



October 3rd, 2023

Paul Alfieri, League President
Lawrence Little League | #2301212

RE: Local League Constitution

Paul,

The attached constitution submitted by the league appears to be in accordance with Little League rules, regulations, and operating policies. The constitution has been placed in the league's file and is now considered the league's official constitution.

Little League recommends that copies of this document be made available to any regular member recognized in good standing by the league. Reference to this document should be included in the notice to members of the annual meeting for reports, election of board members, and any special membership issues that may be scheduled.

This constitution may be amended, repealed, or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any duly organized meeting of the members provided notice of the proposed change is included in the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. A draft of all proposed future amendments shall be submitted to Little League East Region for review prior to implementation.

If you have any questions, please direct them to the East Region office.

Thank you for your commitment to the Little League program and best of luck in the upcoming season.

Sincerely,

Jason Vereneau
East Region Assistant Director
Little League International



cc: Dave Edwards, District Administrator (NJ12)

LAWRENCE LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION

League ID No. 02301212

Date Approved: 8/24/2023

Submitted to Little League International: 8/28/2023

ARTICLE I - NAME

This organization shall be known as Lawrence Little League.

ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVE

Section 1

The objective of Lawrence Little League shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community of Lawrence Township, NJ and the surrounding areas 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, Lawrence Little 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, Lawrence Little 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.

Section 3

In any case where specific rules or procedures are not otherwise provided, the rules of Little League Baseball, Incorporated shall govern this organization.

Section 4

Lawrence Little League functions as an organization under the umbrella of the Lawrence Township Junior Baseball Softball Association (Hereinafter referred to as the "LTJBSA"). The LTJBSA is recognized and authorized by the Township of Lawrence, New Jersey (referred to as "the township") to administer youth baseball and softball programs for residents of Lawrence Township, NJ and the surrounding areas.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

Section 1

Eligibility. Any person who is sincerely interested in active participation to further the objective of Lawrence Little League may apply to become a Member. Participation may be subject to certain, non-discriminatory rules established from time to time by the Board of Directors.

Section 2

Classes. There shall be the following classes of Members:

Player Members. Any player candidate meeting the requirements of Regulation IV of Little League Baseball, Incorporated, shall be eligible to compete for participation as a player. Player Members shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of Lawrence Little League.

Regular Members. Any adult person actively interested in furthering the objectives of the Local League may become a Regular Member upon election and payment of dues as hereinafter provided. Regular Members may be issued a card numbered in sequential order annually. 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 Officers, Board Members, Committee Members, Managers, Coaches, Volunteer Umpires, and other elected or appointed officials must be active Regular Members in good standing.

Officers not necessarily on the Board include the following: Division Coordinators, Coaching Coordinator, Youth Umpires Coordinator, Field Maintenance Coordinator, Fundraising and Merchandise Coordinator, All Star Coordinator, Information Officer, Uniforms Coordinator, Awards Coordinator and the Concession Coordinator. These Regular Members must also be in good standing to be eligible to vote at General Membership Meetings.

In order for a Regular Member to be in good standing, they must:

- (a) Not have been barred from participation in Lawrence Little League at any prior time.
- (b) Conform to any attendance requirements as set forth by the LTJBSA.

The Superintendent of Recreation for Lawrence Township shall always be considered to be in good standing with the accompanying privilege of voting for the Board of Directors but must be elected annually as prescribed above.

Section 3

Other Affiliations. Members, whether Regular or Player, shall not be required to be affiliated with another organization or group to qualify as members of Lawrence Little League. Regular Members should not be actively engaged in the promotion and/or operation of any other baseball/softball program.

Section 4

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

- (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 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 Lawrence Little League and/or Little League Baseball, Incorporated. (A quorum is required.) The Member involved shall be notified of such a meeting, informed of the general nature of the charges, and given an opportunity to appear at the meeting to answer such charges.
- (b) The Board of Directors shall, in the 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 guardians(s) must 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. (A quorum is required.)

