

**CONSTITUTION  
of  
CENTRAL LOUDOUN LITTLE LEAGUE, INC.**

**ARTICLE I- NAME**

This organization shall be known as the Central Loudoun Little League, Inc., Box 452, Leesburg, Virginia 20178, serving the American and National Leagues hereinafter referred to as "Local League." A League which is chartered by Little League Baseball, Incorporated and operates under the Constitution of Central Loudoun Little League, Inc. will hereinafter be referred to as "League".

**ARTICLE II- OBJECTIVES**

**Section 1.** The Objective of the Central Loudoun Little League, Inc. shall be to promote, develop, supervise, and voluntarily assist in all lawful ways the interest of children who will participate in Little League Baseball and to help and voluntarily assist children in developing qualities of citizenship, and good sportsmanship and the ideals of honesty, loyalty, courage and respect for authority, so they may be well adjusted, stronger and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy and trustworthy citizens.

**Section 2.** Using the disciplines of the American game of baseball, to teach spirit and competition, physical fitness through individual sacrifice, the values of team play and wholesome well-being through healthful and social association with other youngsters under proper leadership

**Section 3.** To achieve this objective, the 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 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 affect the objectives of the Central Loudoun Little League, Inc., may become a member.

**Section 2.** Classes. There shall be the following classes of members:

(a) Regular Member. Any adult person who has registered online with the League as a volunteer and has had a satisfactory League background screening shall be considered a Regular Member for a period of one (1) year from the date of volunteer registration for voting purposes ("Regular Member"). The Secretary and League Information Officer shall maintain the roll of membership for qualifying Regular Members. Only Regular Members who have registered at least thirty (30) calendar days in advance of a general membership meeting and are in good standing with the League shall be eligible to vote in the general membership meetings.

(b) Honorary Members. Any person may be elected as an honorary member of the Board of Directors by the unanimous vote of all the directors present at any duly constituted 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. All past Presidents shall be Honorary Members.

(c) Player Members. Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Little League Regulation IV shall be eligible for participation. Player Members shall have no rights, duties, or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.

(d) As used hereinafter, the word "member" shall mean regular member, unless otherwise stated.

**Section 3.** Other Affiliations. Members, whether Regular or Player, shall not be required to be affiliated with another organization or group to qualify as a member of the Local League.

**Section 4.** Suspension and Termination. Membership may be terminated by resignation or action of the Board of Directors.

(a) The Board of Directors, by a two-thirds vote of those present at any duly constituted Board of Directors meeting, shall have the authority to discipline, suspend or terminate the membership of any member of any class when the conduct of such person is considered detrimental to the Local League and/or Little League Baseball, Inc. The member involved shall be informed of the general nature of the charges and have an opportunity to appear before the board or duly appointed committee as appointed by the Board of Directors.

(b) The Board of Directors will, in the case of a player member, give notice to the manager of the team and the legal guardian(s) of the player. Said manager and/or legal guardian(s) shall appear, in the capacity of an advisor, with the player before a duly appointed committee of the Board of Directors, which shall have full power to suspend or revoke such player's right to future participation.

#### **ARTICLE IV- DUES**

No membership dues of any kind shall be charged or assessed to any member as a prerequisite in the Local League.

#### **ARTICLE V- MEETINGS**

**Section 1.** General Membership Meetings. There will be two mandatory meetings of the local league scheduled each year.

A. The October general membership meeting will be held as early as practicable in the month of October, but shall be no earlier than October 1<sup>st</sup> and no later than October 31<sup>st</sup>. The October general membership meeting shall be for the purpose of electing officers and directors for the next year and conducting all other League business as determined by the existing board. At the October meeting, the following shall also be presented or decided:

1. If recommended by the Board of Directors, adjustments to the number of members of the Board of Directors;
  - a) The Board members elected to serve for the next year shall meet as soon as practicable after the election to determine the officers, roles and responsibilities for the next year. The Board

shall include a minimum of one manager and one volunteer umpire. Only volunteer umpires may be elected to the Board.

b) 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, a Safety Officer, and a Coaching Coordinator.

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 International.

B. The Spring meeting shall be scheduled after coach selection but before the first Spring practice for the purpose of receiving reports, notice of local league rule changes, and any Constitutional amendments requiring the approval of the Regular Members. The reports will include League Administrative Rules and Safety Plan Updates.

C. Other meetings may be held at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

**Section 2.** Monthly Forum. The Board of Directors will permit the General Membership the opportunity to convene one hour prior to the monthly Board of Directors meetings, which are scheduled once each month. This forum will allow the General Membership to advise the Board of any reports; ask any questions or bring up any issues that may arise throughout the season that needs to be brought to the attention of the Board.

