

BYLAWS

I - NAME

The name of this corporation is West Coast Fantasy Baseball Association (WCFBA).

Should WCFBA choose to change its name, it may do so with the majority approval of the Board of Directors after notifying the membership of the proposed name change (including the proposed new name) and the date and time of the meeting at which the name change will be decided by the Board of Directors. Such notice (by email or regular mail) must be to all members of WCFBA forty-five (45) days prior to such meeting. The Board of Directors shall receive and consider all submitted input from the membership before voting on the name change.

II – PURPOSE & EVENTS

The specific purpose of WCFBA is to provide its members the chance to play amateur baseball and to further fellowship among its members. WCFBA uses modified baseball rules to acknowledge: (i) safety of its players is a primary concern, (ii) participants generally are not highly skilled ball players and (iii) games are played out of fun of playing the game and being with friends. There are no incentives to win, except the joy of playing baseball. WCFBA operates solely through volunteer efforts.

The primary annual activities of the WCFBA shall be to organize a league for its members' participation (the League) and to organize tournaments or participate in tournaments organized by other groups so that members may play against members of similar other organizations (Tournaments), collectively a Season.

III - MEMBERSHIP

- 1 **QUALIFICATION:** To qualify as a member, an individual (a person - not an entity formed as a result of a legal process) must:
 - A. Have attended a Fantasy Baseball Camp associated with a major league baseball club (or be invited by a member in good standing and approved by the Board), and
 - B. Be age 30 or over.

Or

 - C. Be a former major league baseball player or coach, Or
 - D. Be an instructor or coach at a Fantasy Baseball Camp associated with a major league baseball club.
- 2 **NON-DISCRIMINATION:** No individual shall be prevented from being a member of WCFBA based on their race, color, religion or sex.
- 3 **GOOD STANDING:** A member is in good standing upon having paid the fees and having current forms on file under Section III.5A and 5B, respectively, has participated in League or Tournament activities within a time-frame determined by the Board and not otherwise been determined to be ineligible by the Board of Directors based on the guidelines set forth throughout these Bylaws. A member suspended for any infraction of rules during League or Tournament play will lose their good standing until the suspension period expires.

- 4 **RENEWAL:** Members renew their involvement each year by signing up to participate in the Season and paying applicable participation fees. Should a member not pay and play in one year and wish to participate in a subsequent year, they may as long as they meet the requirements of III.3.
- 5 **ELIGIBILITY TO PLAY:** Individuals may participate in baseball games arranged by WCFBA only if they meet the requirements listed in subsections A & B below. Once A & B have been met, members may participate in League or Tournament games arranged by WCFBA, after meeting the requirements of subsections C or D, respectively:
- A. **MEMBERSHIP FEE:** Each member shall have paid a one-time administrative fee as set forth under Section VI - DUES & FEES.
- B. **FORMS:** Certain forms are required to be on file with the Commissioner prior to participating in WCFBA Season events, including, but not limited to (without these forms on file, a member may not participate in the League or Tournaments):
- i. A signed injury and liability release waiver.
 - ii. Other forms as determined by the Board.
- C. **LEAGUE PARTICIPATION:** To participate in the League, eligible members must pay and complete the forms specified.
- i. The fees to play in the annual League will be determined annually by the Commissioner and Treasurer as set forth under Section VI - DUES & FEES. Such fees shall be announced at the beginning of each League season. There are two classes of League fees; full-time player and pool player (see Section VIII for further clarification).
 - Full-Time Player: Fees announced to participate in the League are due prior to the League draft.
 - Pool Player: Pool player fees are due prior to the start of any game in which a pool player participates.
 - ii. Personal bio / questionnaire with medical history, and
- D. **TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION:** To participate in a Tournament, eligible members must pay. Each tournament will have its own fee as determined by each Tournament Chair and approved by the Commissioner as set forth under Section VI – DUES & FEES. Payment of Tournament fees must be received by the deadline set forth by each Tournament’s Chair.
- 6 **MEMBER BENEFITS:** The benefits associated with being a member of WCFBA include, but are not limited to:
- A. **MEMBERSHIP ROSTER:** A member will be maintained on the membership roster and may be eligible to participate in WCFBA activities.

