



# Cedar Hill Baseball Association

(Includes Southwest Classic Baseball DBA Cedar Hill Baseball)

## Bylaws



<b>Table of Contents</b>	<b>Page Number</b>
<b>Article I (Name)</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Article II (Objective)</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Article III (Government)</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Article IV (Admittance)</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Article V (Financial Policy)</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Article VI (Removal from Office/Membership)</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Article VII (Board of Directors)</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Article VIII (Appointed Positions)</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Article IX (Protest, Complaints, Disciplinary Action &amp; Codes of Ethics)</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>Article X (Registration)</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Article XI (Coaching Guidelines &amp; Responsibilities)</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Article XII (Umpires Authority)</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Article XIII (Practicing)</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>Article XIV (Drafting Procedures)</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Article XV (Southwest Classic Baseball)</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Article XVI (Insurance)</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Article XVII (Tournaments)</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>Article XVIII (Awards)</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Article XIX (Amendments to Bylaws)</b>	<b>24</b>

## **ARTICLE I (NAME)**

- 1.1 This organization shall be known as the CEDAR HILL BASEBALL ASSOCIATION (CHBA)
- 1.2 Any use of the name for advertising, promotional activities, fund raisers, or any other reason without prior approval from the CHBA Board of Directors is prohibited.

## **ARTICLE II (OBJECTIVE)**

- 2.1 The main objective of this organization is to foster and promote the game of baseball by developing fundamental baseball skills, promoting good sportsmanship, and furnishing wholesome recreation for the youth of Cedar Hill. To achieve this objective, CHBA shall provide a supervised program utilizing uniform rules, regulation, procedure and methods of playing.

## **ARTICLE III (GOVERNMENT)**

- 3.1 In accordance with section 501 C (3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the CHBA shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of youth baseball. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual, except as provided in Article XVIII (Tournaments) herein. CHBA will not be involved or associated with any group or person(s) which is carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and will not participate in or attempt to intervene in any political campaign of any candidate for public office.
  - A. Each year it shall be the responsibility of the acting CHBA Board of Directors to fill out and submit all the proper tax forms for this association to the IRS.
  - B. Each year it shall be the responsibility of the acting CHBA Board of Directors to fill also submit said tax information to the CH Parks Dept.
- 3.2 The Government of this association shall be governed under the direct supervision of the CHBA Board of Directors.
- 3.3 The election of the new Board members shall be held before August 1, during the same year, at an official board meeting which is a publicly called meeting held for the purpose of electing a Board.
  - A. Notification of this meeting shall be posted on the league's official website at least ten days prior to the meeting. The public at large, adults of at least 18 years of age will cast votes to elect new board members. This includes current and potential board members.
  - B. The term of each Board member seat shall be two years or one year as needed to ensure that approximately fifty (50%) percent of the seats are up for election each year.
- 3.4 Only meetings called by the President or two-thirds of the CHBA Board of Directors will be deemed an "Official Board Meeting".
  - A. The President, Vice President and/or Secretary must be present at each official meeting.
  - B. A minimum Quorum of one more than 50% of the existing Board members must be present at a meeting in order to transact business.
  - C. The Board of Directors will hold regular monthly meetings or as often as needed.

- D. SPECIAL MEETINGS – Special meetings will address only those subjects for which it was called and no other business (i.e. any disciplinary meetings to acquire information or administer disciplinary action, any meetings to discuss the results of a finding in the background check process.) All discussions will be deemed confidential unless determined otherwise by two-thirds majority vote at the time of the meeting. CHBA Board Members shall maintain confidentiality in regard to these meetings and possible consequences except for that communication that is necessary among cognizant persons to administer the disciplinary action program and the necessary communication that is required in these by-laws.
- 3.5 All nominations will be submitted to the CHBA Board of Directors before or during the election meeting by anyone who is currently participating with the CHBA.
- A. Only adults of at least 18 years of age who are actively involved in the operations of CHBA during the preceding season or who have a vested interest in a child that is currently participating in the CHBA program may be elected to the Board of Directors.
- 3.6 After accepting all the nominations the Board of Directors and any member of the CHBA in good standing will elect new Board Members.
- A. All Board Members will be elected by a majority vote of the members present at the Annual Meeting.
- B. Any term that is vacated will be satisfied with the same election process, including the posting of the meeting. Said term will be fulfilled and not start over. (i.e. If a term is vacated with 18 months left on the term, then the elected person will fulfill the 18 months, vs. a new two year term.) See VI.6.3
- 3.7 At the conclusion of the annual meeting to elect the Board of Directors, the new Board of Directors shall meet to elect the officers for one-year terms. Officers may be eligible for re-election. The past president shall serve a one-year term.
- A. A “YEAR” will constitute the time from the election meeting of the current year to the election meeting of the following year.
- 3.8 All matters concerning the policies and interpretations of the rules of CHBA shall be decided by a majority vote of the CHBA Board of Directors.
- 3.9 Any motion carried by a majority vote at a Board Meeting cannot be remanded, unless by a majority vote of the CHBA Board of Directors.
- 3.10 A majority vote of the Board of Directors present in accordance with the quorum requirements set forth in Article III, Section 3.4B at any official meeting of CHBA shall govern any and all decisions, and or transactions of that meeting.
- 3.11 “Robert’s Rules of Order” shall govern the proceedings of all Official Board Meetings, except where the constitution of the CHBA By-Laws conflict with “Robert’s Rules of Order”.
- 3.12 In regards to the USSSA rulebook and the amended rules of CHBA, the Board of Directors will have full authority to impose whatever penalty or penalties if any at all, they deem appropriate for any violation of all said rules.
- 3.13 CHBA will be governed under USSSA, Inc. rules until otherwise noted and the bylaws are amended.
- A. Only the “amended rules” set forth by the CHBA Board of Directors will have precedence over USSSA, Inc. rules. These are typically agreed upon by all participating cities in what is now the Best Southwest Baseball Group.
- B. This may also apply to Southwest Classic Baseball who is an extension of the Cedar Hill Baseball Association.

