

West Springfield Youth Soccer Club

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I NAME

This organization shall be known as the West Springfield Youth Soccer Club hereafter referred to as WSYSC.

ARTICLE 2 OBJECTIVE

The objective of the WSYSC is to develop and promote a vital and exciting soccer program among the participating Players.

This will be accomplished through programs of organized competitive soccer play and programs designed to educate and develop players and coaches.

ARTICLE 3 PURPOSE

To develop and foster good sportsmanship and conduct among all participants and coaches, and to encourage parents, relatives, and friends to support the Club and its purposes in an active and constructive manner.

ARTICLE 4 DESCRIPTION AND GOVERNING BODY

The WSYSC shall be governed by a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for setting policy objectives, organizing teams through tryouts, registering players & coaches with the Mass Youth Soccer Association (MYSA), selecting coaches and any duties deemed necessary to run the day to day activities of the club.

The governing body of the WSYSC will be the Board of Directors hereafter referred to as the BOD which shall consist of the following: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Coaching Director and other board members. The board members shall be nominated and elected by majority vote of the members of the WSYSC including BOD and coaches at the annual meeting (AM) which will take place in January or February at a specific date and place determined by the BOD. In the event of a tie the BOD will make the final selection. The BOD can have a minimum of six members and a maximum of 10.

ARTICLE 5
NOMINATION AND ELECTION

Nominations for new board members shall be made by current coaches and BOD members. Elections will be held every year for all board members. The elected BOD will then nominate and elect BOD officers, President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar and Coaching Director.

ARTICLE 6
VACANCIES

Any officer vacancy may be filled by the BOD majority vote.

ARTICLE 7
RECALL AND REPRIMAND

Any officer can be recalled for reasonable cause by due process and a majority vote.

ARTICLE 8
OFFICES HELD

The president, treasurer, and secretary shall be different individuals. Any other two offices may be held by the same individual.

ARTICLE 9
TENURE

Each officer of the Board shall hold office for one year after their election. Any director may resign by giving a written resignation to the BOD or to the secretary. Resignations are effective upon receipt unless otherwise specified and accepted by the BOD. In the event that a director should miss three consecutive meetings without due excuse, the remaining majority members of the Board may declare his/her position vacant.

ARTICLE 10
DUTIES OF DIRECTORS

10: President: The president shall call meetings of the BOD, preside at these meetings, appoint committees, and perform other duties associated with this office.

10a: Vice President: Vice president shall preside at meetings in the absence of the president.

10b: Secretary: Secretary shall maintain the club records, give adequate notification of all meetings, record the minutes of these meetings, and handle all club correspondence. In the absence of the secretary, a secretary pro-tem shall be appointed by the president.

10c: Treasurer: Treasurer shall deposit all funds, pay all bills, and maintain adequate records of all club financial transactions. The treasurer shall present a written report to the BOD at least once each season including the end of the fiscal year.

10d: Registrar: Registrar shall be responsible for managing all registrations and validating all team rosters. The Registrar will be responsible for all communications with MYSA regarding appropriate registering and rostering of players.

10e. Coaching Director: The coaching director will organize tryouts, coaching classes, CPR class, recommend and maintain training equipment.

ARTICLE 11

COMMITTEES

The president shall appoint such other committees as deemed necessary to implement any league function or activity. Including but not limited to, field maintenance, equipment, and fundraising.

ARTICLE 12

REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS

The Board of Directors shall hold a minimum of one meeting a month including one annual meeting held in January.

ARTICLE 13

SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS

The Board of Directors may hold special meetings as they deem necessary. The secretary may call special meetings whenever requested by the president, by three or more directors, or as required by the constitution.

ARTICLE 14

NOTICE OF MEETINGS

A notice of every meeting of the Board of Directors, either in writing, email or by verbal communication, shall be sent to each director at least seven days before such meeting. The notice will state the agenda, place, date, and hour of the meeting.

Announcement of intent to hold a future meeting given at a prior meeting of the Board of Directors fills all the requirements of notification.

ARTICLE 15
QUORUM

Four individuals who are directors constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 16
ACTION AT MEETINGS

Matters shall be decided by a vote of the majority present unless a different vote is specified by law, the constitution, and/or by-laws. Each member of the Board of Directors has only one vote regardless of the number of offices they hold.

ARTICLE 17
ACTION BY CONSENT

Any action by the Board of Directors may be taken without a meeting if a written consent thereof is signed by all directors entitled to vote and filed with the records of the Board of Directors meetings. Such consent shall be treated for all purposes as a vote at a meeting.

ARTICLE 18
FINANCIAL POLICIES

WSYSC is a not-for-profit Club. The expenditures for activities and programs of the WSYSC shall be managed by the BOD.

ARTICLE 19
FISCAL YEAR

19: The fiscal year of the club shall be September 1 through August 31.

19a: Check Authorization: The president and/or treasurer shall be authorized to sign checks on behalf of the Club. Any bills for more than \$500 shall be approved by majority vote of the BOD prior to payment. If WSYSC disbands all remaining funds will be used to further enhance soccer for the youth of West Springfield.

ARTICLE 20
SOURCE FEES

Player membership fees and payments are recommended by the Board of Directors and voted on at a BOD meeting before such fees and payments can take effect. If no action or agreement is reached regarding fees or payments the existing ones shall remain in effect.

ARTICLE 21
AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

Amendments to this constitution may be made in writing and submitted to the Board of Directors at least fourteen days prior to the meeting, at which time such amendments are to be considered. Any amendments shall be approved by majority vote of the BOD present at the meeting, providing a quorum has been accomplished.

ARTICLE 22

LIABILITY

The Club shall not be responsible or held liable for any injuries sustained by individuals participating in its program or by spectators.

This constitution approved and accepted majority vote of the BOD on 1/15/09.