# DELTA YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE, INC.

## ARTICLES AND BYLAWS

## **ARTICLE I - NAME**

This non-profit organization shall be known as the Delta Youth Soccer League, Inc. hereafter referred to as the DYSL.

#### **ARTICLE II - PURPOSE**

The purpose of the DYSL shall be to develop, promote and administer the game of soccer among youth without regard to race, religion, color, creed, sex or national origin.

## **ARTICLE III - AREA**

The area shall consist of Antioch, Pittsburg, Bay Point and adjacent unincorporated areas.

#### **ARTICLE IV - COLORS**

The representative colors of the DYSL shall be red and black.

## **ARTICLE V - AFFILIATION**

The DYSL shall be affiliated and comply with the authority to the California Youth Soccer Association hereafter referred to as the CYSA, insofar as the authority does not conflict with Federal or State authority. The DYSL may also affiliate with other youth organizations not in conflict with the DYSL stated concepts.

# **ARTICLE VI - AUTHORITY**

The DYSL shall be governed by its Articles, By-Laws, and rules of Play and Procedures, except when the Rules of Play are superseded by the CYSA.

#### **ARTICLE VII - GOVERNING AUTHORITY**

- Section 1. The governing body, hereafter to be known as the Board of Directors, shall be composed of at least 17 members. No board meeting shall be held without a quorum of nine (9) board members being present. The Board shall be comprised of, but not limited to:
  - A. President
  - B. Vice-President
  - C. Secretary

- D. Treasurer
- E. Fields Director
- F. Equipment Director
- G. U6 Developmental Age Group Director
- H. U8 Developmental Age Group Director
- I. Boy's League Director
- J. Competition Director
- K. Girl's League Director
- L. Registrar
- M. Assistant Registrar
- N. Referee Coordinator
- O. Training Coordinator
- P. Competition Registrar (added 12/04)
- Q. Special Events Coordinator (added 12/04)
- R. TOP Soccer Director (added 12/05)

# Section 2. The Board of Directors shall be responsible for, and have sole authority, upon casting a minimum of nine (9) votes to:

- A. Insure that the DYSL operates within the framework of the Articles.
- B. Decide all matters of policy.
- C. Create committees; decide matters of finance and have yearly audits conducted; impose dues and/or fees and fines as in their opinion are required to operate the DYSL.
- D. Adopt and publish a "Schedule of Play".
- E. Promulgate and publish "Rules of Play" annually. The "Rules of Play" will specifically outline rules of play, conduct and other game procedures.
- F. As necessary, make temporary rules or regulations for specific cases or occasions which are not provided for in the Articles, By-Laws, Rules of Play or procedures but which are deemed necessary to carry out the objectives of the DYSL.
- G. Amend or revoke the "Schedule of Play".
- H. Approve selection of coaches, assistant coaches and team coordinators.
- I. Remove officers, members, coaches, assistant coaches, and team coordinators with due cause.
- J. Hold sole responsibility for interpreting and enforcing the Articles, By-Laws, Rules of Play and Procedures of this League.
- K. Act within thirty (30) days upon any motion made and passed.
- L. Once DYSL budget has been approved the vendors associated with each budget item must be approved by DYSL board. Exception: Any Multi year contract that the DYSL Board has already approved would not need an approval. (added 12/14)

## Section 3. Delta Youth Soccer League Conflict-of-Interest Policy and Procedures:

Delta Youth Soccer League Board Members have an obligation to conduct business within guidelines that prohibit actual, potential or perceived conflicts of interest. This policy establishes only the framework within which Delta Youth Soccer League wishes business to operate. The purpose of these guidelines is to provide general direction so that the Board Members can seek further clarification on these issues related to the subject of acceptable standards of operation.

An actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest occurs when a Board Member is in a position to influence a decision, whether directly or indirectly, that may result in a personal gain

or gain for an organization they control or have a financial interest as a result of Delta Youth Soccer League's business dealings.

Conflict of interest may also result when a Board Member uses his or her knowledge gained from Board activities for his or her personal benefit. The best interest of Delta Youth Soccer League shall always be the first priority in all decisions and actions. If any decision is made by a Board Member in which a potential conflict of interest occurs that Board Member shall abstain from participation in said decision.

