

FREMONT CENTERVILLE LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

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1.0 ARTICLE I – NAME

This organization shall be known as the Fremont Centerville Little League, hereinafter referred to as “FCLL.”

2.0 ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

2.1 OBJECTIVE

The objective of FCLL shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and respect, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens.

2.2 ACHIEVING THIS MISSION

To achieve this objective, FCLL will provide a supervised program under the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All Directors, Officers and Members shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance. In accordance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, FCLL shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball and softball games. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

3.0 ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

3.1 ELIGIBILITY

Any person sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of FCLL may apply to become a Member.

3.2 CLASSES

Classes - There shall be the following classes of Members:

(a) Player Members - Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Little League Regulation IV shall be eligible to compete for participation. Player Members shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.

(b) Regular Members - Any adult person actively interested in furthering the objectives of FCLL may become a Regular Member upon completing an annual Volunteer Application and submitting to, and clearing, a national criminal background check as hereinafter provided. The secretary shall maintain the roll of membership to qualify voting members. Only Regular Members in good standing are eligible to vote at General Membership Meetings. All Officers, Board Members, Committee Members, Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, and other elected or appointed officials must be active Regular Members in good standing.

Note: Regular Members of FCLL include all current Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, Board Members, Officers of the Board, and any other person who is recognized by the Board as a volunteer in FCLL, including, but not limited to, the following volunteer titles listed below:

Team Parent	Recurring Snack Bar Helper	Field Maintenance Helper
Scorekeeper	Auxiliary Board Member	District Board Member

(c) As used hereinafter, the word “Member” shall mean a Regular Member unless otherwise stated.

3.3 OTHER AFFILIATIONS

(a) Members, whether Regular or Player, shall not be required to be affiliated with another organization or group to qualify as members of FCLL.

(b) Regular Members shall not be actively engaged in the organizational leadership or promotion of any other baseball program for which FCLL Player Members are eligible and that conflicts with the FCLL season.

(i) This clause is primarily intended to allow Player or Regular Members that participate in weekend, external travel leagues to also play with FCLL provided that the travel team participation does not directly conflict with and negatively impact the FCLL team.

3.4 SUSPENSION OR TERMINATION

Membership may be terminated by resignation or action of the Board of Directors as follows.

(a) The Board of Directors, by a two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted Board meeting, shall have the authority to discipline or suspend or terminate the membership of any Member of any class, including managers and coaches, when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the best interests of FCLL and/or Little League Baseball, Incorporated. The Member involved shall be notified of such meeting, informed of the general nature of the charges and given an opportunity to appear at the meeting to answer such charges.

(b) The Board of Directors shall, in case of a Player Member, give notice to the manager of the team for which the player is a Player Member. Said manager shall appear, in the capacity of an adviser, with the player before the Board of Directors or a duly appointed committee of the Board of Directors. The player’s parent(s) or legal guardian(s) may also be present. The Board of Directors shall have full power to suspend or revoke such player’s right to future participation by two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted meeting (quorum is required).

4.0 ARTICLE IV – DUES FOR REGULAR MEMBERS (NOT PLAYERS)

4.1 REGULAR MEMBERS

FCLL does not collect dues from Regular Members. Note: Dues for Regular Members are separate from registration fees for Player Members, which are determined annually by the Board of Directors in accordance with Regulation XIII (c).

5.0 ARTICLE V - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

5.1 DEFINITION

A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the membership of the league (including Special General Membership Meetings, see 5.7 SPECIAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS). A minimum of one per year (Annual Meeting, see 5.6 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS) is required.

5.2 NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice of each General Membership Meeting shall be delivered electronically to each Member and posted on

the FCLL website at least ten (10) days in advance of the meeting, setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting.

5.3 QUORUM

At any General Membership Meeting, the presence in person or representation by absentee ballot of one fifth (20 percent) of the members (as defined in Article III - Membership) shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted.