ARTICLE IV – DUES FOR REGULAR MEMBERS (NOT PLAYER MEMBERS)

Section 1

Dues for Regular Members may be fixed at such amounts as the Board of Directors shall determine for a particular fiscal year. (See Article XI, Section 7 for the fiscal year of this league.) Note: Dues for Regular Members are separate from registration fees for Player Members, which are determined annually by the Board of Directors in accordance with Regulation XIII (c). If no dues for Regular Membership are collected, Section 2 below does not apply.

Section 2

Regular Members who fail to pay their fixed dues within thirty (30) days of application to become a member may, by majority vote of the Board present at a Board meeting, be dropped from the rolls and shall forfeit all rights and privileges of membership.

ARTICLE V – GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

Section 1

Definition. A General Membership Meeting is any meeting of the regular members of the league. A minimum of one per year is required.

Section 2

Notice of Meeting. Notice of each General Membership Meeting shall be delivered personally, electronically, by email, or by mail to each Regular Member in good standing at the last recorded address at least 7 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 Regular 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 one-fifth (20 %) of the Regular Members in good standing shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. If a quorum is not present, no business shall be conducted.

Section 4

Voting. Only Regular Members in good standing shall be entitled to make motions, address the membership, be elected to the Board, 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. (Those eligible to take part at meetings of the Board of Directors are described in Article VI, Section 4.)

Section 5

Absentee Ballot. Regular Members in good standing must be present at any General Membership Meeting in order to vote on any matter brought before the regular membership.

Section 6

Annual Meeting of the Members. The Annual Meeting of the Members of the Local League shall be held prior to the election of the LTJBSA Board of Trustees each year, but no earlier than the 3rd Wednesday of October and no later than the 2nd Wednesday of November. The purpose of the Annual Meeting is to elect the Board of Directors, receive reports, review the Constitution, appoint committees, and to transact of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

- a) 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:
 - 1) The condition of Lawrence Little League, to be presented by the President or his/her designate;
 - 2) A general summary of funds received and expended by Lawrence Little League for the previous year, the amount of funds currently in possession of Lawrence Little League, and the name of the financial institution in which such funds are maintained;
 - 3) The whole amount of real property and personal property owned by Lawrence Little League, where located, and where and how invested;
 - 4) 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;
 - 5) The names of the persons who have been admitted to regular membership in Lawrence Little League during such year. This report shall be filed with the records of Lawrence

Little 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.

- b) At the Annual Meeting and prior to the election of the LTJBSA Board of Trustees, the Regular 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 six (6).

The Board of Directors shall determine the specific election procedure for any election to be held by the Local League using the guidelines outlined in the Little League Operating Manual. In order for ballots to be counted, they must contain the exact number of votes as positions available for the Board in that year. Ballots containing fewer or greater numbers of votes will be deemed invalid and not counted.

- c) After the Board of Directors for the upcoming year is elected, the incoming Board shall meet to elect its officers. The incoming Board and its officers shall assume the performance of its duties on December 1. The Board's term of office shall continue until its successors are elected and qualified under this section.

The Little League President, Vice President for Softball, Treasurer, and Safety Officer shall conform to annual attendance requirements for Trustees as set forth by the LTJBSA.

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 Regulation I (b). The Board shall also include a minimum of one manager.

Section 7

Special General Membership Meetings. Special General Membership Meetings of the Regular Members may be called by the Board of Directors or by the Secretary or President at their discretion. Upon written request of 20 Regular Members in good standing, 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 30 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 the same conflicts with this Constitution of Lawrence Little League.

ARTICLE VI – INITIAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TO APPROVE A CONSTITUTION

The content of this section was removed by amendment on March 13, 2013. However, the Article number was left in place in order to ensure accuracy of cross-references within this document.

ARTICLE VII – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1

Authority. The management of the property and affairs of Lawrence Little 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 a subsequent General Membership Meeting. All elections of additional Directors shall be by majority vote of all Regular Members present.

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.

