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**STATE PARK LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION**

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

This organization shall be known as ***State Park Little League***, hereinafter referred to as “Local League.”

**ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE**

**SECTION 1**

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

**SECTION 2**

To achieve this objective, the Local League 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, the Local League 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.

**ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

**SECTION 1**

**Eligibility.** Any person sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of this Local League may apply to become a Member.

**SECTION 2**

**Classes.** There shall be the following classes of Members:

1. **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.
2. **Regular Members.** Any adult person actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may become a Regular Member upon election 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 Directors, Regular 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 the league automatically include all current Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, Board Members, Directors of the Board and any other person who is recognized by the Board as a volunteer in the Local League, including those volunteers participating with the following committees:

* Executive Committee
* Membership Committee
* Finance Committee
* Fundraising Committee
* Strategic Planning Committee
* Grounds Committee
* Competition Committee
* Concessions Committee
* Tournament Committee

1. **Honorary Members** (Optional). Any person may be elected as Honorary Member by the unanimous vote of all Directors present at any duly held meeting of the Board of Directors but shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.
2. **Sustaining Members** (Optional). Any person not a Regular Member who makes financial or other contribution to the Local League may by a majority vote of the Board of Directors become a Sustaining Member, but such person shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.
3. As used hereinafter, the word “Member” shall mean a Regular Member unless otherwise stated.

**SECTION 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 the Local League.

**SECTION 4**

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

1. 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 the Local League and/or Little League Baseball. 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.
2. 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).

**ARTICLE IV - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

**SECTION 1**

**Definition.** A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the membership of the league (including Special General Membership Meetings, Section 7). A minimum of one per year (Annual Meeting, see Section 6) is required.

**SECTION 2**

**Notice of Meeting.** Notice of each General Membership Meeting shall be made available personally, electronically or by mail to each Member at the last recorded address or via email at least ***ten (10)*** days in advance of the meeting, setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting. In lieu of the above methods, notice may be given in such form as may be authorized by the Members, from time to time, at a regularly convened General Membership Meeting.

**SECTION 3**

**Quorum.** At any General Membership Meeting, the presence in person or representation by absentee ballot of 20% total membership shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted.

**SECTION 4**

**Voting.** Only Regular Members 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.

**SECTION 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 and obtained from the Secretary of the League. The absentee ballot shall be properly completed, signed and returned in a sealed envelope to the Secretary prior to the date of the election. The Secretary shall present all absentee ballots to the Election Chairman (appointed at the meeting) on the date of the meeting, prior to the voting portion of the election process.

**SECTION 6**

**Annual Meeting of the Members.** The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League shall be held

***the first Thursday of October at 7:00 PM*** each year for the purpose of electing new Members, electing the Board of Directors, receiving reports, reviewing the Constitution, appointing committees, and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

1. The Membership shall receive, at the Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League, a report, verified by the President and Treasurer, or by a majority of the Directors, showing:
2. The condition of the Local League, to be presented by the President or his/her designate;
3. 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;
4. The whole amount of real and personal property owned by the Local League, where located, and where and how invested;
5. 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;
6. The names of the persons who have been admitted to regular membership in the Local League during such year. This report shall be filed with the records of the Local League and entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Meeting. A copy of such report shall be forwarded to Little League Headquarters.
7. 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) and shall be referred to hereforward as Board of Directors.

1. 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 1st o***f that year.  The Board’s term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section.
2. 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, Safety Officer, Coaching Coordinator, and Umpire in Chief. The Board shall also include a minimum of one manager and one volunteer umpire. Only volunteer umpires may be elected to the Board.

**SECTION 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 ***ten (10)*** 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 ***ten (10)*** days after the request is received by the President or Secretary.

**SECTION 8**

**Rules of Order for General Membership Meetings.** Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all General Membership Meetings, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of the Local League.

**ARTICLE V - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**SECTION 1**

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

**SECTION 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.

**SECTION 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.

**SECTION 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.

1. The President or the Secretary may, whenever they deem it advisable, or the Secretary shall at the request in writing of ***3 (Three)*** 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.
2. Notice of each Board meeting shall be given by the Secretary personally, electronically or by mail to each Director at least ***7 (Seven)*** day(s) before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded address of each Director.
3. ***One greater than 25% of the standing 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.
4. 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.