5.4 VOTING

Only Regular Members in good standing shall be entitled to make motions and vote at General Membership Meetings. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during General Membership Meetings. (Those eligible to take part at meetings of the Board of Directors are described in Article VI, 6.4 BOARD MEETINGS, NOTICE, AND QUORUM.)

5.5 ABSENTEE BALLOT

For the expressed purpose of accommodating a Regular Member in good standing who cannot attend the Annual Meeting, or any General Membership Meeting at which new Board members will be elected, an absentee ballot may be requested. The absentee ballot shall be properly completed and submitted prior to the voting portion of the General Membership Meeting. For the convenience of Members, absentee ballots shall be submitted electronically to the Nomination/Election Committee (appointed at a prior Board meeting).

5.6 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS

The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League shall be held the second Saturday of June between 10:00 a.m. - Noon each year for the purpose of electing the Board of Directors, receiving reports, reviewing the Constitution, and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

(a) The Membership shall receive at the Annual Meeting of the Members of FCLL a report, verified by the President and Treasurer, or by a majority of the Directors, showing:

(i) The condition of FCLL to be presented by the President or his/her designate;

(ii) A general summary of funds received and expended by the local league for the previous year, the amount of funds currently in possession of the local league, and the name of the financial institution in which such funds are maintained;

(iii) The whole amount of real and personal property owned by the Local League, where located, and where and how invested;

(iv) For the year immediately preceding, the amount and nature of the property acquired, with the date of the report and the manner of the acquisition, the amount applied, appropriated or expended, and the purposes, objects or persons to or for which such applications, appropriations or expenditures have been made;

(v) The names of the persons who have been admitted to regular membership in FCLL during such year. This report shall be filed with the records of FCLL and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting. A copy of such report shall be forwarded to Little League International.

(b) At the Annual Meeting, the Members shall determine the number of Directors to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect such number of Directors. The number of Directors elected shall be not less than seven (7).

(c) After the Board of Directors is elected, the Board shall meet to elect the officers. After the election, the Board of Directors shall assume the performance of its duties on October 1. The Board's term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section.

(d) The Officers of the Board of Directors shall include, at a minimum, the President, one or more Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary, one or more Player Agents, a Safety Officer and a Coaching Coordinator according to Little League International Regulation I (b). The Board shall also include a minimum of one manager and one volunteer umpire.

5.7 SPECIAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Special General Membership Meetings of the Members may be called by the Board of Directors or by the Secretary or President at their discretion. Upon the written request of a minimum of five members, the President or Secretary shall call a Special General Membership Meeting to consider the subject specified in the request. No business other than that specified in the notice of the meeting shall be transacted at any Special General Membership Meeting. Such Special General Membership Meeting shall be scheduled to take place not less than five (5) days after the request is received by the President or Secretary.

5.8 RULES OF ORDER

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of General Membership meetings, and all regular meetings of the Board of Directors, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of FCLL.

6.0 ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

6.1 AUTHORITY

The management of the property and affairs of the Local League shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

6.2 INCREASE IN NUMBER

The number of Board of Directors so fixed at the Annual Meeting may be increased at any General Membership Meeting or Special Meeting of the Members. If the number is increased, the additional Directors may be elected at the meeting at which the increase is voted, or at any subsequent General Membership Meeting. All elections of additional Directors shall be by majority vote of all Regular Members present or represented by a properly executed and signed absentee ballot filed with the Secretary prior to the election meeting.

6.3 VACANCIES

If any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors, by death, resignation or otherwise, it may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Directors at any regular Board meeting or at any Special Board Meeting called for that purpose.

6.4 BOARD MEETINGS, NOTICE, AND QUORUM

Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the Annual Meeting and on such days thereafter as shall be determined by the Board.

(a) The President or the Secretary may, whenever they deem it advisable, or the Secretary shall at the request in writing of 5 of Directors, issue a call for a Special Board Meeting. In the case of Special Board Meetings, such notice shall include the purpose of the meeting and no matters not so stated may be acted upon at the meeting.