**Section 3.** Notice of Meeting. Notice of each meeting of the members shall be mailed, delivered personally or electronically, or otherwise delivered to each member at their last recorded address at least seven (7) days in advance thereof setting forth the place and time of the meeting; or in lieu thereof, notice may be given in such form as may be authorized by the members, from time to time, at a regularly convened meeting.

**Section 4.** Special General Membership Meetings. Special General Membership Meetings of the members may be called by the Board of Directors or by the President at their discretion. Upon the written request of twenty (20) members, the President shall call a special 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 General Membership Meetings shall be scheduled to take place not less than fourteen (14) days after the Board of Directors or President receives the request.

**Section 5.** Quorum. A quorum is defined as 5% of the Regular Members.

**Section 6.** Voting. Only Regular Members shall be entitled to vote and make motions at any membership meeting of the Local League.

**Section 7.** Absentee Ballot. For the express purpose of accommodating a regular member in good standing who cannot be in attendance at 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 by any individual who is a Regular Member. The absentee ballot shall be properly completed, signed and returned via Certified Mail with delivery confirmation 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 election.

**Section 8.** Rules of Order. Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all meetings, except where same conflicts with the Constitution or By-Laws of the Local League.

## **ARTICLE VI- BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Section 1.** Board Authority and Number. 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 shall be 15 members and may be adjusted by the Board of Directors for the next year at least thirty calendar days prior to the October General Membership Meeting. 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 a majority vote of all Regular Members present or represented by executed and signed absentee ballot filed with the Secretary prior to the election meeting. Newly elected directors shall enter upon the performance of their duties at 12:01 a.m. on the November 1st following the annual elections, or at 12:01 am the following day if elected subsequent to the Annual Meeting and shall continue in office until 12:00 midnight, October 31st in the year of the expiration of their term of office, at which time their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

**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 Membership. The board membership shall include all duly elected directors who shall serve in the following roles: The President, the two (2) league Vice Presidents, the Umpire in Chief, Secretary, Treasurer, Safety Officer, three (3) Player Agents, League Information Officer, Director of Special Events, Director of Equipment, Director of Fundraising, Director of Facilities, and the Coaching Coordinator. The number of Majors managers and coaches elected to the board shall not exceed a minority of the total members of the board. All elected Board members are expected to attend all scheduled meetings. All Board members need to communicate to the President and/or Secretary at least 24 hours before the meeting, if they will not be able to attend a scheduled meeting. Any Board meeting that has three (3) unexcused absences during the year shall be asked to resign their position on the Board.

**Section 5.** Annual Election and Term of Office. The number of Directors (defined in Article VI Section 2 above) constituting the Board of Directors shall consist of such number not less than seven (7) nor more than twenty-three (23) as the Board of Directors shall determine at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to the October general membership meeting required in Article V Section 1(A) each year; provided, that in the absence of such a determination, the number of Directors shall be the number elected at the preceding October general membership meeting. The terms for the fifteen (15) members of the Board of Directors specified in

Article VI Section 2 shall be comprised of one year and two year terms. There shall be 10 two-year terms and five (5) one-year terms. To the maximum extent possible, the establishment and expansion of the Board of Directors relating to the two-year terms shall be structured to achieve an even balance each year in the number of Directors with two-year terms that expire.

Except in the case of initial two-year term Director appointments, which relates to initiation of multiyear terms and expansion of the Board of Directors to keep an even balance each year in the number of Directors with two year terms that are expiring, not the first term of any Director, the term of office a Board Member elected to two year terms shall be two years (“Initial Two Year Term Appointments”). Initial Two Year Term Appointments shall be equally divided among one- and two-year terms, and if the number of Directors cannot be divided evenly, the number of Directors receiving two-year appointments shall be one more than those receiving one-year appointments. Each Director shall hold office as described above until such Director’s death, resignation, removal, or disqualification or until such Director’s successor is elected and qualifies pursuant to these Bylaws.

**Section 6. Meetings. Notice and Quorum.** Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the annual election and on such days thereafter, as shall be determined by the board. The President or Secretary may, whenever deemed advisable, and the secretary shall, at the request of three (3) directors, issue a call for a special meeting of the board. Notice of each meeting shall be given by the secretary to each director by mail at least three (3) days before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded address of each director, or by telephone or electronic notice twenty-four (24) hours preceding the meeting. A majority of the members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

**Section 7. Duties and Powers.**

(a) Only members of the Board of Directors may make motions and vote at meetings of the Board of Directors. In the event of a tie, the President will cast the deciding vote. The Board of Directors may also invite, admit, and recognize guests for presentations or comments during board meetings.