## **ARTICLE IV (ADMITTANCE)**

- 4.1 Admittance to participate in CHBA as a Head Coach, Player, Assistant Coach, or Practice Facilitator must be obtained through application with approval from the CHBA Board of Directors. The form is to be filled out completely. **The CHBA Board of Directors, who will specify the required certifications, will process all applications.** No one will be allowed to participate in any way, or be allowed on the playing field or in the dugout during any league game or tournament play without the proper application to CHBA. (Unless otherwise approved by CHBA). **Practice Facilitator** (Any person that will be helping with practice or that may be one on one with the players)
- 4.2 **Any person wishing to apply for position of Head Coach, Assistant Coach or Practice Facilitator must agree to a personal background check prior to application review by the CHBA Board of Directors.** Any person who has ever been convicted or indicted of any felony or convicted or indicted of a misdemeanor relating to an offense of murder, sexual assault, kidnapping, indecency with a child, child abuse, rape, domestic violence, etc., will not be allowed to participate in CHBA. Any person wishing to apply for position of Head Coach, Assistant Coach or Practice Facilitator may petition the Board to request a special circumstance consideration. Each special consideration made by the CHBA Board of Directors will be carefully considered, as to the interest of the children, who will participate in this organization.

## **ARTICLE V (FINANCIAL POLICY)**

- 5.1 The CHBA Board of Directors shall establish a budget each year before opening day. Although this budget is somewhat vague in some areas (Umpire expenses, awards, equipment.....etc), it will be followed as close as possible.
- 5.2 All expenditures shall require a signature from two of the following three Executive Officers: President, Vice President, or Treasurer. No Executive Officer may be a signatory on any check payable to himself/herself.
- 5.3 The present Board of Directors and the new Board of Directors shall review the financial books at the first "Official" board meeting of the new year. These will also be Shared with Cedar Hill parks Dept. along with other financial statements that are requested then and throughout the year per the All Sports ByLaws and the Facility Usage Agreement.
- 5.4 The financial books may be obtained for review by anyone participating in CHBA. However, the request must be submitted in writing to the CHBA Board of Directors, and must be approved by a majority vote of the Board.
- 5.5 When the CHBA decides to purchase the necessary equipment, supplies and materials needed to operate the league, the CHBA will use prudent judgment and make sound decisions as to "where items will be purchased" and " what items will be purchased "
- 1) Purchases over the amount of \$100.00 will require a majority vote of the Board of Directors at any meeting.
  - 2) Bids may be sent out for certain items at the Boards discretion.

## **ARTICLE VI (REMOVAL FROM OFFICE/MEMBERSHIP)**

- 6.1 If for any reason an Officer or Board member's actions are found to be detrimental to CHBA, a Special Meeting may be called by a majority vote from the Board of Directors. A Special Meeting may not be a part of the regular board meeting, unless such a request has been formally announced and placed on the agenda 72 hours prior to the regular meeting. To effect the Removal from Office of any Board Member, a two-thirds vote of the entire Board of Directors, not just of the voting quorum, will be had.

- 6.2 The President shall have the responsibility to appoint CHBA officers to fill any vacancies that may occur on the Board of Directors after the annual elections. These vacancies include any vacancies caused for ANY reason, whether voluntary or involuntary. The nominee will interview with the Board and the Board Members will offer their opinion and direction to the President prior to the appointment. The appointed Board Member shall serve the balance of the term in which he/she has been appointed to fill.
- 6.3 In the event of a vacancy, whether voluntary or involuntary, a person must be elected in a public meeting to fill such vacancy. The elected person will satisfy the remainder of the two year term.
- 6.4 In the event the President of the Board is removed voluntary or involuntarily, the Vice President shall become President for the duration of the year.
- 6.5 Any member or coach conducting him/herself in an unsportsmanlike manner, or who jeopardizes the well being of any child, can be removed from his/her position by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. (REFER TO ARTICLE XII.4 Codes of Ethics)
- 6.6 Any Board Member who fails to attend three consecutive regular meetings, or a total of five regular meetings in one year, after having been given reasonable notification of the meeting, shall automatically be removed from office, and his/her seat shall be considered vacant. If a Board Member is removed under this section (6.5), he/she will not be eligible for nomination to the Board for a period of one year.
- 6.7 When a Board Member is aware of a regular meeting, and knows he/she will be unable to attend, the member must notify a Board Officer (President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Director of Rec., Director of Classic) at least four hours prior to the meeting by phone, email or in person. If notification is given, this absence will not be included in the requirements for 6.5 section above.
- 6.8 There shall be no appeals from anyone who has been removed by the CHBA BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

## **ARTICLE VII (BOARD OF DIRECTORS)**

- 7.1 The CHBA Board of Directors will consist of no more than Fifteen (15) Board positions.
- 7.2 The CHBA Board of Directors will consist of no more than Six (6) Officers.
- 7.3 The CHBA League Commissioners will consist of no more than Seven (7) Commissioners.
- 7.4 The CHBA Officer positions are as follows:
  - A. PRESIDENT
  - B. VICE PRESIDENT
  - C. SECRETARY
  - D. TREASURER
  - E. DIRECTOR OF CLASSIC DIVISION
  - F. DIRECTOR OF RECREATION DIVISION
- 7.5 The LEAGUE COMMISSIONERS positions are as follows:
  - A. 4 & UNDER COMMISSIONER
  - B. 6 & UNDER COMMISSIONER
  - C. 8 & UNDER COMMISSIONER
  - D. 10 & UNDER COMMISSIONER
  - E. 12 & UNDER COMMISSIONER
  - F. 14 & UNDER COMMISSIONER
  - G. 16 & UNDER COMMISSIONER, if applicable

## **7.6 DUTIES OF EACH BOARD POSITION**

### **A. PRESIDENT**

1. Oversee the entire operation of CHBA
2. Preside at all Board Meetings.
3. Serve as the All Sports Association member.
4. Coordinate league operations with the City of Cedar Hill and CHISD.
5. While chairing a meeting, the President will not vote except to break a tie unless his/her vote is called for in these Bylaws.
6. Ensure that accurate records of all background checks are kept.
7. By January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year, generate the annual calendar of pertinent CHBA events, board meetings, registration, etc, and update the calendar as needed.
8. Notify all Board members of the dates, times and locations of all official meetings as well as securing the location of each meeting.
9. Send Agenda of each monthly, public Board meeting to the Cedar Hill Parks and Recreation Department at least 72 hours prior to the meeting.
10. Enter into the annual facility use agreement with the CH Parks Dept.
11. Appoint tournament facilitators as needed. See Article XIX (Tournaments).

### **B. VICE PRESIDENT**

1. Assume duties of President in his absence or upon vacancy of his presidency.
2. Assist President in overseeing the entire operation of CHBA.
3. Chair the Financial Committee of CHBA.