(b) Notice of each Board meeting shall be given by the Secretary electronically to each Director at least seven (7) days before the time appointed for the meeting.

(c) 25% of the Members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted.

(d) Only members of the Board of Directors may make motions and vote at meetings of the Board of Directors. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit and recognize guests for presentations or comments during Board meetings.

6.5 DUTIES AND POWERS

The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint such standing committees as it shall determine

appropriate and to delegate such powers to them as the Board shall deem advisable and which it may properly delegate. The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and the management of FCLL as it may deem proper, provided such rules and regulations do not conflict with this Constitution. The Board shall have the power by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular Board or Special Board Meeting to discipline, suspend or remove any Director or Officer or Committee Member of FCLL in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article III, Section 4 (a, b).

6.6 RULES OF ORDER FOR BOARD MEETINGS

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all league meetings, including Board of Directors meetings, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of FCLL.

7.0 ARTICLE VII - DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BOARD

7.1 APPOINTMENTS

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

7.2 PRESIDENT

The President shall:

- (a) Conduct the affairs of FCLL and execute the policies established by the Board of Directors.
- (b) Present a report of the condition of FCLL at the Annual Meeting.
- (c) Annually ensure that the charter application is submitted to Little League, International.
- (d) Communicate to the Board of Directors such matters as deemed appropriate and make such suggestions as may tend to promote the welfare of FCLL.
- (e) Be responsible for the conduct of FCLL in strict conformity to the policies, principles, Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, as agreed to under the conditions of charter issued to FCLL by that organization.
- (f) Designate in writing other officers, if necessary, to have power to make and execute for/and in the name of FCLL such contracts and leases they may receive and which have had prior approval of the Board.
- (g) Investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to FCLL and report thereon to the Board or Executive Committee as circumstances warrant.
- (h) With the assistance of the Treasurer/Asst. Treasurer, prepare and submit an annual budget to the Board of Directors and be responsible for the proper execution thereof.
- (i) With the assistance of the Player Agent, examine the application and support proof-of age documents of every player candidate and certify to residence or school enrollment, and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection. (i) Complete the required background checks per Little League Regulation I (b) and I (c) 8 & 9; or delegate this responsibility to the league's Safety Officer, or other designated Board member.
- (j) A president may manage, coach or umpire, provided he/she does not serve on the protest committee.
- (k) Attend designated district meetings.

7.3 VICE PRESIDENT

The Vice President shall:

- (a) Perform the duties of the President in the absence or disability of the President, provided he or she is authorized by the President or Board so to act. When so acting, the Vice President shall have all the powers of that office.
- (b) Organize clinic/workshop/maintenance events and assign experts to present.
- (c) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.
- (d) Be an ex-officio member of any committee established by the Board.
- (e) Attend designated district meetings.

7.4 SECRETARY

The Secretary shall:

- (a) Be responsible for recording the activities of FCLL and maintain appropriate files, mailing lists and necessary records.
- (b) Perform such duties as are herein specifically set forth, in addition to such other duties as are customarily incident to the office of Secretary or as may be assigned by the Board of Directors.
- (c) Maintain a list of all Regular Members, Directors and Committee Members and give notice of all meetings of FCLL, the Board of Directors and Committees.
- (d) Keep the agendas and minutes of the meetings of the Members, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, stored in the Secretary's Google Drive and posted on the website.
- (e) Conduct all correspondence not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meeting and shall be responsible for carrying out all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed.
- (f) Notify Members, Directors, Officers and committee members of their election or appointment.
- (g) Attend designated district meetings.