No presumption of a conflict is created by the mere existence of a relationship with outside firms. However, if a Board Member has any influence on any material business transactions it is imperative that he or she discloses to the Board of Directors of the Delta Youth Soccer League as soon as possible the existence of any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest so that safeguards can be established to protect all parties.

Any potential conflict of interest issue shall be presented to the president of Delta Youth Soccer League in writing either directly or through any other Board Member. The documentation should include any evidence, statements from interested parties or other information necessary to investigating and resolving the conflict. The president shall appoint a committee, and shall be the chair of said committee, within seven (7) days to review the materials. In the event either the president is not available or is a party to the matter the vice president shall preside over the committee. The committee shall make a determination with respect to the validity or seriousness of the claim as soon as is reasonably possible. A report shall be made to the Board of Directors as soon as a resolution is made.

The Board shall determine whether a conflict exists and is material, and in the presence of a conflict of interest, whether actual, potential, or perceived, the contemplated transactions may be authorized as just, fair and reasonable to Delta Youth Soccer League. The decision of the Board on these matters will rest in their sole discretion, and their concern must be the welfare of Delta Youth Soccer League and its membership.

If a conflict should occur, the Board shall decide the seriousness of the conflict and initiate appropriate course of action consistent with the Delta Youth Soccer Leagues bylaws. (entire section added 12/08)

- Section 4. General meeting will be held periodically as needed to insure the membership is alerted to significant events, for example to provide information on Opening Day, Player Draft, and team pictures. The meeting dates, time and place will be posted on the website at least 7 days prior to the meeting. Age Group Coordinators and the Referee Coordinator will send an email notification to their coaches and/or referees at least 7 days prior to the meeting. (revised 12/10)
- Section 5. For the purpose of transacting business a minimum of eight votes must be cast either by the Board of Directors or as set down by Articles VIII, Section 9 or 10.
- Section 6. For the purpose of transacting business at a membership meeting a quorum of twelve (12) voting members (in good standing) must be present.

# ARTICLE VIII - ELECTIONS, INSTALLATION TO OFFICE, TERM OF OFFICE, ABSENSE OF BOARD MEMBER OR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- Section 1. Each of the Board of Directors shall be elected at the "Annual General Meeting" and installed in office at the first general meeting in January, with the exception of the Competition Teams Director. The Competition Teams Director will be installed at the first general meeting following the end of the competitive season.
- Section 2. Nominating Committee: The Board shall appoint three members (in good standing, but not Board members) to act as a Nominating Committee. It shall be the duty of this committee to present a list of not less than thirteen candidates before the membership at least one meeting prior to the "Annual General Meeting".
- Section 3. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the election. Persons placing a name in nomination must have the nominee's prior consent to do so.
- Section 4. To be elected to the Board a member must be in good standing at the time of the election or the appointment. Good standing for a member will be defined as any member not currently serving any disciplinary action. This includes suspension or probation. (added 12/08)
- Section 5. The Secretary will conduct a check-in roll call as members arrive at the "Annual General Meeting", and after signing in, each member shall be issued a ballot.
- Section 6. At the "Annual General Meeting" each member shall have one (1) vote for each director to be elected but may cast only one (1) vote for any one (1) candidate. Those candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected to the Board of Directors.
- Section 7. Candidates shall be introduced by the President and a short statement, not to exceed two (2) minutes would be desired. Election shall be by secret ballot. A member need not be present to cast a ballot. Absentee ballots may be obtained from the Secretary and cast, but must be presented to the Secretary in a sealed envelope prior to the start of the "Annual General Meeting". Eligible voting members may vote with an emailed ballot. Emailed ballot must be requested by eligible voter by email to DYSL secretary within thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting. Ballot must be cast no later than five (5) days prior to annual meeting to be counted. All voted ballots must be certified by the President and kept by the Secretary for a period of not less than sixty (60) days. (Revised 12/14)
- Section 8. All Directors shall serve for a period of one (1) year. Any Board member who misses three consecutive meetings without due cause shall be terminated. The position will be filled according to ARTICLE VIII, Section 6.
- Section 9. Any vacancy on the Board of Directors, occurring during the year, shall be filled by election at the earliest general meeting following the vacancy: duration of office shall be for the balance of the period indicated in ARTICLE VIII, Section 7. The Board of Directors shall appoint a new Director or chairperson to sit pro-tempore pending said election.
- Section 10. If, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, there arises any circumstances where there is any possibility of a conflict of interest whereby a board member is directly involved in a protest, or other matters, that member of the Board shall disqualify himself from any such hearing and the Board of Directors shall appoint a pro-tempore member, as per Section 8, to sit on the Board or committee for the subject hearing.

