

Bylaws of the Sarpy County Soccer League

Section I. Organization – Sarpy County Soccer League

Article I. Board of Directors

- 1.1** - The Board of Directors of the Sarpy County Soccer League (SCSL) shall represent the League between meetings of the League. The Directors shall serve from July 1 through June 30, for a period of two years and shall be elected at the annual SCSL meeting in June. Officers of the Board, elected by the members of the SCSL, shall also conduct the SCSL meetings.
- 1.2** – Balloting for election of Board of Directors shall be at the annual meeting in June by incumbent Board members and by SCSL members with voting rights as defined by the SCSL Constitution.
- 1.3** – The President shall appoint a nominating committee during April. The nominating committee will seek out qualified candidates to fill Board vacancies during the coming year. The nominating committee shall have the duty to ascertain from each nominee that, if elected, he or she is willing to serve. The nominating committee will report its results at a meeting of the Board in May. Nominations from the floor may be made during elections of Board members during the annual meeting, with the provision that persons nominated from the floor either shall be present and affirm their willingness to serve if elected, or shall have stated their intentions in writing and this intention shall be presented to the President at the time the nomination is made.
- 1.4** – Vacancies occurring in any Board position shall have a nominee presented by the President to the Board for approval at the next regular meeting. If the Board fails to approve the nominee, the President shall continue with another nominee until a successor satisfactory to the Board is confirmed.
- 1.5** – Minutes of each Board meeting shall be recorded by the Secretary and copies made available for distribution at the next regular meeting. The minutes shall be reviewed by the Board and members for accuracy prior to acceptance and a complete set of minutes shall be preserved as part of the League’s records.
- 1.6** – Board members are expected to be regular in attendance at SCSL meetings. The Secretary will notify the Board of Directors when a Board member is not present at two (2) consecutive meetings without adequate reason. The office will then be declared vacant and filled as outlined in Section 1.4 above.

1.7 – Robert’s Rules of Order Revised shall apply to the conduct of business at all Board meetings.

1.8 – The fiscal year shall be the seasonal year.

1.9 – Duties of Officers:

1.9.1 – President: The duties of the President shall include the following:

- a.) Operate and preside over the League.
- b.) Establish the agenda and preside over all meetings.
- c.) Enforce the constitution, bylaws, and such rules and regulations that may be enacted by the League.
- d.) Call such meetings as herein provided to be called.
- e.) Cast a deciding vote on all issues at any meeting of the League.
- f.) Appoint all committees subject to approval by the League.
- g.) Appoint individuals to fill officer and Board of Director vacancies with approval of the Board.
- h.) Make an annual report to the general membership.
- i.) Perform such duties as the Board of Directors may direct.

1.9.2 – Vice President: The duties of the Vice-President shall include the following:

- a.) Perform the duties of the President in the event of the latter’s absence or disability.
- b.) Preside as chairman of the Nominating Committee.
- c.) Serve as an ex officio member, with vote, of all committees pertaining to his/her area of responsibility.

1.9.3 – Secretary: The duties of the Secretary shall include the following:

- a.) Attend, keep and publish the minutes of all meetings.
- b.) Give proper notice of all meetings, regular or special, if the latter, give the nature of the business.
- c.) Sign all documents requiring the signature of the Secretary.
- d.) In the absence of the President and Vice-President chair meetings of the Board.
- e.) Perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of the Secretary.

1.9.4 – Treasurer: The duties of the Treasurer shall include the following:

- a.) Keep detailed accounts of all receipts and payments concerning SCSL.
- b.) Provide monthly and annual financial reports as directed by the President or Board.
- c.) Assist the President in preparing an annual budget (fall and spring seasons).
- d.) Dispense funds for payment of all authorized debts.
- e.) Perform such other duties as usually pertain to the office of the Treasurer.

Article II. Operating Officers

2.1 – The Operating Officers, hereafter called the Soccer Executive Committee, shall conduct the ordinary business of the SCSL and administer the soccer league in accordance with these bylaws, rules and policies. The Soccer Executive Committee will be comprised of the Board of Directors, the Standing Committee Members, and Club Representatives. The SCSL is administered through the collective efforts of the Executive Committee.

