, Written Ballots and Other Actions
  - i. Record Date Determined by Board. For purposes of determining the members entitled to notice of any meeting, entitled to vote at any meeting, entitled to vote by written ballot, or entitled to exercise any rights with respect to any lawful action, the board may, in advance, fix a record date. The record date so fixed (a) for notice of a meeting shall not be more than ninety (90) nor less than ten (10) days before the date of the meeting; (b) for voting at a meeting shall not be more than sixty (60) days before the day on which the first written ballot is mailed or solicited; and (c) for voting by written ballot shall not be more than sixty (60) days before the day on which the first written ballot is mailed or solicited; and (d) for any other action shall not be more than sixty (60) days before that action.

ii. Record Date Not Determined By Board.

- a) Record Date for Notice or Voting. If not otherwise fixed by the board, the record date for determining members entitled (a) to receive notice of a meeting of members shall be the next business day preceding the day on which notice is given or, if notice is waived, the next business day preceding the day on which the meeting is held, and (b) to vote at the meeting shall be the day on which the meeting is held.
- b) Record Date For Action by Written Ballot. If not otherwise fixed by the board, the record date for determining those members entitled to vote by written ballot shall be the day on which the first written ballot is mailed or solicited.
- c) Record Date for Other Actions. If not otherwise fixed by the board, the record date for determining members entitled to exercise any rights with respect to any other lawful action shall be the date on which the board adopts the resolution relating to that action, or the sixtieth (60th) day before the date of that action, whichever is later.

iii. Members Of Record. For purposes of Section 4. (h) (i) - (ii) of these bylaws, a person holding a membership at the close of business on the record date shall be a member of record.

iv. Proxies

- a) Right of Members. Each member entitled to vote shall have the right to do so either in person or by one or more agents authorized by a written proxy, signed by the person and filed with the secretary of the corporation. A proxy shall be deemed signed if the member's name is placed on the proxy (whether by manual signature, typewriting, telegraphic transmission, or otherwise) by the member or the member's attorney-in-fact.
- b) Form of Solicited Proxies. If the corporation has one hundred (100) or more members, any form of proxy distributed to ten (10) or more members shall afford an opportunity on the proxy to specify a choice between approval and disapproval of each matter or group of related matters and shall provide, subject to reasonable specified conditions, that when the person solicited specifies a choice with respect to any such matter, the vote shall be cast in accordance with that specification. In any election of directors, any form of proxy that a member marks "withhold," or otherwise marks in a manner indicating that authority to vote for the election of directors is withheld, shall not be voted either for or against the election of a director.
- c) Requirement That General Nature of Subject of Proxy Be Stated. Any proxy covering matters for which a vote of the members is required, including amendments of the articles of incorporation or bylaws changing proxy rights; certain other amendments of the articles of incorporation; removal of directors without cause; filling vacancies on the board of directors; the sale, lease, exchange, conveyance, transfer, or other disposition of all or substantially all of the corporate assets, unless the transaction is in the usual and regular course of the corporation's activities; the principal terms of a merger or the amendment of a merger agreement; or the election

to dissolve the corporation, shall not be valid unless the proxy sets forth the general nature of the matter to be voted on or, with respect to an election of directors, the proxy lists those who have been nominated at the time the notice of the vote is given to the members.

- d) Revocability. A validly executed proxy shall continue in full force and effect until (a) revoked by the member executing it, before the vote is cast under that proxy, (i) by a writing delivered to the corporation stating that the proxy is revoked, or (ii) by a subsequent proxy executed by that member and presented to the meeting, or (iii) as to any meeting, by that member's personal attendance and voting at the meeting; or (b) written notice of the death or incapacity of the maker of the proxy is received by the corporation before the vote under that proxy is counted, provided, however, that no proxy shall be valid after the expiration of eleven (11) months from the date of the proxy, unless otherwise provided in the proxy, except that the maximum term of a proxy shall be three years from the date of execution. A proxy may not be irrevocable.
- i) Election of Directors.
- i. Nominations by Committee. The chairman of the board, or the president if there is no chairman, shall appoint a committee to select qualified candidates for election to the board at least one hundred twenty (120) days before the date of any election of directors. This nominating committee shall make its report at least ninety (90) days before the date of the election, or at such other time as the board of directors may set, and the secretary shall forward to each member, with the notice of meeting required by these bylaws, a list of all candidates nominated by committee under this section.
- ii. Nominations by Members (Corporations With 500 to 4999 Members). If the corporation has five hundred (500) or more, but fewer than five thousand (5000) members, members representing two percent (2%) of the voting power may nominate candidates for directors by a petition, signed by those members within eleven (11) months preceding the next time directors are to be elected, and delivered to an officer of the corporation. On timely receipt of a petition signed by the required number of members, the secretary shall cause the names of the candidates named on it to be placed on the ballot along with the names of those candidates named by the nominating committee.
- iii. Nominations From the Floor. If there is a meeting of members to elect directors, any member present at the meeting in person or by proxy may place names in nomination.
- iv. Solicitation of Votes. The board shall formulate procedures that allow a reasonable opportunity for a nominee to communicate to members the nominee's qualifications and the reasons for the nominee's candidacy, a reasonable opportunity for the nominee to solicit votes, and a reasonable opportunity for all members to choose among the nominees.
- v. Use of Corporate Funds To Support Nominee. Without board authorization, no corporate funds may be expended to support a nominee for director after more people have been nominated for director than can be elected.