7.5 TREASURER/ASSISTANT TREASURER

The Treasurer/Assistant Treasurer shall:

- (a) Perform such duties as are herein set forth and such other duties as are customarily incident to the Office of Treasurer or may be assigned by the Board of Directors.
- (b) Receive all monies and securities, and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors.
- (c) Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all moneys and securities of FCLL, including the Auxiliary, approve all payments from allotted funds and draw checks therefore in agreement with policies established in advance of such actions by the Board of Directors.
- (d) Prepare and present a monthly financial report for review and approval by the Board of Directors.
- (e) Prepare an annual budget, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting.
- (f) Prepare an annual financial report, under the direction of the President, for submission to the Membership and Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting, and to Little League International.

(g) Ensure all Federal and State tax returns and other State filings are made timely including but not limited to the California State Raffle Reports, SI-100, and annual Registration Renewal Fee Report to AG of California, Form RRF-1

(h) Attend designated district meetings.

7.6 PLAYER AGENT

The Player Agent shall:

(a) Record all player transactions and maintain an accurate and up-to-date record thereof.

(b) Receive and review applications for player candidates and assist the President in verifying residence or school enrollment and age eligibility.

(c) Ensure robust recruitment of players coordinating with the marketing officer and information officer.

(d) Conduct the tryouts, the player draft and all other player transaction or selection meetings.

(e) Prepare the Player Agent's list.

(f) Prepare for the President's signature and submission to Little League International, team rosters, including players claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.

(g) Notify Little League International of any subsequent player replacements or trades.

(h) Ensure player, manager, and coach data is uploaded to the Little League Data Center.

(i) The player agent must not manage, coach or umpire in the division over which he/she has authority, unless FCLL has received explicit written permission to allow this from Little League International.

(j) Attend designated district meetings.

7.7 SAFETY OFFICER

The Safety Officer shall:

(a) Be responsible to create awareness, through education and information, of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for children and all participants of Little League.

(b) Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting. NOTE: In order to implement a safety plan using education, compliance and reporting, the following suggestions may be utilized by the Safety Officer:

(i) Education - Should facilitate meetings and distribute information among participants including players, managers, coaches, umpires, league officials, parents, guardians and other volunteers.

(ii) Compliance - Should promote safety compliance leadership by increasing awareness of the safety opportunities that arise from these responsibilities.

(iii) Reporting - Define a process to assure that incidents are recorded, information is sent to league/district and national offices, and follow-up information on medical and other data is forwarded as available.

(iv) Background Checks - The safety officer will complete the required background checks per Little League Regulation I (b) and I (c) 8 & 9.

(c) Participate on disciplinary committee.

(d) Attend designated district meetings.

7.8 COACHING COORDINATOR

The coaching coordinator shall:

- (a) Represent coaches/managers in league;
- (b) Present a coach/manager training budget to the board;
- (c) Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league-wide training program;
- (d) Order and distribute training materials to players, coaches and managers;
- (e) Coordinate, with the Vice President, clinics as necessary;
- (f) Establish and implement a coaches training program consistent with Little League® guidelines;
- (g) Attend designated district meetings.

7.9 INFORMATION OFFICER

The Information Officer shall:

- (a) Set up and manage the league's official website;
- (b) Set up online registration;
- (c) Assign online administrative rights to other league volunteers;
- (d) Encourage creation of team web sites to managers, coaches, and parents. Provide training to users, as needed
- (e) Ensure that league news and scores are updated online on a regular basis;
- (f) Collect, post, and distribute important information on league activities including direct dissemination of fund-raising and sponsor activities, the district, the public, league members, and the media;
- (g) Serves as primary contact person for FCLL regarding optimizing use of the Internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League Baseball, Incorporated;
- (h) Attend designated district meetings.

7.10 MARKETING/PUBLIC RELATIONS MANAGER

The Marketing/Public Relations Manager shall:

- (a) Oversee new player recruitment efforts;
- (b) Develop and maintain a league marketing plan focused on player recruitment and retention;
- (c) Oversee efforts to market new divisions of play and initiatives offered by the league;
- (d) Work with local media to promote the interests of Little League;
- (e) Coordinate efforts to make the local league visible in the community year-round;
- (f) Attend designated district meetings.