- a) The President or the Secretary may, whenever they deem it advisable, or the Secretary shall at the request in writing of 5 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.
- b) Notice of each Board Meeting shall be given by the Secretary personally, by mail, email or facsimile at least 4 days before the time appointed for the meeting to the last recorded address of each Director.
- c) A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If a quorum exists, decisions shall be made by a majority of the Directors present and entitled to vote, except as otherwise may be specifically provided herein or by applicable law. If a quorum is not present, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting to a future time without further notice being required.
- d) Only members of the Board of Directors may make motions, speak or vote at meetings of the Board of Directors. However, the Board of Directors may invite, admit, and recognize guests for presentations or comments during the Board Meetings. The LTJBSA president shall be extended an open invitation to attend and comment at Lawrence Little League 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 Lawrence Little 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 Lawrence Little 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 the same conflicts with this Constitution of Lawrence Little League.

ARTICLE VIII - 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:

- (a) Conduct the affairs of the Local League and execute the policies established by the Board of Directors.
- (b) Present a report on the condition of the Local League at the Annual Meeting.
- (c) 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.
- (d) 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.
- (e) 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.
- (f) Investigate complaints, irregularities, and conditions detrimental to the Local League and report thereon to the Board or Executive Committee as circumstances warrant.
- (g) Provide oversight of the Treasurer's preparation of an annual budget.
- (h) With the assistance of the Player Agent, examine the application and support proof-of age documents of every player candidate and certify residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for tryouts and selection.

Section 3

Vice President for Baseball. The Vice President for Baseball shall:

- (a) 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 to act. When so acting, the Vice President shall have all the powers of that office.
- (b) Administer the baseball programs in Lawrence Little League.
- (c) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.

Section 4

Vice President for Softball. The Vice President for Softball shall:

- (a) 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 to act. When so acting, the Vice President shall have all the powers of that office.
- (b) Administer the softball programs in Lawrence Little League.
- (c) Perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or by the President.

Section 5

Secretary. The Secretary shall:

- (a) Be responsible for recording the activities of Lawrence Little League and maintain appropriate files, mailing lists and necessary records.
- (b) 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.
- (c) Maintain a list of all Regular, Sustaining and Honorary Members, Directors and committee members and give notice of all meetings of Lawrence Little League, the Board of Directors and Committees.
- (d) Issue membership cards to Regular Members, if approved by the Board of Directors.
- (e) Keep the minutes of the meetings of the Members, the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee, and cause them to be recorded.
- (f) 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.
- (g) Notify Members, Directors, Officers and committee members of their election or appointment.

Section 6

Treasurer. The Treasurer shall:

- (a) Perform such duties as are set forth herein 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 monies and securities, and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors.
- (c) Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all monies and securities of Lawrence Little League, including the Auxiliary, approve all payments from allotted funds and make payments therefore in agreement with policies established in advance of such actions by the Board of Directors. All disbursements by check must have dual signatures.
- (d) Prepare an annual budget, under the oversight of the President, for submission to the Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting.
- (e) Prepare an annual financial report, under the oversight of the President, for submission to the Membership and Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting, and to Little League International.

Section 7

Player Agent. The Player Agent shall:

- (a) 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 verifying residence and age eligibility.
- (c) Conduct the tryouts, the player draft and all other player transaction or selection meetings.
- (d) Prepare the Player Agent's list.
- (e) Prepare for the President's signature and submission to Little League International, team rosters, including players' claimed, and the tournament team eligibility affidavit.
- (f) Notify Little League International of any subsequent player replacements or trades.

Section 8

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 youngsters and all participants of Lawrence Little League.
- (b) Develop and implement a plan for increasing safety of activities, equipment and facilities through education, compliance, and reporting.

NOTE: To implement a safety plan using education, compliance and reporting, the following suggestions may be utilized by the Safety Officer:

- (1) Education - Should facilitate meetings and distribute information among participants including players, managers, coaches, umpires, league officials, parents, guardians and other volunteers.
- (2) Compliance - Should promote safety compliance leadership by increasing awareness of the safety opportunities that arise from these responsibilities.
- (3) Reporting - 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.

Section 9

League Information Officer. The League Information Officer shall:

- (a) Manage the league's home page (site authorized by Little League International);
- (b) Manage the online registration process and ensure that league rosters are maintained on the site;
- (c) Assign administrative rights to league volunteers and teams, if so desired by the Board of Directors;
- (d) Ensure that league news and scores are updated on a regular basis;
- (e) Collect, post and distribute important information on League activities including direct dissemination of fund-raising and sponsor activities to Little League International, district, public, league members and media;
- (f) Serve as primary contact person for Little League and myteam.com regarding optimizing use of the Internet for league administration and for distributing information to league members and to Little League International.