## 5. DIRECTORS

### a) Powers

- i. General Corporate Powers. Subject to the provisions and limitations of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law and any other applicable laws, and subject to any limitations of the articles of incorporation or bylaws regarding actions that require approval of the members, the corporation's activities and affairs shall be managed, and all corporate powers shall be exercised, by or under the direction of the board. M
- ii. Specific Powers Without prejudice to the general powers set forth in Section 5 (a) (i) of these bylaws, but subject to the same limitations, the directors shall have the power to:
  - a) Appoint and remove, at the pleasure of the board, all the corporation's officers, agents, and employees; prescribe powers and duties for them that are consistent with law, with the articles of incorporation, and with these bylaws; and fix their compensation and require from them security for faithful performance of their duties.
  - b) Change the principal office or the principal business office in California from one location to another; cause the corporation to be qualified to conduct its activities in any other state, territory, dependency, or country and conduct its activities within or outside California; and designate any place within or outside California for holding any meeting of members.
  - c) Adopt and use a corporate seal; prescribe the forms of membership certificates; and alter the forms of the seal and certificates.
  - d) Borrow money and incur indebtedness on behalf of the corporation and cause to be executed and delivered for the corporation's purposes, in the corporate name, promissory notes, bonds, debentures, deeds of trust, mortgages, pledges, hypothecations, and other evidences of debt and securities.

### b) Number and Qualifications of Directors.

- i. Authorized Number and Qualification. The authorized number of directors shall be eleven (11). The qualifications for directors are that they must be members of this corporation and not inactive members.
- ii. Restriction on Interested Persons as Directors. No more than forty-nine (49) percent of the persons serving on the board may be interested persons. An interested person is (a) any person compensated by the corporation for services rendered to it within the previous twelve (12) months, whether as a full-time or part-time employee, independent contractor, or otherwise, excluding any reasonable compensation paid to a director as director; and (b) any brother, sister, ancestor, descendant, spouse, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, daughter-in-law, mother-in-law, or father-in-law of such person. However, any violation of the provisions of this paragraph shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any transaction entered into by the corporation.

- iii. Ex-Officio Members. The following ex-officio members duly appointed by the board may attend the meetings of the board but shall not be entitled to vote or be counted for quorum purposes.
    - a) Appointee of the El Cerrito Parks and Recreation Commission;
    - b) Appointee of the El Cerrito Parks and Recreation Department;
    - c) The Umpire-In-Chief (unless such person is a board director of ECYB) of ECYB;
    - d) The President of the Leagues of ECYB; Pinto, Mustang, Bronco, Pony and Colt.
  - iv. Election, Designation, and Term of Office All directors shall be elected at by written ballot, to hold office for a two (2) year term or until a successor has been designated and qualified; provided however, at the first annual election the five (5) directors receiving the most votes shall serve and hold a two (2) year term and the remaining six (6) directors shall hold a one (1) year term; and at any annual meeting they may be elected provided further, if any such directors are not elected at any special members' meeting held for that purpose or by written ballot. Each such director, including a director elected to fill a vacancy or elected at a special members' meeting or by written ballot, shall hold office until expiration of the term for which elected and until a successor has been elected and qualified.
- c) Vacancies on Board.
- i. Events Causing Vacancy. A vacancy or vacancies on the board shall exist on the occurrence of the following: (a) the death or resignation of any director; (b) the declaration by resolution of the board of a vacancy in the office of a director who has been declared of unsound mind by an order of court, convicted of a felony, or found by final order or judgment of any court to have breached a duty under Article 3 of Chapter 2 of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law; (c) the vote of the members or, if the corporation has fewer than 50 members, the vote of a majority of all members, to remove any director(s); (d) the increase of the authorized number of directors; or (e) the failure of the members, at any meeting of members at which any director or directors are to be elected, to elect the number of directors required to be elected at such meeting.
  - ii. Resignations Except as provided below, any director may resign by giving written notice to the chairman of the board, if any, or to the president or the secretary of the board. The resignation shall be effective when the notice is given unless it specifies a later time for the resignation to become effective. If a director's resignation is effective at a later time, the board may elect a successor to take office as of the date when the resignation becomes effective. Except on notice to the Attorney General of California, no director may resign if the corporation would be left without a duly elected director or directors.
  - iii. Filling Vacancies. Except for a vacancy created by the removal of a director by the members, vacancies on the board may be filled by a majority of the directors then in office, whether or not less than a quorum, or by a sole remaining director. The members may fill any vacancy or vacancies not filled by the directors.