- B. **ACTIVE PARTICIPATION:** A member in good standing has the privilege to:
- i. Propose changes to WCFBA,
 - ii. Be eligible to serve on the Board of Directors or its committees,
 - iii. Vote on matters regarding the WCFBA, and
 - iv. Serve as Commissioner, a Team Manager, Pool Player Coordinator, Tournament Chair or assist Tournament Chairs, or other positions identified by the Board of Directors.

IV - GOVERNANCE

- 1 **BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The Board of Directors (the Board) is comprised of five (5) individuals willing to volunteer their time and effort.
- 2 **BOARD ELIGIBILITY:** Any WCFBA member in good standing, as defined in Section III, is eligible to serve on the Board of Directors. Board of Director members whose terms have lapsed are eligible for re-election immediately.
- 3 **OFFICERS & COMMISSIONER:** The Officers of WCFBA will be selected from among the members of the Board of Directors. The Commissioner will be appointed by the Board.
 - A. The Officers will be a President, Treasurer and Secretary who are authorized to transact business on behalf of the WCFBA and will have the following duties:
 - i. **PRESIDENT:** The President will chair all Board meetings.
 - ii. **TREASURER:** The Treasurer is responsible for WCFBA finances and statutory reporting requirements.
 - iii. **SECRETARY:** The Secretary arranges Board meetings, documents minutes of Board meetings and general membership meetings, and runs all elections.

Each Board member may hold up to two offices. Regardless of number of offices held or their titles, each Board member will have only one vote.

- B. The Board-appointed Commissioner shall be a member in good standing and willing to volunteer their time and effort. The Commissioner may or may not also be a member of the Board, but will have no vote on Board matters unless he/she is also a member of the Board. The Commissioner reports to the Board and serves at the pleasure of the Board. The day-to-day activities and long-term forecasting and planning of WCFBA are overseen by the Commissioner. The Board shall specify the extent to which the Commissioner may transact business on behalf of the WCFBA.
- 4 **ELECTION TO THE BOARD:** Initially the Board is comprised of five individuals who have volunteered to establish the WCFBA and will serve for one year. Thereafter, the elected Board Members serve terms as follows:
 - A. **FIRST ELECTION:** After the first year of operation of WCFBA and to provide for continuity of the Board in succeeding years, two Board members (randomly chosen by the Board) will

serve one-year terms, while the other three Board members will serve two-year terms.

B. **SUCCEEDING ELECTIONS:** Thereafter, each Board member will be elected to two-year terms.

- 5 **BOARD SUCCESSION:** At or near the end of each calendar year, the Board of Directors will nominate a slate of candidates for the Board positions due to be vacated at year-end. The Secretary (or Commissioner if so delegated by the Board) shall submit this slate of candidates to the WCFBA members in good standing for a vote. The Secretary will promptly tabulate and report the results. The candidates garnering the most votes become the new Board of Directors members and assume their duties on January 1st of the ensuing calendar year.
- 6 **BOARD MEMBER REPLACEMENT:** In the event a Board of Directors member is unable to carry out their duties on the Board, the Board of Directors may replace them. Replacement Board members will serve out the remaining term of the Board member they replace, and are eligible for re-election as discussed in paragraph 2 above.
- 7 **BOARD MEETINGS:** The Board of Directors shall meet at least once per year, no later than November 1st, to nominate a slate of Board of Directors candidates, to review the state of the Season, and address such business it deems necessary. The November 1st meeting date is designed to facilitate sufficient time to enable election of new Board Members before the start of the next year on January 1st.
- 8 **MEETING SCHEDULING:** Meetings of the Board of Directors shall be facilitated by the Secretary who will arrange Board meetings based on the availability of the members. Meetings of the general membership should be arranged with at least thirty calendar day advance notice. If a special meeting is necessary with less than such advance notice, the Secretary shall use as many methods as deemed necessary to notify eligible participants.
- 9 **NOTICE OF MEETINGS:** The Secretary shall use any means deemed necessary to notify members of any given meeting.
- 10 **DISCHARGE OF DUTIES:** Board members are expected to discharge their duties as Board members in good faith, in the best interest of the WCFBA, and in reasonable care.
- 11 **COMMITTEES OF THE BOARD:** The Board shall be empowered to appoint any committees and respective chairpersons it deems necessary. Such power shall not allow the Board to transfer all its responsibilities to any committee or committee chairperson.
- 12 **COMMITTEE APPOINTEES:** The Board may appoint to any committee any member in good standing. Preferably, appointees should have expressed an interest in participating on the applicable committee.
- 13 **COMMITTEE CHAIR:** The Board shall, using its best judgment, designate the chairperson of each committee. Committee Chairs may recommend to the Board members in good standing as potential committee members.
- 14 **COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP:** Committee members serve at the pleasure of the Board. Accordingly they will serve as long as the Board desires. The Board should consider that no appointee should be

permanent or be perceived as permanent.

15 STAFF: The Board may from time to time, create staff positions to carry out specific duties on behalf of the WCFBA. No staff position will be paid any wages or other remuneration. Staff members need not be members of WCFBA and will serve at the pleasure of the Board as long as the Board desires.

16 QUORUMS:

A. Board of Directors: Three members of the Board represent a quorum of the Board of Directors. A quorum is necessary for Board decisions, of which a simple majority of those present is needed for approval of decisions.

B. General Meeting: Given this is a volunteer organization; no quorum applies to meetings of the membership. Matters put to a vote by the membership shall be based on simple majority vote of those voting.

C. Committees: Committees have a quorum upon a majority of committee members being present.

17 MODIFICATION OF THESE BYLAWS: These Bylaws may be modified prospectively only pursuant to the following:

A. By a vote of the majority of the Board for changes it deems minor or to clarify these Bylaws.

B. By a vote of the majority of the membership (who vote) for changes the Board recommends and deems major and should be approved by the membership.

C. Modifications of the Bylaws may be initiated by any Board member.

D. Modifications of the Bylaws may be initiated by any member in good standing by presenting the Board a petition, which specifies the specific modification and signed by 25% of the members in good standing.

E. Modifications of Bylaws that are approved take effect immediately upon their approval, or at such subsequent date as may be specified by the amendment.

V - FINANCES

1 FINANCIAL OBJECTIVE: Annual fees are assessed strictly to cover the costs of WCFBA. The financial objective of WCFBA is to break even in the long term and annually as much as possible. If a year may appear to run a deficit, members may be assessed for additional funds. If a year may appear to run an excess, fees for subsequent activities in the year shall be reduced. If there is an excess for the year, it is carried over to offset the costs of the next year.

Generally funds raised are a function of expected costs associated with any given Season.

2 COSTS: Costs of the each Season primarily consist of (but are not limited to):

Liability insurance
Field rentals

Fees to umpires (under third party contracts)

Baseballs

Bats

Helmets and other equipment the Board deems necessary for member's safety and enjoyment

Website

Concession rentals (generally, but not required to be, limited to during tournaments)