### **C. SECRETARY**

1. Keep accurate minutes at all meetings and a count of coaches at each meeting.
2. Keep all CHBA records up to date.
3. Document and facilitate any official complaints or protests as per the process outlined in Article XII of these Bylaws.
4. Record and facilitate disciplinary correspondence, which will be based, strictly on the outcome of the Boards review and subsequent decision for final action as outlined in Article XII.3 of these Bylaws.

### **D. TREASURER**

1. Keep accurate account of all financial records of CHBA and Southwest Classic Baseball.

2. Prepare a financial statement for each monthly board meeting.
3. Make sure all Taxes are up to date. (Sales tax, federal tax, and 501 classification)
4. Make sure that all monthly bills are paid in a timely manner.
5. Keep accurate account of sponsor monies.
6. Prepare the annual budget and track annual income and spending compliance.
7. Prepare an accurate annual financial statement to be issued to the newly elected board members and the City of Cedar Hill by or before the date of the CHBA annual election meeting or as required in the All Sports By-laws.
8. Work with President or Vice President and the President of Southwest Classic to prepare monthly and annual financial report to present to the Cedar Hill Parks and Recreation Department and any other financial presentation which may be presented to benefit CHBA and the community of Cedar Hill.
9. Keep Insurance policy current and have the City of Cedar Hill listed as Additional Insured.
10. Timely retrieval of mail from the CHBA post office box.

**E. DIRECTOR OF CLASSIC**

1. Will act as the Cedar Hill Baseball Association's official, voting, Classic representative within Southwest Classic Baseball.
2. Will attend all Southwest Classic Baseball Board meetings.
3. Will relay the minutes of each Southwest Classic Baseball meeting to the CHBA Board of Directors
4. Will organize and manage regular Classic Coaches meetings to keep all Classic Coaches informed of any rule changes and any new business within Southwest Classic Baseball.
5. Will organize and conduct a Classic Coaches' meeting to cover Classic rules and Coaches responsibilities.
6. All Classic registrations shall come through the Director of Classic.
7. Any and all rescheduling of Classic games shall be made through the Director of Classic.
8. Scheduling and rescheduling of umpires for the Classic Division.

**F. DIRECTOR OF REC**

1. Keep accurate records of all players' registration, copies of birth certificates and medical releases.
2. Keep accurate record of all Coaches' applications and certifications.
3. Coordinate registrations and drafts.
4. Present coaching applicants before Board of Directors for approval before the scheduled draft.
5. Prepare and disburse all necessary forms and flyers for upcoming season.



6. Any and all rescheduling of Recreational games shall be made as provided in the facility usage agreement.
7. Scheduling and rescheduling of umpires for the Recreational Division.
8. Coordinates all tournaments hosted by CHBA.
9. Provide the Cedar Hill Parks Department of current season schedule and notify them of any re-scheduled games as required within the facility usage agreement.

#### **G. LEAGUE COMMISSIONERS**

1. Assist in the recruitment of Head and Assistant Coaches.
2. Directly responsible for their Divisions and answerable directly to the Board.
3. Responsible for coordinating their Division's draft proceedings.
4. Report and facilitate improvements that need to be made to the playing fields.
5. Report and, if possible, repair any potential safety hazards to the playing field, dug out or surrounding area.
6. Insure all Head Coaches have a Coaches book that will contain:
  - A. a copy of each player's Birth Certificate
  - B. a copy of each player's registration/medical release
  - C. certifications of each Head Coaches
  - D. proof of insurance
  - E. a current copy of the CHBA Bylaws and General Playing Rules
  - F. an up-to-date pitching log for his/her team, if applicable
7. Each Commissioner may have additional responsibilities added by the president, as needed, throughout the course of a season.

#### **H. PAST PRESIDENT**

The immediate Past President of CHBA will be a full member of the Board with voting rights. The responsibilities of this office pertain directly to the aide and advice to the current President and Vice President in fulfilling their responsibilities to CHBA.

#### **I. BOARD MEMBERS**

All Board Members are responsible for attending all called meetings of CHBA. This position requires careful deliberation on all issues and consideration of the purpose of CHBA. This position is extremely important to CHBA due to the advice given to the Officers and the approval of all actions and expenditures. All other duties deemed necessary will be delegated to members by the President.

Each Board Member will be on a rotating schedule to be Board Member on Duty at the fields when there are games scheduled. The designated Board Member on Duty will have this duty regardless of the age division playing. The Board Member on Duty will also have the responsibility to oversee the concession stand operation and the operation of the field lighting. The Board Member on Duty is there to represent CHBA and resolve any situation that may arise. The Board Member on Duty will be

responsible for all monies collected from the concession stand nightly unless concession stand operations have been contracted to another organization.

Each Board Member will be on a rotating schedule to operate the field lights during the pre-season practice times and when no games are scheduled.

Each Board Member will also be responsible for assisting in the preparation and function of Opening Day Ceremony.

## **ARTICLE VIII (APPOINTED POSITIONS)**

8.1 Appointed committee positions are for the full year and are as follows:

- A. FIELD AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE
- B. CONCESSION COMMITTEE
- C. RULES COMMITTEE
- D. INTER-CITY COMMITTEE
- E. FINANCE COMMITTEE
- F. FUND-RAISING COMMITTEE
- G. OPEN DAY CEREMONIES COMMITTEE
- H. BYLAWS COMMITTEE
- I. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

8.2 The President of CHBA will officially appoint all committee positions and reside over each committee.

8.3 The duties of each Committee are as follows:

### **A. FIELD AND EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE**

- 1. Coordinate with each League Commissioner for the collection of all equipment issued by CHBA from the Coaches.
- 2. Provide an inventory of all equipment.
- 3. Maintain and inventory of all equipment collected, and equipment that has been damaged or not returned to the Board at the end of each season.
- 4. Notify the Board of Directors of any Coach or Asst. Coach who has not returned any or all pieces of equipment that had been issued to them
- 5. Will assign equipment to the coaches and maintain a listing of all equipment issued to each coach. Will obtain signature of receipt from each coach.
- 6. Will assign equipment to each Recreational team's head coach as follows:
  - a One equipment bag.
  - b Five batting helmets.
  - c One set of catcher gear, if applicable. (Includes: 1 Chest protector, 1 set of shin guards, and 1 catcher's helmet with mask).
  - d One catcher's glove, if applicable
- 7. On or before the 1<sup>st</sup> Official meeting of the new season, the Equipment Chair will be responsible for providing the Board of Directors an accurate inventory of all equipment collected and a report of any equipment damaged or not returned to the Association. This report must include the specific equipment damaged or missing and the pertinent Coaches signed equipment receipt. Any

equipment damaged beyond normal wear and tear or not returned will be the sole responsibility of the head coach that was assigned the equipment.