- iv. No Vacancy on Reduction of Number of Directors. No reduction of the authorized number of directors shall have the effect of removing any director before that director's term of office expires.
- d) Directors' Meetings.
- i. Place of Meetings. Meetings of the board shall be held at any place within or outside California that has been designated by resolution of the board or in the notice of the meeting or, if not designated, at the principal office of the corporation.
  - ii. Meetings by Telephone. Any meeting may be held by conference telephone or similar communication equipment, as long as all directors participating in the meeting can hear one another. All such directors shall be deemed to be present in person at such a meeting.
  - iii. Annual Meeting. Immediately after each annual meeting of members, the board shall hold a regular meeting for purposes of organization, election of officers, and transaction of other business. Notice of this meeting is not required.
  - iv. Other Regular Meetings. Other regular meetings of the board may be held without notice at such time and place as the board may fix from time to time.
  - v. Special Meetings.
    - a) Authority to Call. Special meetings of the board for any purpose may be called at any time by the chairman of the board, if any, the president or any vice-president, or the secretary or any two directors.
    - b) Notice.
      - (1) Notice of the time and place of special meetings shall be given to each director by one of the following methods: (a) by personal delivery of written notice; (b) by first-class mail, postage prepaid; (c) by telephone, either directly to the director or to a person at the director's office who would reasonably be expected to communicate that notice promptly to the director; or (d) by telegram charges prepaid. All such notices shall be given or sent to the director's address or telephone number as shown on the records of the corporation.
      - (2) Time Requirements. Notices sent by first-class mail shall be deposited in the United States mails at least four (4) days before the time set for the meeting. Notices given by personal delivery, telephone, or telegraph shall be delivered, telephoned, or given to the telegraph company at least forty-eight (48) hours before the time set for the meeting.
      - (3) Notice Contents. The notice shall state the time of the meeting, and the place if the place is other than the principal office of the corporation. It need not specify the purpose of the meeting.

- vi. Quorum. A majority of the authorized number of directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, except to adjourn. Every action taken or decision made by a majority of the directors present at a duly held meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the board, subject to the more stringent provisions of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law, including, without limitation, those provisions relating to (a) approval of contracts or transactions in which a director has a direct or indirect material financial interest, (b) approval of certain transactions between corporation having common directorships, (c) creation of and appointments to committees of the board, and (d) indemnification of directors. A meeting at which a quorum is initially present may continue to transact business, despite the withdrawal of directors, if any action taken or decision made is approved by at least a majority of the required quorum for that meeting.
- vii. Waiver of Notice. Notice of a meeting need not be given to any director who, either before or after the meeting, signs a waiver of notice, a written consent to the holding of the meeting, or an approval of the minutes of the meeting. The waiver of notice or consent need not specify the purpose of the meeting. All such waivers, consents, and approvals shall be filed with the corporate records or made a part of the minutes of the meetings. Notice of a meeting need be given to any director who attends the meeting and does not protest, before or at the commencement of the meeting, the lack of notice to him or her.
- viii. Adjournment. A majority of the directors present, whether or not a quorum is present, may adjourn any meeting to another time and place.
- ix. Notice of Adjourned Meeting. Notice of the time and place of holding an adjourned meeting need not be given unless the original meeting is adjourned for more than twenty-four (24) hours. If the original meeting is adjourned for more than twenty-four (24) hours, notice of any adjournment to another time and place shall be given, before the time of the adjourned meeting, to the directors who were not present at the time of the adjournment.
- e) Action Without a Meeting. Any action that the board is required or permitted to take may be taken without a meeting if all members of the board consent in writing to the action; provided, however, that the consent of any director who has a material financial interest in a transaction to which the corporation is a party and who is an "interested director" as defined in Section 5233 of the California Corporations Code shall not be required for approval of that transaction. Such action by written consent shall have the same force and effect as any other validly approved action of the board. All such consents shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the board.
- f) Compensation and Reimbursement. No director shall receive compensation, if any, for their services as directors or officers except by resolution of the board and upon the occurrence of such event shall receive such compensation and such reimbursement of expenses, as the board may determine by resolution to be just and reasonable as to the corporation at the time that the resolution is adopted.

