

CONSTITUTION

STEVENSVILLE YOUTH SOCCER A Non-Profit Organization

**Adopted May 20, 2008
Amended May 14, 2012
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ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the organization shall be known as Stevensville Youth Soccer (SYS).

ARTICLE II

MISSION

The mission of Stevensville Youth Soccer is to provide a safe, nurturing, family oriented environment for children to develop and enhance their spirit of teamwork and sportsmanship. We commit ourselves to promoting a healthy, active lifestyle for the youth of our community.

ARTICLE III

AFFILIATION

This organization shall be affiliated with the Soccer Association for Youth, USA, an Ohio corporation, and shall be governed by and shall comply with the principles, rules and regulations enunciated and decreed by the Soccer Association for Youth, USA.

ARTICLE IV

POWERS

This organization shall have the following powers in addition to the powers expressly or implicitly conferred on it by law: To make and enforce rules and regulations promulgated by the Soccer Association for Youth, USA, to which organization is subject. To enter into contracts and to hold and own property.

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP

Membership in this organization is by registered player, parent(s) or guardian(s) of registered players in good standing, approved coach registration and elected Board membership. All members of this organization shall abide by the Constitution, By-Laws, with all General Procedures and Specific Rules set forth by the Board of Directors and all applicable rules and regulations set forth by SAY. Failure to follow this direction may result in loss of good standing.

ARTICLE VI

GOVERNING BODY

The governing body of the organization shall be the Board of Directors. Said Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and management of the organization, as it may deem proper, that are not in conflict with the rules and regulations of the Soccer Association for Youth, USA. The Board of Directors shall consist of the following:

Officers – President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar

Directors – Coaching/Referee, Equipment, Fields, Publicity/Fundraising, Purchasing

Representatives

ARTICLE VII

ELECTION

The Election of the Board of Directors shall be by the membership and shall be conducted at a meeting called by the presiding Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall appoint a nominating task force at least one month before the elections meeting. The nominating task force will develop a slate of candidates for elections to the new Board of Directors.

Each registered head coach, parent/guardian of a registered player in good standing, and director in good standing shall be entitled to one vote. Proxy votes are not allowed. The President shall cast a vote only in the case of a tie.

Election to the Board of Directors will be at the annual meeting. Ballots will be given to all members present. Candidates elected shall take office as soon as they are voted in. Board member terms are for one (1) year with no term limits.

Officers will be elected from the Board of Directors by the Board of Directors. The Officer's term will begin at the end of the meeting.

Vacancies in the Board of Directors shall be filled by a vote of the majority of the remaining members of the Board of Directors for the balance of the year.

ARTICLE VIII

MEETINGS AND QUORUM

The annual meeting of this organization shall be held in the month of November each year at a time and place that will encourage maximum member participation. Notification of this meeting will be provided to all members at least fifteen (15) days prior to the meeting.

Regular meetings of this organization shall be held monthly at a location that shall be designated and noticed 30 days prior to the meeting.

The presence of four (4) members shall constitute a quorum and shall be necessary to conduct the business of this organization. If necessary, members may attend the meeting via phone or other electronic communication to constitute a quorum.

Special meetings of this organization may be called by the president when he/she deems it for the best interest of the organization.

At all meetings, except for the election of officers and directors, all votes shall be by voice. For election of officers, votes may be made either by voice or by ballot and there shall not appear any place on such ballot that might tend to indicate the person who cast such ballot.

To expedite decisions, motions may be voted on via Email where a written record can be reconstructed. A quorum of four (4) votes shall be met. Email votes will be ratified at the next meeting.

Meetings shall be run by the President or his/her designate in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE IX

REMOVAL

Any Board member may be removed at any time for actions that are deemed detrimental to this organization. Removal shall be by two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE X

AMENDMENTS

This Constitution may be altered, amended, repealed or added to by two-thirds (2/3) affirmative vote of the Board of Directors. Any such amendments shall be presented at one meeting and voted on at a subsequent meeting. The vote shall be by a show of hands.