**SECTION 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 the Local League 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 the Local League in accordance with the procedure set forth in Article III, Section 4 (a,b).

**SECTION 6**

**Rules of Order for Board Meetings.** Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all Board of Directors meetings, except where same conflicts with this Constitution of the Local League.

**ARTICLE VI - DUTIES AND POWERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**SECTION 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.

**SECTION 2**

**President.** The President shall:

1. Conduct the affairs of the Local League and execute the policies established by the Board of Directors.
2. Present a report of the condition of the Local League at the Annual Meeting.
3. Communicate to the Board of Directors such matters as deemed appropriate, and make such suggestions as may tend to promote the welfare of the Local League.
4. Be responsible for the conduct of the Local League 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 the Local League by that organization.
5. Designate in writing other officers, if necessary, to have power to make and execute for/and in the name of the Local League such contracts and leases they may receive and which have had prior approval of the Board.
6. Investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to the Local League and report thereon to the Board or Executive Committee as circumstances warrant.
7. Oversee the scheduling of ALL League Events.
8. Prepare and submit an annual budget, with the assistance of the Treasurer and Finance Committee, to the Board of Directors and be responsible for the proper execution thereof.
9. With the assistance of the Player Agent, examine the application and support proof-of age documents of every player candidate and certify to residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection.
10. Preside as Executive Committee Chair and/or Strategic Planning Committee Chair.

**SECTION 3**

**Vice President.** The Vice President shall:

1. 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.
2. Vice President will have co-responsibility for delivering on uniforms, with Equipment Manager
3. Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.
4. Preside as Finance Committee Chair

**SECTION 4**

**Secretary.** The Secretary shall:

1. Be responsible for recording the activities of the Local League and maintain appropriate files, mailing lists and necessary records.
2. 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.
3. Maintain a list of all Regular, Sustaining and Honorary Members, Directors and committee members and give notice of all meetings of the Local League, the Board of Directors and Committees.
4. Keep the official Local League calendar of events.
5. Keep the minutes of the meetings of the Members, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, and cause them to be recorded in a book kept for that purpose.
6. 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.
7. Notify Members, Directors, Officers and committee members of their election or appointment.
8. Preside as Membership Committee Chair

**SECTION 5**

**Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall:

1. 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.
2. Receive all monies and securities, and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors.
3. Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all monies and securities of the Local League, 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. All disbursements by check must have dual signatures.
4. Prepare an annual budget, under the direction of the President, and Finance Committee, for submission to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting.
5. 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 Headquarters.

**SECTION 6**

**Player Agent.** The Player Agent shall:

1. Record all player transactions and maintain an accurate and up-to-date record thereof.
2. Receive and review applications for player candidates and assist the President in verifying residence and age eligibility.
3. Conduct the tryouts, the player draft and all other player transaction or selection meetings.
4. Prepare the Player Agent’s list (Pool Players).
5. Prepare for the President’s signature and submission to Little League Headquarters, team rosters, including players’ claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.
6. Notify Little League Headquarters of any subsequent player replacements or trades.
7. Schedule all League games in coordination with Umpire-in-Chief and submit to Board of Directors for approval.
8. Oversee selection process of All-Star teams
9. Preside as Tournament Committee Chair

**SECTION 7**

**Coaching Coordinator**. The coaching coordinator shall:

1. Represent coaches/managers in league;
2. Present a coach/manager training budget to the board;
3. Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league-wide training program;
4. Order and distribute training materials to players, coaches and managers;
5. Coordinate mini-clinics as necessary;
6. Serve as the contact person for Little League and its manager-coach education program for the league.
7. Preside as Competition Committee Chair

**SECTION 8**

**Umpire in Chief.** The Umpire In Chief shall:

1. Represent umpires in the league;
2. Present an umpire training plan and budget to the board;
3. Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league-wide training program;
4. Order and distribute training materials to new and returning umpires;
5. Schedule umpires for Majors and Minor A level in coordination with Player Agent;
6. Serve as the contact person for Little League and its manager-coach education program for the league.
7. Required to serve on Competition Committee

