

CONSTITUTION
Established January 2003
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Article I – Name

The name of this organization shall be called the Twinsburg Youth Softball League Inc, herein referred to as "TYSL Inc.". For the purpose of this constitution, the City of Twinsburg is understood to encompass the Twinsburg City School District which includes the City of Twinsburg, Twinsburg Township, and Reminderville.

Article II – Purpose

Recreational

- a. To encourage, develop and promote a softball program within the Twinsburg City School District for participants in grades K- 12.
- b. To advance the basic skills of participants interested in playing softball.
- c. To provide the opportunity for participants to play and learn organized softball without regard for their ability, with the opportunity to play with sportsmanship stressed over and above winning.

Competitive

- a. To encourage, develop and promote a softball program for Fastpitch team(s).
- b. To advance the skills of participants interested in playing softball.
- c. To provide the opportunity for participants to play with the intent of focusing on skill development, sportsmanship, team building, positive attitude and represent the City of Twinsburg with the utmost respect.

Article III – Government of TYSL Inc., herein referred to as "The Board" (which includes the Executive Board and At-Large Members).

Section 1 – Officers

- a. The Officers of this Board shall be a President, Vice President(s) (not to exceed two (2)), Secretary and Treasurer. These Officers shall comprise the Executive Board of TYSL Inc.
- b. The government of TYSL Inc. shall be under the supervision of the Executive Board.
- c. The Officers shall be elected and hold the office until either a successor is elected and qualified, or by his/her resignation, removal from office by a (2/3) vote of the remaining Executive Board, or death.
- d. Duties of Executive Board Officers
 - i. President – The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of TYSL Inc. He/she shall preside at the business meetings and all meetings of the Executive Board.
 - ii. Vice President(s) – The Vice President(s) shall assume the duties but not the office in the event of the President's absence, resignation, or disability.
 - iii. Secretary – The Secretary shall have charge of keeping minutes of the general and executive business meetings and executive general correspondence.

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- iv. Treasurer – The Treasurer shall have charge of all funds and securities of the league, endorsing checks and disbursing funds as authorized by the Executive Board.
- e. Executive Board Duties
 - i. The Executive Board will supervise all business and activities of TYSL Inc. as outlined in the TYSL By-Laws.
 - ii. The Executive Board shall have the right and authority to suspend, bar or otherwise discipline any player, manager, or league official for violation of any rules or regulations set forth in this Constitution and or By-Laws.
 - iii. The Executive Board shall approve all team managers.
 - iv. The Executive Board shall approve or disapprove all division playing rules for the protection and stability of the league.

Section 2 – At-Large Members

- a. Up to an additional five (5) At-Large members, to maintain a maximum of nine (9) total Board members, may be elected for the purpose of The Board. Once elected, the members shall hold the position until either a successor is elected and qualified, or by his/her resignation, removal from office by a majority vote of the Executive Board, or death.
- b. All additional At-Large members shall actively participate in all TYSL meetings (excluding executive sessions).

Section 3 – Division Commissioners

- a. The Board shall elect division commissioners annually as representatives of established divisions.
- b. Their duties will be to inform managers of all activities within the league and coordinate such activities, review and recommend changes of playing rules for the division, and suggest ways to improve TYSL Inc.

Article IV – Meetings

Section 1 – Timing

- a. Meetings shall be held the second Tuesday of the month, except during the regular season of the calendar year, to conduct business.
- b. Special meetings may be called by any Executive Board member. Such person(s) requesting a special meeting will be required to give at least three (3) days notice before the date of such meeting to each Board Member.
- c. A rules review meeting shall be held prior to beginning of the season.
- d. Any Coaches' Meeting/draft, shall be on or about the last Thursday in February.

Section 2 – Attendance

- a. All business meetings shall be open to the public.
- b. The public will not vote.
- c. All Board Members shall attempt to attend all scheduled meetings.

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- d. Board Members may participate in meetings remotely (i.e via telephone or video) if unable to physically attend any meeting.

Section 3 – Procedures

- a. Unless specified in the TYSL Inc. By-Laws or other TYSL Board approved documents, all meetings shall be conducted according to Roberts Rules of Parliamentary Procedures except that the President, or designee, acting in his or her capacity shall be empowered to suspend the rules and resolve disputes forthwith.
- b. Any action regarding disputes, which involves the commitment of finances for the organization, shall result in the matter automatically being tabled until the next regular meeting or special meeting called, the purpose of such delay being to afford all Executive Board members the opportunity to either confirm the action by majority or otherwise resolve the conflict.

Section 4 – Quorum

- a. A quorum to conduct general business meetings shall be a simple majority of the current number of sitting Board (including Executive Board) members.
- b. No Proxy and/or absentee voting shall be permitted. Members shall be present (including attendance as permitted by Article IV, Section, 2(d)) to cast a vote.

Article V – Finances

Section 1 – Raising Money

- c. To raise monies for the purpose of the continuation of the program.
- d. No monies of the TYSL Inc. shall benefit any private member or individual, with the following exceptions:
 - 1. TYSL Inc. may offer three (3) scholastic awards each year for graduating seniors who have played at least three (3) years of softball in the TYSL league. TYSL Inc. does not discriminate based on race, origin or employment.
 - 2. TYSL Inc. may offer to cover the cost of one (1) Tournament Registration per TYSL competitive team per calendar year.
- e. In the event of the dissolution of TYSL Inc., voluntarily or involuntarily, all of the remaining assets shall be transferred to the Parks and Recreation Department of the City of Twinsburg, Ohio.

Article VI – Amendments

Section 1 – Amendments

- a. The Constitution and By-Laws of TYSL Inc. may be amended only when the proposed amendment(s) is submitted in writing to the Executive Board. The vote on an amendment shall be taken at the next scheduled general meeting. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the full Board in favor of the amendment shall be required for approval and adoption.