

# Delta Baseball League

## Articles of Association

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### 1. Objective

- 1.1. The organization shall be known as the Delta Baseball League.
- 1.2. It is the objective of this organization to provide an instructional baseball/softball league for the youth residing within the city of Antioch, California and the surrounding Delta communities.
- 1.3. This association is a nonprofit, public benefit association and is not organized for the private gain of any person.
- 1.4. This association is organized and operated exclusively for recreational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 1.5. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an association exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of (b) by an association to which contributions are deductible under Section 170(3)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code.
- 1.6. No substantial part of the activities of this association shall consist of carrying on Propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation and the association shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.
- 1.7. The property of this association is irrevocably dedicated to instructing baseball and softball for boys and girls and no part of the net income or assets of this association shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof, or to the benefit of any private person. No board member may be compensated for services rendered in order for DBL to qualify under IRC 501 (c)(3).
- 1.8. The objective of each team will be to provide a wholesome and healthy atmosphere on an instructional basis.

## **2. Membership**

2.1. Membership in the Delta baseball League shall consist of volunteer coaches, members of the Board of Directors, team parent representatives, and players. Coaches of a prior year shall be considered a member until the start of the next season. The season shall be considered to start as of the player registration.

## **3. Government**

3.1 A Board of Directors shall be the governing body of this organization.

3.1.1 Each Board position shall be entitled to one vote. The president shall only vote to break a tie.

3.2. The function of the Board of Directors shall be as follows:

3.2.1. Nominations and elections for officers shall occur at a scheduled coaches meeting or meetings. All members except players may vote.

3.2.2 Nominees must have been a member in this organization for a minimum of one season prior to the start of his or her prospective term.

3.2.3 Nominees may run for more than one Board position, but may only be elected to one position. Once a nominee is elected to a position, they can no longer run or be elected to another position. (3/09)

3.2.4 Shall manage the daily operations of the league.

3.4. The Board of Directors shall be comprised of a President, Vice President, VP - Director of Boy's Baseball, VP - Director of Girl's Softball, Secretary, Treasurer, Purchasing Agent, Fund Raising Chairperson, Facilities & Fields Director, Sponsorship Coordinator, Webmaster, Coaching Coordinator, Umpire Coordinator, T-Ball commissioner, Peanut Boys Commissioners (National & American), Peanut Girls Commissioner, Junior Boys Commissioners (National & American), Junior Girls Commissioner, Senior Boys Commissioners (National & American), Senior Girls Commissioner, Comp Commissioners (National & American), Freedom Commissioner, Team Parent Coordinator and Player Agent(s).

3.5. The President with majority board approval may appoint a Parliamentarian. If a Parliamentarian is not appointed the President shall assign the duties to other Board members.

3.6. Officers shall serve for terms of one year or until successors are elected. Officers shall assume their duties on August 1st. A person who has served in an office for more than six months shall be deemed to have served a full term in such office.

3.7. Any elected Board member may be removed from office by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Such removal may only be on the grounds of failure to discharge the duties of their office or conduct detrimental to the best interests of this organization.

3.8. Upon the resignation or removal of a Board member, a replacement may be appointed by the President and approved by the Board of Directors.

## **4. Duties of the Board of Directors**

4.1. The President must have been a Board of Directors member within the last 2 years. In the event that this condition cannot be met then the Board of Directors will set the criteria for choosing a new president.

4.2. The President shall preside at both regular and special meetings of the membership and Board of Directors. The President shall call special meetings of the membership and of the Board of Directors as necessary and shall appoint all committees and committees' chairman, either permanent or temporary, as may be required. The President shall be the chief officer with full responsibilities and authority for the operation of this organization.

4.3. The Vice Presidents shall serve in the capacity for the President when so directed by the President or in the absence of the President. The Vice Presidents shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.4. The VP - Director of Boy's Baseball & VP Director of Girl's Softball shall serve as liaisons between the respective League Commissioners and the Board of Directors. The VP - Directors shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.5. The Secretary shall maintain the minutes of all meetings as directed by the President. The Secretary shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.6. The Treasurer shall manage all financial activities as directed by the Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall submit a financial report to the Board of Directors on a monthly basis. The Treasurer shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.7. The League Commissioners are the liaisons between the Directors of Boy's Baseball and Girl's Softball and the individual team coaches. They shall support and communicate with the coaches as necessary. They shall hold clinics as directed by the Board of Directors in order to provide coach training. The Senior and Junior Commissioners shall organize pitching clinics. The actual number of Commissioners may change from year to year taking into account the number of players in the league. The Commissioners shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.8. The Fundraising Chairman shall organize and recruit volunteers for any fundraisers and perform other duties as determined by the Board of Directors. The Fundraising Chairman shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.9. The Facility & Fields Director shall secure playing fields and be responsible to maintain their safe condition. The Facilities Director shall obtain all permits required for other space required by the league. The Facilities Director shall provide permits to the team managers. The Facilities Director shall serve as the liaison with the City of Antioch Recreation Department and Antioch Sports Complex. The Facilities Director shall assign the team work party's as needed. The Facilities Director shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.10. The Umpiring Coordinator shall coordinate all umpiring activities including training, scheduling, and compensation. The Umpiring Coordinator shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.11. The Coaching Coordinator shall be responsible for organizing and fulfilling the obligation of the Delta Baseball League for coaching requirements set forth by the Board of Directors. The Coaching Coordinator shall also conduct workshops with all coaches for the purpose of providing knowledge of rules and regulations. The Coaching Coordinator shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.12. The Sponsorship Coordinator shall solicit sponsors for the Delta Baseball League, maintain a working relationship with sponsors and be responsible for the distribution of sponsor's plaques. The Sponsorship Coordinator shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.13. The Purchasing Agent shall be responsible for selecting vendors and presenting those vendors to the Board of Directors for approval. The Purchasing Agent will then be responsible for the purchasing of all approved items. The Purchasing Agent shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.14. The Team Parent Coordinator shall be responsible for conducting team parent meetings as required. They will be responsible for instruction and aiding each team in communications between coaches, team players and parents. The Team Parent Coordinator shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.15. The Player Agents shall monitor play during the season and verify that all players are getting the league-approved amount of playing time. The Player Agent shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

4.16. The Webmaster shall be responsible to update the association's website and to keep the information contained therein accurate and timely. The Webmaster shall perform any duties assigned by the President.

## **5. Standing and Appointed Committees and Appointees**

5.1. The President shall appoint the following standing committees:

5.1.1 The Rules Committee shall consist of coaches and/or Board Members with at least one year of membership in the Delta Baseball League who shall present the Board with proposed rule changes.

5.1.2. The by-laws Review Committee shall review on an annual basis these by-laws and shall recommend any changes to the Board of Directors.

5.1.3. The Coaches Review Committee shall review all perspective coaches and reserve the right to decline an application. The committee shall consist at least of the League Commissioners and the Coaching Coordinator.

5.1.4. The Finance Committee will audit the financial records on a semi-annual basis.

5.2. Any Committee recommendations shall be taken directly to the President and Vice Presidents for approval. If a majority of the President & VPs approves the recommendation, then the Delta Baseball League shall accept it into the Bylaws or Articles of Association, as appropriate. (10/08)

## **6. Dissolution**

6.1. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the Association, its assets remaining after payment or provision from payment, of all debts and liabilities of this association, shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation, or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for educational and scientific purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under section 501 [c][3] of the Internal Revenue Code.

## **7. Amendments**

7.1. Amendments to these bylaws may be made by a majority vote of the Board of Directors at a duly constituted Board meeting after the playing season and before the next season starts.