#### ARTICLE IX - MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING RIGHTS

## Section 1. Membership

- A. Each team coach, one (1) assistant coach, and one (1) team coordinator shall be voting members of the DYSL for the seasonal year for which they are serving in this capacity. All properly registered players shall be considered non-voting members.
- B. Each Director and any committee chairperson, vice-chairperson, or referee who has attended at least eight house league or competition league games shall be a member of the DYSL.

# Section 2. Voting Rights

- A. Each member as per Section 1 shall have voting rights. The "seasonal year" shall commence September 1. A list of all voting members will be kept by the Secretary throughout the seasonal year.
- Section 3. All members shall abide by the Articles, By-Laws and Procedures of the DYSL, all Rules of Play set forth by the Board of Directors and all applicable rules and regulations of the CYSA.
- Section 4. Members of the DYSL will not be permitted to state or imply that they have the permission to act as agents of the DYSL without prior approval of the Board of Directors to do so.

## **ARTICLE X - OFFICER'S DUTIES**

The officers of the DYSL and their duties shall be:

#### President

- A. To preside at all meetings, preserve order, receive all questions and announce the decision of same.
- B. Shall provide leadership, inspiration and guidance for the DYSL's programs.
- C. To have the power to call meetings and appoint the chairperson of any special sub-committee, be ex officio member of all committees and attend CYSA Board meetings.
- D. Authorized to co-sign DYSL checks.
- E. Shall not vote on any question except when the members are equally divided.
- F. Appointment Audit sub-committee to review league financial records and report back to Board annually. (added 12/2007)

*Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of two (2) years.* 

## Vice-President

- A. To preside in the absence of the President and perform the duties of that office, assist the President in the operations of said office.
- B. To head the Ways and Means committee and appoint committee chairperson within thirty (30) days of each seasonal year.
- C. Authorized to co-sign DYSL checks.

- D. To approve all financial aid applications and maintain record of volunteer hours.
- E. To oversee all opening day events and activities.
- F. To coordinate all publicity and marketing activities and announcements for both comp and house league. (add 12/09)

Qualifications: A member for the DYSL for a minimum of two (2) years.

# Secretary

- A. To keep accurate records of the meetings and maintain complete minutes of the DYSL.
- B. To keep an updated register of all voting members.
- C. To handle communications with outside organizations and give notice within the DYSL of meetings.
- D. To make available at all meetings the Articles, By-Laws, Procedures, Rules of Play, incoming mail binder and minutes of meetings for the previous twelve (12) months.
- E. To email and/or post mail of meeting notes from all board meetings to all board members within 5-7 business days of board meeting. (add 12/09)

*Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of one (1) year.* 

#### Treasurer

- A. To keep and maintain adequate and correct amounts of all properties and business transactions of the DYSL.
- B. To keep accounts open to inspection, by any Board member or audit committee established by the Board of Directors, at all times.
- C. To give receipt of all monies, which shall be deposited in a recognized bank in the name of the DYSL. Shall disburse funds as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, by check. Checks written out to Treasurer shall bear two (2) signatures, that of the President or Vice-President and that of the Treasurer. (*revised 12/2007*)
- D. Responsible for the preparing of any and all papers pursuant to the ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION and tax exemption status of the league for the year that was served.
- E. To prepare and give quarterly income and expense statements. Be prepared to give a treasurer's report at all general meetings. Shall also prepare an operating budget analysis by the start of the seasonal year.
- F. Shall be bonded for approximately twice the operating budget by a reputable bonding agency, whose fees shall be paid by the DYSL.
- G. Responsible for maintaining finances for all competition teams and sending out regular financial reports to competition coaches. (revised 12/07)
- H. Shall make available financial reports, check request forms, and receipts for audit committee. (add 12/2007)

Qualifications: a member of the DYSL for a minimum of one (1) year. Shall have a basic bookkeeping knowledge and be bondable.