7.11 SPONSORSHIP MANAGER

The Sponsorship Manager shall:

- (a) Coordinate and work with the Treasurer / Asst. Treasurer.
- (b) Solicit and secures local sponsorships to support league operations;

- (c) Review and update the sponsorship marketing packet;
- (d) Collect and reviews sponsorship and fundraising opportunities;
- (e) Maintain records of monies secured through sponsorship initiatives;
- (f) Ensure regulation and polices related to sponsorships are followed.
- (g) Attend designated district meetings.

7.12 SNACK BAR MANAGER

The Snack Bar Manager shall:

- (a) Maintain the operation of concession facilities;
- (b) Organize the purchase of concession products;
- (c) Be responsible for the management of the concession sales at league events;
- (d) Schedules volunteers to work the concession booth during league events;
- (e) Collects and reviews concession-related offers, including discounts and bulk-purchasing opportunities;
- (f) Organize, tally, and keep records of concession sales and purchases;
- (g) Present a capital and consumable expenditure budget to the Board of Directors;
- (h) Attend designated district meetings.

7.13 UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF

The Umpire-in-Chief (U.I.C.) shall:

- (a) Serve as coordinator of the local league umpire program;
- (b) Advise the League President on the local league umpire program;
- (c) Recommend volunteer umpires to League President to serve the league during the regular season;
- (d) Recruit, review, and retain volunteer umpires;
- (e) Establish and implement an umpire training program for volunteer umpires consistent with Little League® guidelines;
- (f) Communicate rule changes to league umpires, managers, and coaches;
- (g) Recommend tournament-worthy umpires to the District Umpire Consultant;
- (h) Attend umpire training programs at the district, state, and region levels.

7.14 EQUIPMENT MANAGER

The Equipment Manager shall:

- (a) Be responsible for the security, replacement repair, monitoring, planning, control and inventory of all team related equipment. In so doing, the Equipment Manager shall ensure compliance with league rules as well as decisions and directions of the league's Board of Directors;
- (b) Maintain accurate and up to date baseball equipment inventories and records;
- (c) Ensure effective control, security and maintenance of all baseball equipment;

- (d) Inspect all equipment at the start and completion of each season to ensure compliance with Little League International equipment requirements and remove equipment from inventory that is damaged or does not comply with regulations;
- (e) Coordinate repairs to baseball equipment in an effective and timely fashion;
- (f) Ensure baseball equipment is issued only to authorized users and is returned to stock at end of season;
- (g) Work within the budget for any team related equipment purchases.
- (h) Attend designated district meetings.

7.15 FIELD MAINTENANCE MANAGER

The Field Maintenance Manager shall:

- (a) Coordinate all field maintenance activities to ensure the proper and safe field conditions at all league practices, games and events;
- (b) Prior to start and throughout the playing seasons, ensure each field is in good playing condition:
 - i. Pitcher's mound is built up to appropriate height
 - ii. Enough field mix at each base, home plate and pitcher's mound
 - iii. Base cutouts are neat and crisp
 - iv. All bases and home plate are in good condition
 - v. Field grass rolled and mowed
 - vi. Ensure sponsor banners and screens are correctly installed
- (c) Maintain adequate inventory of field marking media, Play Ball quick dry compound, and all field prep equipment at each field location throughout the season;
- (d) Throughout the season, keep all capital equipment (scoreboard, lawn mowers, tractors, chalkers, dugouts backstops, batting cages, score booths, spectator seating, storage units, etc.) in good working order;
- (e) Ensure weed trimming along all fences, buildings and bleachers is performed on a regular basis;
- (f) At the completion of the season:
 - i. Repair any damaged areas of fields
 - ii. Ensure bases, field marking media, play Ball quick dry compound and all field prep equipment are secured safely in storage
 - iii. Remove sponsor banners and screens and place in storage
- (g) Create and maintain a field maintenance schedule;
- (h) Coordinate the Field Maintenance Committee;
- (i) Attend designated district meetings.

