

CONSTITUTION COPIAH COUNTY SOCCER

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the organization shall be known as Copiah County Soccer.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

To provide for the children of the Copiah County Mississippi , a quality soccer program involving as many members of the community as possible, in affiliation with the Soccer Association for Youth, USA. To develop and encourage sportsmanship among its members and players for the betterment of their physical and social wellbeing.

ARTICLE III

AFFILIATION

This association 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 association shall have the following powers in addition 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 association is subject. To enter into contracts and to hold and own property.

ARTICLE V

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is, as usually defined, any parent or legal guardian who has a child registered in a Copiah County Soccer program and any coach, assistant coach or league official, regardless of whether he/she has a child in the program. Membership is entitled to one vote in the election of the officers of the association.

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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

District Representatives – One from each District within Area

Directors – Referees, Scheduling, Publicity, Equipment, Fields

Division Coordinators – Pre-School (U6), Passers (U8), Wings (U10), Strikers (U12), Kickers (U14), Minors (U16), Seniors (U19)

ARTICLE VII

ELECTION

The Officers of the organization shall be elected by the membership and shall be the Executive Committee. The balance of the Board of Directors shall be appointed by said Executive Committee. No two members of the same family shall be members of the Executive Committee. The Past-President may sit on the Board as an advisor in a non-voting capacity. Officers, Representatives, Directors, or Coordinators must be present to vote and must be present to cast a vote. A candidate does not have to be present to be voted on as long as they have explicitly given permission to an existing Board member.

The Election of the Officers shall be by the membership and shall be conducted at least once per year during the last quarter of the year. A representative of the Board of Directors shall notify all active members of the association via email or social media post on the official association electronic page about the meeting. Members may nominate candidates for elections to the new Board of Directors via email to the association. Nominees must be contacted and respond, in writing, as to their intentions prior to the election meeting.

Nominee's names shall be shared via email or social media post with the membership. Election will be at the last meeting of the fiscal year. Ballots will be

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given to all members present. Candidates elected shall take office at the close of the election meeting.

Representatives, Directors, and Coordinators will be elected by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII

MEETINGS AND QUORUM

Meetings of the association will be conducted at a minimum of once per quarter for a minimum of four (4) meetings per year. All meetings shall be conducted according to "Roberts Rules of Order" and must have at least 50% of the Board of Directors present to conduct business (Quorum). If the quorum is not met, the meeting shall be rescheduled.

ARTICLE IX

REMOVAL

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

The association shall follow the due process guidelines established by Soccer Association for Youth, USA. And documented in the Administrator's Handbook updated in 2014.

ARTICLE X

AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) majority (provided a quorum is met) affirmative vote of the Board. Any such amendments shall be presented at one meeting and voted on at a subsequent time within thirty (30) days after said meeting. The vote shall be by a show of hands. 🏆