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Constitution and Bylaws SENECA District Baseball

ARTICLE 1 (Purpose)

The name of this organization shall be SENECA District Baseball Association. This organization shall be a non-profit organization, and no part of the income shall be distributed among its members, directors or officers.

ARTICLE II (Objectives)

To create activity in baseball, to help teach the fundamentals and techniques offered by the organization, to bring all interested parties together by active participation in Baseball and social events, and to promote and uphold the principles of good sportsmanship.

The goal of this Association is to see that each person is offered equal opportunity to participate in Baseball and functions of this Association without regard to race, color, creed, national origin, or gender. All reference to the male gender in these bylaws reflects either gender.

ARTICLE III (Organization)

The SENECA District Baseball Association shall be guided by an Executive Committee made up of the Director of Baseball from Tabernacle, Southampton and Indian Mills. Each town will elect one Trustee making a Committee of 6 members. The President of the Association will rotate between the three towns annually. Additional Trustees may be added at the Committee's discretion as long as equal representation from each town is maintained.

ARTICLE IV (Officers and their Duties)

Section 1 – PRESIDENT

- a. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at all meetings of the organization.
- b. The President shall assure that all officers and directors execute their responsibilities for the betterment of the organization.
- c. The President shall, at the end of his term, see that all records are filed with the succeeding administration.
- d. The President shall preside as Chairman of the Executive Committee.
- e. The President shall have the power to designate special delegates for Association affairs.
- f. The President shall have charge of all funds and securities of the organization.
- g. The President shall submit at each regular meeting a report consisting of receipts and

disbursements of the previous month and the cash balance on hand.

h. The President shall submit at each regular meeting of the Executive Committee a statement of the financial condition of the organization, showing all receipts and disbursements during the previous calendar month. The Treasurer shall submit anticipated expenditures for the current month.

Section 2 - VICE PRESIDENT

a. It shall be the duty of the Vice President to perform all of the duties of the President, in case of the President's absence, resignation or inability to serve, until a successor has been duly elected by the Executive Committee.

Section 3 – SECRETARY

a. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of the proceedings of the SENECA District Baseball Association.

b. The Secretary shall attend regular meetings; special meetings called by the President or Executive Committee and shall have all records available.

c. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to coordinate functions and a calendar of events for the SENECA District Baseball Association.

d. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to assist in coordinating registration, awards, and other functions and events.

e. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to notify the membership of all activities, fundraisers and correspondence.

f. The Secretary shall nominate and coordinate the activities of the Directors of Registration and Public Relations.

Section 5 – Trustees

a. It shall be the duty of the remaining trustees to represent the general membership at all meetings and to chair Ad Hoc committees and/or perform one time specific duties as designated by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V

(Governing Body)

Section 1 - Executive Committee

a. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to recommend policy and procedures for the SENECA District Baseball Association.

b. The Executive Committee shall meet on an as needed basis

c. The President shall serve as the Chairperson of the Executive Committee. The balance of the Committee will consist of the Vice President, Secretary, and three Trustees.

d. The Executive Committee may make recommendations to the Association on all matters coming before them.

- e. A quorum of the Executive Committee shall consist of a majority of the members.
- f. Any member of the Executive Committee missing three consecutive meetings without a valid excuse will be asked to terminate his position as an Executive Officer. He must notify the Secretary of his absence prior to the meeting.

ARTICLE VII (Amendments)

Proposed amendments to these Bylaws must be presented in writing by the Bylaws Committee at a regular meeting and read by the Secretary. The matter will be left on the table until the following regular meeting, when the Secretary shall again read the proposed amendment. The Association will then vote on the proposed amendment. Two-thirds vote is necessary for approval.

ARTICLE VIII (Voting)

In order to vote at a general meeting you must:

- a. Be a member in good standing with the Association as recorded by the Secretary.

ARTICLE IX (Authority)

The final authority in settlement of disputes as to the conduct and procedure at meetings shall be Roberts Rules of Order.

ARTICLE X (Methodology)

Section 1 - Coaches

- a. The committee will accept coach's applications which are submitted timely and completed with all information correctly requested.
- b. Each application will be reviewed and discussed by the committee and a Head Coach will be selected at all age groups needed.
- c. All coaches will meet requirements put in place by the three towns as well as requirements of Cal Ripken and Babe Ruth Baseball

Section 2 – Tryouts

- a. A time and place for tryouts will be properly advertised to all three towns with enough time to allow a reasonable player the ability to attend.
- b. Selected head coaches of all age groups would attend tryouts and each player would be graded on the fundamentals. All players' grades would then be handed to the Committee who will determine the 10 highest rated players. The head coach will then pick the last two players based on grades and "other" considerations to make a team of 12 players. Coaches picks must have the approval of the Committee.

Section 3 – Funding

- a. The cost of entering the District Tournament will be divided equally between each of the three towns.
- b. Uniforms and miscellaneous additional costs will be attributed to each town based on the number of players from their organization.

Section 4 – Players

- a. Starting with the 2015 8U team, each player will play at the age appropriate level. “Playing up” will not be allowed unless voted on and approved by the Board of Directors.
- b. All players on the 8U, 9U and 10U teams will be required to play Rec. Baseball for the town they live in to be eligible for the District team. Players 11U and up will have the option of playing against “Rec like” teams as described in the Cal Ripken rules and are not required to play Rec.