CLLL SPRING DRAFT PROCEDURES

The Board of Directors has determined that each Manager will be permitted to select one (1) Assistant Coach to help during the season. The Assistant Coach's child will be "frozen" and assigned to the Manager's team. The selection of the Assistant Coach must be made prior to the skills evaluation. The child of the Assistant Coach will be protected in the draft but placed on the board in the appropriate round of the draft as determined by the skills evaluation process. After the draft process, a Manager can name one (1) additional Assistant Coach from his/her pool of parents from the team, or an adult (18 or over), either of whom will be required to complete the CLLL volunteer registration process and undergo the same background check as the Manager.

MAJORS SPECIFIC MANAGER/ASSISTANT COACH RULES:

Once an Assistant Coach is named on a Majors team, the Assistant will remain an assistant with that team until his/her child "ages out" of Little League, or they request to be released from the team and placed back into the draft pool. That process is defined in Rule 4 Player Assignments, - Major League Division Eligibility Rules (c).

If a Manager or Assistant Coach steps down from his/role role before his/her child "ages out" of the Majors division, the Manager's/Assistant Coach's child may be released back into the draft, based on the circumstances of the Manager/Assistant stepping down.

The Board may investigate any circumstance that has the appearance of circumventing the spirit of the draft process.

Example 1: A Majors Manager steps down from his/her role as Manager to allow his/her Assistant to step into the role as Manager. The new Manager then chooses an upcoming AAA parent as an Assistant Coach in order to "freeze" their child in an effort to avoid that child from being drafted by another team. The child of the prior Majors Manager may be placed back into the draft pool.

Example 2: A Majors Assistant Coach steps down to allow the Manager to select an upcoming AAA parent as an assistant coach in order to "freeze" their child in an effort to avoid that child from being drafted by another team. The child of the prior Assistant Coach may be placed back into the draft pool.

However, it is permitted for a new Manager or Assistant Coach to be named from the team's existing parents. This is not a violation of the spirit of the draft because it does not impact the process of the draft.

If the Board decides not to extend an invitation to an existing Manager or Assistant Coach to continue in that role with their prior team, steps may be taken to place the Manager or Assistant Coach's child back into the draft pool.

All decisions regarding draft rules infractions and any actions that are taken will be made by the Board of Directors.

a) The President, in consultation with the Player Agent and Vice Presidents shall establish a player registration cut-off date, skills demonstration date(s) and draft date(s).
b) All playing members eligible for AAA and Majors, except those returning to their assigned Major League team from the previous year, must participate in at least one (1) skills demonstration prior to the draft.
c) The Player Agent in consultation with the President and/or Vice Presidents shall present a recommendation for action to the Board of Directors on a number of players per team by league. This recommendation shall include but not be limited to the number of players by age group.

d) The distribution of new players and free agents will be conducted first by the Major League managers under the direction of the Player Agent. Only major/Minor League managers or their designee may attend the draft.

e) Draft Order:
    - In non-redraft seasons the Major League draft shall be started in the reverse order of the previous regular season won/lost record. The draft will continue in the same order in subsequent rounds "Bonus rounds" will be included in the format by the Player Agent.
    - All leagues performing a re-draft shall operate via a random draft order followed in a serpentine format. The second round occurs in the opposite order from the first round. The third round repeats the first round format, etc.

f) For any Major League team there can be no more than eight (8) players in any one age group. In 2012, beginning at the end of the second round and the fourth round for the Major League the bonus draft is started for all system rosters to be balanced as determined by the Player Agents.

g) Draft procedures for siblings in the same division.
    - For Major League players age 12 with a sibling age 11, the same Major League team must draft the younger sibling, if the 11 year old is drafted.
    - Where the player is age 12 and the sibling is age 10, or where the player is age 11 and the sibling is age 10, drafting the sibling is not required, but the team must declare whether or not it intends to draft the sibling at the time of drafting the older sibling.
    - When drafting a player that has a sibling(s) in the draft, the sibling will be drafted onto the same team during the round that the skills evaluation placed them.
    - Teams may not opt to draft the younger sibling and not the older.
    - The decision of whether or not the younger sibling is well-suited to Major League baseball is best determined by a consensus of managers and the Player Agent. The final decision will be made by the League Vice President and Player Agent.

h) If team expansion is required, the order of the draft for the new team(s) shall be determined by the Player Agent and President and recommended to the Board of Directors.

i) A player that declares that they are ineligible to play in the Majors division prior to the draft cannot be elevated to a Major League team anytime during the current season.

j) If an eligible player is asked to be elevated to a Major League team during the season, and they decline, they may not be elevated to any Major League team during the current season.

k) For players moving into the league from another geographic area, an individual skill assessment can be scheduled through the Player Agents to determine which level of play that player should be placed if a player opening becomes available.

l) AAA, AA and A levels of play shall operate via a random draft order followed in a serpentine format. The second round occurs in the opposite order from the first round. The third round repeats the first round format, etc. The draft order shall be picked randomly from a hat.

m) Coach Pitch, Tee Ball and Tee Ball – 4 player teams will be formed by assignment.

n) All trades will be made at the end of the draft and before the draft closes. Trades will be permitted for players in the same round. All trades shall be made through and with the approval of the Player Agent. Minor League players may not be traded for Major League players. All trades must be player-for-player only (e.g., trades involving a player for draft choices are not permitted). All requests for trades after the draft is completed must be made in a written trade agreement, stating the reason for the trade. The trade agreement must be signed by both managers and one parent for each child. The Player Agent must monitor any attempts by managers and parents to manipulate the system and thus create an imbalance in the league.

o) **ALL TRADES MUST BE APPROVED BY THE LOCAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS. All discussions and evaluations that occur in the draft room must remain confidential**.