HAMILTON-CAPAY LITTLE LEAGUE CONSTITUTION



ARTICLE I -- NAME

This organization shall be known as the <u>HAMILTON-CAPAY LITTLE</u> LEAGUE, hereinafter referred to as "Local League."

ARTICLE II -- OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Local League shall be to implant firmly in the boys 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 boys and will grow to be decent, healthy and trustworthy men.

To achieve this objective, the Local League will provide a supervised program of competitive baseball games under the Rules and Policies of Little League Baseball, Incorporated Directors, Officers and Members shall bear in mind that stressing exceptional athletic skills or winning of games is secondary, and that type of leadership extended to boys is of prime importance.

ARTICLE III -- MEMBERSHIP

Any person interested in active participation to effect the objective of this Local League may apply to become a member.

Player Members: Any boy meeting requirements of Little League Regulation IV and who resides within the established boundaries of the Local League shall be eligible for participation but shall have no rights, duties or obligations in the management or in the property of the Local League.

Regular Members: Any adult actively interested in furthering the objective of the Local League may become a regular member upon election as hereinafter provided. All officers, Board Members, Committee Members, Managers, Volunteer Umpires and other elected or appointed officials must be active Regular Members in good standing.

Termination: Membership may be terminated by resignation or action of the Board of Directors.

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ARTICLE IV -- DUES

Dues for Regular and/or other Members may be fixed at such amounts as the Board of Directors shall determine. No dues or fees of any kind shall be charged or assessed Player Members as a prerequisite to play in the Local League. (Little League Regulation XIII (c).)

ARTICLE V -- ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Members of the Local League shall be held.....in each year for the purpose of electing Directors and Members, receiving reports of funds and progress and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

The presence in person or by proxy of one-third of the Members shall be necessary to constitute a quorum. Only Regular Members shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Local League.

ARTICLE VI -- BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The management of the property and affairs of the Local League shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Directors shall, upon election, immediately enter upon the performance of their duties and shall continue in office until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Board membership shall include the Officers, Player Agent, and a minimum of one manager and one volunteer umpire. (Only volunteer umpires may be elected to the Board). The number of managers including minor and senior league representation, elected to the Board shall not exceed a minority of the total Board Members.

At each annual meeting, the members shall determine the number of Directors to be elected for the ensuing year and shall elect such number of Directors. All elections of Directors shall be by majority vote of all Members present or represented by proxy at the time of the meeting.

ARTICLE VI -- BOARD OF DIRECTORS -- (continued)

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 meeting or at any special meeting called for the purpose.

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 the Secretary may issue a call for a special meeting of the Board. Notice of such meeting shall be given by the Secretary to each Director.

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.

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.

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.

ARTICLE VII -- OFFICERS, DUTIES and POWERS

Following the annual meeting, the Directors present, provided there be a quorum, shall meet for the purpose of electing officers and appointing committees for the ensuing year.

The officers of the Local League shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and a Player Agent, or Agents, all of whom shall hold office for the ensuing year or until their successors are duly elected. (Little League Regulation I (b).)

ARTICLE VII -- OFFICERS, DUTIES and POWERS -- (continued)

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 and may fill any vacancy which may occur in any office. The duties of elected officers shall be as described in the League Administration section of the Official Handbook and Manual.

ARTICLE VIII -- MANAGERS, COACHES, UMPIRES and SAFETY OFFICER

Managers and Coaches shall be appointed annually by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors, and shall be responsible for the selection of their teams and for their conduct on the field. (Little League Regulation 1 (b).)

Umpires shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors, who shall be responsible for their assignments and for their conduct on the field. (Little League Regulation I (b).)

The President and Player Agents shall not manage or coach a major, minor or farm club team. The President should not umpire. (Little League Regulation I (b).)

A Safety Officer shall be appointed by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors. He should establish safety policies and procedures that are known, understood and practiced by players and adult personnel; provide periodic inspection and maintenance of playing facilities and equipment; prepare for emergencies and training in first aid; investigate accidents and recommend corrective measures. He should apply continuous analysis of accidents, their causes and related factors, and process Little League insurance claims, as well as receive and distribute insurance payments to claimants or to claimant's parent.

ARTICLE IX -- CHARTER

The Local League shall annually apply for a charter from Little League Baseball, Incorporated, and shall take all necessary steps to obtain and maintain such charter. The Local League shall devote

ARTICLE IX -- CHARTER -- (continued)

its 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.

The Official Playing Rules and Regulations as published by Little League Baseball, Incorporated, Williamsport, Pennsylvania, shall be binding on this local League Local rules of this 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, local rules shall in no way conflict with or restrict free exercise of the Rules and Regulations of Little League Baseball, Incorporated.

ARTICLE X -- FINANCES and ACCOUNTING

The Board of Directors shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the Local League and it shall place all income, including Women's Auxiliary Funds, in a common league treasury.

All monies received shall be deposited in a bank approved by the Board of Directors and all disbursements made by check signed by the Treasurer and cosigned by another officer.

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

The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Little League Baseball unless all funds so raised are placed in the Local League treasury. The Board shall not permit the disbursement of local league funds for purpose other than the conduct of Little League activities.

ARTICLE XI -- AMERICMENTS

Constitution and By-Laws of the Local League may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any meeting of the Members, provided notice of a meeting and the proposed

ARTICLE XI -- AMENDMENTS -- (continued)

changes are given in writing 10 days prior to such meeting.

A draft of all proposed amendments shall be submitted to Little League Baseball, Incorporated, for approval.

Signed:

President