(b) The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint such standing and special committees as it shall determine and to delegate such powers to them as the board shall deem advisable and which it may properly delegate.

(c) The board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and management of the Local League, as it may deem proper as long as they are consistent with the Little League Rules and Regulations.

(d) The board shall have the power by a two-thirds vote of those present at any regular or special 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.

(e) The board shall receive at the annual meeting of the members of the Local League a report from the president showing the whole amount of real and personal property owned by it, where located, and where and how invested, the amount and nature of the property acquired during the year immediately preceding the date of the report and the manner of the acquisition; the amount applied, appropriated or expended during the year immediately preceding such date; and the purposes, objects or persons to or for which such applications, appropriations or expenditures have been made; and the names and places of residence of the persons who

have been admitted to the membership in the Local League and an abstract thereof entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the annual meeting.

(f) The membership and Board shall certify all elections and membership.

## **ARTICLE VII- DUTIES & POWERS of THE BOARD**

**Section 1. Appointments.** The Board of Directors may appoint such other officers or agents as it may deem necessary or desirable and 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:

(a) Shall be responsible for conducting the affairs of the Local League and for executing the policies established by the Board of Directors. The President shall present a report of the condition of the Local League at the annual meeting, and at such other times as deemed necessary or the Board shall deem appropriate. The President shall communicate to the Board of Directors such matters and make such suggestions as may tend to promote the welfare of the Local League.

(b) Shall be responsible for the conduct of the League in conformity to the policies, principles, rules and regulations of Little League Baseball, Inc., as agreed to under the conditions of charter issued the League by that organization.

(c) Shall preside at general membership meetings.

(d) The President, or such other officers as the President may designate in writing, shall have the power to make and execute for and in the name of the Local League such contracts and leases as may have received the prior approval of the board.

(e) Shall investigate complaints, irregularities and conditions detrimental to the Local League and report thereon to the Board as circumstances warrant.

(f) Shall, with the assistance of the Player Agent, examine the application and supporting proof-of-age document of every player candidate and certify to residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for evaluation and selection.

**Section 3. League Vice-President(s).** Each League Vice-President:

(a) In case of the absence or disability of the President, and with authorization from the president or board so to act, a League Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of that office, and shall have such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.

(b) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.

**Section 4. Secretary.** The Secretary shall:

(a) Be responsible for recording the activities of the Local League and maintaining appropriate files, mailing lists, and necessary records. The secretary shall perform such duties as are herein specially 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.

(b) Maintain a list of all Regular and Honorary Members, Directors, and committee members and give notice of all meetings of the Local League, the Board of Directors, and committees.

(c) Conduct all correspondence not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meetings and shall be responsible for carrying out all orders, votes and resolutions not otherwise committed.

(d) Notify Members, Directors, Officers, and committee members of their election or appointment.

(e) Organize and administer the league sponsorship program.

(f) Organize the annual fundraising activity for the league.

(g) Identify and communicate with the fundraising coordinator for each team in the league.

(h) Work with the board to establish annual fund raising needs and goals.

**Section 5. Treasurer.** The Treasurer shall:

(a) 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 by the Board of Directors.

(b) Receive all moneys and securities, and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors.

(c) Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all moneys and securities of the Local League, including the auxiliary; approve all payments from allotted funds and draw checks therefore.

(d) Prepare a financial report for the Board of Directors to be presented at monthly meetings.

**Section 6. Player Agent.** The Player Agent shall:

(a) The President may not be elected Player Agent. The Player Agent shall record all player transactions and maintain an accurate and up-to-date record thereof.

(b) Receive and review applications for player candidates and assist the President in checking residence and age eligibility.

(c) Conduct the player registration, evaluations, draft and all other player transactions or selection meetings.

(d) Prepare the Player Agent's list.

(e) With the two (2) league Vice Presidents, recommend to the Board of Directors the number of teams and the number of players per team per Regulation III, for the Board's approval.

(f) Prepare for the President's signature and submission to Little League Headquarters team rosters, including players claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.

(g) Notify Little League Headquarters of any subsequent player replacements or trades.

**Section 7. Safety Officer.** The Safety Officer shall:

(a) Be responsible for creating awareness, through education and information, of the opportunities to provide a safer environment for children and all participants of Little League Baseball.

