

BETHEL LACROSSE ASSOCIATION  
BYLAWS

Article I- Name

The name of this organization will be Bethel Youth Lacrosse Association.

Article II – Purpose

The purpose of the association will be to instruct and teach youths in the proper and basic fundamentals of lacrosse.

Article III – Membership

There will be two classes of membership in the association: (a) Player members, (b) Regular members.

(a) Player members will be all youths of the town of Bethel who participate in the association's program. They will have no rights, duties, or obligations in the management of or in the property of the association.

(b) Regular members will be those persons actively interested in furthering the objectives of the association. Individuals may apply for membership and become regular members upon election by a majority of the Board of Directors.

All Player members and all Regular members are to be full members in US Lacrosse.

Article IV – Officers and Duties

The officers of the association will be: President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

President: The President shall be responsible for conducting the affairs of the Association and for executing the policies established by the Board. He/She shall communicate to the Board such matters and make such suggestions as may, in his/her opinion, tend to promote the welfare of the association. He shall appoint all League Representatives and Committee Chairmen and Members. He shall preside at all meetings of the Members and Executive Board.

The President, or such other Officers as he may designate, shall have the power to make and execute for and in the name of the Association, such contracts and leases as may have received the prior approval of the Board.

He shall prepare and submit an Annual Budget to the Board and shall be responsible for the proper execution thereof.

He shall investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to the Association and report thereon to the Board as circumstances warrant.

The President, at his discretion, may appoint any other committees, with the approval of the Board, which are necessary for the purposes of conducting the Association's business.

Vice President: Shall assume the responsibilities of the President in his absence.

**Secretary:** Shall record the minutes of the meetings; keep all records; keep a membership list; notify all members, directors and officers of the Board of Directors' meetings.

**Treasurer:** The Treasurer shall perform such duties as are herein specifically set forth and such other duties as are customarily incident to the Office of Treasurer or may be assigned to him by the President or Board.

Treasurer shall receive all monies and securities and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board.

He shall keep records for the receipt and disbursements of all monies and securities of the Association, approve all payments from allotted funds and draw checks thereof.

The Treasurer, under the direction of the President, shall prepare an Annual Budget for submission to the Board at the Annual Meeting.

The Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining the tax exempt status.

Each officer shall also perform such other duties as may be requested by the President.

#### Article V – Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of a minimum of four officers and two regular members.

The Board of Directors shall control and manage the affairs, funds, expenditures, and execute the Association Bylaws. Actions of the Board shall be by majority rule.

If any vacancy occurs to Officers or the elected Officials by death, resignation or otherwise, it may be filled by a majority vote of the remaining Board Members at any regular meeting or at any special meeting called for that purpose.

The Association Board of Directors and it's Officers shall obtain and maintain insurance and membership in US Lacrosse.

#### Article VI – Voting and Elections

The Board of Directors, including officers, shall be elected annually at the September meeting and take place in October. Board nominations will be submitted at the August meeting.

#### Article VII – Coaches

The Head Coaches shall be selected annually and voted on by the Board. The Assistant Coaches will be selected by the Head Coaches and must be approved by the Board.

The Head Coaches shall be responsible for the selection of their teams and for the actions of their players and assistants on the fields.

All Head Coaches must be certified by US Lacrosse and N.Y.S.C.A.

#### Article VIII – Financial and Accounting

The Board shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the Association and it shall place all income in a common Association Treasury, directing the expenditure of same in such manner as will give no individual or team an advantage over those in competition with such individual or team.

The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of the Association unless all of the funds so raised by placed in the Association Treasury.

The Board shall not permit the contribution of fund or property to individual teams, but shall solicit same for the common treasury of the Association.

No Officer or Member of the Association shall receive (directly or indirectly) any salary or compensation from the Association for services rendered as Officer, Director or Member. The Bethel Youth Lacrosse Association is a non-profit organization.

All monies received shall be deposited to the credit of the Association in a depository, and all disbursements shall be made by check, and all checks shall be signed by the Association Treasurer and such other Officer or person or persons as the Board shall determine.

The Fiscal Year of the Association shall begin on the first day of January and shall end on the last day of December.

#### Article IX – Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the association will be held a minimum of once monthly on the first Monday of each month. Additional meetings may be held as deemed necessary by the Board.

#### Article X – Bylaws

Bylaws of the Association may be adopted or amended by the Board of Directors with a two-thirds vote of the Board at any duly constituted meeting, provided that written notice of such proposed changes are reviewed at the previous monthly meeting prior to the meeting at which such proposed changes shall be submitted to vote.

#### Article XI – General Policy

No part of the Association activities shall be the carrying on of propaganda.

The Association shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office.

The Association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted of an organization exempt fro Federal income tax under Section 501 ©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or the corresponding provision of any future United State Internal Revenue Law.

#### Article XII – Dispositions

In the event of dissolution, all remaining assets and property of the Association shall, after necessary expenses thereof, be distributed to such organizations as shall qualify under Section 501 ©(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended.