



*T.E.L.L.*  
*(Taunton Eastern Little League)*  
*By-Laws*  
*for the*  
*2015 Season*

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## **Article I**

### *Meetings*

#### **Section 1.01**      *Voting*

- (a) *Members in Good Standing*
- (b) *As per the T.E.L.L. constitution, only “regular members in good standing shall have the right to vote for Directors, membership and / or business brought before the membership at general or special meetings.*
- (c) *To be considered a member in good standing, a regular member must:*
- (d) *Attend 75% of all general membership meetings held annually*
- (e) *Adhere to the Local League Code of Conduct*
- (f) *Accept and perform any reasonable requests for volunteer service as assigned by the Local League President or Board of Director*
- (g) *The President shall vote only to break a tie.*
- (h) *Once a motion has been carried, a two-thirds majority vote of those present is necessary for reconsideration of any motion during the same meeting.*
- (i) *Any Member not present or sending representation to two consecutive meetings, without just cause and prior notification to the President, (in his or her absence Secretary or Board Member) shall lose their voting rights and may be dropped from the League.*
- (j) *Any Member of the Board not present for three consecutive Board meetings without just cause and prior notification to the league Secretary may be dropped from the Local League.*

#### **Section 1.02**      *Election to Membership*

- (a) *Members may be nominated and elected at any General Membership meeting*
- (b) *At any general membership meeting where Board members and regular members are to be elected, voting for Board members shall be held before voting for general membership.*

#### **Section 1.03**      *Posting of Ballots*

- (a) *Ballot for Board of Directors positions must be posted no less than two (2) weeks before the annual meeting or at any meeting where Directors shall be elected. Nominations shall still be accepted from the floor at all such meetings.*

#### **Section 1.04**      *Attendance by Major League Managers*

- (a) *All Major League Managers must make every attempt to attend all regularly scheduled meetings.*
- (b) *If unable to attend, the managers must have an appointed designee present.*
- (c) *Managers must attend a minimum of 75% of league meetings per calendar year, in person.*
- (d) *In order to be eligible to vote, all new managers must attend 75% of the meetings from the date of their appointment During the first year. October will no longer be used as a starting date for the first year.*

#### **Section 1.05**      *Attendance by Prep League, Instructional, and Tee Ball Managers*

- (a) *All Prep League, Instructional League, and Tee Ball Managers are requested to attend all regularly scheduled meetings during the time which there are assigned as a team manager.*

#### **Section 1.06**      *Discipline regarding attendance shall be as defined in the constitution, Article 3, Section 5, A and B*

#### **Section 1.07**      *Any postponement of a General Membership Meeting should be widely publicized and given at least 48 hours notice. At time of notice a substitute date and time should be available/determined.*

**Article II.**

*Board of Directors*

**Section 2.01** *Duties and Powers.*

- (a) *The Board of Directors rules on protests.*
- (b) *The Board of Directors hears all grievances (Managers, Coaches, Umpires or Parents, which are submitted in writing).*
- (c) *The Board of Directors has the authority to administer and enforce all league assignments.*
- (d) *The Board of Directors will develop a Code of Managerial Standards for all managers at each division of play and will be overseen by the Player Agent in each League.*

**Section 2.02** *Guidelines for Board of Directors on Discipline*

- (a) *These guidelines are subject to Board of Directors discretion*
- (b) *Disciplinary actions may be imposed by the board in this order:*
  - (i) *Letter of reprimand, which will be held on file for a two-year period.*
  - (ii) *One (or more) game suspension.*
  - (iii) *One (or more) week suspension or termination from T.E.L.L. (Depending upon the offense)*
- (c) *No disciplinary action may be enforced against any T.E.L.L. manager or coach without the manager or coach in question being allowed to address the Board of Directors in his or her defense. The appropriate league Vice President must insure this is done.*
- (d) *Failure to follow By Laws will be followed by an immediate B.O.D. meeting to determine disciplinary action.*
- (e) *Any person, Manager, Coach, Director or appointee who knowingly or deliberately violates Little League/T.E.L.L. rules, regulations, procedures will appear before the Board to have those actions reviewed to determine any and all appropriate punishment which will be determined by the B.O.D.*

**Section 2.03** *Members of the Board of Directors*

- (a) *The Local League shall be administered by one (1) Board of Directors.*
- (b) *In accordance with the Local League Constitution, the Board of Directors shall consist of but not limited to the following positions:*
  - (i) President
  - (ii) Senior Vice President
  - (iii) Junior Vice President
  - (iv) Treasurer
  - (v) Secretary
  - (vi) League Information Officer
  - (vii) Player Agent-American League and Tee Ball Director
  - (viii) Player Agent-nation League and Instructional League Director
  - (ix) Safety Officer
- © In addition, the Board of Directors has approved the following additional members for the Current year:
  - (i) Prep League Director
  - (ii) Purchasing Agent
  - (iii) Concession Manager
  - (iv) Complex Manager
  - (v) Tournament Director
  - (vi) Fall Ball League Director
- (d) Board Members to provide monthly progress reports to members

**Article III.**

*T.E.L.L. Season Schedule Dates*

**Section 3.01**      *Annual Activities*

- (a) *The League event schedule must be published by/at the January meeting (for the upcoming season)...Including dates for Getting on/use of the complex fields.*
- (b) *The President and members of the Board of Directors will select members from the League and/or appoint a member to schedule in dates for the coming years activities.*
- (c) *Activities include but are not limited to the following: Game Schedules, League Events (meat-on-a-stick, tag day, etc.) Play Offs, Concession Schedule, Calendar fund raising dates, All-Star voting dates, Trophy night.*
- (d) *The following Administrative Schedules may be discussed at the January meeting.: Uniform ordering, Equipment ordering, Registrations Dates, Try out dates, Field Duty Schedule, Change in Managers.*
- (e) *Failure of members to secure date and/or scheduled duties may result in disciplinary action by the Board of Directors and President.*

## **Article IV.**

### *Additional Duties and Powers of Officers*

#### **Section 4.01**      *President*

- (a) *The President or Designee shall have the final decision regarding the starting of any game in the T.E.L.L. system.*
- (b) *Managers shall be appointed annually by the President with the approval of the Board of Directors, by the regular League meeting prior to the tryouts and shall be responsible for the selection of their teams.*
- (c) *The Umpire in Chief shall be appointed annually by the President, with the approval of the Board of Directors.*

#### **Section 4.02**      *Treasurer*

- (a) *In addition to the monthly Treasurers report the Treasurer shall submit original monthly bank statements showing current balances of all accounts at all regularly scheduled monthly meetings.*
- (b) *Treasurer must provide a report of purchases by Category by the January meeting. (i.e. All-star uniforms, Team Uniforms, Balls, Trophies)*