**B. CONCESSION COMMITTEE**

1. Will be responsible for assigning teams for concession stand duty.
2. Coordinate the stocking of the concession stand.
3. Will make sure all concession equipment is working properly.
4. Will coordinate to keep the Concession stand and surrounding area clean, sanitized and safe at all times.
5. Will make recommendations to the Board of Directors on improvements to the concession stand and concession equipment and will assist the Board of Directors in obtaining competitive bids for new equipment, concession-stocked goods and cost effective vendors.
6. Will generate an annual concession stand equipment inventory report. This report should include the working condition of each piece of equipment.
7. The Board of Directors may elect to enter into a contract with another organization to facilitate the concession operations for any given period of time so long as CHBA receives not less than 10% of the net proceeds.

**C. RULES COMMITTEE**

The Rules Committee will be responsible for presenting proposed rules or rule changes to the Board for any division that is not interlocking. Currently, that only applies to the 3U and 4U ages.

**D. INTER-CITY COMMITTEE**

1. Will attend all Inter-City meetings and be entitled to represent CHBA, with voting rights, and report back to CHBA Board of Directors.
2. Will be responsible for all facets of scheduling all leagues games.
3. Will be responsible for coordinating with the scheduling manager for Southwest Classic Baseball.
4. Will coordinate with any City/Cities that CHBA has entered into a strategic alliance with for the scheduling of recreational inter-city games and or tournaments.
5. Will represent CHBA in the coordination and development of inter-city playing rules.

**E. FUND RAISING COMMITTEE**

1. Will be responsible for the CHBA's Fund-Raising Projects.
2. Will research and present to the Board of Directors viable fund-raising options that the association can use through out the year.
3. Coordinate the scheduling, presentations, pick up and delivery of the fund-raiser products.
4. Work in conjunction with the Treasurer to insure all fund-raiser monies are collected and accounted for.

#### **F. FINANCE COMMITTEE**

1. Responsible for the CHBA Membership Player/Recruitment campaign.
2. Make recommendation to the Board in regard to the CHBA registration fees.
3. Responsible for developing and obtaining community business or individual sponsorships for CHBA.

#### **G. OPENING DAY CEREMONIES COMMITTEE**

1. Responsible for coordination and development of Opening Day Ceremony including:
  - A. Programs
  - B. Dignitaries
  - C. Advertising
  - D. Purchase of decorations
  - E. Team notification
  - F. Entertainment
  - G. Announcements

#### **H. BYLAWS COMMITTEE**

Responsible for making sure the CHBA Bylaws are reviewed, corrected and updated.

#### **I. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE**

1. The Disciplinary Committee will consist of the President of CHBA, who will serve as the Chair; the Commissioner of the Division involved and at least one appointed Board Member. The CHBA Secretary should be present to record the events of any Protest, Complaint, or Disciplinary Action Hearings or a Board Member may be appointed to act as Secretary. If any of the Disciplinary Committee members are parties to a Protest, Complaint or Disciplinary Action, another Board Member must be appointed to fill that position for that hearing.
2. It is the responsibility of the Disciplinary Committee members to make themselves available to meet the time requirements for hearings as referred to in Article XII of these Bylaws.
3. It is the responsibility and duty of the Disciplinary Committee members to be fair and subjective at all Hearings to which they are a part.
4. Refer to Article XII of these Bylaws for further description of duties and responsibilities.

#### **J. OTHER COMMITTEES**

Other Committees may be formed, and appointments to such Committees may be made by the President of CHBA as deemed necessary.

### **ARTICLE IX (PROTEST, COMPLAINTS & DISCIPLINARY ACTION)**

#### **IX.1 PROTEST**

- 9.1.1 All protests must be submitted in writing to any Board Member within 48 hrs. after said game has ended.

- 9.1.2 Each protest must include a protest fee of \$50.00.
- 9.1.3 Protest fee will be refunded if protest is ruled favorable.
- 9.1.4 Each protest will be carefully examined and will be accepted or denied by a majority vote from the Disciplinary Committee, within 3 days from the time a committee member has been notified of such protest. (Disciplinary Committee - Refer to Article VIII, Section I)
- 9.1.5 A final decision on protest may be appealed to the CHBA Board within 24 hours and must be submitted to the Chair of the Disciplinary Committee along with an "Appeal Fee" of \$100.00 for consideration.
- 9.1.6 When protest has been made in a game, the Head Umpire, the opposing Coach and Head Scorekeeper must be notified that the remainder of the game is being played under protest.
- 9.1.7 "Judgment Calls" in a game cannot be protested, only the rules of the game.
- 9.1.8 "Judgment Call" protest fee of \$50.00 will not be refundable.

## **IX.2 COMPLAINTS**

### 9.2.1

- A. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to suspend, discharge or otherwise discipline any player, manager, coach, umpire, league officer or other person whose conduct is in violation of the CHBA Bylaws and General Rules and/or Rules and Regulations of USSSA Baseball and/or is considered detrimental to the best interest of the league. Said persons are not limited to residents or participants in CHBA.
    - 1. Persons subject to such discipline shall have the right to a hearing before the league officers before such discipline is imposed.
    - 2. In the event of discipline procedure involving a player, or other person under the age of 18, that person's parents shall be invited to attend.
    - 3. The hearing (mentioned in (1) and (2)) shall be before the Disciplinary Committee as referred to in Article XIII, Section I of these Bylaws.
    - 4. Other cognizant parties may be invited when deemed necessary or appropriate, such as officials, umpires' representative, witness, etc.
    - 5. CHBA Board Members shall maintain confidentiality in regard to these hearings and possible consequences except for that which is necessary among cognizant persons to administer the disciplinary action program. (See Article III, Section 3.4D)
  - B. Procedure for reporting a conduct/discipline complaint: Any parent or guardian of a player, board member, coach or manager, umpire or commissioner may report a complaint under this heading. The complaint must be reported in writing (legibly) and mailed to CHBA, P.O. Box 2254, Cedar Hill, Texas 75106 and must be received within 72 hours of the occurrence or mailed via electronic mail to any Board Member. The complaint must include, as a minimum, name(s) or positive identification of the person(s) accused; name(s) of the team(s) involved; division in which occurrence took place (4U, 5U, 6U, etc); date and approximate time of the occurrence; status of the accused (player, coach, etc); witnesses, if any; and name, address and phone number and/or email address of person(s) making the complaint. Complaints under this heading must be confined to conduct/discipline issues. The Board will then respond to the complaint within 72 hours.
- 9.2.2 All parties listed in a formal complaint will be contacted by mail and/or electronic mail.
- 9.2.3** The CHBA Disciplinary Committee will hear all formal complaints. Once the Hearing is completed, disciplinary action, if any, will be assessed and carried out by the Board of Directors. (See Disciplinary Action Below)

