

CONSTITUTION

Article I: Name

This organization shall be known as the Henderson Boys Baseball Association.

Article II: Objectives

- A. The objectives of the Henderson Boys Baseball Association shall be to implant firmly in the minds of the players the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, and reverence, so that they may be finer, stronger and happier boys and will grow to be good, clean, healthy men.
- B. The objectives shall be achieved by providing supervised competitive athletic games. The supervisors shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skills or the winning of games is secondary and the molding of future men is of primary importance.

Article III: Government, Board of Directors

- A. The government of the Henderson Boys Baseball Association shall be under the Board of Directors which shall consist of SIXTEEN (16) members, one-third of whom shall be elected each year for a term of three (3) years.

The third to be elected shall be so elected at an annual meeting to be held between the close of the regular season and September 1 of the same year. Each child who registered for and completed the season immediately preceding the election may have a representative attend and vote at said meeting. The representative must be a parent, guardian or conservator of said child. Each eligible voter shall be limited to one (1) ballot, regardless of the number of children they have participating in Henderson Boys Baseball Association. The time and place of such meeting shall be designated by the President who will give written notice of the same through each registered player prior to the final game of the regular season.

A Nominating Committee composed of the President and all the league commissioners shall present a slate of eight (8) candidates at the annual meeting. Other nominations may be made from the floor. No person may be nominated or serve on the Board of Directors who is not a parent, guardian or conservator of a child who is or has been a player in this Association or who is not or has not been a league president, coach or assistant coach in this Association.

At the annual meeting, each voter shall be eligible to vote for one (1) to eight (8) of the nominees. The nominees receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected for a period of three (3) years. If a tie occurs, the President shall cast the deciding vote.

The President shall appoint three (3) board members not up for re-election to count the ballots.

- B. Vacancies on the Board shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Article IV: Meetings, Officers, Quorum, Rules

- A. Monthly meetings shall be held September through March each year. Additional meetings may be called by the President or upon written request of at least TEN (10) members of the Board of Directors. Board members shall attend a minimum of two-thirds of the scheduled meetings or forfeit their position on the Board of Directors.
- B. Nominations of officers shall be held in the first meeting following the election of Board members. An election of officers shall be held at subsequent meeting. The officers to be elected are: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The officers shall hold office for one (1) year but may be eligible for re-election.
- C. TEN (10) members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum at any meeting and a majority vote of those present shall govern, except when otherwise specifically provided.

Article V: Coaches

- A. One (1) head coach for each competitive team shall be chosen annually by the Board of Directors. Each such coach shall be responsible for selection of his team and for his team's actions on the field.
- B. Only the head coach or his designate shall draft his team and will do so in accordance with the procedure and policies set out in the by-laws of this association. The designate must be a parent, guardian or conservator of a child already on the roster of that team and must be approved by the President prior to the draft.
- C. Head coach vacancies shall be filled by the Board of Directors, with preference being given to a parent, guardian or conservator of a child on the team that has the vacancy. A child may be transferred from one team to another team to fill a head coach vacancy. In the event of such transfer, the head coach of the transferring team may draft a player of the same age category from the transferee team, with the consent of such player and his parents, guardian or conservator. These are the only circumstances under which a child may be transferred from one team to another. Any conflict in the filling of head coach vacancies and the attendant transfer of players as herein provided shall be resolved by the Board of Directors.

Article VI: Membership

- A. Any child meeting the requirements as to age and residence as set forth in the by-laws shall be eligible for active membership in the association.
- B. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to suspend any coach or officer whose conduct is considered detrimental to the best interest of the association. Any coach relieved from his position by a vote of the Board of Directors can be barred permanently from coaching in Henderson Boys Baseball Association.
- C. Members of the Board of Directors shall upon evidence of the misconduct of any child, notify the coach of the team of which the child is a member within 24 hours of the misconduct. Said coach shall appear, in the capacity of an adviser, with the child before the Board of Directors within seven days of the misconduct.
- D. Members of the Board of Directors shall, upon evidence of the misconduct of any coach, notify the President within twenty-four (24) hours of said misconduct. Said coach shall appear before the Board of Directors within seven (7) days of the said misconduct.

Article VII: Financial Policy

- A. The Board of Directors shall oversee all matters pertaining to the receipt and disbursement of all association funds, and it shall be a permanent policy to place all income in a common treasury, directing the expenditure of same in such manner as will give no individual or team an advantage.
- B. The President or his designated members of the Board of Directors shall be responsible for collection of player registration money. All funds collected shall be deposited to the account of the association.
- C. The President or his designated members of the Board of Directors shall make all purchases of uniforms and equipment. Major purchases of uniforms and equipment shall be approved by the Board of Directors. The President shall maintain at all times an accurate and up-to-date inventory of all uniforms and equipment owned by the association.
- D. The Board of Directors shall discourage the contribution of funds to individuals or teams and solicit same for the common treasury of the association.

Article VIII: Playing Rules

The playing rules shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held not less than two (2) weeks prior to the first scheduled game of the season.

Article IX: Duties of Officers

- A. President: The President shall preside at all Board meetings. It shall be his responsibility to call Board meetings and to give adequate leadership in organizing and promoting the activities of the association. He shall be the high authority on all association matters, and his decision shall be final. However, the president may not execute instruments on behalf of the Association if this power is expressly delegated to another officer or agent of the Association by the Board of Directors, the bylaws, or statute. In the wisdom of the President, he may ask and request judgment by the Board of Directors on any matter he wills. It is his responsibility to have a schedule made for each league. This responsibility may be delegated by the President. He is the purchasing agent for the association.
- B. Vice President: The Vice President shall assume the duties and responsibilities of the President when delegated by the President or the Board of Directors.
- C. Treasurer: The Treasurer shall be the custodian of the funds of all leagues comprising the Henderson Boys Baseball Association and shall at all times have current accounting records for said funds. The Treasurer is responsible to the President, but his records shall be accessible to any member of the Board of Directors for examination. The Treasurer shall give a complete financial report to the Board of Directors annually.
- D. Secretary: The Secretary shall handle all correspondence required by the association and shall be the custodian of all correspondence records. He shall keep an accurate record, except pertaining to finance, of all activities of the association, including minutes of Board meetings. He shall be the Chairman of the Registration Committee. The Secretary is responsible to the President.
- E. Commissioners: The Commissioners of each league shall be responsible for the activities of their league. They shall be responsible to the President. They shall be responsible for all uniforms and equipment issued to his league and shall maintain at all times an accurate and up-to-date inventory of the same. They shall provide coaching evaluations to the Board of Directors.
- F. Coaches: The coach of a team shall be responsible for developing the individual members of his team in all the ideals described in Article II.A. herein.

Article X: Amendments

This Constitution may be amended at the annual meeting provided for in Article III. The initiative for such amendments must be on petition of the parents, guardians or conservators of at least 10% of the registered players for the season immediately preceding such annual meeting or on written request of at least 50% of the members of the Board of Directors. Such petition or written request shall be presented to the President who shall give notice of the proposed amendments in the same manner as prescribed in Article III herein for giving notice of the annual meeting for the election of Directors. At the annual meeting, the proposed constitutional changes will be determined by a two-thirds majority vote of those present and eligible to vote.