**ARTICLE VII – REGULAR MEMBERS**

**SECTION 1**

**Safety Officer.** The Safety Officer shall:

1. Be responsible to create awareness, through education and information, of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for youngsters and all participants of Little League Baseball.
2. Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance and reporting.
3. Submit annually for Little League approval ASAP Safety Plan
4. May be combined with another Director or Regular Member Role

**SECTION 2**

**League Information Officer**. The League Information Officer shall:

1. Manage the league’s official home page at [www.stateparklittleleague.com](http://www.stateparklittleleague.com);
2. Manage the online registration process and ensure that league rosters are maintained on the site;
3. Assign administrative rights to league volunteers and teams;
4. Ensure that league news and scores are updated on a regular basis;
5. Collect, post and distribute important information on League activities including direct dissemination of fund-raising and sponsor activities to Little League Baseball, district, public, league members and media;
6. Serve as primary contact person for Little League and www.stateparklittleleague.com regarding optimizing use of the Internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League Baseball.

**SECTION 3**

**Fundraising Coordinator.** The Fundraising Coordinator shall:

1. Lead and manage the solicitation of sponsorships, fundraisers, events and other activities that raise funds for the League
2. Creation of sponsorship levels and partnerships to be approved by Board of Directors.
3. Organize team sponsorships including team assignments, field assignments for banners, and ordering sponsorship plaques as part of Picture Day.
4. Work with volunteer coordinator to ensure all fundraising events are staffed properly for success
5. Preside as Fundraising Committee Chair

**SECTION 4**

**Facilities Manager.** The Facilities Manager shall:

1. Responsibilities of the Facilities Manager include, but not limited to, maintenance oversight of grounds, buildings, facilities, fields, and condition of equipment
2. Further, any contracts regarding lawn, weeds, trees, garbage, porta johns, and any maintenance work paid for falls under Facilities Manager oversight
3. Organize and coordinate Spring Cleanup and Opening Day, Fall Opening Day, Fall Cleanup, and Winter closing.
4. Create, maintain, and make board recommendations regarding facilities planning and improvements, including solicitation of at least two quotes for work on all projects.
5. Preside as Grounds Committee Chair.

**SECTION 5**

**Equipment Manager.** The Equipment Manager shall:

1. Tend to all facets of equipping umpires, coaches, players, and teams with proper uniforms, protective gear , and field maintenance equipment to achieve safe and desirable results for on field play.
2. Provide annual players and umpire equipment replacement and rotation schedule including budgetary estimates
3. Maintain team bag distribution list and return list, including preparation and assembly of team bags to include catchers equipment, helmets, team bats, balls, tees, etc
4. Will have co-responsibilities with Vice President and Player Agent, whom shall order, receive, and distribute team uniforms to coaches.
5. Shall work with Facilities Manager to ensure conditions of batters boxes, pitchers mounds, sliding zones and fields meet safe playing conditions, including but not limited to use of mound clay, rakes, field rock, and chalk/chalk machines.
6. Pitching machine conditions and accessories will also be maintained by Equipment Manager

**SECTION 6**

**Concession Manager.** The Concession Manager shall:

1. Properly manage the overall performance of the League Concession Stand including but not limited to inventory, opening/closing, volunteer staffing, P&L reports, and ensure working conditions of equipment involved.
2. Inventory management includes weekly assessment of supplies, purchasing and acquisition of supplies needed, and coordination of food prep necessary to serve certain food items.
3. Set, manage, and clearly identify opening procedures and signage/label around concession stand for ease of volunteer workers performance. Opening procedures to include placement of money in register.
4. Closing procedures including cleanup, equipment checks, and money counting procedures with secondary board member checks and balances shall be the responsibility of the concession manager to execute.
5. Annually provide concession stand P&L planning, menu recommendations, and staffing plans.
6. Concession Manager shall work with Volunteer Coordinator to schedule and regulate staffing of volunteers and board member oversight for proper and ethical concession stand work.
7. Preside as Concession Committee Chair.