## Fields Director

- A. To obtain sites for game play and practice and shall insure that all fields are properly marked, prior to the start of regularly scheduled league games.
- B. Assign practice sites and times for all DYSL teams.
- C. Shall arrange to set up and take down field equipment for all home games. (revised 12/04)

Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for one (1) year.

# **Equipment Director**

- A. To order all equipment necessary to run the playing portion of soccer, i.e. order balls, uniforms, nets, goals, etc. And, to maintain this equipment and keep an inventory of such issue, and collect equipment.
- B. To keep and maintain correct records of the DYSL's equipment. Equipment shall be maintained in safe, usable condition, and new equipment, uniforms, trophies ordered, as needed, with concurrence of the Board of Directors
- C. To assist the Home and Competition Team Directors, as needed.
- D. Shall publish and distribute at the Annual General Meeting an inventory of all League equipment.

Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year.

# Boy's League Director

- A. Maintain a complete list of all teams, players and coaches and assistant coaches.
- B. Responsible for recruiting the best qualified coaching personnel available.
- C. Assist the Training coordinator in encouraging and facilitating the training of all Boys League coaches.
- D. Insure that coaches and parents abide by the "Procedures" and "Rules of Play" for the age group and the DYSL.
- E. Make every effort to ensure coaches and sideline participants, under their charge, demonstrate appropriate behavior at all times. (revised 12/03)
- F. All home league Coaches must contain a signed parent conduct form with the player 1601s in binder for age director examination at all practices and games. (add 12/15)

*Qualifications:* A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year.

## Competition Team Director

- A. Responsible for the operation, maintenance and overall supervision of the Competition League.
- B. To <u>CONDUCT AND SUPERVISE</u> all tryouts to insure all players desiring to participate in the Competition League program are afforded the opportunity.
- C. To maintain records of all team scores and league standings.
- D. Assist the Training coordinator in encouraging and facilitating the training of all Competition Coaches.
- E. Make every effort to ensure that coaches and sideline participants, under their charge, demonstrate appropriate behavior at all times.
- F. Conduct periodic meetings, but not less than two per playing season, of Competition Coaches to discuss issues pertaining specifically to the competitive program.
- G. Enforce all registration deadlines as established by the Competition Registrar. (added 12/06)
- H. To preside over the Competition Coach Selection Committee. (added 12/10)

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Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year and have a minimum of three (3) years experience coaching soccer.

# Girls League Director

- A. Shall prepare game and field schedule. Maintain a complete list of all teams, players and coaches and assistant coaches.
- B. Responsible for recruiting the best qualified coaching personnel available.
- C. Assist the Training coordinator in encouraging and facilitating the training of all Girls League coaches.
- D. Insure that coaches and parents abide by the "Procedures" and "Rules of Play" for the age group and the DYSL.
- E. Make every effort to ensure coaches and sideline participants, under their charge, demonstrate appropriate behavior at all times.
- F. All home league Coaches must contain a signed parent conduct form with the player 1601s in binder for age director examination at all practices and games. (add 12/15)

*Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year.* 

# U6 Developmental Age Group Director

- A. Shall prepare game and field schedule. Maintain a complete list of all teams, players, coaches and assistant coaches.
- B. Insure a progressive skills program is maintained. Assist all coaches in carrying out this program.
- C. Shall be responsible for acquisition and training of U6 Developmental Age Group coaches. (revised 12/03)
- D. Insure that coaches and parents abide by the "Procedures" and "Rules of Play" for the age group and the DYSL.

*Qualifications:* A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year.

## U8 Developmental Age Group Director

- A. Shall prepare game and field schedule. Maintain a complete list of all teams, players, coaches and assistant coaches.
- B. Insure a progressive skills program is maintained. Assist all coaches in carrying out this program.
- C. Shall be responsible for acquisition and training of U8 Developmental Age Group coaches. (*Revised 12/03*)
- D. Insure that coaches and parents abide by the "Procedures" and "Rules of Play" for the age group and the DYSL.

Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year.

## Registrar

- A. Shall be responsible for learning specified rules set down by District IV and/or CYSA concerning registration procedures for that year.
- B. Shall be responsible for setting dates, times and procedures for registration of DYSL players.
- C. Shall be responsible for setting deadlines for competition team registration.
- D. In cooperation with the Home league Directors, shall be responsible for setting dates, time and location of the Home league draw.
- E. Shall be responsible for the Home League draw and to see that all Home League teams are drawn in accordance with Procedures, Article VI.
- F. Shall be responsible for registration of players and teams from the DYSL in affiliation with District IV and CYSA.
- G. Shall be responsible for registration of any paper teams and transfer players to competition teams after the Home League season.
- H. Shall keep accurate list of injuries of DYSL players, coaches and referees for the current season.

Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year. Should have basic filing knowledge and typing skills are highly recommended.

# Assistant Registrar

- A. Shall assist the Registrar in the performance of his/her duties.
- B. Perform any other duties as might be directed by the Board of Directors.

Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of (1) year. Should have basic filing knowledge and typing skills are highly recommended.

# Comp. Registrar

- A. Shall be responsible for learning specified rules set down by District IV and/or CYSA concerning registration procedures for that year.
- B. Shall be responsible for setting deadlines for competition team registration.
- C. Shall be responsible for registration of players, coaches, and teams from the DYSL in affiliation with District IV and CYSA.
- D. Shall be responsible for registration of any teams and transfer players to competition teams after Home League season.
- E. Shall keep accurate list of injuries of DYSL players, coaches, and referees of the current season.

Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of two (2) years. Should be familiar with District and CYSA registration and competition guidelines.

(Comp registrar added 12/04)

## Referee Director

- A. Shall maintain a current list of all qualified referees.
- B. Responsible for training of referees to include scheduling of referee clinics and refresher courses.
- C. Conduct periodic meetings, but not less that one per playing season, of referees to discuss the Laws of the Game, Rules of Play and referee administrative matters. (revised 12/08)

- D. Be responsible for establishing policy for the assignment of referees to games. Ensure no referee is assigned to games in his or her playing division.
- E. Form and be the Chairperson of the Disciplinary Committee.
- F. Assign referees a password and instruct them how to sign up online for games only appropriate to their skill level. (revised 12/06)
- G. In conjunction with the appropriate age group directors, create a "Rules of the Game" list for U6 and U8 Developmental Age Groups, Boys' and Girls' League to hand out to parents. (new 12/03)

Qualifications: Minimum of two years experience as a referee and hold a current Class 8 (or better) license.

# Training coordinator

- A. Maintain a complete list of DYSL coaches and assistant coaches.
- B. Set-up and administer all CYSA coaching classes and other coaching classes.
- C. Assist in the registration of DYSL coaches and assistant coaches.
- D. Maintain a list of DYSL coaches with CYSA certification and/or other qualified certification and their current certification.
- E. Assist other officers and coaches with matters concerning coaching.

Qualifications: Minimum of two years experience as a DYSL coach and hold an "E" coach certification or better.

# Special Events Coordinator

A. Responsible for setting up committees for all extra league activities, including but not limited to, summer camp (s) and the Delta Invitational. (added 12/04)

## **TOP Soccer Director**

- A. Shall prepare game and field schedule. Maintain a complete list of all teams, players, coaches and assistant coaches.
- B. Insure a progressive skills program is maintained. Assist all coaches in carrying out this program.
- C. Shall be responsible for acquisition and training of TOPSoccer coaches
- D. Insure that coaches and parents abide by the "Procedures" and "Rules of Play" for the age group and the DYSL.

Qualifications: A member of the DYSL for a minimum of one (1) year. Should be familiar with working with children having special needs.

 $(TOP\ Soccer\ Director\ added\ 12/05)$ 

## **ARTICLE XI - ADDITIONAL OFFICERS**

Section 1. Within thirty (30) days of the beginning of each seasonal year, the Board of Directors shall prepare an organizational chart outlining the administrative operations of the DYSL and appoint officers as needed. The positions should include, but not be limited to, the following: Ways and

Means, Publicity and Telephone Committee, Assistant Age Group Directors and Registrars' Assistants. (Revised 12/03)

- Section 2. Changes and/or additions to established officers can be made at any time by the Board of Directors, in order to insure the working efficiency of the DYSL.
- Section 3. All officers will exercise the duties assigned to them by the Board of Directors. The organizational chart, names, officers and duties assigned will be published to the membership by the first day of Home League play.
- Section 4. Ad Hoc Committee

All Ad Hoc Committees will be dissolved at the completion of their task.

# Section 5. Disciplinary Committee

A. The committee shall have the following make up:

A minimum of 3 members from the following groups with members from at least two groups.