### **IX.3 DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

- A. Persons, youth or adult, who refuse to comply with the rules of USSSA Baseball, or the League, may be considered for disciplinary action. The Disciplinary Committee will have full authority to impose whatever penalty or penalties if any at all, they deem appropriate for any violation of all said rules.
- B. The CHBA Board of Directors reserves the right to immediately ban any individual it deems may pose a risk to the safety or well being of a player, spectator, coach, umpire or board member.
- C. The CHBA Disciplinary Committee will review and investigate all reported incidents to the best of its ability.
- D. Recognizing the difficulty of establishing specific penalties for a variety of violations of acceptable conduct, the following penalties are suggested. The Disciplinary Committee may impose one or more which, in their opinion, appears to match the severity of the offense.
  - 1. Warning. The offending person is to be advised, in writing, of the offense, and further advised that repetition of the offense shall result in a more severe penalty.
  - 2. Forfeitures. The offending person is to be advised, in writing, that his/her offense has resulted in the forfeiture by the team he/she is affiliated, of a specific game or games for the purpose of team record and league standings. The game(s) will be played as usual except that the offender's affiliated team will suffer a loss by the score of 9 to 0 for each game forfeited regardless of the actual game score. If the Head Coach/Manager of the offender's affiliated team is not the offender, the Head Coach/Manager shall also be notified as above.
  - 3. Suspension. The offending person is to be advised in writing that he or she has been suspended from all league activity for a specific number of games or days.
  - 4. Dismissal. The offending person is to be advised in writing that he or she has been dismissed from the league for the remainder of the current year.
  - 5. Barred. The offending person is to be advised in writing that he or she has been barred from present and future participation in the league, permanently, or for a specific number of years.
- E. The following guidelines will be followed when disciplinary actions are taken.
  - 1. Warnings are issued only one time; any further infractions will carry the minimum of suspension.
  - 2. Suspension will be the minimum awarded penalty for any physical confrontation occurring.
  - 3. Dismissal or Barring requires two-thirds majority vote of the entire Board of Directors. If the Disciplinary Committee makes the recommendation to the Board for Dismissal for Barring, a Special Meeting of the Board of Directors should be called.
  - 4. Any person found at fault in a disciplinary action will automatically be placed on probationary status for the remainder of the current season and the year immediately following.
  - 5. Any person found at fault in a disciplinary action while on a probationary period will not be considered for application of coaching in the year immediately following.

- 9.3.1 Any person reported to have committed one of the following offenses will automatically be reviewed by the Disciplinary Committee for Disciplinary Action. The following in no way represents the complete list of reviewable offenses and the Board of Directors reserves the right to add to this list without prior notice.
- A. Any Head Coach, Asst. Coach, Player, spectator or Board Member who acts in an un-sportsmanlike manner, uses profane language, or does not act responsible toward the well being of any player.
  - B. Any Head Coach, Asst. Coach, Player, spectator or Board Member who is found to be intoxicated by an intoxicating substance while on the playing field or on the ballpark grounds.
  - C. Any Coach, spectator or Player ejected from a game. (Also see UMPIRES AUTHORITY Article XII)
  - D. Physical or Verbal abuse of a Player, Coach, Umpire, spectator or Board Member.
  - E. Repeated confrontations with Coaches, Umpires or Board Members.
  - F. Malicious damage or misuse of CHBA property or equipment.
  - G. All Actions Listed under rule VII, Acts of Disbarment, in the USSSA National by-laws
- 9.3.2 Any person named in an incident that is reviewed by the Disciplinary Committee, whether deemed worthy of disciplinary action or not, will be notified either by mail and/or electronic mail of the Committee's final decision.
- 9.3.3 Any Disciplinary Action handed down by the Disciplinary Committee is in immediate effect and shall remain in effect regardless of any pending appeal.
- 9.3.4 The decision of the Disciplinary Committee may be appealed to the CHBA Board.
- 9.3.5 The Board of Directors will resolve major conflicts between a parent and a coach.

#### **IX.4. CODES OF ETHICS**

All Coaches, Players, Parents, Spectators and Board Members must adhere to the respective Codes of Ethics below:

##### **A. Coach's Code of Ethics (For all coaches and Board members)**

- I hereby pledge to live up to my certification as a CHBA Coach by following the CHBA Coaches' Code of Ethics.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my players ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will treat each player as an individual, remembering the large range of emotional and physical development for the same age group.
- I will do my best to provide a safe playing situation for my players.
- I will promise to review and practice the basic first aid principles needed to treat injuries of my players.
- I will do my best to organize practices that are fun and challenging for all my players.
- I will lead by example in demonstrating fair play and sportsmanship to all my players
- I will provide a sports environment for my team that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and I will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will be knowledgeable in the rules of baseball, and I will teach these rules to my players.
- I will use age-appropriate coaching techniques for each of the skills that I teach.
- I will remember that I am a youth sports coach, and that the game is for children and not adults.

##### **B. Parents' Code of Ethics**

## Parents' Code of Ethics

- I hereby pledge to provide positive support, care, and encouragement for my child participating in youth sports by following this Parents' Code of Ethics Pledge.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game, practice, or other youth sports event.
- I will place the emotional and physical well being of my child ahead of a personal desire to win.
- I will insist that my child play in a safe and healthy environment.
- I will support coaches and officials working with my child, in order to encourage a positive and enjoyable experience for all.
- I will demand a sports environment for my child that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol, and will refrain from their use at all youth sports events.
- I will remember that the game is for youth, not for adults.
- I will do my very best to make youth sports fun for my child.
- I will ask my child to treat other players, coaches, fans, and officials, with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or ability.
- I promise to help my child enjoy the youth sports experience by doing whatever I can, such as being a respectable fan, assisting with coaching, or providing transportation.
- I will require that my child's coach be trained in the responsibilities of being a youth sports coach and that the coach upholds the Coaches' Code of Ethics.
- I will read the NYSCA National Standards For Youth Sports and do what I can to help all youth sports organizations implement and enforce them.