Banquets at Tournaments

Miscellaneous other supplies appropriate for furthering WCFBA objectives

Statutory filing requirements

- 3 INCOME: WCFBA will generate income to cover such Costs through a one time membership fee plus participation fees (League & Tournament Fees). See Section VI – DUES & FEES.
- 4 FORECASTS: After the annual election of Board members, an initial activity shall be to forecast the finances for the next year. The forecast shall be based on anticipated events for the new Season, associated forecasted participation and costs. Based on such forecasted costs, the Commissioner and Treasurer shall determine participation fees.
- 5 FLOW-THROUGH COSTS: In the situation that members of WCFBA are invited to participate in tournaments organized by other groups, WCFBA may be an intermediary for collecting signups and event participation fees. In such case, WCFBA will collect and remit 100% of such fees, and accordingly these sources and disbursements do not need to be forecasted.
- 6 FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE: The Treasurer shall be responsible for monitoring the financial condition of WCFBA during the year. Should the financial outlook for the year, at any time during the year, indicate a shortfall or excess of funds for the year, the Treasurer shall bring that to the attention of the Board and Commissioner so that timely corrective action may be taken consistent with V.1.
- 7 ACCOUNTING PERIOD AND METHODOLOGY: WCFBA shall have an annual year from January 1 to December 31 and report using the cash basis of accounting.
- 8 FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS: The Board shall set policies for the number of Board members and/or Commissioner who are needed to obligate the WCFBA at various financial levels. Tournament Chairs shall seek approval of the Commissioner prior to obligating the WCFBA to any Tournament obligations.
- 9 BANK ACCOUNTS & CHECK SIGNING: The Board shall establish policy of who may open bank accounts in the name of WCFBA and may sign checks on behalf of WCFBA and at which dollar levels.
- 10 PERMANENT FACILITIES: WCFBA does not currently have any permanent facilities, neither office nor playing fields. Should the need or opportunity present itself for such facilities, this would be considered a major change to WCFBA and would be subject to review by the Board and a vote of the membership. Further the costs associated with such facilities and the implications to annual Dues & Fees would similarly be a matter of discussion with the membership.
- 11 FUND RAISING ACTIVITIES: WCFBA may become involved in raising funds for the benefit of itself or other organizations as follows:

- A. For the Benefit of WCFBA: Initially WCFBA does not anticipate any fund raising that will benefit WCFBA. Prior to any such fund raising activity, the Board shall obtain legal advice to protect itself, the WCFBA and members from violating statutes that would unintentionally adversely affect the non-profit tax exempt status of WCFBA.
- B. For the Benefit of Others: WCFBA anticipates it may hold fund raising activities, such as raffles, during its Season in order to raise funds for non-profit organizations associated with WCFBA activities or non-profit organizations as approved by the Board. Examples of such activities include, but are not limited to, non-profit organizations from which WCFBA rents baseball fields. Raffle prizes are expected to be donated by WCFBA members. All proceeds from raffle tickets will be passed on to the named benefiting non-profit organization.

VI - DUES & FEES

- 1 MEMBERSHIP FEE: The initial one-time membership fee of WCFBA shall be \$40.00.

The Board shall review and change the need for membership fees as it deems necessary. At the Board's discretion, the membership fee may be waived for any year.
- 2 LEAGUE FEES: The Commissioner and Treasurer shall determine League fees (for Full-Time & Pool players) based on forecasted costs and participation for the League for the year. The League fees will be announced prior to the commencement of the League draft.
- 3 TOURNAMENT FEES: Each Tournament run by WCFBA will have its own fee as determined by each the Tournament Chair based on forecasted expenses of the Tournament and approved by the Commissioner. Such fees must be paid with each participant's application to play in any Tournament by the deadline set by the Tournament Chair. WCFBA anticipates invitations to play in tournaments organized by other groups. Those other groups will determine the fees to participate and WCFBA will facilitate collection and remittance of such fees to that other organization. Fees associated with any application that is denied will be returned to the member.
- 4 TAX IMPLICATIONS TO PARTICIPANTS: Fees paid to WCFBA are not tax deductible.

VII – RECORDS AND REPORTS

- 1 FINANCIAL RECORDS: The Treasurer shall be responsible for maintaining reasonable financial records of WCFBA that reflect all activities of the organization. The various activities of WCFBA, such as the League and each Tournament hosted by WCFBA shall be reflected in the financial records. At the option of the Treasurer, each such event may be accounted for as if a separate fund; but the financial records shall reflect the total of all activities.
- 2 FINANCIAL RECORD RETENTION: To the extent reasonably possible, receipts for all activities during a Season shall be turned into the Treasurer and filed in a reasonable manner to document the propriety of the costs incurred during the year. Records shall be retained for a period as required by statute.
- 3 FINANCIAL REPORTING: Annually the Treasurer shall prepare the financial records for the year for both summary reporting to the Board and membership as well as for statutory reports.

- 4 **PUBLIC ACCESS TO WCFBA RECORDS:** Pursuant to the requirements of non-profit organizations, the following records will be published for public access via the organization's website using commonly available document software formats (such as Adobe Reader PDF):
 - A. Annual Information Return (i.e. Form 990 or 990EZ) with all schedules and attachments or other supporting documentation filed with the IRS for each of the last three years.
 - B. Application for Tax Exempt Status (i.e. Form 1024) accompanied by all statements and supporting documentation filed with such form, plus correspondence from the IRS concerning the application.
 - C. Any other documents or filings the Board deem necessary to be in compliance with statutes governing non-profit corporations.
 - D. In addition to making these documents available via the website, WCFBA shall make public on its website an address by which inquiries for such documents can be made.
- 5 **MINUTES:** The Secretary shall retain minutes of each Board meeting. Such records shall be retained as required by statute.

VIII – LEAGUE STRUCTURE

- 1 **LEAGUE:** It is anticipated the League will function from March into October each year, generally playing once each weekend; but not necessarily every weekend. The Board shall set the League schedule based on field availability, anticipated Tournaments and other considerations deemed appropriate.
- 2 **TEAMS:** At the start of each annual League, the Commissioner shall establish teams to participate in the League and select the managers of the teams. Since an objective of WCFBA is to foster fellowship among members, the number of teams established should ideally result in more roster positions than Full-Time player sign-ups, making room for Pool players to participate on each team for each game.
- 3 **TYPES OF PLAYERS (Full-Time & Pool):** As indicated previously in these Bylaws, there are two classes of League players as defined herein:

Full-Time – These are members that sign up before the annual League begins with the intent to play in all or substantially all games during the League season. These players will be drafted to teams and be regular members of their respective team. As such they will be eligible to play in all of their team's scheduled games.

Pool – These are members unable to commit to be available for the vast majority of the League season and will sign up for individual dates or games as their schedules permit. Pool players are not guaranteed a spot on a roster on any given week. Pool player assignments shall generally be based on a first to sign up basis. Full-Time players are eligible to sign up for Pool player positions, but are generally eligible to play once all Pool players signing up for the week are placed on a roster. Full-Time players seeking to play as a Pool player may be given preference over Pool players based on limitations set forth by a Pool player and after giving consideration to the particular needs of a team seeking players to fill voids for missing Full-Time players.

- 4 **DRAFTING:** The Commissioner shall set the date of the annual draft session with sufficient notice to all team managers so they may plan to attend the draft. The Commissioner shall set up a draft process with the objective of the draft resulting in teams of substantially equal talent.
- 5 **MANAGER RESPONSIBILITIES:** Managers shall have as their main objective that players are safe while having fun playing and positive experiences when they play. Managers are responsible for notifying the pool player coordinator (a member in good standing appointed by the Commissioner) each week their team plays of who is missing from their team for the upcoming game. The pool player coordinator should assign pool players with as comparable skills as possible to Full-Time players unable to play in that game. Managers are also responsible for having rosters and defensive position assignments prepared prior to each game so there is no confusion and resulting delay in the game.
- 6 **PLAYER RESPONSIBILITIES:** Players are obligated to play within the rules as set forth by the League and should always keep in mind the objectives of WCFBA. Full-Time players must let their managers know their availability for each game so the manager may appropriately notify the pool player coordinator of the team's situation. Should Full-Time player repeatedly violate this principle, they may find themselves with limited or no playing time for games for which they have not confirmed their participation.
- 7 **UNIFORMS:** Initially the League will have teams wear uniforms similar to those worn by major league baseball teams as chosen by the Board. Should the League expand or there be interest among the membership to organize teams using uniforms of other major league teams or uniforms otherwise agreed to by the Board, the uniforms may change accordingly.
- 8 **GAME TIME:** Games will have a set time limit in order to control League costs of field rentals and fees paid to umpires. The Commissioner will establish game time limitations and the procedures to follow should a game be halted due to the time limit.
- 9 **INVITED OTHER TEAMS:** To enhance the WCFBA objectives, the Board may invite other similar organizations to participate in the League. Those organizations should be made aware of the objective of the League (to be safe and have fun playing baseball and foster fellowship) and encourage those organizations to bring teams with equalized talent among its teams attending the event. Participants from such other organizations will be required to provide the information in Section III.5.B & C. As with members, the Board shall have the right to consider any participant ineligible to participate in the League for failing to meet the guidelines in these Bylaws.

VIII – TEAM ADMINISTRATION - LEAGUE

- 1 **MANAGERS:** Managers are responsible for organizing their players so that all Full-Time and Pool players have a reasonable chance to play. Pool players should not be considered subordinate members of a team's roster. Managers are responsible for knowing the rules of the League and for ensuring that their team members are similarly familiar with the rules. Managers are also responsible for making sure the game proceeds without foreseeable delays, as the League desires to maximize playing time despite any game time limitations.
- 2 **DEFENSIVE PLAYING TIME:** Generally rosters will have more than nine participants. Managers should ensure that all members of a roster get reasonably equivalent playing time, regardless of being a Full-Time or Pool player. Of course specialty positions, such as pitcher or shortstop, may require

that some players get more playing time than others.

- 3 **FREE SUBSTITUTION:** Managers may rotate players in and out of the defense as they see fit. Once a player has played defense, he may sit out for any portion of the game and return to the game in any position the manager approves, within the rules set forth by the League.
- 4 **BATTING ORDER:** All members of a team's roster shall bat in the order set forth by the manager for any given game. The batting order is continuous and follows the same sequence throughout the game, unless a player becomes unable to continue to hit, in which case that position shall be skipped, but no out shall be recorded as a result of that player not being able to hit.

IX – TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

- 1 **ORGANIZATION:** The Commissioner shall arrange for Tournaments organized by WCFBA with other organizations similar to WCFBA during the course of the Season. Currently it is anticipated there may be several tournaments each year. However the number of Tournaments in any one Season will change as necessary due to field availability, volunteers available to manage Tournaments and many other considerations.
- 2 **PLANNING:** The Commissioner shall identify the desired annual Tournaments WCFBA shall host early in the year and identify volunteers (limited to members in good standing) to organize those Tournaments. One volunteer shall be designated the head of each Tournament (effectively Committee Chair) to organize the event. It is anticipated each Tournament will generally involve a three day weekend at various locations throughout California or other states. Each Tournament Chair may solicit help from other WCFBA members in good standing. Everyone participating in Tournament organization does so as a volunteer with no benefits, other than expecting to be able to play in the Tournament upon payment of the Tournament fee.
- 3 **RESPONSIBILITIES OF TOURNAMENT CHAIRS:** The responsibilities of each Tournament Chair shall be arranged between that person and the Commissioner, but probably includes (not limited to or obligated to be): Field rental, hotel arrangements, event banquet, cost forecast, establishing participant fee, etc. Additionally, the Tournament Chair is responsible to provide the Treasurer an accounting of the Tournament with sufficient information that the Treasurer can reasonably (in the opinion of the Treasurer) reflect the financial aspects of the Tournament in WCFBA financial records. The Tournament Chair is free to request help from volunteers, but should maintain overall management of the event.
- 4 **PARTICIPATION:** The Commissioner and Tournament Chair (of any one Tournament) shall announce that Tournament to the general membership of WCFBA and the other organizations asked to participate with sufficient time for players to respond to sign up for the Tournament. There shall be a deadline for signups; after which subsequent applications may be put on a waiting list or returned by the Tournament Chair – but should not be accepted with priority over an individual that met the deadline requirements. Signup for a Tournament requires an individual submit whatever signup form is required by the Tournament Chair, participation fee, and (if needed) any other paperwork necessary for the event (such as liability waiver for that Tournament's facility).
- 5 **TEAMS:** Once the Tournament Chair has received complete applications for WCFBA participants, teams shall be assigned for the event. The Tournament Chair and Commissioner shall assign WCFBA participants to WCFBA teams in the Tournament with the objective of fielding teams of substantially

equal talent. Anyone not assigned to a team shall have their applications fees returned to them.