g) Committees.

i. Committees of the Board. The board, by resolution adopted by a majority of the directors then in office, provided a quorum is present, may create one or more committees, each consisting of two or more directors and no persons who are not directors, to serve at the pleasure of the board. Appointments to committees of the board shall be by majority vote of the directors then in office. The board may appoint one or more directors as alternate members of any such committee, who may replace any absent member at any meeting. Any such committee, to the extent provided in the board resolution, shall have all the authority of the board, except that no committee, regardless of board resolution, may:

- (1) Take any action on any matter that, under the California Nonprofit Public Benefit corporation Law, also requires approval of the members or approval of a majority of all members;
- (2) Fill vacancies on the board or on any committee that has the authority of the board;
- (3) Fix compensation of the directors for serving on the board or on any committee;
- (4) Amend or repeal bylaws or adopt new bylaws;
- (5) Amend or repeal any resolution of the Board that by its express terms is not so amendable or repealable;
- (6) Create any other committees of the board or appoint the members of committees of the board;
- (7) Expend corporate funds to support a nominee for director after more people have been nominated for director than can be elected;
- (8) Approve any contract or transaction to which the corporation is a party and in which one or more of its directors has a material financial interest, except as special approval is provided for in Section 5233 (d) (3) of the California Corporations Code.

ii. Meetings and Action of Committees. Meetings and actions of committees of the board shall be governed by, held, and taken in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws concerning meetings and other board actions, except that the time for regular meetings of such committees and the calling of special meetings of such committees may be determined either by board resolution or, if there is none, by resolution of the committee of the board. Minutes of each meeting of any committee of the board shall be kept and shall be filed with the corporate records. The board may adopt rules for the government of any committee, provided they are consistent with these bylaws, or in the absence of rules adopted by the board, the committee may adopt such rules.

iii. Particular Board and Advisory Committees. Such committees shall include rules committee, grievance committee, sponsor committee, uniform and trophy committee, umpires committee, finance committee, equipment committee, fundraising committee,

registration committee, and such other committees as established by resolution of the board.

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7. **OFFICERS**

- a) **Officers of the Corporation.** The officers of the corporation shall be president, a secretary, and a treasurer/chief financial officer. The corporation may also have, at the board's discretion, a chairman of the board, one or more vice presidents, one or more assistant secretaries, one or more assistant treasurers, and such other officers as may be appointed in accordance with Section 7 (c) of these bylaws. Any number of offices may be held by the same person, except that neither the secretary nor the chief financial officer may serve concurrently as either the president or the chairman of the board.
- b) **Election of Officers.** The officers of the corporation, except those appointed under section 7 (c) of these bylaws, shall be chosen annually by the board and shall serve at the pleasure of the board, subject to the rights, if any, of any officer under any contract of employment.
- c) **Other Officers.** The board may appoint and may authorize the chairman of the board, the president, or other officer, to appoint any other officers that the corporation may require. Each officer so appointed shall have the title, hold office for the period, have the authority, and perform the duties specified in the bylaws or determined by the board.
- d) **Removal of Officers.** Without prejudice to any rights of an officer under any contract of employment, any officer may be removed with or without cause by the board and also, if the officer was not chosen by the board, by any officer on whom the board may confer that power of removal.
- e) **Resignation of Officers.** Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the corporation. The resignation shall take effect as of the date the notice is received or at any later time specified in the notice and, unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation need not be accepted to be effective. Any resignation shall be without prejudice to the rights, if any, of the corporation under any contract to which the officer is a party.
- f) **Vacancies in Office.** A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or any other cause shall be filled in the manner prescribed in these bylaws for regular appointments to that office, provided, however, that vacancies need not be filled on an annual basis.
- g) **Responsibilities of Officers.**
  - i. **Chairman of the Board.** If a chairman of the board is elected, he or she shall preside at meetings of the board and shall exercise and perform such other powers and duties as the board may assign from time to time. If there is no president, the chairman of the board shall also be the chief executive officer and shall have the powers and duties of the president of the corporation prescribed by these bylaws.
  - ii. **President** Subject to such supervisory powers as the board may give to the chairman of the board, if any, and subject to the control of the board, the president shall be the general manager of the corporation and shall supervise, direct and control the