#### **Section 4.03**      *Secretary*

- (a) *The Secretary shall*
  - (i) *Receive and review all in-coming correspondence and report its contents to the general membership at the regular meetings; upon discussion of correspondence the Secretary may answer all communications stating the will of the League.*
  - (ii) *Conduct all the necessary correspondence as a result of any and all meetings, carrying out all orders, votes, and resolutions not otherwise committed.*

#### **Section 4.04**

##### (a) *The Player Agent:*

*The National League/Instructional League Director shall:*

- (i) *In cooperation with the President and Secretary, collect, verify and maintain a file of birth certificate copies for all Major and Prep league players.*
- (ii) *Be available as the first contact for situations arising between a Player, Parent, Manager, Coach, and/or Umpire. Attempt to determine all the facts relating to the issues and submit findings and recommendations to the Board.*

(b) *The T.E.L.L. Instructional League shall be governed by its Director and subject to all applicable local league Bylaws.*

(c) *It shall be under the direct control of the Board of Directors and shall, through its Director, make monthly reports to the general membership at regular meetings.*

(d) *The Instructional League Director shall:*

- (i) *Upon completion of registration, be responsible for forming the Instructional League teams.*
- (ii) *In cooperation with the Local League President, prepare a schedule of games and practice days.*
- (iii) *Be responsible for running the day to day affairs of the Instructional League including assisting with the various Local League fund-raisers.*
- (iv) *Attempt to resolve all disputes at the Instructional League level. If issues are unable to be resolved, the Instructional League Director will consult with the Local League Vice-President(s), the Umpire in Chief and the Player Agents for direction, and schedule any such meeting with the parties involved as deemed necessary. Matters still unresolved shall be referred to the Local League President.*
- (v) *Perform any and all such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Board of Directors or President.*
- (vi) *Have no direct purchasing power.*
- (vii) *Be responsible for all Instructional League year end activities.*
- (viii) *Be responsible for resolving any situations arising between team managers and/or coaches concerning disputes and/or playing rules, interpretations and/or violations.*
- (ix) *Submit for approval to the President, guidelines for the Instructional League in reference to late registration, season schedule, and local rules.*

(e) *The Player Agent American/Tee Ball League Director shall:*

- (i) *In cooperation with the President and Secretary, collect, verify and maintain a file of birth certificate copies for all Major and Prep league players.*
- (ii) *Be available as the first contact for situations arising between a Player, Parent, Manager, Coach, and /or Umpire. Attempt to determine all the facts relating to the issues and submit findings and recommendations to the Board.*

- (f) *The T.E.L.L. Tee Ball system shall be governed by its Director and subject to all applicable local league Bylaws.*
- (g) *It shall be under the direct control of the Board of Directors and shall, through its Director, make monthly reports to the general membership at regular meetings.*
- (h) *The Tee Ball League Director shall:*
  - (i) *Upon completion of registration, be responsible for forming the Tee Ball teams.*
  - (ii) *In cooperation with the Local League President, prepare a schedule of games and practice days.*
  - (iii) *Be responsible for running the day to day affairs of the Tee Ball system including assisting with the various Local League fund-raisers.*
  - (iv) *Attempt to resolve all disputes at the Tee Ball level. If issues are unable to be resolved, the Tee Ball Director will consult with the Local League Vice-President(s), the Umpire in Chief and the Player Agents for direction, and schedule any such meeting with the parties involved as deemed necessary. Matters still unresolved shall be referred to the Local League President.*
  - (v) *Perform any and all such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Board of Directors or President.*
  - (vi) *Have no direct purchasing power.*
  - (vii) *Be responsible for all Tee Ball year end activities.*
  - (viii) *Be responsible for resolving any situations arising between team managers and/or coaches concerning disputes and/or playing rules, interpretations and/or violations.*
  - (ix) *Submit for approval to the President, guidelines for the Tee Ball system in reference to late registration, season schedule, local rules.*

**Section 4.05**      *League Purchasing Agent*

- (a) *The Purchasing agent shall:*
  - (i) *Be a member of the playing equipment committee.*
  - (ii) *Secure competitive written bids for the purchase of necessary equipment and supplies for the teams, and report findings to the Board of Directors.*
  - (iii) *Upon recommendation of the Equipment committee, secure the necessary equipment and supplies and distribute to the respective teams.*
  - (iv) *Be responsible for the repair and inventory of each team's equipment at the close of the season.*
  - (v) *Be responsible for the purchasing of all Local league equipment purchases.*
  - (vi) *Prepare an annual inventory of all teams current equipment and condition which shall be presented at the Annual Meeting*
  - (vii) *Prepare and monitor team gear sign-out and return for all teams*

**Section 4.06**      *Vice Presidents*

- (a) *Vice Presidents shall be first contact for managers and coaches with an issue or complaint.*
- (b) *If the issue or complaint cannot be resolved the complaint shall be referred to the president, player agents, and if need be, to the B.O.D.*
- (c) *Vice-presidents shall be responsible for follow up on all assigned duties (i.e. field duties, fundraisers) to ensure all are on-track towards completion and be available to assist members when necessary*
- (d) *The Senior Vice President shall:*
  - (i) *Serve as Chairman of the annual By-law Committee*
  - (ii) *Organize the Major Division End of the Year Celebration with the President including location, ordering trophies and set-up.*
  - (iii) *Be in charge of ensuring that all assigned league duties and responsibilities are completed. If duties and responsibilities are not completed, the Senior Vice President shall inform the President to schedule a Board of Directors Meeting to discuss potential remedies/discipline*
- (e) *The Junior Vice President shall;*
  - (i) *Conduct annual All Star Voting and tabulating of all ballots, providing results to the President and Secretary*
  - (ii) *Complete weekly practice field schedule once the season starts for all teams in all divisions of play.*

**Section 4.07**      *League Information Officer*

- (a) *Maintain the League's social media outlets in cooperation with the league President.*



**Section 4.08**      *Safety Officer*

- (a) *Create and submit the annual TELL ASAP to Little League International.*
- (b) *Schedule annual CPR First Aid Class for all managers/coaches who do not currently have a current First Aid/CPR/AED Certification.*
- (c) *Work with TMLP to ensure that field lights are certified in accordance with Little League Lighting Standards.*

**Section 4.09**      *Complex Field Manager*

- (a) *Maintain entire TELL Complex.*
- (b) *Coordinate Annual Field Maintenance.*
- (c) *Schedule all Mandatory Field Duties including tasks to be completed.*
- (d) *Ensure that all weekly field duties are completed by assigned teams.*
- (e) *Ensure that all new Field Projects authorized by the Board of Directors are completed in accordance with the TELL By-Laws in a timely manner.*

**Section 4.10**      *Concession Stand Manager*

- (a) *Overall operation of the concession stand.*
- (b) *Obtain all necessary licenses and permits to operate a food establishment.*
- (c) *Ensure that all food safety guidelines and regulations are enforced, including a Serve Safe Certification.*
- (d) *Order all products needed to ensure smooth operation of the concession stand.*
- (e) *Work with the Board of Directors to establish a menu and pricing of food items to be prepared and sold.*

**Section 4.11**      *TELL Summer Bash Tournament Director*

- (a) *Plan and promote the Annual TELL Summer Bash Tournament by January.*
- (b) *Chair the Summer Bash Committee.*
- (c) *Develop the Tournament rules and forms necessary for the successful completion of the Summer Bash Tournament.*
- (d) *Develop schedules of the Summer Bash Tournament once the dates have been set by the Board of Directors upon the recommendation of the Summer Bash Tournament Committee.*
- (e) *Appoint a tournament director for each tournament to act as a point person in charge of each tournament.*
- (f) *Work with other members of the league to ensure that all supplies needed for the completion of the Summer Bash Tournament are purchased and on site.*
- (g) *Work with the President to develop a volunteer schedule to ensure that all duties are identified and completed by all members of the league.*

**Section 4.12**      *Fall Ball Director*

- (a) *Work with the Board of Directors to develop a comprehensive Fall Ball Program for the players of TELL.*
- (b) *Be the TELL representative to other baseball Fall Ball Programs.*
- (c) *Recruit managers and coaches needed for the Fall Ball Program.*
- (d) *Develop a registration/try-out process for the TELL Fall Ball Program.*
- (e) *Work with the TELL President to create and run a Fall Ball Program at the TELL Complex.*

**Article V.**            *Handling of Funds Collected*

**Section 5.01**        *Concession stand*

- (a) *Two people together shall count funds taken in*
- (b) *Fill in amount in receipt book*
- (c) *Drop cash in designated location*
  - (i) *no league member shall remove funds from the register unless the count has been taken and recorded*
  - (ii) *On heavier intake days such as opening day, this process may occur more than once.*
- (d) *The Concession Stand Manager along with the Board will strive to keep and maintain an ongoing and sufficient inventory schedule of all concession stand products purchased for the sale in the T.E.L.L. concession stand.*

**Section 5.02**        *Tag Day*

- (a) *Major League teams shall participate in two tag days for the current season*
- (b) *Prep League teams shall participate in one tag day for the current season*
- (c) *Instructional League and Tee Ball players shall NOT participate in Tag Days.*
- (d) *Accounting*
  - (i) *Major League Team Managers assigned to facilitate Tag Days shall:*
    - 1) *Arrange for sufficient locations to allow for at least one hour per player per team on each tag day.*
    - 2) *Schedule team locations, leaving player assignment to each team manager.*
    - 3) *Coin cans shall be numbered and tracked both during hand out and collection.*
    - 4) *All Teams shall be required to provide one volunteer to bring in the cans on collection/counting day(s) and stay to help count the collected funds.*

**Section 5.03**        *All other league events*

**Article VI.**            *Purchase System*

**Section 6.01**        *League Purchase Guidelines*

- (a) *The following purchase system shall apply to all league personnel, activities, and league business unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors.*
  - (i) *Standard purchases of supplies and maintenance items of no more than \$50.00 may not require the approval of the Board of Directors. Receipts must be provided to the local league Treasurer to be considered for reimbursement.*
  - (ii) *Any purchase of over \$50.00 shall require the approval of the President, Treasurer, or Board of Directors.*
  - (iii) *In case of emergency, the President, with the consent of the treasurer, can spend up to \$500.00.*
  - (iv) *All purchases over \$500.00 will require approval by the Board of Directors.*
  - (v) *The Concession Stand Manager and Purchasing Agent shall be exempt from this policy in regards to expenses covering the day to day operation of the concession stand and league playing equipment.*
  - (vi) *The Purchasing Agent and Concession Stand Manager shall be responsible to provide an annual report of expense and income at the Annual Meeting.*
  - (vii) *The sale or transfer of any property belonging to the league will require Board approval.*

**Article VII.**            *Prep League, Instructional League, and Tee Ball*

**Section 7.01**        *Prep League Management*

- (a) *The T.E.L.L. prep league system shall be governed by its Director and subject to all local league Bylaws.*
- (b) *It shall be under the direct control of the Board of Directors and shall, through its Director, make monthly reports to the general membership at regular meetings.*
- (c) *Prep League Director shall:*
  - (i) *Upon completion of the major league draft, be responsible for securing the names of the remaining eligible playing candidates and forming the prep league teams and in association with the Local League President preparing a schedule of games, including playoffs.*
  - (ii) *Be responsible for running the day to day affairs of the prep league system including coordinating the various Prep League fund-raisers.*
  - (iii) *Attempt to resolve all disputes at the Prep league level. If issues are unable to be resolved, the Prep League Director will consult with the Local League Vice-President(s), the Umpire in Chief and the Player Agents for direction, and schedule any such meeting with the parties involved as deemed necessary. Matters still unresolved shall be referred to the Local League President*
  - (iv) *Perform any and all such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Board of Directors or President.*
  - (v) *Have no direct purchasing power.*

- (vi) *Be responsible for all prep league banquet activities.*
- (vii) *Be responsible for resolving any situations arising between umpires and managers concerning disputes and/or playing rules, interpretations and/or violations.*
- (viii) *Submit for approval to the President, guidelines for the prep league system in reference to late registration, and Local League rules.*
- (ix) *Submit to the Local League President a candidate for appointment as Prep League Umpire in Chief.  
1) In the absence of such person, the Prep League Director shall fulfill all related duties.*
- (x) *All Major League teams shall provide coverage to Umpire Prep League games on a rotating basis for Saturday games at the TELL complex. Game schedule shall be coordinated as much as possible with the concession stand schedule.*

**Section 7.02** *Prep League Umpire in Chief shall:*

- (a) *Schedule Umpires for games*
- (b) *Schedule Umpires for makeup games*
- (c) *Report problems, in writing, to the Prep League Director and the major league Umpire in Chief (s).*
- (d) *Arrange for the distribution of league owned safety gear for umpires as needed*
- (e) *Arrange for the distribution of any payments owed to umpires for services rendered.*
- (f) *Shall not be paid for service rendered as Umpire in Chief, with the exception that the individual may serve as an umpire and be compensated for such duties*

**Article VIII.** *Major League Managers and Coaches*

**Section 8.01** *Major League*

- (a) *Managers Shall:*
  - (i) *Be required to provide volunteers on an as need basis for assigned field details, concession stand operation, and mandatory field duty assignments as may be determined by the complex manager with the approval of the President or Board of Directors.*
  - (ii) *Be accountable for all assigned duties.*
  - (iii) *Recruit coaches to assist as needed and shall ensure that each volunteer is properly CORI checked.*
  - (iv) *Submit to the President their choice of up to 3 coaches for approval by April 1st. Preference shall be given, whenever possible, to managers and coaches in the prep league system. Coaches will be selected on their ability to be available.*
  - (v) *Notify the Player Agent of any changes in his/her team roster.*
  - (vi) *Notify the Player Agent of any player missing consecutive games. This action must be done before the next scheduled game. Failure to do so may result in the manager being suspended from the next scheduled game, with the approval of the Board of Directors.*
  - (vii) *Notify the Player Agent prior to benching a player for more than one game during the season. However, if a player is injured, ill, or is being benched as a result of discipline for that one game only, the Manager must inform the plate Umpire and the other Manager prior to the start of the game. All injured, ill, or benched players must be listed in the pitching log book for that game.*
  - (viii) *Submit to the League Information Officer a complete team roster which includes the name, address, and telephone number of the team's Players and Coaches.*
  - (ix) *Be responsible for one or more team assignments which are assigned annually by the President.*
- (b) *Managers Responsibility regarding Concession Stand*
  - (i) *During all league functions at the complex of each teams assigned period, insure the concession stand is properly staffed, properly cleaned, restocked and report stock needed to concession manager.*
  - (ii) *Ensure money is counted and witnessed by league members. Record amount in receipt book, initial and place monies in designated location.*
  - (iii) *Ensure bathrooms are operable and locked, equipment is secure and all buildings, storage sheds and batting cages are secured.*
- (c) *Managers/Coaches on Bench During League Games*
  - (i) *At any Local League game, each team shall have a maximum of one manager and up to two (2) coaches on the bench.*
- (d) *First Year Managers and Coaches*
  - (i) *First year managers and coaches shall be placed on one-year probation. At the end of the probation period the manager or coach will either be placed on annual appointment status; extended probation; or be removed by the board of directors.*
- (e) *Manager and Coaches Conduct*
  - (i) *Managers and Coaches failing to maintain a level of conduct measuring up to the standards of Little League Baseball shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Directors and / or be recommended for termination to the membership by the Board of Directors.*
- (f) *Major League Managers may be assigned a Prep League team to mentor.*

**Section 8.02** *Prep League, Instructional League, and Tee Ball League Managers*

- (a) *Prep League, Instructional League, and Tee Ball League Managers Shall:*
- (i) *Be required to provide volunteers on an as need basis for regular assigned field details, concession stand operation, and mandatory field duty assignments as may be determined by the League Director with the approval of the President or Board of Directors.*
  - (ii) *Be accountable for all assigned duties.*
  - (iii) *Recruit coaches to assist as needed and shall ensure that each volunteer is properly CORI checked.*
  - (iv) *Notify the League Director of any changes in his/her team roster.*
  - (v) *Notify the League Director of any player missing consecutive games. This action must be done before the next scheduled game.*
  - (vi) *Notify the League Director prior to benching a player for more than one game during the season. However, if a player is injured, ill, or is being benched as a result of discipline for that one game only, the Manager must inform other Manager prior to the start of the game.*
  - (vii) *Verify for the League Information Officer a complete team roster which includes the name, address, and telephone number of the team's Players and Coaches.*
  - (viii) *Be responsible for one or more team assignments which may be assigned by the President.*
- (b) *Managers Responsibility regarding Concession Stand (Tee Ball is excluded)*
- (i) *During all league functions at the complex of each teams assigned period, insure the concession stand is properly staffed, properly cleaned, restocked and report stock needed to concession manager.*
  - (ii) *Ensure money is counted by a Major League team representative and witnessed by other league members, and that the amount is recorded in receipt book,*
  - (iii) *Ensure bathrooms are operable and un locked,*
- (c) *Managers/Coaches on Bench During League Games*
- (i) *At any Prep League game, each team shall have a maximum of one manager and up to two (2) coaches on the bench.*
  - (ii) *At any Instructional League or Tee Ball game, each team shall have a maximum of one manager and up to two (2) coaches on the bench.*
- (d) *Manager and Coaches Conduct*
- (i) *Managers and Coaches failing to maintain a level of conduct measuring up to the standards of Little League Baseball shall be subject to disciplinary action by the Board of Directors and / or be recommended for termination to the membership by the Board of Directors.*

**Article IX.**

*Field Assignments*

**Section 9.01**      *Field Assignments*

- (a) *The Complex Manager shall oversee the weekly maintenance of the complex and shall organize special projects, repairs, and field duties as needed subject to the approval of the Board of Directors including but not limited to:*
- (i) *Field Pre-Season preparation*
  - (ii) *Tournament field preparation*
  - (iii) *End of Season clean up*
  - (iv) *Pre-Winter preparation*
- (b) *Teams will be assigned on an annual basis to a specified area.*
- (c) *Assignments will be offered first to each Major League team manager in order of years of Major League Management service seniority. Any unfilled duties shall be assigned by the President*
- (d) *All volunteers for weekly field maintenance will be required to sign in.*
- (e) *Failure to meet minimum volunteer requirements will be heard by the Board on a case by case basis.*

**Section 9.02**      *Prep League Field Assignments*

- (a) *The Prep League Director will assign each prep league team to assist one or more major league team(s).*

**Section 9.03**      *Game Time Field Duty*

- (a) *Home team will be responsible to line the field prior to the game.*
- (b) *The other team will be responsible to rake the infield after the game.*
- (c) *The Away team on Field "A" will be responsible for returning all lining equipment to the League box.*

**Article X.**

*Selection of Managers / Seniority*

**Section 10.01**     *Selection of Major League Managers*

- (a) *Managers normally shall be chosen by seniority from a list of approved coaches, whenever possible.*
- (b) *First preference may go to coaches with the major league and secondly, the managers and coaches in the prep league.*

**Section 10.02**     *Seniority Rule:*

- (a) *Any manager or Coach who has been in the League for a minimum of ten years will have earned several rights (Subsequent to rules of Little League Baseball, Inc.):*
  - (i) *Take a year off (leave of absence): The League shall appoint an interim manager for that one year. The manager may come back to the team the following year.*
  - (ii) *A manager or Coach leaves for any reason after a minimum of ten years of service (other than action taken by the Board and not a one year leave of absence) when or if he/she becomes interested in manager/coach again, he/she will be considered for the next available team. Decision will be made by the Board of Directors and will be final. The number of times a leave may be granted will be up to the Board of Directors.*

**Section 10.03**     *Selection of Prep League, Instructional league, and Tee Ball Managers*

- (a) *Managers normally shall be recruited and assigned by each League Director, whenever possible.*
- (b) *A list of managers shall be presented to the Local League President who shall ask the Board of Directors for Approval*
- (c) *First preference should go to prior managers, coaches, and volunteers based on years of service*

**Article XI**

*Umpire in Chief*

**Section 11.01** *Duties of the Umpire in Chief*

- (a) *The Umpire in Chief*
  - (i) *Shall be responsible for the Major League Umpire assignments, their payments from the Taunton Eastern Little League, and for their actions and the actions of their staff on the field.*
  - (ii) *May be paid a fee for his/her duties. (Fee to be determined by the Board of Directors)*
  - (iii) *Should be a certified Umpire.*
  - (iv) *Must instruct younger umpires and recruit qualified umpires for the Major League and Prep League.*
  - (v) *Shall Assist the Prep League Director in obtaining a Prep League Umpire in Chief Volunteer*
  - (vi) *Shall assist the Prep League Umpire in Chief in the administration of that positions assigned duties*
  - (vii) *Shall schedule umpires for Major League games and scheduled makeup games.*
  - (viii) *Shall report any problems in writing to the President, Board of Directors and the Player Agent(s).*
  - (ix) *Shall review each Umpires performance twice during the season with the Umpire Committee and report findings to the President.*
  - (x) *Should attend league meetings, whenever possible.*
  - (xi) *May not manage a little league major division team, due to conflict of interest.*

**Article XII.**

*Uniforms*

**Section 12.01** *Team Uniforms*

- (a) *Team uniforms shall be provided by the league and replaced on a schedule to be determined by the Board of Directors*
- (b) *Managers will be consulted on new uniforms but final say will fall on the Purchasing Agent and Board of Directors.*

**Section 12.02** *Alterations*

- (a) *Team Uniforms shall not be altered or defaced in any manner with the exception of fit*
- (b) *Alterations for fit must be temporary and reversible*

**Section 12.03** *All Star Uniforms*

- (a) *All-Star and Tournament Team uniforms shall be purchased only by the local league.*
- (b) *Donations towards cost of Uniforms will be considered for acceptance and must be approved by the Board of Directors.*
- (c) *All- star uniforms and any fee or deposit shall be determined annually by the Board of Directors.*

**Section 12.04** *Uniform Personalization*

- (a) *No part of any uniform or undergarment visible during play shall be personalized without the express written authorization of the Board of Directors.*



**Article XIII.**

*Number of Teams*

**Section 13.01** *The Local League shall be made up of teams as follows:*

- (a) The Local League shall consist of ten (10) Major League teams, equally divided into two divisions (American and National)*
- (b) Both divisions shall operate under a Single Charter issued by Little League Baseball Inc., Williamsport, Pa.*
- (c) Each year the President must file a request for inter-league play. (American /National)*
- (d) Prep League, Instructional League and Tee Ball team counts shall be determined by the number of eligible players available by end of registrations and try outs*

**Article XIV.**      *Registration*

**Section 14.01**      *Registration Schedule*

- (a) *Registration for the current Season shall be held on at least two Saturdays and one weekday prior to the Tryout Clinics*
- (b) *Late Registration shall be available at the Tryout Clinic.*
- (c) *Late Registration: Any new players wishing to register after tryouts shall have the opportunity to do so at any time. Such players if league age 8 thru 12 shall be assigned to the Prep League for the current season.*

**Section 14.02**      *Registration Fees*

- (a) *At registrations, each player candidate shall be responsible for payment as determined annually by the Board of Directors.*
- (b) *The local league shall provide a Sibling Discount to be applied to brothers, sisters, step brothers, and step sisters in any situation where two or more siblings shall be registering for the same season. For each additional child from the same immediate family the discount for the current season's registration shall be determined by the board.*

**Article XV.**

*Try-outs and Draft*

**Section 15.01** *Eligibility*

- (a) *Any player registered for the current season that has attained the age of 9 years by April 30th, of that year and will not attain the age of 13 before April 30th, of that year shall be eligible to compete in the local league.*

**Section 15.02** *Player Agent(s) List*

- (a) *The player agent(s), prior to the try-outs, shall prepare a list showing the names, addresses, telephone numbers, league age and charter that each candidate is eligible to play under. (American or National)*
- (b) *Prior to the try-outs the player agent will be informed by the Manager of any player candidates to be considered for protection by their team such as:*
- (i) *Managers son/s or daughter/s*
  - (ii) *Brothers or sisters of active roster players.*

**Section 15.03** *Try-outs – Spring*

- (a) *Annual Try-out Administration*
- (i) *The Player Agents will be in charge of the try-outs and shall give each candidate the opportunity to bat, bunt, field, catch, throw, and run in competition with youngsters of the same age group during the try-outs.*
  - (ii) *The Local League shall host at a minimum two (2) separate tryout sessions schedule at such time as to allow the maximum participation by player candidates as well as Local League Managers and Coaches*
  - (iii) *All player candidates meeting the age requirements must attend at least 50% of the tryout sessions of the local league and shall use the status of "candidate" for the draft, unless any player candidates present an acceptable excuse, voted in favor by a majority of the Board of Directors*
  - (iv) *Any eligible player candidate who does not attend the try-outs, or refuses to play on a little league team, may be placed on a Prep league team only after the Prep League Director confers with the league President and Board of Directors, to decide whether or not the candidate in question should be placed on a Prep league team and the appropriate Little League waiver has been applied for.*
  - (v) *Late registration try-out. Any players of Prep League age who register after tryouts for the current year may be eligible to enter the common pool for selection as a replacement player if the Board determines there are sufficient late registrants to have a one-day tryout session for those players.*

**NOTE:** *Players who may try out at this time shall be responsible for performing the same type of drills which the regular tryout players participated in.*

**Section 15.04** *Draft*

- (a) *Draft Order*
- (i) *All teams in both the American and National League will draft from all eligible candidates using a “Common Pool Draft Method”.*
  - (ii) *The draft order will be determined by the final regular season cumulative record from the previous year.*
  - (iii) *In the event of a tie with identical previous regular season record, first head to head record and then if still tied, a coin flip will determine the order of draft and those teams involved in the coin flip shall rotate draft picks each subsequent round.*
  - (iv) *All Team Managers shall announce the number of returning players to determine the number of open positions on their individual team roster.*
- (b) *The draft shall be held on the Sunday night immediately following the last tryout session.*
- (C) *Prior to the draft, if any player (or player’s parent) refuses to play for a team, that player must sit out two years. The Player would be eligible to participate in the Prep League Program.*

**Section 15.05**     *Draft of Eligible 12 year olds*

- (a) *By Little League rule, All 12 year old players in the draft must drafted to major league teams.*
- b) *The selection for 12 year old players shall mirror the regular draft process in section 15.04 provided each team takes the required number of 12 year old players by the end of their draft selections. The required number of 12 year old players will be determined by:
  - (i) *The number of returning players on the teams selecting.*
  - (ii) *The need ratio of each team.*
  - (iii) *The number of protected players could reduce the number of 12 year olds a team must select ONLY if such number of protected players PLUS such number of assigned 12 year old quota picks would exceed the allowable number of players on such team's current year roster.**
- (c) *All teams are required to draft their required number of 12 year old players before their roster is complete unless there are no remaining 12 year old players.*
- (d) *Unless otherwise instructed by the Board of Directors, no team shall have to release returning players to the draft to make room to select 12 year old players first. Example: A team with no draft picks would not be required to accept any 12 year old quota since they have no available draft picks, regardless of the number of 12 year olds on their current roster.*

**Section 15.06**     *Protected Players*

- (a) *Prior to the beginning of the draft either the Player Agents or the President of the local league in charge of the draft shall announce the team(s) and Player(s) who will be protected under this section and as previously learned as per By-Law Article XV, Section 15.03.b*
- (b) *If the Manager of any local league team opts not to select a protected player candidate by his team's third round selection, the candidate will be available to be drafted by any team after the 3rd round selection of the protecting team has been made.*
- (c) *Manager's son(s) daughter(s): Managers must draft their son(s) daughter(s) by their pick in the third round.*
- (d) *If a new Manager moves his son(s) or daughter(s) to his team, the team losing the player(s) must be compensated by the team gaining the player's equivalent draft pick in the draft round that the player was originally selected.*
- (e) *Any coach who has been on the roster since 2012 will be able to protect their child until the 3<sup>rd</sup> round only in the 2014 season.*
- (f) *If a brother and or sister of a player candidate is already a member of a local league team, that candidate will be protected until that local league team's third round selection.*
- (g) *Additional brothers and /or sisters: If more than one brother or sister is eligible for the draft and a manager drafts one of the candidates during a particular round, the other brother or sister must be drafted by the 3rd round or the candidate will be available to be drafted by any team after the local team's 3rd round selection has been made.*

**Section 15.07**     *Team Roster*

- (a) *At no time shall a team have on its roster more than (6) eight players of the same age. The only exception being if a team already has (6) 12 year olds and they are forced to take an eligible 12.*
- (b) *All teams in the Local League Major League Division shall be made up of 12 active players per team, unless approved by the Board of directors.*

**Section 15.08**     *Trades / Release of players*

- (a) *Once assigned to a Major League Roster, Players shall remain on that teams Roster for the Tenure of their participation in the Local League.*
- (b) *Any player who refuses to play for the team whose roster they have been assigned to must take their request to quit that team's roster to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall at its discretion determine the best course of action. The Board of Directors may also set compensation, if deemed necessary.*
- (c) *Trades shall not be permitted without just cause and Local League Board of Directors approval.*
- (d) *In certain situations that may arise, the Board of Directors, after receiving a recommendation from the player agent, will review, approve or disapprove trades if such trade serves the best interest of the players and the local league. The board of directors may also set compensation, if necessary.*

*(e) If any player refuses to play for the major league team that drafts them, prior to the completion of the regular season , the player must forfeit his or her major league eligibility for the next 2 seasons.*

**Section 15.09**     *Additions to team rosters after the draft (Including Playoffs/Championship)*

- (a) *If a team should lose a roster player, after the draft, the following rule shall be adhered to:*
- (b) *The team needing a player will notify the player agent within two (2) days of losing the player*
- (c) *The player agent will determine the permanent nature of the roster loss by a conversation with the player and his/her parents, and will report such findings to the President and the Board of Directors*
- (d) *The Manager will have seven (7) days to select an eligible player from the common pool of player candidates/Prep league players.*
- (e) *If after seven (7) days no player has been selected, the local President, with the guidance of the player agent and the Prep League Director, will assign a player to that team.*
- (f) *A player who did not participate in try-outs will not be eligible to be selected during the regular season unless the candidate has a reason which is acceptable to the Board of Directors and is classified eligible at the time of the draft before being placed on a Prep league team.*

**Section 15.10**     *Player Absences*

- (a) *All player absences must be recorded in team scorebook during each game and in the team pitch count book after the completion of each game*

**Article XVI.** League Games

**Section 16.01** T.E.L.L. BASEBALL SEASON

- (a) The schedule of T.E.L.L. major division little league team season games shall be prepared by the Board of Directors and must provide for not less than 27 games per team per season, excluding play-offs and tournament games.
- (b) Regular season games shall be scheduled to begin by no later than the fourth Saturday in April and conclude before July of each year.
- (c) Prior to the first game between any two teams, a coin toss between those teams will decide “home” and “visitor” to be chosen by the winner of the coin toss, with the other team having its choice of dugouts. The second game played between those same two teams will alternate home team. Third games between the same teams shall have home team determined by another coin toss.

**Section 16.02** The Regular Season:

- (a) There shall be a 27 game schedule for the Major League Teams, split into two halves.
- (b) Games shall be scheduled for two divisions – American and National
- (c) Regular Season / Major League:
  - (i) First Half
    - 1) The first 13 games (first half) shall be scheduled as follows: 5 games shall be scheduled against opposing division teams and 8 games shall be scheduled against teams in the same division.
  - (ii) Second Half
    - 1) The remaining 14 games shall be scheduled. as follows: 10 games shall be scheduled against opposing division teams and 5 games shall be scheduled against teams in the same division.
- (d) Game Times
  - (i) Weekday games will begin at 5:45 PM.
  - (ii) Saturday games will begin after Prep league and T - ball sessions or as available fields permit.
  - (iii) Sunday games will begin no earlier than 12:30 PM.

**Section 16.03** Rain Out Make Up and Postponed Games

- (a) Rain outs and postponed games will be played next available day.
- (b) Rain-outs or postponed games will be made up in the order in which they occur.
- (c) Open dates during the week will be assigned first and then on Saturdays and Sundays.
- (d) The Umpire-In-Chief at the direction of the President will assign umpires for make-up games.

**Section 16.04** Schedule of Prep League

- (a) The Prep league shall be scheduled for Wednesday and Saturday.
- (b) Other Prep league games may be scheduled when little league schedule permits.

**Section 16.05** Schedule of Instructional League and Tee Ball Games

- (a) Schedules for Instructional League Games shall be prepared by the Local League President or such person as assigned by the President in cooperation with the Instructional League and Tee Ball Directors as applicable
- (b) The Instructional League and Tee Ball game schedule shall commence by the second weekend in May and conclude before the end of June.
- (c) Rain Out make games may extend the length of the schedule as determined by the Local League President.
- (d) Rain Out games will be rescheduled as fields are available; however, all games are not required to be rescheduled in these divisions.

**Article XVII.**

*Championship Playoff Series and Bill Hayden Memorial Tournament*

**Section 17.01** *Post Season Schedule*

- (a) *Championship Playoff and Bill Hayden Best of the Rest games shall commence at the same time.*

**Section 17.02** *Playoff Games*

- (a) *Playoff games will be played under regular season rules.*  
(b) *To qualify for the Playoffs, teams shall be ranked by overall record for each half of the season.*  
(c) *In each Division, the team with the best record in each half shall qualify for the Playoffs.*  
(d) *In the event that the same team in either division shall have the best record in both halves, the division team with the best overall record for the season shall qualify as the second team for the playoffs.*  
(e) *In the event that it is the same team to win both halves and also have the best overall season record, then the team with the second best overall season record in that division shall qualify for the playoffs.*  
(f) *In the event of a tie in records, the following tiebreaker shall be used:*  
    1) *Head to Head record*  
    2) *One Game Playoff (to be played at the earliest available date)*  
(g) *During the playoffs, each division winner shall be determined by a best of three series between the two qualifying playoff teams*  
(h) *The first two games will be scheduled to be played on two consecutive days.*  
(i) *If a third game is needed one day's rest will be granted.*  
(i) *Example: Division Playoff shall be played three games in a 4 day span by playing day 1, day 2, skip day three and (if needed) play day four .*  
(j) *League President/B.O.D. will strive to align the start of the T.E.L.L. playoff with that of the T.W.L.L. playoffs.*

