

## **OBX Baseball League Constitution**

Article I —The name of this league (or corporation, or organization, or association) shall be OBX Baseball League.

Article II —The purpose for which this league is organized is to develop and operate a baseball program in affiliation with Tar Heel Leagues, Inc., in conformity with and pursuant to the principles, rules and regulations enunciated by said Tar Heel Leagues, Inc., in conjunction with such purposes, the objective of this league (or corporation, or organization, or association) is that, through the medium of a supervised, competitive baseball program, guided and governed by said Tar Heel Leagues, Inc., this league (or corporation, or organization, or association) will seek to implant in the youth of the community ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and reverence, so they may be finer, stronger and happier youth who will grow to be good, clean, healthy adults.

Article III—This league shall be affiliated with Tar Heel Leagues, Inc., and shall be governed by, and shall comply with the principles, rules and regulations enunciated and decreed by Tar Heel Leagues, Inc..

Article IV—The principal operations of this league shall be in Dare County, North Carolina, but may extend into such areas as provided for by the State and Regional rules and regulations.

Article V —This league shall have the following powers in addition to the powers expressly or implicitly conferred on it by law.

A. To make and enforce rules and regulations to govern itself on a local basis, but consistent with and not contrary to any rules and regulations promulgated by Tar Heel Leagues, Inc., or by the Regional, or State echelons of said Tar Heel Leagues, Inc., to which this league (or corporation, or organization, or association) is subject.

B. To solicit contributions, engage in league fundraisers & enter into contracts.

Article VI – This league shall be operated by a Board of Directors. There shall be no fewer than 10 and no more than 20 directors to include (5) officer positions - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, PIO, Past President & At-Large. Directors and officers shall be nominated by an existing board member, their appointment requires the approval of the board of directors. Directors and officers shall serve a (2) year term beginning January 1.

Article VII - Standing Committees will be established by the board to assist in league planning and management. Those committees shall be:

- A. Equipment/Uniforms Committee – 2 member minimum
- B. Rules Committee – 3 member minimum, to include President and/or Vice president
- C. Fundraising Committee – 3 member minimum
- D. Fields and Facilities Committee – 2 member minimum
- E. Concessions Committee – 2 member minimum
- F. Coaches Committee – 3 member minimum

Article X— Board of directors shall meet no less than 6 times per year to include (1) annual meeting where director and officer positions will be filled. A quorum of 50% of the board is required for all meetings.

Article XI— Any amendments to the league constitution shall be presented at a regularly scheduled board meeting. The adoption of any amendment shall require the approval of the majority of the board.

## OBX Baseball League By-Laws

- Article I. A Board Of Directors shall manage OBX Baseball League. The board shall be made up of 11 elected directors to include (5) officer positions - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Past President. The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and the management of the league as it may deem proper that are not in conflict with Tar Heel Leagues, Inc. Rules and Regulations.
- Article II. Officers are responsible to perform duties as described below. Officer nominations shall be presented by a current board member. Approval of the nomination is required by a majority of the board. Officer terms shall be no less than (1) year. Officer positions shall be filled and will commence at the annual meeting. Special elections will be held to fill officer seats vacated prior to the (1) year term at the board meeting immediately following the vacancy. Officers may be nominated to serve consecutive terms.
- I. PRESIDENT. The League President shall perform the following duties:
    - a. Preside at all league meetings.
    - b. Assume full responsibility for the operation of the local league.
    - c. Responsible for ensuring proper accident and liability insurance coverage is in place for the protection of the league players and volunteers. Completes insurance applications, maintains records of injuries and incidents, and is also responsible for filing claims with the insurance companies.
    - d. See that league adheres to the rules, regulations and policies of Tar Heel Leagues, Inc., and any local rules.
    - e. Ensure charter application, continuation form and/or any league affiliation documents are submitted to Tar Heel Leagues, Inc. headquarters.
    - f. Review finances with Treasurer and be one of the "two signatures" required to sign checks.
    - g. Responsible for coordination of annual league registration.
  - II. VICE PRESIDENT. In the absence or disability of the President, the Vice President shall perform all the duties of the President.
  - III. SECRETARY. Records the minutes of meetings. The secretary is also responsible for sending out notice of regular and special meetings, maintaining an official record of the league's activities, notifying all officers of election and the names of newly elected members of the Board and performing such other duties as this office may require. The secretary shall also maintain all local rules established by the board and/or Rules Committee.
  - IV. TREASURER. Signs checks, (should be one of the "two signatures" required), dispenses league funds as approved by league officers, reports on the status of league funds, keeps financial records, prepares budget and assumes the responsibility for all local league finances.
  - V. PAST PRESIDENT. To attend/engage in league meetings and assist board as needed.
- Article II. Standing Committees will be established by the board to assist in league planning and management. Those committees shall be:
- I. Equipment/Uniforms Committee – 2 member minimum, responsible for management of league equipment, team gear bags and ordering of seasonal team uniforms.
  - II. Rules Committee – 3 member minimum, to include President and/or Vice president. Responsible for review of all league and local rules and management of all league protests and disputes. Modification of