(b) Develop and implement a Safety Plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance, and reporting.

(c) Define a process to assure that incidents are recorded, information is sent to league/district and national offices, and follow-up information on medical and other data is forwarded as available.

(d) Define a process to ensure that all League participants – managers, players etc. are in compliance with the concussion requirements of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

**Section 8. League Information Officer.** The League Information Officers shall:

(a) Manage the leagues' home page & website

(b) Manage the online registration process and ensure that league rosters are maintained on the site and uploaded to the Little League International data center.

(c) Assign administrative rights to league volunteers and teams.

(d) Ensure that league news and scores are updated on a regular basis.

(e) Collect, post, and distribute information on league activity.

(f) Serve as primary contact person for the Little League and website vendor regarding optimizing use of the internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League Baseball, Incorporated.

(g) Have other such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board.

**Section 9. Coaching Coordinator.** The coaching coordinator shall:

(a) Represent coaches/managers in the league.

(b) Present a coach/ manager training plan and budget to the board.

(c) Gain the support and funds necessary to implement a league wide training program.

(d) Order and distribute training materials to players, coaches, and managers.

(e) Coordinate mini-clinics as necessary.



(f) Serve as the contact person for Little League and its manager-coach education program for the league.

**Section 10. Director of Equipment.** The director of equipment shall:

- (a) Maintain all equipment and uniforms necessary for the conduct of safe play in the league.
- (b) Present a budget to the board for the purchase and maintenance of the equipment and uniforms needed for the safe and proper conduct of games for the league.
- (c) Supervise the issuance and collection of all team equipment and uniforms each season.
- (d) Order the necessary number of uniforms, baseballs, and equipment in time for their delivery and distribution to and by the managers & coaches of each team prior to the start of each season.
- (e) Organize and oversee the inventory and inspection of all team equipment after the turn in at the end of each season.

**Section 11. Director of Special Events.** The director of special events shall:

- (a) Unless otherwise approved by the Board, serve as Tournament Director, whose duties include organization and oversight of all activities related to the conduct of All-Star and other tournaments hosted by CLLL.
- (b) Organize and oversee Opening Day/Night and Championship (Blue/Gold) events.
- (c) Prepare and submit a budget for all special event activities to the Board.
- (d) Secure funding and support from the Board and the General Membership for all special events.
- (e) Conduct other activities as directed by the Board.

**Section 12. Director of Facilities.** The director of facilities shall:

- (a) Organize and oversee field maintenance day(s) for Good Times Park before the start and after the conclusion of each season.
- (b) Conduct an inspection of the fields and facilities at Good Times Park not less than prior to each season to assess the grounds and facilities and make recommendations to Board regarding repairs and improvements.
- (c) Prepare and submit a budget to The Board for all maintenance related items at Good Times Park.
- (d) Secure funding and support from the Board and the General Membership for all maintenance related issues and activities at Good Times Park.
- (e) Conduct or oversee other facility-related activities as directed by the Board.

**Section 13. Umpire in Chief.** The umpire in chief shall:

- (a) Recruit and maintain an appropriate number of adult and youth umpires to meet the demands of the spring and fall schedules.
- (b) Conduct appropriate training for all umpires to ensure they are all game knowledgeable.
- (c) Schedule the appropriate level of umpires for proper coverage of each game for spring, fall and playoffs.
- (d) Solicit feedback from coaches on our umpires in order to evaluate performance and develop training opportunities.
- (e) Conduct or oversee other activities as directed by the Board.

### **ARTICLE VIII –EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.**

**Section 1.** The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee which may consist of not less than three (3) but not more than five (5) Directors, one of whom shall be the President of the Local League.

**Section 2.** The Executive Committee shall advise and assist the Officers of the Local League with 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 of Directors. In no event shall the Executive Committee have authority over the Board of Directors.

**Section 3.** At any meeting of the Executive Committee the attendance of a majority of its members then in elected office shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the act of a majority present at any meeting which there is a quorum shall be act of the Committee.

### **ARTICLE IX – OTHER COMMITTEES**

**Section 1.** Finance Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Finance Committee consisting of 3 board members. The President and Treasurer will be members of the committee. The committee shall investigate ways and means of financing the Local League including team sponsorships and submit recommendations.

**Section 2.** Building and Property Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Building and Property Committee consisting of at least 3 Board of Directors. The President will be a member of the committee. The committee shall investigate and recommend available suitable sites and plans for development, including ways and means, the latter in cooperation with the Finance Committee. It shall be responsible for repair and improvement recommendations, other than normal maintenance, and supervise the performance of approved projects.