**Section 17.03** *T.E.L.L. Championship Series:*

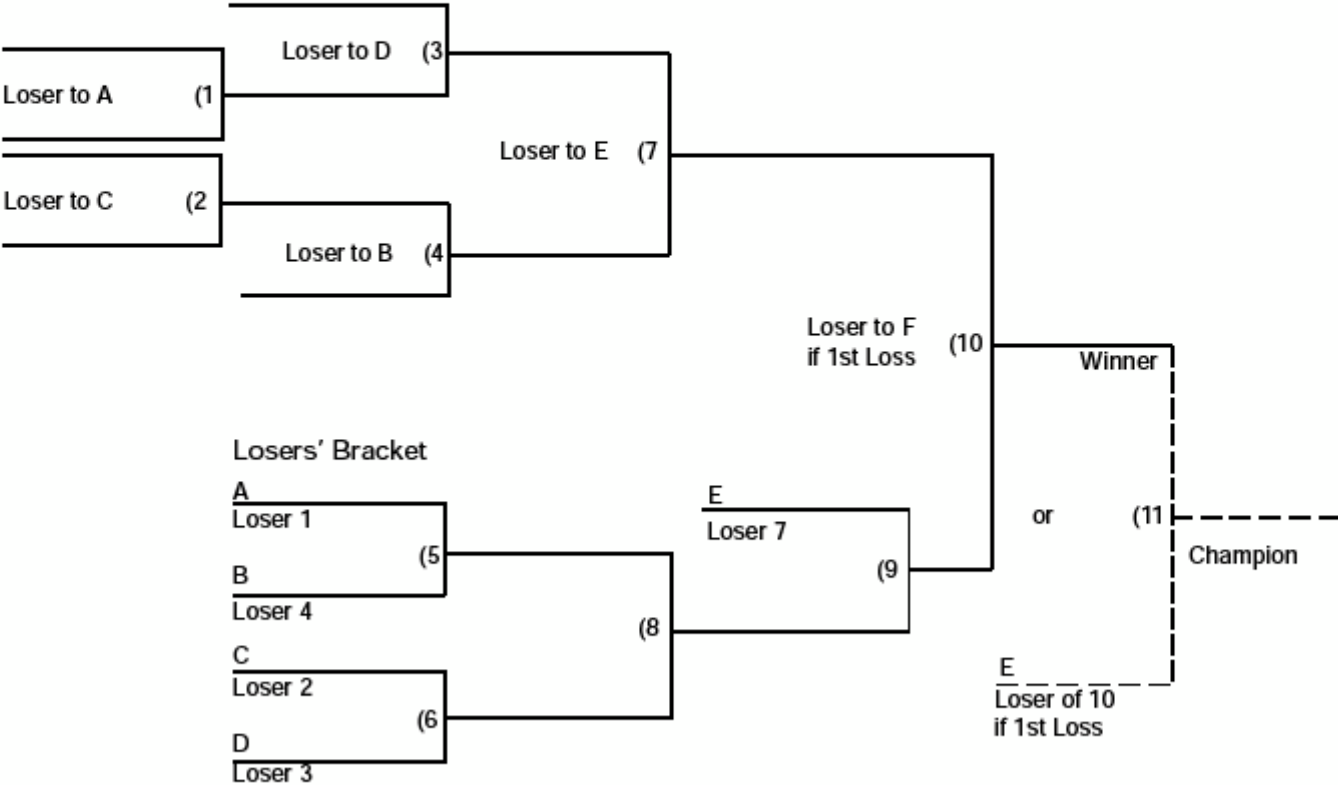
- (a) *The Division Champion team in each Major League Division shall qualify for the Championship Series.*  
(b) *The winner of each Division Playoff (Division Champion) shall play the winner of the other division playoff for the League Championship.*  
(c) *League Championship games shall be played under regular season rules.*  
(d) *The league championship series shall be a best of three game series*  
(e) *The League Championship series shall commence on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day after the final game of the Division Playoffs.*  
(f) *The first two games will be scheduled to be played on consecutive days.*  
(g) *If a third game is needed, one day's rest will be granted.*  
(h) *Example: League Championship shall be played three games in a four day span by playing day 1, day 2, and skip day three and (if needed) play day 4.*

**Section 17.04** *Bill Hayden Memorial Tournament:*

- (a) *All Remaining teams in each Major League Division qualify for Bill Hayden Best of the Rest.*  
(b) *The Bill Hayden Memorial Tournament games shall be played under regular season rules.*  
(c) *Tournament will be double elimination*  
(d) *Play shall NOT be divided by Division.*  
(e) *Teams will be placed into brackets by ranking on regular season record*  
(f) *In event of a tie in records, the following tiebreakers shall be used.*  
    1) *Head to Head record*  
    2) *In Division Wins*  
    3) *Total Season Runs Against*  
    4) *Total Season Runs For*  
    5) *Coin Toss*  
(g) *Opening games will be based on team records.*  
(i) *Teams will be seeded according to total season record of each team.*  
(ii) *Team 1 and Team 2 will be given a bye in round one.*  
(h) *The Bill Hayden Memorial Tournament schedule shall be run according to the following bracket setup:*

# 6 Team Double Elimination Bracket

Winners' Bracket





**Section 17.05**     *Playoff/Championship game home team*

- (a) *The playoff or championship series team from each division with the best regular season record shall have the choice to be home team or visitor for game one and game three (if needed) in the Playoff Series with the other team having choice of dugout.*
- (b) *The remaining team shall have the choice to be home team or visitor for game two in the playoff series with the other team having choice of dugout.*
- (c) *The Hayden Tournament Home team shall be determined by a coin toss for all games.*
- (d) *Home team for the remaining games in both the winners and losers bracket shall be determined by coin toss.*

**Section 17.06**     *Completing Playoff Games*

- (a) *Any local league play-off game for division (American /National) or T.E.L.L. championship shall be played to a conclusion, six innings or more, regardless of the number of nights needed to complete the game.*
- (b) *Weather conditions, darkness or any act of God shall not be a consideration for ending a game.*
- (c) *Any game in the above category will be continued on succeeding nights until a complete game winner has been established.*
- (d) *The game to be continued will be picked up at its point of interruption with the only exception being if the first inning of said game has not been completed, then the entire game will be re-played from the beginning*
- (e) *The only exception to the above will be if one of the teams is so far behind (and at least four innings have been played) that the losing manager may concede defeat and end the contest.*

