

Volga Baseball Association By Laws

Article I – Organization

1.1 This organization shall be called the Volga Baseball Association. It is organized as a non-profit, incorporated association. Adopted June 8th, 2014.

Volga Baseball Association
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Article II – Purpose

Volga Baseball Association's mission is to support the Volga Baseball program and its athletes with fundraising activities. The Association will help to raise money for equipment, tournaments, uniforms, and facilities improvement. Membership in the association is open to all parents, athletes and community members who want to support the efforts of the association.

2.1 The purpose of the Volga Baseball Association is:

- To support, promote and maintain a high standard of integrity and good sportsmanship of the baseball activities.
- To foster and promote good will and fraternal spirit among the members.
- To help lead the community by setting an example of volunteerism and involvement in baseball events and activities.
- To raise funds to assist the program. The Volga Baseball Association will help to create committees to directly support the program and support a strong revenue producing program.
- Budgets are established at the beginning of each year. Each team will have a checklist of standard equipment they will need. After the season is completed and before the next season starts a thorough review of each checklist needs to be done to determine which equipment to replaced. The checklist will be established by the board with the assistance from the individual coaches.

Article III – Membership

3.1 Membership in the association is open to anyone. It is optional for any individuals or families with a participant in any 12 and under program. Membership in the Volga Baseball Association is mandatory for individuals or families with

participant(s) age of 13 and above. This will include 13-14 and 15-16 Teeners, High School, Legion and Amateurs.

3.2 There will be a yearly membership fee of \$20.00 per individual or family. You must pay the required membership fee in full by April 1st in order to participate in any program or benefit from any fundraiser. Membership fees may be increased or decreased by the majority vote of the Board of Directors. Membership dues are non-refundable if you choose to no longer be a part of the Volga Baseball Association.

Article IV – Fundraising

4.1 Individual fund raisers will be used to fund the baseball program IE uniforms, tournament entry fees, equipment or special projects approved by the Board of Directors.

4.2 A fundraising committee will be organized to oversee all fundraising efforts of the association. Any individuals wishing to fundraise will need to communicate those efforts with the fundraising committee.

Article V – Board of Directors

5.1 The Board of Directors consists of a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer along with three (3) elected directors who will have full voting rights at each Board of Directors meeting.

5.2 The original Board of Directors will serve for 18 months. After 18 months 4 of the directors will be up for election at the general meeting in 2015. The other 3 directors will be up for election at the general meeting in 2016.

Article VI – Duties of Officers

6.1 President. The President shall preside at all meeting of the Board and perform all those duties ordinarily associated with the duties of the President of the association.

6.2 Vice-President. In the absence of the President or in the event of his inability or refusal to act, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions of the President. The Vice-President shall perform such other duties and have such other powers as the board of Directors may from time to time prescribe by standing or

special resolution, or as the President may from time to time provide, subject to the powers and the supervision of the Board.

6.3 Secretary. The Secretary shall be responsible for the recording and maintenance of all corporation minutes and perform all duties ordinarily associated with the duties of the Secretary of the corporation. The Secretary shall be responsible to assist the Treasure in the preparation of all association reports.

6.4 Treasurer. The Treasurer shall have the custody of all funds, property of and securities of the corporation, subject to such regulations as may be imposed by the Board, and shall perform all those duties ordinarily associated with the duties of the Treasurer of the corporation, including deposit all monies in the account in the name of the corporation, prepare the budget and financial reports as scheduled as filing IRS forms.

Article VII – Meetings

7.1 There will be bi-annual general membership meetings of the Volga Baseball Association. The first meeting will be in March and the second meeting will be in September. Dates of those meeting will be decided upon by the Board of Directors and posted a minimum of two weeks prior to general membership meeting.

7.2 Board of Director meetings will be determined as needed by a majority vote of the Board.

7.3 No general membership meeting shall conduct business without a quorum of the Board of Directors present.

7.4 For a special meeting, a formal notice will be given three days in advance either by phone, email or mail.

7.5 All actions will be by simple majority vote of the Board of Directors present.

Article VIII – Finances

8.1 The fiscal year for the Volga Baseball Association will run from September 1st to August 31st of each year.

8.2 All funds collected are to be deposited into the Volga Baseball Association account held at a financial institution. Distribution of funds will be determined by the Executive Board.

8.3 All checks written by the Volga Baseball Association must be signed by one (1) officer.

8.4 Approval of the budget will be by a simple majority vote of the Executive Board.

8.5 Upon the dissolution of the Association, and after paying or adequately providing for the debt obligations, all records and property shall be held in the custody of the Officers to be distributed to a non-profit fund, foundation, or corporation, which is organized and operated exclusively for the charitable, educational, religious, an/or scientific purposes and which has established a tax exempt status. The net assets of the Volga Baseball Association shall not go to any private shareholder, individual, or corporation, and shall be distributed to such suitable successors as stated above.

8.6 Upon request of any member, the Treasurer shall allow such member to review the Volga Baseball Associations general income and expense report. Such request must be in writing and allow ten (10) days for response.

8.7 It is the responsibility of the Volga Baseball Association Treasurer to have an ending balance of at least \$25.00 at closing of the fiscal year.

Article IX – Elections

9.1 All elections for directors will be held at the September meeting. Once the directors are elected the Board will meet to elect the officers for the upcoming year.

9.2 Prior to elections, the Board of Directors shall receive nominations to fill all vacancies on the Board. Nominees not present at the first meeting for the new year must submit their request for nomination in writing prior to the meeting.

9.3 All members in good standing may be nominated or elected to no more than one (1) Board of Director positions.

9.4 The election shall result by simple majority vote.

9.5 At the annual meeting, all annual reports shall be received and the retiring board and the newly elected officers shall hold a joint session. At the joint session, the retiring officers will transfer all books and papers in their possession and belongings of the Volga Baseball Association to the new administration, and otherwise advise the new administration as to the status of affairs of the Volga Baseball Association.

Article X – By-Law Changes

10.1 The By-laws are adopted by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors.

10.2 The by-laws may be changed altered, or amended by a simple majority vote of the directors present at a regular or special meeting.

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