2.2 – Standing Committee Members: The following Standing Committee Members will be appointed by the Board of Directors –

2.2.1 – Scheduler: The duties of the Scheduler shall include the following:

- a.) Schedule and coordinate all official play within the SCSL.
- b.) Establish the season's Start and End dates with Board approval.
- c.) Reschedule official games as required.
- d.) Notify and provide Club Representatives with "Team Registration" dates and link to register teams.
- e.) Perform other duties as usually pertains to the Scheduler.

2.2.2 – Referee Assignor: The Referee Assignor shall be provided by Clubs playing in the SCSL. The duties of the Referee Assignor shall include the following:

- a.) Assign all referees for games played under the jurisdiction of the SCSL.
- b.) Serve as a liaison between SCSL and the Nebraska State Referee Administrator (NSRA).
- c.) Serve as a member of the Grievance/Protest Committee dealing with questions on the Laws of the Game and other matters pertaining to officiating.
- d.) Perform other duties as usually pertains to the Referee Assignor.

2.2.3 – NSSA Representative: The Nebraska State Soccer Association (NSSA) Representative and/or alternate shall represent SCSL at the NSSA Annual General Meeting and other meetings as necessary.

2.2.4 – Recording Secretary: The Board of Director Secretary shall be the Recording Secretary and keep a written record of all matters discussed and decisions made at the Soccer Executive Committee meetings.

2.2.5 – Finance: The Finance member of the Soccer Executive Committee shall be the person elected Treasurer of the Board of Directors.

2.2.6 – Rules and Discipline: The President of the Board of Directors shall be responsible for the interpretation of the Bylaws, Rules and Policies of the SCSL.

2.2.7 – Club Representatives: The Club Representative shall serve as the point of contact with the SCSL. When the Club Representative is present the alternate does not have a vote.

Article III. Committees

- 3.1- Rules Committee:** The Soccer Executive Committee shall be responsible for all proposed rule changes and determine if the proposals are in order and will not conflict with the rules of FIFA, USSF, USYSA and NSSA.
- 3.2 – Nomination Committee:** A Nomination Committee shall be appointed by the President in April of each year. The Vice- President shall chair the Committee. The Committee shall nominate a slate of candidates for each Board of Directors position that will be opening that year.

Article IV. Referees

- 4.1 –** Referees participating in U9 and older games involving SCSL teams shall be certified and registered with the USSF and shall be subject to supervision and discipline by NSSA and/or the NSRA.
- 4.2 –** Referee fees will be in accordance with NSSA approved pay scales. The Board of Directors shall agree on fees for referees not covered by NSSA pay scale.

Article V. Responsibility of Officials, Clubs, Parents, and Players

- 5.1 –** Every member and official of a club directly affiliated with SCSL is a member thereof. Each shall be held responsible for any breach of the rules of SCSL committed by said members, provided that it can be shown that they are connected with perpetration of the offense.
- 5.2 –** A debt of any member club, organization or person which is owed to SCSL shall be payable no later than seven (7) calendar days after the date that the sum is declared payable and, if in default of payment, the debtor shall be suspended without further action.

Section II. Team Registration, Competition, and Scheduling

Article VI. Seasonal Year and Team Registration

- 6.1 –** The seasonal year for purposes of registering teams shall begin on July 1st of each year and end on June 30th of the following year. Teams shall be registered at such times as the SCSL Scheduler determines.
- 6.2 – Registration:** All players and teams affiliated with voting members of SCSL must be registered with NSSA each seasonal year and must abide by the rules and regulations of both SCSL and NSSA.
- 6.3 – Age Divisions:** The Board of Directors shall publish on the SCSL website the age groups offered by the SCSL. All teams must abide by USSF and NSSA regulations determining a player's playing age.

Article VII. Competition

7.1 – Competition with teams registered with NSSA and with teams affiliated with the USSF is permitted without approval from NSSA.

Article VIII. Scheduling

8.1 – Each Fall and Spring season the SCSL will make every effort to provide 8 games per team conditions permitting. The Board of Directors will determine if a refund is appropriate to member Clubs for un-played games on a case by case basis.

8.2 – Rescheduling Games: Information on rescheduling games will be published on the SCSL website.

Section III. Rules

Article IX. Rules of Play

9.1 – SCSL will follow the rules of the game of soccer as promulgated by the Federation International de Football Association, as modified by the United States Soccer Federation, the United States Youth Soccer Association, and the Nebraska State Soccer Association.

Adopted by a majority vote of the Sarpy County Soccer League Members this day of .

1. President:

2. Secretary:
