



HIGHLAND TRAVEL SOCCER CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME

This club shall be known as the “Highland Soccer Club, Inc.” here and after referred to as ‘the club’.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

To promote and encourage the game of soccer in the towns of Andover, Green and Newton, New Jersey at the Travel level.

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.

There shall be one class of members: Active. Only active members shall have the right to vote. Only active members who are residents of Andover, Green and Newton shall have the right to hold an elective office in the club.

Section 2.

Active members of this club shall be those coaches who are carded with an active team which is listed on the clubs roster.

Section 3.

Coaches, who do not have children duly registered with the Club, shall also be considered active members.

Section 4.

All members shall abide by this constitution, all rules and regulations as adopted by the Board of Directors and all applicable rules and regulations of the County, State and National Associations with which the Highland Soccer Club is affiliated.

Section 5.

Membership in the Club may be subject to termination for participating in actions, in organizations, or in such activities as is deemed reprehensible and in violation of the purposes of the Club. The Board of Directors, as defined in these bylaws, shall afford a member a hearing and shall make decisions based upon said hearing. A majority vote of the Board of Directors present at said meeting shall be necessary for termination of membership.



Section 6.

Members whose membership has been terminated for any of the reasons previously stated in this article shall not have any dues returned to them for the unexpired portion of their membership.

ARTICLE IV – REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS

Section 1.

Any youth registering with the Club shall submit full payment of fees and all documents as required by the Board of Directors before becoming eligible to play.

Section 2.

Any eligible youths residing in Andover, Green and Newton, who are unable to pay the full fees, may have the fees fully or partially waived by a special committee consisting of the President, the Treasurer and the Registrar. All requests for waivers must be in writing. All such requests shall be held in private.

Section 3.

All fees may be refunded in full if the resignation is received in writing before the start of the games.

ARTICLE V – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1.

The Board of Directors shall consist of: The Officers of the Club, which will consist of the President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary.

Section 2.

It shall be the function of the Board of Directors to oversee the affairs of the Club and to make policy recommendations for the adoption of the general membership. In the case of a tie, the President's vote will break the tie. The Board of Directors will make recommendations to the Club, set rules and regulations, and shall perform such other duties as are specified in these articles.

Section 3.

The Board of Directors shall appoint a member to fill any position that may become vacant.

Section 4.

A member of the Board of Directors who fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Board shall thereby forfeit his or her office as a member of the Board unless excused by a majority vote of the Board.



ARTICLE VI – OFFICERS

Section 1.

The elected officers of this club shall be as follows: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. The officers shall be elected for a term of one year at the June Membership meeting as outlined in Article XII of this Constitution and shall hold office for one fiscal year or until their successors are elected.

Section 2.

The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and at the general membership meetings of the club. He is empowered to call meetings of the Board of Directors or general meetings for good cause. He shall appoint the Chairpersons of all committees and can not be the chairperson thereof. The President shall have overall responsibilities for the travel program.

Section 3.

The Vice President shall, in the absence of the President or his/her inability to act, perform all of the duties of the offices of the President. In the event the Vice President is unable to perform these duties, the Secretary shall perform them.

Section 4.

The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Club. The books and records shall be available at the meetings and shall be delivered to his or her successor in office.

The Secretary shall undertake all correspondence.

Section 5.

The Treasurer shall make all disbursements of money approved by the membership of the Club at the June meeting, of the general membership and shall render a report of all receipts and disbursements at each regular meeting. The Treasurer shall collect all revenues and shall make a full report of the finances for the Club at the June meeting.

Section 6.

At the June meeting, one Board member shall be designated by the President and approved by the Board to serve as the Kids Safe Coordinator and Megan's Law Contact. This person shall be responsible for the implementation of the Kids Safe/Megan's Law programs pursuant to State and Federal guidelines.



ARTICLE VII – MEETINGS

Section 1.

The Board of Directors shall determine each June the calendar of meetings. The meetings will be held on Tuesdays at 7:30.

Section 2.

Fifty percent of the Board of Directors, including three officers, shall constitute a quorum at the Board of Directors meeting for the transaction of business.

Section 3.

Meetings of the general membership of the Club shall be held in June and during the fall as appropriate. The spring meeting shall be for the purpose of electing officers and approving the budget for the forthcoming fiscal year. The fall meeting shall be held to inform the membership of any procedural changes, hear the annual report on the previous year, and conduct whatever business needs to be handled.

ARTICLE VIII – EXPENDITURES

Section 1.

The Treasurer may spend up to \$2,000 with the approval by the Board. Any expenditure in excess of the \$2,000 needs to be approved by the membership.

ARTICLE IX – VOTING

Section 1.

Active members of the Club shall be entitled to cast one vote on any matter that may come before the general membership.

Section 2.

Voting at all meetings of the Club shall be by show of hands.

Section 3.

Voting at the annual election or at a special election to fill a vacancy shall be by secret ballot or by a show of hands which ever the majority of members prefer.

Section 4.

Voting by proxy shall not be permitted.

Section 5.



Only active members of this club who reside in Andover, Green or Newton shall be eligible to be candidates for an elective or appointed office of this club. A candidate of President must have been an active member of at least one year.

Section 6.

Elections shall be secret ballot except where there is no contest for the office.

Section 7.

In the event there is more than one candidate for the same office, the candidate receiving the majority of the votes cast shall be the winner.

Section 8.

In the event of vacancy, in the office of the Club, the President shall appoint an active member to fill the unexpired term of such vacant office. A new officer shall be elected at the next meeting.

ARTICLE X – PUBLIC RELATIONS

Section 1.

The Club will take no public position on any issue unless this action shall have been approved at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

Section 2.

The President or his or her representative shall presume to speak for the club.

ARTICLE XI – FISCAL YEAR

Section 1.

The fiscal year of the Club shall begin on the first day of July and end on the 30th day of June, for the purpose of maintaining financial and player records.

Section 2.

The player's age cut off date for the fiscal year shall correspond to the requirements of the County and State Association with which the Club is affiliated.