### C. Players' Code of Ethics

## Players' Code of Ethics

- I hereby pledge to be positive about my youth sports experience and accept responsibility for my participation by following this Players' Code of Ethics Pledge.
- I will encourage good sportsmanship from fellow players, coaches, officials and parents at every game and practice by demonstrating good sportsmanship.
- I will attend every practice and game that I can, and will notify my coach if I cannot.
- I will expect to receive a fair and equal amount of playing time.
- I will do my very best to listen and learn from my coaches.
- I will treat my coaches, other players, officials and fans with respect regardless of race, sex, creed, or abilities and I will expect to be treated accordingly.
- I deserve to have fun during my sports experience and will alert parents or coaches if it stops being fun!
- I deserve to play in an environment that is free of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol and expect adults to refrain from their use at all youth sports events.



- I will encourage my parents to be involved with my team in some capacity because it's important to me.
- I will do my very best in school.
- I will remember that sports are an opportunity to learn and have fun.

## **ARTICLE X (REGISTRATION)**

- 10.1 Valid registration shall be defined as a properly executed signed registration application, also including proper application fees as deemed necessary by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
- 10.2 Any registration application deemed non-valid or fraudulent shall cause the applicant to be ineligible for the duration of the season and all games said applicant participated in shall be forfeited.
- 10.3 Registration fees will not be refunded after the recreational draft for any reason unless approved by the BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
- 10.4 Each player will be required to submit a Birth Certificate at time of registration, or to his or her Head Coach, before the first scheduled game or the player will be ineligible to participate. All Head Coaches will be required to turn in their player's Birth Certificate to their Commissioners, to be submitted to the Director of Rec. by Opening Day.
- 10.5 Each applicant Birth Certificate shall certify age eligibility.
- 10.6 Any other form stating proof of age may be presented to the Board of Directors for their approval.
- 10.7 The age limits of each division shall be as described under USSSA Rules. An "Illegal Player" is one who is not legally a member of CHBA because the player does not meet requirements as to age, or registration rules.
- A. Any player found to be illegal shall be suspended for the remainder of the season and all games in which player participated in shall be forfeited.
  - B. Players will be allowed to participate in other Baseball Associations as well as CHBA.
- 10.8 If a player is unable to pay the registration fee, they may submit a Scholarship Application to the Board of Directors for approval.

## **ARTICLE XI (COACHING GUIDELINES & RESPONSIBILITIES)**

- 11.1 All participating coaches must be on file and approved by the CHBA BOARD OF DIRECTORS prior to the draft, the following will be the order in which a prospective coach will be allowed to have a team.
- A. First Choice – A Head Coach returning from last season.
  - B. Second Choice – A Head Coach returning from last year.
  - C. Third Choice – An Assistant Coach returning from last season.
  - D. Fourth Choice – An Assistant Coach returning from last year.
  - E. Fifth Choice – A Head Coach returning from previous years.

- F. Sixth Choice – Prospective new Coach wanting a team.
- 11.2 In case of equal seniority, the final decision, (as to who gets a team), shall be made by the Board of Directors.
- 11.3 Any CHBA Board Member, including President, is eligible to coach or manage a team(s) in any division.
- 11.4 Any Head Coach or Asst. Coach who acts in an unsportsmanlike manner, uses profane language, does not act responsible toward the well being of any player shall be held accountable by the CHBA Board of Directors. If found guilty by the Board, said person or persons, shall be punished as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors. (Also see: Article XII.3 )
- A. If found guilty by the Board, shall be disciplined as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.
- B. There shall be absolutely no appeals for any and all punishments handed down from the CHBA Board of Directors.
- 11.5 Any Head Coach, Asst. Coach, Player or any Board Member who is found to be intoxicated by an intoxicating substance while on the playing field or on the ballpark grounds, shall be subject to a Disciplinary Hearing (See Article XII.3), and may be permanently banned from CHBA by the Board of Directors.
- A. This also includes parents and spectators as well.
- B. Anyone noticed in this condition should be reported to a Board Member immediately.
- 11.6 Any person interested in becoming a Head Coach or Assistant Coach must be willing to attend an approved Coaching Certification Program, and coaching clinic, and agree to a personal background check. The cost of the background check will be the responsibility of the coach unless otherwise provided for by CHBA. Coaches will also be required to attend all coach's meetings called as "Mandatory Coaches Meeting."
- 11.7 All Head Coaches and Asst. Coaches must be 18 years of age or older. Younger participants may assist, but can not be considered for these positions unless special approval by the board is granted.
- 11.8 Each Head Coach or Asst. Coach, is requested to coach (one) team, in (one) division, unless authorized by the Board of Directors of CHBA. Coaching on more than one team is allowed, but may result in scheduling conflicts surrounding practices, tournaments and games.
- 11.9 Home team Coaches will be responsible for obtaining the bases at least 15 min. prior to their game, unless provisions have been made by CHBA or the city/parks dept.
- 11.10** The Home team Coaches, in the last game played, will be responsible for returning the bases to the equipment box directly after the game. This also includes rain-shortened games. Failure to do so will result in a fine of \$20.00 if deemed appropriate by CHBA Board of Directors. (Unless provisions from XI.11.9 require otherwise.)
- 11.11 Any Head Coach or Asst. Coach having (CHBA related), uncollected monies and or equipment that has not been returned, will not be eligible to participate in any part of CHBA, until all monies due are paid in full to the satisfaction of the CHBA Board of Directors.
- 11.12 All Head Coaches will be required to have a Coach's book at all games. The Coach's book must contain the following updated information for his/her team.
- A. Copy of each player's Birth Certificate.

- B. Copy of each player's Registration/medical release.
- C. Certificate of each Coach's certification.
- D. Proof of insurance.
- E. Up to date pitching log for his/her team. (10U, 12U, 14U, 16U )
- F. Up to date copy of the CHBA Bylaws & General Rules and the Inter-City Rules.

11.13 If a Coach is asked to present his/her book at game time, during the game or upon completion of a game and does not have it, his/her team will automatically forfeit the game.

## **ARTICLE XII (UMPIRES AUTHORITY)**

12.1 The Umpires of the game will have complete and absolute control of the game. The site director/tournament director may be called upon at the umpires request or in the event that an umpire may become biased toward rulings.

12.2 Each Umpire has the authority to eject any Coach, or player during the game, for any reason they deem necessary.

12.3 Any Coach or Player who has been ejected from a game shall automatically be suspended from their next scheduled game.