One coach from the Competition League

One coach from the Developmental Age Group

Two coaches from the Home League

One Referee (revised 12/08)

- B. The Referee Coordinator shall head the Disciplinary Committee and shall make all findings and recommendations to the Board of Directors within 72 hours of convening.
- C. No other member of the Board of Directors may serve on this committee.
- D. The purpose of this committee is to act on all discipline issues in the Boy's League, Girl's League, Under 8 & Under 6 programs. The committee may be assigned additional duties by the Board of Directors.
- E. The board has the option to hear and rule directly with discipline issues. (added 12/08)

## ARTICLE XII - COACHES, ASSISTANT COACHES AND TEAM COORDINATORS

- Section 1. The teams will operate under the supervision of the Board of Directors, team coaches and assistant coaches. Coaches will be approved by the Board of Directors; assistant coaches and team coordinators will be appointed by the team coach and are subject to approval by the Board of Directors.
- Section 2. Coaches and assistant coaches will be responsible for:
  - A. The training of team players to play the game of soccer.
  - B. Instill good sportsmanship in all players and parents affiliated with their team. (added 12/03)
  - C. The conduct of the team, its players and THEIR PARENTS.
  - D. Team Coordinator.
  - E. Accepting the position of coach or assistant coach with the understanding that they will serve in this capacity and as a member of the DYSL for an entire seasonal year of play.
  - F. Ensure at least one adult representative from their team attends every coaches meeting during the season. Adult can be a coach, assistant coach, team coordinator, or another parent in good standing. (added 12/03)
  - G. The coach may forfeit their rights to coach if they fail to attend the mandatory pre-draw meeting. It is acceptable for the team's assistant coach, sponsor, or team parent to substitute

- for the coach. The age group coordinator must be notified by the coach who will attend prior to the draw.
- H. Demonstrating progressive knowledge of the game of soccer by attending CYSA sponsored coaching license courses, league sponsored clinics, and referee license courses during their affiliation with the league.
- I. Keeping the Board informed about issues related their team. Including, but not limited to: (injuries, player behavior, parent conflicts, roster size, etc) (added 12/14)
- Section 3 Team Coordinator will be responsible for communications between coaches, team players and parents. Organize refreshments and aid the team in any capacity as designated.

# Section 4 Minimum qualifications for "NEW" coaches to DYSL

U6 All first year coaches must attend DYSL Age Group Directors coaching clinic. (*Revised 12/03*)

U8 Attend Rules Clinic held by Age Group Director prior to first scheduled season game (revised 12/08)

All first year coaches must attend DYSL Age Group Directors coaching clinic. (Revised 12/03)

U10-U19 Attend Rules Clinic held by Age Group Director prior to first scheduled season game (revised 12/08)

All first year coaches must attend DYSL Age Group Directors coaching clinic. (Revised 12/03)

## Minimum qualifications for returning coaches affiliated with DYSL

All coaches must be in good standing with DYSL

U6 Enroll in a CYSA License Program
Attend DYSL Age Group Director's coaching clinic

U8 Attend Rules Clinic held by Age Group Director prior to first scheduled season game (revised 12/08)

Enroll in a CYSA License Program

Attend DYSL Age Group Director's coaching clinic

U10 Attain CYSA "F" License within one year, must attain prior to moving up into next age group

Attend Rules Clinic held by Age Group Director prior to first scheduled season game (revised 12/08)

Attend DYSL Age Group Director's coaching clinic

U12 Attain CYSA "E" License within one year, must attain prior to moving up into next age group

Attend Rules Clinic held by Age Group Director prior to first scheduled season game (revised 12/08)

Attend DYSL Age Group Director's coaching clinic

## U14-U19 Hold CYSA "E" License

Hold a current Referee License Grade 9 or better within 1 year of seasonal play. Written evidence of a current license will be turned into the age group director before a team is granted. (revised 12/08)

# ARTICLE XIII - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING/SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

# Section 1. Annual General Meeting

- A. Within 45 days from the beginning of each Home League season, the President, with the concurrence of the Board of Directors, shall call for an Annual General Meeting of the membership to be held not later than two (2) weeks after the last scheduled Home League game.
- B. Notifications of all members shall be made at least thirty (30) days prior to said meeting.
- C. Order of business at the Annual General Meeting shall be:
  - (1) Call to Order
  - (2) Approval of Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
  - (3) Board of Director's Reports.
  - (4) Proposals for changes to the By-Laws.
  - (5) Such other business desired by the Board of Directors and/or membership.