**SECTION 7**

**Volunteer Coordinator.** The Volunteer Coordinator shall:

1. Hold responsibility for planning, organization, registration, and accountability for volunteer services.
2. Will create a plan and deliver on gaining volunteer participation in key service areas such as concession stand, fall and spring clean up days, parade and fundraiser events, and other such League activities that require assistance to the board.
3. Will also track and document Board Member participation in meetings, concessions, game coordination, spring and fall cleanup, and other events considered League activities.
4. Volunteer Coordinator will also hold charge of executing Picture Day, including scheduling, and announcements.

**SECTION 8**

**Assistant Player Agent.** The Assistant Player Agent shall:

1. Primarily work in coordination with the Player Agent to conduct the aforementioned duties within the League.
2. Assistance with communications, record keeping, registration, assessments, and scheduling will be determined as needed by the Player Agent
3. Additionally, perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.

**SECTION 9**

**Auxiliary Member.** The Auxiliary Member shall:

1. Actively participate in board meetings, League activities, and serve on additional mission critical committees.
2. Auxiliary Members are encouraged to shadow and assist Board of Director positions in order to learn their role and ascend into a more focused role in successive years.
3. Auxiliary Members will be expected to serve in concessions support and frequently as Game Coordinator while participating at their players event (Minor A and Minor B) in which a Junior Umpire is serving.

**SECTION 10**

**Game Coordinator.** The Game Coordinator shall:

1. Actively observe in-game to support the Junior umpire (under 18) in situations of abuse by players, coaches, or fans.
2. The Game Coordinator shall announce themselves to the umpire and coaches pre-game.
3. If necessary, the Game Coordinator has authority to eject players, coaches, or fans for any other reason which ejections are permitted.

**ARTICLE VIII - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**SECTION 1**

The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of not less than three (3) no more than five (5) Directors, one of whom shall be the President of the Local League.

**SECTION 2**

The Executive Committee shall advise with and assist the Directors of the Local League 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.

**SECTION 3**

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.

**SECTION 3**

The Executive Committee shall enforce and disseminate, disciplinary charges to the Board of Directors over Regular Members and Player Members, including Coaches and Managers.

**ARTICLE IX - OTHER COMMITTEES**

**SECTION 1**

**Membership Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Membership Committee consisting of not less than one (1) Director(s) and (1) other appointed Regular Member(s). The Committee shall recruit, investigate and consider eligible candidates and submit at the Annual Meeting a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors. The Committee shall also receive the names of prospective Honorary, Sustaining and Regular Members, investigate for eligibility and recommend those qualified for election at the annual, regular, or any special meeting of the Members or the Board of Directors as the case may be.

**SECTION 2**

**Finance Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Finance Committee consisting of not less than two (2) and no more than three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall investigate ways and means of financing the Local League including purchasing oversight, financial analysis, and budget planning in accordance with Article XI.  It shall be responsible for taking up collections at games, if such collections are authorized by the Local League, and shall turnover said collections to the Treasurer or deposit into the League’s financial institution immediately after each event. The President, Treasurer or signatories of checks are not eligible. The Committee will review the Local League’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.

**SECTION 3**

**Fundraising Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Fundraising Committee consisting of not less than (1) Director(s) and two (2) other appointed Regular Members. The Fundraising Committee shall regulate annual sponsorship opportunities, including creation of appropriate levels and ways of recognition . Other duties shall include annual events and activities that support the State Park Improvement Fund, community outreach planning (parades, markets, Chamber of Commerce, etc), execution of spring raffle tickets, and other projects as assigned by the Board of Directors or the President. The Board of Directors shall approve in advance all projects and actions of the Fundraising Committee.

**SECTION 5**

**Strategic Planning Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Strategic Planning Committee consisting of not less than (1) Director and two (2) Regular Members. The Committee shall investigate, prioritize and create guidance for long term league improvement ways and means, not limited to but including, community outreach, facilities and property improvements, league direction and culture refinement, and recommend suitable activities, events, and plans for the development and growth of the League, and other projects as assigned by the Board of Directors or the President. The Board of Directors shall approve in advance all projects and actions of the Strategic Planning Committee.