- 6 **INVITED OTHER ORGANIZATIONS:** The Tournament Chair shall coordinate participation by the other organizations and arrange for the collection of Tournament fees from those organizations. Those organizations should be made aware of the objective of the event (to be safe while have fun playing baseball and fostering fellowship) and encourage those organizations to bring teams with equalized talent among its teams attending the event. Participants from such other organizations will be required to provide the information in Section III.5.B & D. As with BSFCBA members, the Board shall have the right to consider any participant ineligible to participate in Tournaments for failing to meet the guidelines in these Bylaws.
- 7 **TOURNAMENT RULES:** The Tournament Chair shall recommend, and the Commissioner approve, rules for each Tournament. Generally team administration and game rules should be similar to those of the League (see Sections VIII & XI).

X – PUBLIC AT WCFBA EVENTS

- 1 **GUESTS:** Guests of participants in League games or Tournaments and passer-bys are generally welcome to watch the games. They will be subject to the same rules of the facility and event and the same sanctions as the participating players.
- 2 **COST OF ADMISSION:** Guests wishing to watch games during the Season are welcome to do so at no charge, unless required by the facility for payment to the facility.

XI – GAME RULES

- 1 **RULES SET BY:** The Commissioner shall set the rules for the League and approve rules for WCFBA sponsored Tournaments.
- 2 **TYPES OF RULES:** The current rules of Major League Baseball will be used with various exceptions. The following are the type of exceptions to be considered (but not limited to these):
 - A. Modifications to minimize injury that might come from aggressive players (intentional collisions, decoy moves, sliding).
 - B. Demonstration of aggressiveness, poor sportsmanship, anger, abusive or foul language, and tempers shall not be tolerated.
 - C. Appropriate safety equipment is required to be worn by participants (batting helmets, catcher's gear, etc.).
 - D. Advancement by base runners (base stealing and passed balls) may be limited or modified.
 - E. Actions by Pitchers (pick off attempts, intentional walks, balks, limitations of innings pitched) may be limited or modified.
 - F. Pinch or Courtesy runners may be allowed in variation to MLB rules.

- 3 **ON-FIELD CONDUCT:** WCFBA is a recreational league, and as such, all players are required to adhere to the principles of good sportsmanship. Players engaging in abusive language or displays of anger which may endanger the safety of other players are subject to ejection at the discretion of the umpires, and subject to suspension at the discretion of the Board. Fighting will absolutely not be tolerated under any circumstances. Any players engaged in fighting at a WCFBA event before, during or after a game will immediately be ejected from a game, will be required to leave the playing field and the ballpark, and will be subject to a mandatory suspension to be determined by the Board. There will be no exceptions to this portion of the rule. This rule will apply not only to the baseball field itself, but to all surfaces and structures that are a part of the complex in which the field is situated.
- 4 **ALCOHOL:** Where required by rented facilities, no alcoholic beverages, and no drinking of such beverages, is permitted on the fields, surfaces, and structures upon which WCFBA plays baseball. This includes parking lots, picnic areas, gymnasiums, recreation buildings, et. al. Failure to comply with this rule will be cause for suspension for one year from WCFBA. This includes all WCFBA baseball activities (League play and Tournaments).
- 5 **DRESSING AND UNDESSING:** Dressing and undressing in the parking lots is discouraged and not permitted as required by rented facilities. Participants are expected to use rest rooms, locker rooms or, as a last resort, dugouts, if such need arises.
- 6 **NO SMOKING:** WCFBA encourages a smoke-free environment primarily so no one is subjected to second hand smoke. There is no smoking in or around the dugouts, or within reasonable proximity of other players or umpires anywhere on the playing field, bullpens, locker rooms or contiguous areas.

XII – DISSOLUTION

Should WCFBA ever dissolve, the Board shall arrange for the orderly cessation of activities, fulfillment or settlement of any remaining obligations and the distribution of any remaining assets. Pursuant to the WCFBA Articles of Incorporation as approved by the Secretary of State and required by the IRS for tax-exempt organizations, distribution of any remaining assets shall be to any qualifying non-profit organization(s). The Board shall select the qualified organization(s) from among those which are designated for the support of teaching and / or playing baseball among adults or children.

XIII – EFFECTIVE DATE

These Bylaws shall be effective immediately upon the incorporation of the WCFBA.