12.4 An Umpire Ejection/Suspension cannot be appealed.

12.5 In the event a parent or a spectator is deemed uncontrollable by an Umpire of the game, the Head Coach of said person(s) team shall be warned of such problem. After such warning has been issued and the problem continues to occur, the Umpire shall have the authority to eject, (the parent(s), and the Head Coach of said team), from the playing field, dugout, and/or bleachers.

- A. If a parent, Head Coach or spectator who has been ejected from the game refuses to leave, the Umpire shall have the authority to stop and forfeit the game to the opposing team.
- B. Any Head Coach or Player, spectator or parent, that has been ejected from the game will not be allowed to direct his or her team in any manner during the entire game.
- C. Any Coach, Player, spectator or parent who is ejected from a game must leave the ballpark for the remainder of the game.

12.6 The site director/tournament director may be called upon at the umpires request or in the event that an umpire may become biased toward rulings.

## **ARTICLE XIII (PRACTICING)**

13.1 All coaches should use good judgment when selecting a practice location.

13.2 No practice with (5) or more players will be allowed before the first official beginning practice date of the current playing season. There are no practice limitations or restrictions for Classic teams if fields are cleared for practice from the Cedar Hill Parks Department and through the Facility Usage Agreement.

13.3 No team involved with CHBA will be allowed to practice anyone who is not properly registered with CHBA.

13.4 All players must be notified of their team's practices and allowed to participate.

- 13.5 No recreational team shall practice more than six (6) hours each week. This does not include scheduled games.
- 13.6 Only during tournament play the hours may be extended as to the coaches discretion.
- 13.7 All safety equipment must be used in practice as required during actual league games.
- 13.8 Any violation of the practice rules will be punishable as deemed necessary by the Board of Directors and/or a disciplinary committee.

**ARTICLE XIV (DRAFTING PROCEDURES)**

14.1.1 All new players in the Recreational league and all players who abandoned their old team will be placed in a draft.

14.1.2 Drafting Sequence

- 1. The sequence of teams drafting will be determined by a draw for each age pool.
- 2. Teams will draft from player pool until all players are drafted.
- 3. Order will be as follows:

EXAMPLE: Team X has = 0 players  
 Team Y has = 2 players  
 Team Z has = 4 players

ROUND ONE = Team X will draft  
 ROUND TWO = Team X will draft  
 ROUND THREE = Team X & Team Y will draft  
 ROUND FOUR = Team X & Team Y will draft  
 ROUND FIVE = Team X, Team Y & Team Z will draft

14.3 One representative for each team will be allowed to be present at the draft.

14.4 Teams participating in CHBA Fall Leagues will have the opportunity to bring their teams forward from the previous spring season to play in the Fall. Due to consideration that needs to be given going forward into the next Spring Season, the following rules have been established as Fall Ball Draft Rules and cannot be changed without the express consent of the CHBA Board.

14.5 Players may sign up to join CHBA Fall Ball and returning players will be placed on the same team they played for in the previous spring season.

14.6 Players who wish to participate in Fall Ball and did not play on a CHBA team will be placed into the draft for the upcoming fall season. Players wishing to participate in the Fall Season who played for the league last spring and whose team is not participating in the Fall Season will also be placed into the draft.

14.70 The Fall draft procedures will be as follows:

14.70a Regular CHBA Draft procedures (above) apply.

14.70b Returning teams from the previous spring season that have enough players to play without drafting additional players have the option to not participate in the draft.

- 14.70c Players who wish to leave their previous team to return to the draft may do so by indicating on the player registration form that they wish to be dropped by the previous team. This registration form must be signed by the player's parent/legal guardian.
- 14.70d Players who are assigned to new teams in the fall will return to their previous spring team if that team returns the next spring season, even if the player would like to stay with the Fall Ball team going forward. This is done to keep our teams classified as Class "A" Recreational teams. USSSA states that teams may not be combined and players may not be placed on teams as this would result in a "Select" or "AA" team classification.
- 14.71 If a previous year's spring team does not return the next spring season, and the player would like to stay on the team he played for in the fall – then the following rules would apply:
- 14.71a Returning teams must take back all returning players who sign up for the upcoming Spring Season. The only exception is when a player's parents or guardian wishes to place their child back in to the draft. If the player played on a new fall ball team, then he can stay with that team, once the other considerations below are met.
- 14.71b During the draft, the teams with the least amount of players will choose players until all teams are equal. If a fall ball team has picked up players, and returns in the spring with their original team plus additional players from fall and their player count exceeds the number of players distributed equally amongst the team, then the coach will place all excess players back into the draft in reverse order of adding them to the team (i.e. last player draft will be the first player placed back into the draft and so on until the team is now equal in number to the other teams).

Returning Teams: A returning team is any team made up of 6 or more players from the previous Spring Season. This is based on USSSA classification guidelines. If a coach leaves the team, then either of the 2 listed assistant coaches can take over as head coach. If all three coaches leave the team, but 6 or more players remain together, the team will remain the same. The team may change names and head coaches, but USSSA will track the stats as the SAME team. Any returning team will have their outside "picks" used as long as those players are still with the "returning team." Each team is given 2 outside picks per the CHBA Spring Draft Rules.

If 5 or less players return to the league to play and wish to play together, accommodations will be made to keep these players together. This may be done by adding them to an existing team that has room to add them to the roster, or a new team can be formed. The league's intent is to keep players playing together.

The CHBA Board will oversee the placement of players not returning to their original teams to ensure no team is "stacking" its roster.

*Scenarios:*

***Player is new to Cedar Hill and wants to play baseball in the fall.*** Player will be placed into draft, and may stay with that team as long as the team does not have too many returning players in the Spring season, otherwise that player will return to the spring draft.

***Player's team is not playing fall ball.*** Player will be placed in the draft for the fall season. That player will then return to his Spring team if that team returns to CHBA. If the Spring team does not return, then that player may stay with the Fall team as long as the Fall team does not have too many returning players in the Spring season. Otherwise that player will return to the spring draft.

***If a player wants to leave his previous team returning in the fall.*** The player will be placed into the fall draft, and may stay with that team as long as the team does not have too many returning players in the Spring season, otherwise that player will return to the spring draft.

