# Roadrunner Little League By-Laws

Mission Statement: Roadrunner Little League (RLL) will provide a healthy environment for the youth of our communities. Our focus is to encourage participation, develop character and discipline, promote teamwork, and advocate citizenship and community pride. We will strive to provide quality instruction in the development of baseball/softball skills, sportsmanship, competitiveness and fair play. RLL is committed to enriching the lives of our youth and fostering a love of the game.

### Section I: Name

The name of this corporation shall be Roadrunner Little League, Inc. with its place of business in Truro, IA.

#### Section II: Purpose

RLL is a non-profit organization whose mission is to promote, develop, supervise, and voluntarily assist in all lawful ways, the interest of those who will participate in Little League baseball and softball. Through proper guidance, the Little League program assists children in developing the qualities of sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, and respect for leadership. By espousing the virtues of character, courage and loyalty, the RLL program is designed to develop superior citizens rather than superior athletes.

#### Section III: Membership

- A. All parents or guardians of children registered in RLL shall be considered to be members.
- B. Active membership: An active member is defined as a person who has either attended at least one (1) meeting in the last 6 months or participated by volunteering at least 1 event in the last 6 months including all coaches.
- C. All active members in attendance may vote. Any members in attendance who are not active must abstain from voting.

# Section IV: Board of Officers, Directors and Duties

The officers of RLL will consist of a 4 member executive board: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Director roles will consist of a Field Maintenance & Equipment Manager, Registration Coordinator, Concession Stand Director and Sponsorship/Fundraising Director.

## 1. President:

- a. Preside at league meetings and assumes full responsibility for the operation of the local league.
- b. Provide an agenda at all league meetings.
- c. Provide communication between parents, coaches, and RLL board as necessary.
- d. Provide an umpire schedule for all home games.

#### 2. Vice President:

- a. Preside at league meetings and in the absence of the President
- b. Assume other duties as outlined by the President

#### 3. Secretary:

- a. Preside at league meetings
- b. Keep accurate minutes of the RLL meetings and distribute within 1 week of a meeting to all members.
- c. Keep copies of the By-Laws and monthly meeting minutes available at all meetings.
- d. Send out notice of meetings at least 2 days prior to a scheduled meeting.
- e. Prepare information to be distributed to all coaches at the coach's meeting.

## 4. Treasurer:

- a. Preside at league meetings and assume responsibility for all league finances.
- b. Deposit and disperse funds as needed and approved by the board.
- c. Report on the status of league funds monthly via email as well as all league meetings.
- d. Keep league books and financial records available at all meetings.

- 5. Field Maintenance & Equipment Manager:
  - a. Organizing the following:
    - Lawn care (mowing, weed kill, seed, gas for mowers/gator, etc.)
    - Field day clean up
    - Garbage removal
    - Restroom/concession maintenance (plumbing, electrical, etc.)
  - b. Equipment:
- Baseballs/Softballs
- Bases & inserts
- Tees
- Mounds
- Chalk
- Scorebooks
- Catchers Equipment
- 6. Registration Coordinator:
  - a. Organize the following:
    - League signups
    - Uniform order (shirts, hats, socks, etc.)
    - Compile master list of all signups
    - Follow-up with last years' rosters
    - Compile team rosters
- 7. Concession Stand Director(s):
  - a. Maintain the operation of concession facilities.
  - b. Organize the following:
    - Ordering inventory including food/drinks/supplies
    - Maintaining concession stand master schedule for team's parents
    - Opening and closing schedule as necessary
- 8. Sponsorship/Fundraising Director:
  - a. Solicits and secures local sponsorships to support league operations.
  - b. Collects and reviews sponsorship and fundraising opportunities.
  - c. Organizes and implements approved league fundraising activities.
  - d. Maintains records of monies secured through sponsorship and fundraising initiatives.

# Section V: Elections

Elections will be held at the September meeting. Officers or directors voted upon shall assume their official duties immediately and shall serve for a term of 1 year. All officers and directors will be eligible for re-election.

## Section VI: Collection and Distribution of League Funds

- a. Registration Fee: Tee-Ball- \$50, all other teams- \$75.
- b. Late Registration Fee: \$25
- c. Expenditures: Expenditures (cash, checks, and charges) over \$500.00 will require Board approval prior to purchase. The League Treasurer is able to issue funds necessary only for the operation for the league without board approval. Any expenditure that is not a 'monthly' bill must be approved by the members of the board prior to purchase.
- d. Refund Policy: There will be no full refunds. We will keep 20% of a registration as a service fee. After teams are formed, we will only refund 50% of the registration fee. After the practice start date for your level, we will not refund money unless otherwise approved by the board.

# Section VII: Zero Tolerance Policy

RLL will absolutely NOT tolerate uncontrolled or unsportsmanlike conduct. If a player, coach or parent is ejected from a practice or game for uncontrolled or unsportsmanlike conduct once (1) during a season, he/she will be suspended for the next physically played game. A second (2) ejection will result in a written warning from the Board and a second suspension from the next played game. A third (3) ejection, during a season, will result in termination from all RLL activities for the remainder of that season. All uncontrolled or unsportsmanlike conduct actions will be reviewed by the board and, depending on the severity, may warrant additional discipline at the board's discretion.

#### Section VIII: Local League Regulations

RLL will follow Little League Organization rules as well as the rules put into effect by the Twin Rivers Little League for Baseball and Softball which are revised and available each season through your coach.

- 1. Tee-Ball:
  - a. Players are in PK or K.
  - b. Teams consist of boys and girls.
  - c. Games are played on Saturdays in Truro.
- 2. Pee-Wee:
  - a. Players are in grades 1 and 2 unless approved by the board for a younger child.
  - b. Teams consist of boys and girls.
  - c. Games are played on Saturdays throughout Twin River League towns.
- 3. Minor Baseball/Softball:
  - a. Players are in grades 3 and 4.
  - b. Baseball teams consist of boys while Softball consists of girls.
  - c. Baseball games are scheduled on M, W, F while softball games are T.Th
  - d. Minor siblings will follow any Major sibling in the draft process
- 4. Major Baseball/Softball:
  - a. Players are in grades 5 and 6.
  - b. Baseball teams consist of boys while Softball consists of girls.
  - c. Baseball games are scheduled on M, W, F while softball games are T.Th

# Section IX: Amendments

The By-Laws may be amended at any monthly meeting by a majority of the RLL Board voting in favor of these modifications. The executive officers must receive a copy of these modifications prior to the meeting in which they will be voted on.

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