**SECTION 5**

**Grounds Committee.**  The Board of Directors may appoint a Grounds Committee which shall be responsible for 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. The Grounds Committee will also be responsible for repair and improvement recommendations in conjunction with Strategic Planning and Fundraising Committees, other than normal maintenance, and supervise the performance of approved projects. The Board of Directors shall approve in advance all projects and actions of the Grounds Committee.

**SECTION 6**

**Competition Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Competition Committee consisting of at least (1) Coaching Coordinator, (1) Umpire Member, and (1) Regular Member which shall review and recommend Little League rules changes and Local League by-laws for Board of Directors and Little League approval. The Rules Committee shall interview and investigate prospective managers and coaches and recommend acceptable candidates to the President, for appointment and subsequent approval by the Board of Directors. It shall, during the playing season, observe the conduct of the managers and coaches and report its findings to the President of the Local League. It shall, at the request of the President or Board of Directors, investigate complaints concerning managers and coaches and make a report thereof to the President or Board of Directors as the case may be.

**SECTION 7**

**Concessions Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Concessions Committee consisting of not less than three (3) Regular Members.  The Concessions Committee shall have profit and loss responsibility, budget adherence, inventory supply management, menu oversight, responsibilities over care and maintenance details of the stand, conduct Board member staff training, creation of appropriate signage and operating instructions for simple direction of volunteer staff according to ASAP plan.

**SECTION 8**

**Tournament Committee.** The Board of Directors may appoint a Tournament Committee consisting of (1) Player Agent and no more than (4) other appointed Regular Members. The Tournament Committee shall direct and oversee the site hosting responsibilities of Tabor, Connor and All-Star Tournaments including but not limited to staffing, scheduling, record keeping, and field preparations. Tournament committee will also oversee the selection and approval process for State Park All-Star teams (players and coaches) as well as prepare for President approval the All-Star Book.

**ARTICLE X - AFFILIATION**

**SECTION 1**

**Charter.** The Local League shall annually apply for a charter from Little League Baseball, Incorporated, and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such charter. The Local League 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.

**SECTION 2**

**Rules and Regulations.** The Official Playing Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball, Incorporated, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, shall be binding on this Local League; the League must adhere scrupulously to all rules and regulations established by Little League.

**SECTION 3**

**Local Rules, Ground Rules and/or Bylaws.** The local rules, ground rules and/or bylaws of this Local League 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 this Local League shall expire at the end of each fiscal year, and are not considered part of this Constitution. (See Article X, Section 7 for fiscal year of this league.)

**ARTICLE XI - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING**

**SECTION 1**

**Authority.** The Board of Directors shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the Local League 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.

**SECTION 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 the Local League, thereby to discourage favoritism among teams and to endeavor to equalize the benefits of the Local League.

**SECTION 3**

**Solicitations.** The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Little League Baseball unless all of the funds so raised be placed in the Local League treasury.

**SECTION 4**

**Disbursement of Funds.** The Board shall not permit the disbursement of Local League 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. All checks shall be signed by the Local League Treasurer and such other officer or officers or person or persons as the Board of Directors shall determine.

**SECTION 5**

**Compensation.** No Director, Officer or Member of the Local League shall receive, directly or indirectly any salary, compensation or emolument from the Local League for services rendered as Director, Officer or Member.

**SECTION 6**

**Deposits.** All monies received, including Auxiliary Funds, shall be deposited to the credit of the Local League in/at

***Horizon Bank or another FDIC approved bank.***

**SECTION 7**

**Fiscal year.** The fiscal year of the Local League shall begin on ***October 1 and shall end on September 30.***

*(Note: The above fiscal year must be chosen if the Local League intends to qualify under the Little League Baseball, Incorporated, Group Tax ID Number.)*

**SECTION 8**

**Distribution of Property upon Dissolution.** Upon dissolution of the Local League and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, the Members shall direct the remaining property of the Local League 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.

**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 ***State Park Little League*** Membership on ***October 3, 2022.***

Eric Gillhouse \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Eric T. Gillhouse\_ \_10/3/2022

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. This Local League’s Constitution on file at Regional Headquarters (most recently-approved copy) is the official Constitution of this Local League.***

***Little League Baseball does not limit participation in its activities on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, national origin, gender, sexual preference or religious preference.***