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FLORIDA STATE BABE RUTH LEAGUE, INC. CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME OF CORPORATION

Par. 1 The name of this corporation shall be known as the Florida State Babe Ruth League, Inc.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

Par. 1 The purpose of this corporation shall be to develop and operate a baseball program for boys and girls in affiliation with Babe Ruth League, Inc., a New Jersey Corporation, in conformity with and pursuant to the principles, rules and regulations enunciated by said Babe Ruth League, Inc. In conjunction with such purpose, the objective of this corporation is that through the medium of a supervised, competitive baseball program, guided and governed by said Babe Ruth League, Inc., this corporation will seek to implant in the youth of the community, ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and reverence, so that they may be finer, stronger and happier youth, who will grow to be good, clean, healthy adults.

ARTICLE III

AFFILIATION

Par. 1 This organization shall be affiliated with Babe Ruth League, Inc., a New Jersey Corporation, and shall be governed by, and shall comply with the principles, rules and regulations enunciated and decreed by Babe Ruth League, Inc., a New Jersey Corporation.

ARTICLE IV

POWERS

Par. 1 This corporation shall have the power to make and enforce rules and regulations, to govern itself on a Statewide basis, but consist with and not contrary to any rules and regulations promulgated by babe Ruth League, Inc., a New Jersey Corporation or by the Region echelon of said Babe Ruth League, Inc. to which this corporation is a subject.

Par. 2 This Corporation shall have all powers which are expressly or implicitly conferred on it by law.

Par. 3 This Corporation shall have the power to solicit contributions, assess fees and dues, and to enter into contract as to the use of athletic fields and/or equipment.

ARTICLE V OFFICERS AND STATE ORGANIZATION

Par.1 State Commissioner shall be the highest official of the State Corporation and shall have such powers and duties as outlined under the By-Laws. He/she shall be elected for a two-year period by a simple majority at the Annual Executive Meeting prior to November.

A. Nominations for the State Commissioner shall be handled by a designated Assistant State Commissioner through email notifications to all District Commissioners. In order to qualify for the office of State Commissioner, an aspirant must have served a minimum of 3 years as an officer within the State Organization.

Par. 2 The Secretary and Treasurer shall be appointed by the State Commissioner. His/her qualifications and term of office shall be the same as that of the State Commissioner.

Par. 3 District Commissioners shall be elected by a simple majority of the District Board of Presidents and hold said office for 2 years. In order to qualify for the office of District Commissioner an aspirant should have served a minimum of two years within the Florida Babe Ruth League organization. The election will be performed by an unbiased party, such as the Asst' State Commissioner, through email.

Par. 4 Board of Directors shall be made up of the State Commissioner, Secretary, Treasurer, State Umpire in Chiefs, Assistant State Commissioners, and elected District Commissioners. They shall be the law-making body of this organization and shall be the final authority concerning all matters pertaining to State operations.

Par.5 District Board of Presidents shall be comprised of all League Presidents within the specified District. These Presidents shall be elected for a term established in a manner satisfactory to their respective leagues.

Par. 6 The State Umpire in Chiefs shall have the duty of assigning umpires to all State Tournaments with the approval of the State Commissioner. He/she shall conduct clinics on rules and field positions when deemed necessary by the Board or when requested by member leagues. He/she shall be responsible for the recruitment of new umpires. He or she shall be responsible for proper dress and conduct of all umpires at State Tournaments.

Par.7 Assistant State Commissioner shall act as assistant to the State Commissioner in all matters as directed and shall preside in the absence of the State Commissioner.

ARTICLE VI MEMBERSHIP

Par.1 The members of this corporation shall be all officers as described herein as well as all leagues within the State of Florida, certified by the State Commissioner as being a member in good standing of Babe Ruth League, Inc. and further providing said league has complied with such Florida rules and /or regulations as herein after set forth in the document or within the minutes of the State meetings.

Par. 2 Special meetings may be called by the State Commissioner or by a majority of the Board of Directors. Notice of the time and place of said meetings shall be emailed to the Florida State Babe Ruth League, Inc. Board of Directors, no later than 14 days prior to said meeting. The notice shall specify the time, place and generally the purpose of said meeting.

A. In the event a member of the Board of Directors cannot attend said meeting, he/she may be represented by a duly authorized representative designated in writing.

Par. 3 District meetings shall be held annually prior to the State meeting. Other times may be scheduled by the District Commissioner as needed upon written notification of 14 days. In the even the League President cannot attend said meeting, he/she may be represented by a duly authorized representative designated in writing.

ARTICLE VIII QUORUM AND VOTING

Par. 1 A quorum at all meetings of and within this corporation shall be the members present. All matters voted on within this corporation shall be decided by a simple majority vote of the constituted quorum.

Par. 2 Voting at all meetings of and within this corporation may be by roll call.