7.16 INTERLEAGUE COORDINATOR

The Interleague Coordinator shall:

- (a) Attend designated Interleague meetings;
- (b) Coordinate with which leagues FCLL will play interleague games;
- (c) Schedule games for all divisions, Major and below.
- (d) Ensure all cancelled, postponed or suspended games are timely rescheduled and played.
- (e) Attend designated district meetings.

7.17 AUXILIARY PRESIDENT

The Auxiliary President shall:

(a) Work with the Volunteer Manager to identify and coordinate chairpersons for specific events including but not limited to the following:

- i. Opening Day
- ii. Picture Day
- iii. Season Kick-Off
- iv. Spirit Days (i.e. movie night)
- v. Closing Day, including league awards and trophies

(b) Communicate needs with Special Events Committee (Team Parents);

(c) Communicate Auxiliary Events and Activities to the Board of Directors

(d) Attend designated district meetings.

7.18 VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

The Volunteer Coordinator shall:

(a) Solicit and coordinate volunteer needs for all special events and fundraisers;

(b) Track volunteer hours

(c) Make recommendations for volunteer of the year.

(d) In coordination with the Asst. Treasurer, manage the Volunteer Deposit Program as defined by the board of directors.

(e) Manage Corporate Matching of volunteer hours through available programs

7.19 FUNDRAISING MANAGER

The Fundraising Manager shall:

(a) Coordinate and work with the Treasurer / Asst. Treasurer.

(b) Identify and reviews fundraising opportunities;

(c) Review and update an annual fundraising plan. Propose Fundraising Plan to Board for approval;

(d) Maintain records of monies secured through fundraising initiatives;

(e) Ensure regulation and polices related to fundraising are followed.

(f) Attend designated district meetings.

7.20 TEAM PARENT COORDINATOR

The Team Parent Coordinator shall:

(a) Serve as the liaison between the Board and the Team Parents sharing info with team and elevating concerns or issues from the teams to the Board.

(b) Coordinate with other Board Members (Auxiliary President, Fundraising Coordinator, Information Officer, and others) to gather and organize relevant information to share with the Team Parent cadre.

(c) Maintain and update the Team Parent Guidebook for distribution to Team Parent cadre.

(d) Schedule and hold information meetings with the Team Parent cadre. Such meetings should typically be held 1) shortly after teams are formed and start practice, 2) mid-season and 3) shortly before end of season to ensure continued engagement through closing day and tournaments.

8.0 ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No local league is required to appoint Board members to Committees or use this tool of operation to manage FCLL. However, the committee structure is recommended to engage the Board of Directors, assist with efficiently delegating responsibilities throughout the year, and provide oversight in the operation of FCLL.

(a) The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of not less than one (1) Director, one of whom shall be the Vice President of FCLL, nor more than five (5) Regular Members.

(b) The Executive Committee shall advise with and assist the Officers of FCLL in all matters concerning its interests and the management of its affairs, and shall have such other powers as may be delegated to it by the Board, but in no event, will the Executive Committee have authority over the Board of Directors.

(c) At any meeting of the Executive Committee, a majority of the total number of members then in office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the act of a majority present at any meeting at which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Committee.

9.0 ARTICLE IX - OTHER COMMITTEES AND BOARD POSITIONS

9.1 NOMINATION/ELECTION COMMITTEE

The Nomination/Election Committee must consist of three (3) Directors and optionally two (2) other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall investigate and consider eligible candidates and submit at the Annual Meeting a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors. The Committee shall also submit for consideration by the Board of Directors a slate of Officers and Committee Members.

9.2 FIELD MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

The Field Maintenance Committee reports to the Field Maintenance Manager. The Committee must comprise of a minimum of one (1) Director and other appointed Regular Members which shall be responsible for repair and improvement recommendations (other than normal maintenance), the care and maintenance of the playing field(s), buildings and grounds. It shall operate within the amount appropriated in the approved budget for that purpose.