corporation's activities, affairs, and officers. The president shall preside at all members' meetings and, in the absence of the chairman of the board, or if there is none, at all board meetings. The president shall have such other powers and duties as the board or the bylaws may prescribe.

iii. Vice Presidents If the president is absent or disabled, the vice presidents, if any, in order of their rank as fixed by the board, or, if not ranked, a vice president designated by the board, shall perform all duties of the president. When so acting, a vice president shall have all powers of and be subject to all restrictions on the president. The vice presidents shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as the board or the bylaws may prescribe.

iv. Secretary.

a) Book of Minutes. The Secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, at the corporation's principal office or such other place as the board may direct, a book of minutes of all meetings, proceedings, and actions of the board, of committees of the board, and of members' meetings. The minutes of meetings shall include the time and the place that the meeting was held, whether the meeting was annual, regular, or special, and, if special, how authorized, the notice given, the names of those present at board and committee meetings, and the number of members present or represented at members meetings. The secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, at the principal office in California, a copy of the articles of incorporation and bylaws, as amended to date.

b) Membership Records. The secretary shall keep or cause to be kept, at the corporation's principal office or at a place determined by resolution of the board, a record of the corporation's members, showing each member's name, address, and class of membership.

c) Notices, Seal, and Other Duties. The secretary shall give, or cause to be given, notice of all meetings of members, of the board and of committees of the board required by these bylaws to be given. The secretary shall keep the corporate seal in safe custody and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as the board or the bylaws may prescribe.

v. Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer.

a) Books of Account. The treasurer/chief financial officer shall keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and correct books and accounts of the corporation's properties and transactions. The treasurer/chief financial officer shall send or cause to be given to the members and directors such financial statements and reports as are required to be given by law, by these bylaws, or by the board. The books of account shall be open to inspection by any director at all reasonable times.

b) Deposit and Disbursement of Money and Valuables. The treasurer/chief financial officer shall deposit, or cause to be deposited, all money and other valuables in the name and to the credit of the corporation with such depositors as the board may designate, shall disburse the corporation's funds, as the board may order, shall render to the president, chairman of the board, if any, and the board, when requested, an account of all transactions as treasurer/chief financial officer and of the financial

condition of the corporation, and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as the board or the bylaws may prescribe.

- c) Bond. If required by the board, the treasurer/chief financial officer shall give the corporation a bond in the amount and with the surety of sureties specified by the board for faithful performance of the duties of the office and for restoration to the corporation of all of its books, papers, vouchers, money, and other property of every kind in the possession or under the control of the treasurer/chief financial officer on his or her death, resignation, retirement, or removal from office.

## 8. **INDEMNIFICATION.**

- a) Right of Indemnity. To the fullest extent permitted by law, this corporation shall indemnify its directors, officers, employees, and other persons described in Section 5238 (a) of the California Corporations Code, including persons formerly occupying any such position, against all expenses (including attorneys fees and related costs), judgments, fines, settlements and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred by them in connection with any "proceeding," as that term is used in that Section, and including an action by or in the right of the corporation, by reason of the fact that the person is or was a person described in that section. "Expenses," as used in this bylaw, shall have the same meaning as in Section 5238(a) of the California Corporations Code.
- b) Approval of Indemnity. On written request to the board by any person seeking indemnification under Section 5238 (c) of the California Corporations Code, the board shall promptly determine under Section 5238 (e) of the California Corporations Code whether the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section 5238 (b) or Section 5238 (c) has been met and, if so, the board shall authorize indemnification. If the board cannot authorize indemnification because the number of directors who are parties to the proceeding with respect to which indemnification is sought prevents the formation of a quorum of directors who are not parties to that proceeding, the board shall promptly call a meeting of members. At that meeting, the members shall determine under Section 5238 (e) of the California Corporations Code whether the applicable standard of conduct set forth in Section 5238 (b) or Section 5238 (c) has been met and, if so, the members present at the meeting in person or by proxy shall authorize indemnification.
- c) Advancement of Expenses. To the fullest extent permitted by law and except as otherwise determined by the board in a specific instance, expenses incurred by a person seeking indemnification under Sections 8(a) and (b) of these bylaws in defending any proceeding covered by those Sections shall be advanced by the corporation before final disposition of the proceeding, on receipt by the corporation of an undertaking by or on behalf of that person that the advance will be repaid unless it is ultimately determined that the person is entitled to be indemnified by the corporation for those expenses.