**Section 3.** Playing Equipment Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Playing Equipment Committee consisting of at least 3, of which one position is a Board of Director. The committee shall secure bids on needed supplies and equipment and make recommendations for their purchase to the board. The committee shall be responsible for the proper issuance of such supplies and equipment and for the repair, cleaning and storage thereof at the close of the season.

**Section 4.** District Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a District Committee. The Local League Chairperson shall act as committee chairman. The committee shall assist the District Administrator in inter-league district functions including the selection of members of the District Administrator's Advisory Committee and the selection of tournament sites and area tournament directors.

**Section 5.** Auditing Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint an Auditing Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. 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 the President and Treasurer; or may, if directed by the Board of Directors, secure the services of a certified public accountant to accomplish such review.

**Section 6.** Local Rules and Constitution Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Local Rules and Constitution Committee. The Committee shall prepare and recommend changes local rules and constitution but not in conflict with the published Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Inc., for approval by the board.

**Section 7.** Umpire Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint an Umpire Committee consisting of league umpires. The Chief Umpire shall be a member of the Committee. The Committee shall coordinate the activities of any umpire's association annually with the approval of the Board of Directors. It shall review and evaluate proposed association projects and make recommendations to the board. The Board of Directors shall approve, in advance, all projects and actions of any umpire's association.

**Section 8.** League Nominating Committee(s). The Board of Directors may appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) or more regular league members to investigate and consider eligible candidates and submit at the league meeting provided by Article VIII. 1. (c) a slate of candidates for League Operating Officer(s).

**Section 9.** Communications Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Communications Committee, including the Board Secretary Chairperson. If appointed, this committee shall serve as the public information outlet for the League, shall oversee the management of the Web site and shall coordinate newsletters and emails to the membership.

**Section 10.** Protest/Disciplinary Committee. The President shall appoint a Protest/Disciplinary Committee consisting of at least five (5) members for critical protest issues and disciplinary matters. When appointed, the committee shall consist of the President, as the chairman, the non-conflicting player agent, umpire in chief and officers/directors of the board that are non-managers. The committee members shall hear and rule on all protest matters. The committee shall hear on disciplinary matters and provide recommendations to the Board for appropriate action.

## **ARTICLE X – MANAGERS & COACHES**

Team managers, coaches, and umpires shall be appointed annually by the League President, with the approval of the Board of Directors. Managers shall be responsible for the selection of their teams and for their actions on the field. Managers and umpires shall be responsible for Local League property and facilities under their use.

**Section 2.** Managers, coaches, League Vice-Presidents, and Player Agents shall not umpire in their respective divisions.

## **ARTICLE XI- AFFILIATION**

**Section 1.** Charter.

(a) The Local League shall annually apply for charter(s) from Little League Baseball, Inc., and shall do all things necessary to obtain and maintain such charter(s).

(b) The Local League shall devote its entire energies to the activities authorized by such charter(s) and it shall not be affiliated with any other program or organization, or operate any other program that might in any way interfere with the rules and regulations of Little League Baseball, Inc.

**Section 2.** Rules and Regulations. The Official Playing Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball, Inc., Williamsport, Pennsylvania, shall govern this Local League.

**Section 3.** Local League Rules. The local rules of this Local League shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held not less than one month prior to the first scheduled game of the season, but shall in no way conflict with the rules and regulations of Little League Baseball, Inc.

## **ARTICLE XII -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, Incorporated 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 or other payment method approved by the Board. 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. From time to time at the discretion of the board the league may engage in philanthropic acts which are determined to be in the best interest of the league. This may include but not be limited to donations or awards that would have a positive effect on our league in the community and be a direct benefit to the children who are/were associated with Central Loudoun Little League.

**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 the approved bank account for the fiscal year. Central Loudoun Little League currently makes deposits with John Marshall Bank.

**Section 7.** Fiscal year. The fiscal year of the Local League shall begin on October 1 and shall end on September 30.

**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. Distribution of real property upon dissolution shall be subject to the terms of the recorded deed(s) on file with the County of Loudoun.

**Section 9.** Purchase and Sale of Real Property. The purchase and sale of real property by the Local League can only be carried out with the approval of the general membership of League. Proposal for the purchase or sale of any real property can only be made if there are minimally comparable facilities, located within the leagues defined boundaries or convenient proximity, owned by the League before or as a result of the sale.

### **ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS**

**Section 1.** This Constitution and By-Laws 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 Regular Member approval.