9.3 AUDITING COMMITTEE

The Board of Directors may appoint an Auditing Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The President, Treasurer or signatories of checks are not eligible. The Committee will review FCLL's books and records annually prior to the Annual Meeting and attach a statement of its findings to the annual financial statement of the President and Treasurer; or may, if directed by the Board of Directors or Membership, secure the services of a Certified Public Accountant to accomplish such review.

9.4 OTHER COMMITTEES AND BOARD POSITIONS

The Board of Directors reserves the right to appoint a committee consisting of not less than one (1) Director, one of whom shall be the Vice President of FCLL, nor more than five (5) Regular Members for the specific purpose of fulfilling a need that is presently not addressed, or accounted for by an existing committee.

10.0 ARTICLE X - AFFILIATION

10.1 CHARTER

FCLL shall annually apply for a charter from Little League Baseball, Incorporated, and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such charter. FCLL shall devote its entire energies to the activities authorized by such charter and it shall not be affiliated with any other program or organization or operate any other program.

10.2 RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Official Playing Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball, Incorporated, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, shall be binding on FCLL.

10.3 LOCAL RULES, GROUND RULES AND/OR BYLAWS

The local rules, ground rules and/or bylaws of FCLL shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held not less than one month previous to the first scheduled game of the season, but shall in no way conflict with the Rules, Regulations and Policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, nor shall they conflict with this Constitution. The local rules, ground rules and/or bylaws of FCLL shall expire at the end of each fiscal year, and are not considered part of this Constitution. (See Article XI, 11.8 FISCAL YEAR for fiscal year of FCLL.)

11.0 ARTICLE XI - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING

11.1 AUTHORITY

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

11.2 CONTRIBUTIONS

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

11.3 SOLICITATIONS

The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Little League Baseball, Incorporated unless all of the funds so raised be placed in FCLL's treasury.

11.4 DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

The Board shall not permit the disbursement of FCLL funds for other than the conduct of Little League activities in accordance with the rules, regulations, and policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated. All disbursements shall be made by check, or league credit or debit card. All checks shall be signed by the FCLL Treasurer and such other officer or officers, or person or persons, as the Board of Directors shall determine.

11.5 FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY

No Board member authorized to disburse funds may be the spouse or family relative of the League President or Treasurer, or have direct access to league funds without the written permission of the chairman of FCLL's Audit Committee. The use of a league credit or debit card is permitted, given that the card is returned to FCLL's President, Treasurer, or Chairman of the Audit Committee with receipt for all purchases made within three (3) days of the purchase date.

11.6 COMPENSATION

No Director, Officer, or Member of FCLL shall receive, directly or indirectly any salary, compensation, or emolument from FCLL for services rendered as Director, Officer or Member.

11.7 DEPOSITS

All monies received, including sponsorship and fundraising, shall be deposited to the credit of FCLL in/at US Bank.

11.8 FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of FCLL shall begin on October 1 and shall end on September 30.

11.9 DISTRIBUTION OF PROPERTY UPON DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of FCLL and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, the Members shall

direct the remaining property of FCLL to another Federally Incorporated entity which maintains the same objectives as set forth in Article II of this Constitution, which are or may be entitled to exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or any future corresponding provision.

12.0 ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any duly organized meeting of the Members provided notice of the proposed change is included in the notice of such meeting. Draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated, for approval before implementation.

This Constitution was approved by the FCLL Membership on November 4, 2019.

President's Name (Print) _____

President's Signature _____ Date _____

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Make one copy for the District Administrator and copies for the Local League. Send original to Regional Headquarters.

FCLL's Constitution on file at Regional Headquarters (most recently-accepted copy) is the official Constitution of FCLL. Little League Baseball, Incorporated does not limit participation in its activities on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, national origin, gender, sexual preference or religious preference.

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Date Submitted:

Date Accepted: _____

Not Accepted: _____