**Section 17.07**     *Game Protests during Playoffs, League Championship, and Hayden Tournament*

- (a) *Protests involving playing rules must be resolved before the next pitch or play.*
- (b) *When a Manager claims that an umpire's decision is in violation of the playing rules, a formal protest must be made to the Umpire-In-Chief at once.*
- (c) *The Umpire-In-Chief must immediately call a conference of all umpires working the game.*
- (f) *The committee's decision shall be final.*

**Section 17.08**     *Little League Sanctioned Tournament delay*

- (a) *In the event that either division's 12 or 11 year old All-star team and 9 & 10 year old team shall still be involved in either the State or National tournaments, then the start of the playoffs/Hayden Memorial Tournament shall be delayed until 3 days after the completion of that teams last tournament game.*

**Article XVIII.**

*All Star Teams*

**Section 18.01** *Selection of "A", "11", "10", "9" & "8" All Star Teams*

- (a) *"A" All Star Representation*
  - (i) *T.E.L.L. will be represented in "A" all-star play in district six (6).*
- (b) *"ALL-STAR MANAGERS/COACHES".*
  - (i) *T.E.L.L. team managers/coaches shall be offered the choice of All Star team to manage in the following order:*
    - 1) *The Managers from each division Championship Team for the prior season shall have first choice of which All-Star team he/she chooses to manage for the current season.*
    - 2) *Subsequent All-Star team managers shall be offered to each Team Manager according to their regular season records for the prior season in descending order according to games won.*
    - 3) *In the event of tied records, managers shall flip a coin to determine their order of team choice eligibility.*
    - 4) *Should any Team Manager pass on the assignment of All-Star Team manager, the option shall be extended first to the rest of the managers in the same division in the same team record order, and then to the rostered coaches from the same division in the same team record order.*
  - (ii) *Managers has the option of choosing his/her own coaches.*
  - (iii) *Once assigned, should any All Star team manager leave that team, the team shall be offered to other Managers and then coaches in the same order as the original order described in Article XVIII, Section 18.01.C.i.*

**Section 18.02** *"A", "11", "10" & "9" Major League All-Star Voting*

- (a) *Any player who is suspended during the season will require Board of Directors approval to be placed on any all-star team roster.*
- (b) *All eligible 12 year old players will be automatically placed in nomination for the A-Team.*
- (c) *All eligible 11 year old players will be automatically placed in nomination for the 11 year old All Star Team.*
- (d) *All eligible 9 & 10 year old players will be automatically placed in nomination for the 9&10 All Star Team.*
- (e) *Voting*
  - (i) *Voting will be determined by tournament rules and guidelines from Little League Headquarters, Williamsport.*
  - (ii) *Voting shall be by a ballot system.*
  - (iii) *The Junior Vice President will prepare and pass out one ballot to each voting member and collect the ballots.*
  - (iv) *Ballots will be counted by the President and Vice Presidents at the tournament team selection meeting.*
  - (v) *All Players, Team Managers, and Team Coaches are entitled to vote.*
  - (vi) *Players and regular members cannot vote for players on their respective teams.*
  - (vii) *Seven (7) players with the most votes will be placed on the Team, the remaining players will be chosen by the manager of the applicable All Star Team.*
  - (viii) *Where more than one player has an equal number of votes to qualify for the last position or positions on any all- star team, those players shall be assigned to the team. Should the number of tied vote recipients lead to a roster in excess of the permissible number of players, the Board of Directors shall vote to determine which players shall make the team. The Board of Directors should consult with the Division Team managers before casting its vote.*

**Section 18.03** *All Star Roster Size*

- (a) *Each All-star teams Manager's may carry a minimum of 12 players and a maximum of 14 players on their rosters.*

**Article XIX.**

*Other Tournaments/Special Games*

**Section 19.01** *T.E.L.L. may wish to participate in Little League Baseball, Inc. Sanctioned and non-sanctioned tournaments.*

- (a) Managers (unless otherwise prohibited) for each tournament team will be selected by the prior season order of finish.*
- (b) The Managers and coaches shall select players based on By-Law 14, Section C: All- star voting, based on the age group rules.*
- (c) The Managers must submit a list of tournaments they wish to participate in by June 20th.*
- (d) A majority vote of the membership is required to approve participation in any and all tournaments*

**Article XX.**

*Awards*

**Section 20.01** *Departure from the Local League*

- (a) *Managers, Coaches and League officials should be appropriately recognized upon their departure from the T.E.L.L.*

**Section 20.02** *Trophies*

- (a) *Championship and Runner up Trophies will be awarded to the T.E.L.L. championship team and the runner-up team.*  
(b) *Prep League Championship and Bill Hayden Tournament Championship trophies will be award to each team player.*  
(c) *T.E.L.L. will purchase a league trophy for each of the 4 championships (listed in a & b above) that can have a plague added each year with the name of the team and the year in which they won the Championship. This trophy will be given to the Championship team at the end of the winning game and shall be kept by the Manager of that team until the beginning of the following season. During the regular season the trophies will be kept in the League office until the Championship games are completed.*  
(d) *All other Players shall receive a participation award at the end of their season.*

**Section 20.03** *Team Jackets*

- (a) *Team jackets will be awarded to the T.E.L.L. championship team players. Team jackets will be awarded to any T.E.L.L. District Six Champions. The league will be responsible for up to \$900.00 for these jackets.*  
(b) *The championship team is responsible for any dollar value greater than \$900.00.*

**Section 20.04** *"A" All-Star Plaques*

- (a) *The league will provide "A" all-star plaques for the "A" all-star players.*

**Article XXI.**

*By – Laws*

**Section 21.01** *Annual Review*

- (a) *The By -Laws of the local league shall expire annually.*
- (b) *The By-Law Committee shall annually review and present proposed By-laws for the subsequent year, submitting their recommendations at the January General membership meeting.*

**Section 21.02** *By-Law Change Proposals*

- (a) *Any proposed changes to the By-laws must be submitted in writing to a member of the By-law Committee by the November General membership meeting.*
- (b) *The By-law Committee, upon review of the By-laws and proposed changes, shall notify the membership of all proposed changes at the December General membership meeting.*
- (c) *All proposed changes will be presented anonymously to the body for a vote.*

**Section 21.03** *Approval of By-law Changes*

- (a) *The By-Laws of the league will be voted on at the January General Membership meeting.*
- (b) *Approval shall require a two thirds vote of the members in good standing present.*

**Section 21.04** *Suspension of By-Laws*

- (a) *The By-Laws of the league may be suspended whenever any of the following situations exist:*
  - (i) *Any two or more Articles or sections in the By-Laws are in conflict.*
  - (ii) *Any article or section in the By-Laws is found to be in conflict with the League's Constitution.*
  - (iii) *Honoring any article or section of the By-Laws would result in an action that would be considered to be detrimental to the league or any of its players or other members.*
- (b) *The By-Laws may only be suspended for the duration of the meeting in which a conflict is being resolved.*
- (c) *Suspension of the By-Laws shall require a vote of no less than  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority of the Board of Directors.*