- 9. **INSURANCE.** The corporation shall have the right to purchase and maintain insurance to the full extent permitted by law on behalf of its officers, directors, employees, and other agents, against any liability asserted against or incurred by any officer, director, employee, or agent in such capacity or arising out of the officer's, director's, employee's, or agent's status as such.

## 10. RECORDS AND REPORTS.

- a) Maintenance of Corporate Records. The corporation shall keep : (1) adequate and correct books and records of account; (2) written minutes of the proceedings of its members, board, and committees of the board; and (3) a record of each member's name, address and class of membership.
- b) Members' Inspection Rights.
  - i. Membership Records. Subject to Division 2, Part 2, Chapter 13, Article 3 (commencing at Section 6330) of the California Corporations Code and unless the corporation provides a reasonable alternative as provided below, any member may do either or both of the following for a purpose reasonably related to the member's interest as a member:
    - a) Inspect and copy the records of members' names, addresses, and voting rights during usual business hours on five days' prior written demand on the corporation, which demand must state the purpose for which the inspection rights are requested; or
    - b) Obtain from the secretary of the corporation, on written demand and tender of a reasonable charge, a list of names, addresses, and voting rights of members who are entitled to vote for the election of directors as of the most recent record date for which that list has been compiled, or as of the date, after the date of demand, specified by the member. The demand shall state the purpose for which the list is requested. The secretary shall make this list available to the member on or before the later of ten (10) days after (i) the demand is received or (ii) the date specified in the demand as the date as of which the list is to be compiled.

The corporation may, within ten (10) business days after receiving a demand under this Section, make a written offer of an alternative method of reasonable and timely achievement of the proper purpose specified in the demand without providing access to or a copy of the membership list. Any rejection of this offer must be in writing and must state the reasons that the proposed alternative does not meet the proper purpose of the demand.

If the corporation reasonably believes that the information will be used for a purpose other than one reasonably related to person's interest as a member, or if it provides a reasonable alternative under this Section, it may deny he member access to the membership list.

Any inspection and copying under this Section may be made in person or by the member's agent or attorney. The right of inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts. Any right of inspection extends to the records of any subsidiary of the corporation.

- ii. Accounting Records and Minutes. On written demand on the corporation, any member may inspect, copy, and make extracts of the accounting books and records and the minutes of the proceedings of the members, the board, and committees of the board at any reasonable time for a purpose reasonably related to the member's interest as a member. Any such inspection and copying may be made in person or by the member's agent or attorney. Any right of inspection extends to the records of any subsidiary of the corporation.

- c) Maintenance and Inspection of Articles and Bylaws. The corporation shall keep at its principal office, or if its principal office is not in California, at its principal business office in this state, the original or a copy of the articles of incorporation and bylaws, as amended to date, which shall be open to inspection by the members at all reasonable times during office hours. If the principal office of the corporation is outside California and the corporation has no principal business office in this state, the secretary shall, on the written request of any member, furnish to that member a copy of the articles of incorporation and bylaws, as amended to date.
- d) Inspection by Directors. Every director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect the corporation's books, records, documents of every kind, physical properties, and the records of each of its subsidiaries. the inspection may be made in person or by the director's agent or attorney. The right of inspection includes the right to copy and make extracts of documents.
- e) Annual Report. The board shall cause an annual report to be sent to the members and directors within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of the corporation's fiscal year. That report shall contain the following information, in appropriate detail, for the fiscal year:
  - (1) The assets and liabilities, including the trust funds, of the corporation as of the end of the fiscal year;
  - (2) The principal changes in assets and liabilities, including trust funds;
  - (3) The revenue of receipts of the corporation, both unrestricted and restricted to particular purposes;
  - (4) The expenses or disbursements of the corporation for both general and restricted purposes;
  - (5) Any information required by Section 8 (f) of these bylaws.