    Agenda for other business items must be presented in writing to the Chairperson of the Board not less than one (1) week before the announced Annual General Meeting.
  - (6) Vote on proposed changes.
  - (7) Elections of the Board of Directors.
  - (8) Adjournment.

# Section 2. Special General Meetings

Special General Meetings can be called by the Board of Directors to conduct urgent business requiring action by the membership. A voting member may also request the Board to call a Special General Meeting. This request will be in writing. Notification of all members shall be made as soon as practical, indicating the purpose/nature of the meeting.

# ARTICLE XIV - DISMISSAL OF BOARD DIRECTOR(S)

# Section 1. New Election by Petition

A new election of the Board of Directors may be called if a petition is submitted to the Directors at any general meeting of the membership. The election shall be held within thirty (30) days from that date and the new Directors shall be installed on the day of the election. If the Directors do not accept the petition as valid, it will then be immediately submitted to CYSA for documentation. The number of signatures required to call for a new election will be 1/3 of the voting membership.

## Section 2. Removal of Individual Directors from Office

Any Director that does not perform the job designated or uses his or her position to gain an unfair advantage in league play, may be removed from office by a vote of nine (9) of the seventeen (17) remaining Directors or by fifty-one percent (51%) of the voting membership by petition. If a member is removed, a special election will be called and held within thirty (30)

days. An officer will be appointed by the President to act in the capacity of the Director until a new Director is elected. Membership shall be notified two (2) weeks prior to the elections, in writing. (revised 12/04)

# ARTICLE XV - AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES, BYLAWS, RULES OF PLAY AND/OR PROCEDURES

- Section 1. Amendments to the Articles and By-Laws shall be made at the Annual General Meeting. (revised 01/16)
- Section 2. Amendments to the Procedures and/or Rules of Play are made by a majority vote of the Board. (revised 01/16)
- Section 3. If, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, an amendment is deemed <u>absolutely</u> necessary to the <u>working</u> efficiency of the DYSL, the Secretary shall inform the membership of a special vote taking place.
- Section 4. Notice of intended alterations or amendments shall be delivered to the Secretary in writing and will be posted on the website ONLY for a minimum of 45 days prior to the AGM and will be read only at the AGM, the Secretary shall keep a record of all additions, alterations or amendments which may be made. (revised 12/09)
- Section 5. An amendment to the Articles and By-laws shall be deemed adopted by an affirmative vote of 2/3 of the voting membership present at the Annual General Meeting. (revised 1/16)

#### ARTICLE XVI - PARLIMENTARY AUTHORITY

## Section 1. Order of Business shall be:

- A. Roll Call of Board Members
- B. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.
- C. Correspondence or communications.
- D. Director's reports shall be limited to five minutes, with a question and answer period of five minutes during which time the general membership may make inquiries.
- E. Reports of Standing Committees.
- F. Unfinished business.
- G. Reports of Special Committees.
- H. New business.
- I. Good of Soccer.
- J. Adjournment.

#### Section 2. Robert's Rules of Order

Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the proceedings of all meetings and committees of the Delta Youth Soccer League, Inc., except as herein otherwise provided.

## Section 3. Privilege of Debate

A member shall have the privilege of debating each issue for a period of two (2) minutes <u>only</u>. The President will have the authority to table an issue whenever it is deemed necessary.

## **ARTICLE XVII - DISSOLUTION**

Should the DYSL be dissolved, all assets remaining after payment of all debts shall be turned over to any successor organization(s) in equal amounts. In the event there are no successor organization(s), all remaining assets will be turned over to the CYSA for the expressed purpose of the development of Youth Soccer.

## ARTICLE XVIII - LACK OF KNOWLEDGE OF THE RULES

A plea of ignorance of the Articles, By-Laws, Rules of Play and/or Procedures approved and published by the Board of Directors is not valid; violators may expect appropriate disciplinary action by the Board of Directors of the League.

It shall be presumed that all members are aware of the provisions of the Articles, By-Laws, Rules of Play and the Procedures published by the Board of Directors of this League.