any league or local rule shall be presented to the board by the rules committee and requires majority approval of the board.

- III. Fundraising Committee – 2 member minimum, responsible for league fundraising activities.
- IV. Fields and Facilities Committee – 3 members minimum, responsible for management of league practice and game fields and concession/press box buildings. Will train coaches on pre-game field preparation.
- V. Concessions Committee – 2 member minimum, responsible for management of concession stands and ordering of food & drink.
- VI. Coaches Committee – 3 members minimum, to include President and/or Vice President, responsible for approval of all league head coaches and league all-star coaches and management of any player transfer requests submitted by the Player Agent Official. Coordinate ongoing coach training sessions.
- VII. Nominating Committee
- VIII. Such other committees as may be determined necessary and established by a majority vote of board members
- IX. Publicity Committee – 2 persons minimum. Responsible for social media, Website and all other sources of league communication.

Article III. Appointed Officials - The following officials will be appointed by a majority vote of the board.

- I. Player Agent: Supervises coordination of annual skills day (try out) events, presides at player selection meetings, recommends transfer of players to Coaches Committee.
- II. Umpire In Chief: Coordinate and supervise the league's umpires and be responsible for the following duties: 1. Assign umpires to all league games. 2. Coordinate clinics on rules and field positions. 3. Be responsible for notifying umpires of cancellations. 4. Recruit new umpires. 5. Be responsible for proper dress and conduct of all umpires. 6. Be sure all umpires know proper local league rules and protest procedures.

Article IV. Annual skills day/try out and player draft. This league shall hold an annual skills day in effort to rate player skill levels and build teams with similarly skilled players. Skills day will be coordinated by the Player Agent where activities will include various throwing, fielding and hitting stations. Players will be graded (A, B, C) by coaches appointed by the Player Agent and/or Board. Once skills day has been completed, player grades will be turned into, reviewed and approved by the Player Agent and Coaches Committee. Once all player grades are approved, the player agent will operate the annual draft that will take place as follows:

- I. A maximum of 2 optioned players may be chosen by each team. Optioned players are typically those family members or close relatives of the Head and/or Assistant Coach.
- II. "A" graded players will be distributed to each team in a 'blind' rotation. "B" graded players will be distributed to each team in a 'blind' rotation. Any team(s) that received less "A" graded players than another shall receive an additional "B" graded player. "C" graded players will be distributed to each team in a 'blind' rotation.

Article V. Game scheduling will be managed by the President and Publicity Committee. The season schedule shall be approved by a majority of the board before implementation.

Article VI. Game protests. In the event of protest, the following must occur:

- I. Notice that the game is being played under protest must be filed with the Head Umpire by the Manager immediately at the time of the disputed decision and before the next pitched ball to the batter or next play.

- II. Written report setting forth all the facts of the protest must be filed with the League President within forty-eight (48) hours of the date of the protest.
- III. Rules committee shall review all protests.

Article IV. Tar Heel Leagues, Inc. Rules and Regulations and those Rules and regulations, duly established by the respective state and provincial organizations, are to be considered binding on this league. Local rules, as approved by the board, shall also be recognized by the league.

Article V. "Roberts Rules of Order" shall be the parliamentary authority on all matters not covered by the Constitution and By-Laws of this league.

Article VI. Any amendments to league by laws shall be presented at a regularly scheduled board meeting. The adoption of any amendment shall require the approval of the majority of the board.

Article VII. Order of Business for all meetings.

- I. Call to Order - by the presiding Officer
- II. Roll Call - by the Secretary
- III. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, by the Secretary. Followed by the necessary questions and a vote for acceptance of the Minutes.
- IV. Treasurer's Report
- V. Reports of Committees
- VI. Unfinished Business
- VII. New Business
- VIII. Adjournment