Section 10

Coaching Coordinator. The coaching coordinator shall:

- (a) Represent coaches/managers in league;
- (b) Present a coach/manager training 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.

ARTICLE IX - EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1

The Board of Directors may appoint an Executive Committee which shall consist of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) Directors, one of whom shall be the President of Lawrence Little League.

Section 2

The Executive Committee shall advise with and assist the Officers of Lawrence Little 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.

ARTICLE X - OTHER COMMITTEES

Section 1

Nominating Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Nominating Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall investigate and consider eligible candidates and submit at the Annual Meeting a slate of candidates for the Board of Directors. The Committee shall also submit for consideration by the Board of Directors a slate of Officers and Committee Members.

Section 2

Membership Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Membership Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall receive the names of prospective Honorary 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 3

Finance Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Finance Committee consisting of not less than three (3) nor more than five (5) Directors. The Treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of the Committee. The Committee shall investigate ways and means of financing the Local League including team sponsorships and submit recommendations. It shall be responsible for taking up collections at games, if such collections are authorized by the Local League, and shall turn over said collections to the Treasurer immediately after each game.

Section 4

Building and Property Committee. (May be combined with Grounds Committee) The Board of Directors may appoint a Building and Property Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. 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 5

Grounds Committee. (May be combined with Building and Property 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.

Section 6

Playing Equipment Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Playing Equipment Committee which 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 7

Managers Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Managers Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The Committee shall interview and investigate prospective managers and coaches, including those for the Minor League teams 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 Lawrence Little 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 8

Umpire Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint an Umpire Committee consisting of three (3) Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Lawrence Little League President shall be chairman of any such Committee. The Committee shall recruit, interview, and recommend to the President for appointment a staff of umpires, including a chief umpire and replacements. When appointed, the staff of umpires shall be under the personal direction of the Lawrence Little League President, assisted by the Chief Umpire who shall train, observe, and schedule the staff.

Section 9

District Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a District Committee consisting of the Lawrence Little League President as chairman and two (2) other Directors. The Committee shall assist the District Administrator in interleague 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 10

Auxiliary Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint an Auxiliary Committee consisting of the Lawrence Little League Treasurer and two (2) other Directors and other appointed Regular Members. The Committee shall coordinate the activities of the Auxiliary. It shall review and evaluate auxiliary projects for raising money and disposition of profits and make recommendations to the Board. The Board of Directors shall approve in advance all projects and actions of the Auxiliary.

Section 11

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 Lawrence Little 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 12

Minor League Committee. The Board of Directors may appoint a Minor League Committee consisting of three (3) Directors. The Chairman of the Committee shall be the Minor League Vice President and be responsible to the Lawrence Little League President for the proper conduct of the Minor League operation.

ARTICLE XI - AFFILIATION

Section 1

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

Section 3

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

ARTICLE XII - FINANCIAL AND ACCOUNTING

Section 1

Authority. The Board of Directors shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of Lawrence Little 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 Lawrence Little League, thereby to discourage favoritism among teams and to endeavor to equalize the benefits of Lawrence Little 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 are to be placed in the Lawrence Little League treasury.

Section 4

Disbursement of Funds. The Board shall not permit the disbursement of Lawrence Little 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 checks shall be signed by the Lawrence Little 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 Lawrence Little League shall receive, directly or indirectly any salary, compensation, or emolument from Lawrence Little 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 Lawrence Little League in a local bank account.

Section 7

Fiscal year. The fiscal year of Lawrence Little League shall begin on January 1 and shall end on December 31.

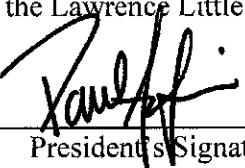
Section 8

Distribution of Property upon Dissolution. Upon dissolution of Lawrence Little League and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, the Members shall direct the remaining property of Lawrence Little 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 XIII - 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 Lawrence Little League Membership on 8/24/2023.

<u>Paul Alfieri</u>		<u>8/24/2023</u>
President's Name (Print)	President's Signature	Date