The annual report shall be accompanied by any report on it of independent accountants or, if there is no such report, by the certificate of an authorized officer of the corporation that such statements were prepared without audit from the C corporation's books and records.

This requirement of an annual report shall not apply if the corporation receives less than Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) in gross receipts during the fiscal year provided, however, that the information specified above for inclusion in an annual report must be furnished annually to all directors and to any member who requests it in writing.

- f) Annual Statement of certain Transactions and Indemnifications. As part of the annual report to all members, or as a separate document if no annual report is issued, the corporation shall annually prepare and mail or deliver to each member and furnish to each director a statement of any transaction or indemnification of the following kind within one hundred twenty (120) days after the end of the corporation's fiscal year:
  - (1) Any transaction (i) in which the corporation, its parent, or its subsidiary was a party, (ii) in which an "interested person" had a direct or indirect material financial interest, and (iii) which involved more than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), or was one of a number of transactions with the same interested

person involving, in the aggregate, more than Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000). For this purpose, an "interested person" is either of the following:

- (a) Any director or officer of the corporation, its parent, or subsidiary (but mere common directorship shall not be considered such an interest) ; or
- (b) Any holder of more than ten (10) percent of the voting power of the corporation, its parent, or its subsidiary. The statement shall include a brief description of the transaction, the names of interested persons involved, their relationship to the corporation, the nature of their interest in the transaction and, if practicable, the amount of that interest, provided that if the transaction was with a partnership in which the interested person is a partner, only the interest of the partnership need be stated.

- (2) Any indemnifications or advances aggregating more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) paid during the fiscal year to any officer or director of the corporation under Sections 8(a) - (c) of these bylaws, unless that indemnification has already been approved by the members under Section 5238 (e) (2) of the California Corporations Code.

11. **CONSTRUCTION AND DEFINITIONS.** Unless the context requires otherwise, the general provisions, rules of construction, and definitions in the California Nonprofit corporation Law shall govern the construction of these bylaws. Without limited the generality of the preceding sentence, the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter, the singular includes the plural, the plural includes the singular, and the term "person" includes both a legal entity and a natural person.

## 12. **AMENDMENTS**

### a) Amendment by Board.

- i. Membership Rights Limitation. Subject to the rights of members under Section 12 (b) of these bylaws and the limitations set forth below, the board may adopt, amend, or repeal bylaws unless the action would materially and adversely affect the members' rights as to voting or transfer. The board may not extend the term of a director beyond that for which the director was elected.
- ii. Changes to Number of Directors. Once members have been admitted to the corporation, the board may not, without the approval of the members, specify or change any bylaw provisions that would:
  - a) Fix or change the authorized number of directors;
  - b) Fix or change the minimum or maximum number of directors; or
  - c) Change from a fixed number of directors to a variable number of directors or vice versa.
- iii. High Vote Requirement. If any provision of these bylaws requires the vote of a larger proportion of the board than is otherwise required by law, that provision may not be altered, amended, or repealed except by the greater vote.

- iv. Members Approval Required. Without the approval of the members, the board may not adopt, amend, or repeal any bylaws that would:
- a) increase or extend the terms of directors;
  - b) Allow any director to hold office by designation or selection rather than by election by the members;
  - c) Increase the quorum for members' meetings;
  - d) Repeal, restrict, create, expand, or otherwise change proxy rights; or
  - e) Authorize cumulative voting.
- b) Amendment by Members. New bylaws may be adopted, or these bylaws may be amended or repealed, by approval of the members, provided, however, that if the corporation has more than one class of voting members, any amendment that would materially adversely affect the rights of a class as to voting or transfer, in a manner different than the action affects another class, must be approved by the members of that adversely affected class. Any provision of these bylaws that requires the vote of a larger proportion of the members than otherwise is required by law may not be altered, amended, or repealed except by the vote of that greater number. No amendment may extend the term of a director beyond that for which the director was elected.

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY**

I certify that I am the duly elected and acting Secretary of ECYB Corporation, a California nonprofit public benefit corporation, that the above bylaws, consisting of forty-seven (47) pages, are the bylaws of this corporation as adopted by the board of directors on December 5, 1990, and that they have not been amended or modified since that date.

Executed on December 5, 1990, at El Cerrito, California.

Patti Witman, Secretary

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