*Team Coaches move to Select: If a coach and some of the players for a team moves to selec, then any remaining players can stay together and be placed on a returning team that has room on their roster, or a new team can be created with the players staying together*

#### **ARTICLE XV (SOUTHWEST CLASSIC BASEBALL)**

- 15.1 Cedar Hill Baseball dba Southwest Classic Baseball (SWCB) is a division of CHBA and was created for the purpose of promoting select baseball in the Cedar Hill area. The voting members of Southwest Classic Baseball will consist of the Director of Classic of Cedar Hill Baseball Association and no more than one (1) representative from each approved venue city participating in the Southwest Classic Baseball League.
- 15.2 The Southwest Classic Baseball league will consist of a league of teams from participating cities who pay fees as decided by the voting members.
- 15.3 Cedar Hill Baseball Association (CHBA) reserves the right to intervene in the operations of SWCB at any time the CHBA Board, by a two-thirds vote of its Board members, believes it is appropriate to affect the purpose of CHBA and SWCB.
- 15.4 The voting members of SWCB will determine the approved venues of SWCB for the calendar year at the Annual Meeting to be held in January.
- 15.5 In order to establish a chain of command within the group of appointed league representatives facilitating SWCB, the appointed delegates from each city will hold elections among themselves at the Annual Meeting to be held in January to appoint the positions of President, Vice-President, and Secretary. All officers will have full voting authority.

##### **15.5A PRESIDENT**

- A. Oversee the entire operation of SWCB.
- B. Preside at all SWCB meetings.
- C. Coordinate SWCB league operations with all participating city representatives.
- D. By the January meeting of each year, generate the annual calendar of pertinent events, board meetings, registration, tournament dates, etc, and update the calendar as needed.
- E. Notify all Board members of the dates, times, and locations of all official meetings as well as securing the location of each meeting.
- F. Communicate information to the CHBA President as needed for the Facility Usage agreement.

##### **15.5B VICE PRESIDENT**

- A. Assume duties of President in his absence or upon vacancy of his presidency.
- B. Assist President in overseeing the entire operation of SWCB.

##### **15.5C SECRETARY**

The Secretary of Southwest Classic Board will be appointed by the President of Southwest Classic Baseball and will not have voting rights unless the Secretary has a dual role acting as a representative

of a participating city. The Secretary's duties will be to record the minutes of all meetings and transmit the minutes to the Secretary of Cedar Hill Baseball Association once approved by SWCB Directors.

#### 15.5D TREASURER

The Treasurer of CHBA will also act as Treasurer of SWCB, and will be a non-voting member of Southwest Classic Baseball. If the Treasurer of CHBA is also the Director of Classic for CHBA, then the Treasurer will have voting rights. All funds remaining in the Southwest Classic Baseball account will become the property of Cedar Hill Baseball Association in the event that Southwest Classic Baseball ceases operation.

- 15.6 Each participating city's representative will be responsible for reporting to their local cities and Boards.
- 15.7 Every representative must be granted authority by their respective local Association Boards of Directors to vote in regular and special meetings of Southwest Classic Baseball in order to make decisions regarding the league and teams.
- 15.8 All Cedar Hill team registered to play Southwest Classic Baseball must adhere to all Rules and Regulations of Cedar Hill Baseball as well as additional rules imposed by Southwest Classic Baseball Directors.
- 15.9 REGISTRATION FOR SOUTHWEST CLASSIC BASEBALL.
- A. Any team wanting to participate in SWCB must register through a participating host city.
  - B. Any **new team** with an even 50% of its players residing in one approved host city and 50% residing in another approved city will be able to choose between the two cities represented.
  - C. Any **team returning** with an even 50% of its players residing in one approved host city and 50% residing in another approved host city must register in the same host city it registered in the previous year.
  - D. Any **team** with the majority of its players from a city or cities not represented in SWCB can choose from any of the participating cities to register with.
  - E. Any **team returning** with the majority of its players residing in an approved host city must register in the same city it registered in the previous year unless that city is no longer an approved venue.
  - F. Any team without a majority of its players residing in an approved host city can choose from any of the participating cities to register.

#### Exceptions:

- A Any Team can choose to override this rule by paying an additional \$1000.00 displacement fee. This fee will be sent to the association the team is leaving.
- B If the two cities involved agree to allow the team to register in the city of the teams choice.

#### 15.10 THE DIRECTORS OF SOUTHWEST CLASSIC BASEBALL WILL ANNUALLY PUBLISH THE PLAYING RULES & OTHER APPROPRIATE REGULATIONS FOR SOUTHWEST CLASSIC BASEBALL LEAGUE TEAMS.

### ARTICLE XVI (INSURANCE)

- 16.1 CHBA shall provide Insurance for everyone involved in this Association. This includes Players, Coaches, umpires, Board members, and city employees affiliated with the association.
- 16.2 Insurance coverage shall be in place no later than February of each year.
- 16.3 The minimal insurance coverage shall be as follows:
- 1) General Liability = \$1,000,000.00 (Includes Spectators, Concession, City employees etc)
  - 2) Accident Medical Limit = \$100,000.00
  - 3) Dental = \$1,000.00

### ARTICLE XVII (TOURNAMENTS)

- 17.1 CHBA any time throughout the year may host tournaments open to teams outside the recreational and/or SWCB leagues to be used for Association fundraisers. All events must go through the special events coordinator as per the facility usage agreement and city ordinances.
- 17.2 The President will have the duty of staffing all open tournaments with the appropriate number of facilitators.
- 17.3 The President may approve compensation to CHBA Board Members or any other individual to facilitate any tournament open to teams outside the recreational and/or SWCB leagues.
- 17.4 The CHBA President may also receive compensation for facilitating any of the tournaments open to teams outside the recreational and/or SWCB leagues.
- 17.5 The total dollar amount of compensation that may be paid to all tournament facilitators will not be more than 50% of the gate fees collected unless otherwise approved by the CHBA Board of Directors, per event.

#### **ARTICLE XVIII (AWARDS)**

The CHBA Board of Directors as deemed appropriate for that season will determine all awards.

#### **ARTICLE XIX (AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS)**

The Bylaws of this Association may be amended at any Regular or Special Meeting of the CHBA Board of Directors after the proposed amendments have been presented at a Regular or Special Meeting of the CHBA Board of Directors and tabled for a period of not less than ten days. After the ten-day waiting period, these Bylaws may be amended at any Regular or Special meeting of the CHBA Board of Directors after such amendments receive a two-thirds affirmative vote of all CHBA Board members. Any amendments must also be reviewed and approved by the CH All Sports Association, as well as any other entity deemed necessary through the All Sport ByLaws.