### DIESEL ATHLETICS BYLAWS

# ARTICLE I PURPOSE

### 1.1 Objective

The object of Diesel Athletics, Inc. (The League or The Organization) is to inspire youth to practice the ideals of good health, citizenship and character. To bring youth closer together through means of common interest and the love of the game, to teach children the fundamentals of baseball and softball, sportsmanship, fair play and teamwork.

### 1.2 Nonprofit Status

This organization is organized exclusively for charitable purpose within the meaning of section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Diesel Athletics is a non- profit corporation.

### **1.3 Not permitted Activities**

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by an organization exempt from Federal income tax as an organization described in section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding section of any future federal tax code).

# ARTICLE II ORGANIZATION

### 2.1 Boundaries

The League shall provide baseball and softball programs for students of, but not limited to, the Bartholomew County School District and to provide the ideals of good sportsmanship and integrity in all aspects of the program.

### 2.2 Rules of Operation

The league shall operate under the rules and guidelines of Indiana United States Sports Association (USSSA)

# ARTICLE III GOVERNMENT

### 3.1 Board

The government of the League shall be under the supervision of the Board. This Board shall have a membership of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and one member at large.

# 3.2 Board Duties

The Board will be the precipice of the board, being the primary leaders. The Board will have the power to overturn any decisions if such accords have negative results affecting the league. All board members are to be engaged in the annual evaluation process. The board will not determine teams for each age group, but they will be ensure the process is fair across all teams.

# 3.3 Term and Elections

The aforementioned Board shall be elected annually for a one-year term. Elections will be held in November of each year. Any member of the board can be removed by a majority vote (more than half) for any reason deemed necessary.

### 3.4 Board Vacancies

Any openings occurring in either board through resignation or dismissal shall be filled at the next scheduled board meeting, either by nomination of a new member, or by assigning a current board member to serve in the interim until a new member is found. The new member or interim board member will be decided by a majority vote of the League members present. If the President is to leave the board before their term is complete, the Vice President will fulfill the duties of the President for the remainder of the term.

# **3.5 Board Position Descriptions**

# 1. President:

- Presides over regularly scheduled meetings.
- Prepares Agenda for Meetings with input of all board members.
- Delegates duties and organizes committees as he or she deems necessary.
- Offers support to all members of the board.
- Administers coach selection process.

- Represents the League in the community as the face of the league.
- Arrange and schedule a photographer for team photos for the league.
- The President is authorized to disburse league monies in the treasurer's absence.
- The President is a voting position.

# 2. Vice-President:

- Assists the President in all areas of responsibility.
- Presides over meetings in the absence of the President.
- Oversees all player activity, including addressing any formal request or complaint from a player's parent or guardian.
- Handles all league complaints.
- Oversees the Uniform committee.
- The Vice President is a voting position.

# 3. Secretary:

• Takes accurate minutes at all regularly scheduled meetings.

• Distributes copies of minutes to all Board members prior to the next scheduled meeting, makes any changes if needed. Minutes must be approved by the board at the next scheduled meeting.

- Takes Attendance at meetings and determines voting eligibility of members.
- Compares bank statement to treasurer's report from each meeting. Addresses any discrepancies during next meeting.
- The Secretary is a voting position.

# 4. Treasurer:

• Keeps accurate records of all money transactions.

• Prepares budget at the beginning of each fiscal year (August). Budget should be voted on and passed by the board before any League monies are spent. Any League money over \$1000 that is not budgeted requires a majority vote (more than half) before being spent.

• Responsible for all disbursement of Association money.

• Submits a financial report to the Board at each regularly scheduled meeting that includes, at minimum: beginning balance (from the previous meeting), itemized summary of all income, itemized summary of all expenses, and current balance. A current bank statement should be available for board review.

- Responsible for timely filing taxes each year and/or submitting them to be filed.
- The Treasurer is a voting position.

#### 5. Member At Large:

- Assists with any duties delegated to them by the president.
- Offers support to board members.
- A Member at Large is a voting position.

### 3.7 Background Checks:

All Board Members will be background checked.

# ARTICLE IV MEETINGS AND VOTING

### 4.1 Meeting Types

There shall be two types of meetings: the Board and the Coaches. In the Board meeting, Board members only shall be present. Any additional parties to any parts of Board meetings are at the discretion of the Board. Coaches meetings are open to anyone that is currently listed as a head coach or assistant coach within the Diesel program. Monthly meetings shall be considered Board meetings. Coaches meetings will be held on a quarterly basis.

# 4.2 Majority Vote

A majority of the Board members must be present for any vote to be constituted. Majority is defined as 4 of 5 of the current board. A meeting can take place without a minimum, however, no transaction of business shall be taken without a majority vote. Board members who are not present are not allowed to vote, unless by written vote (an emailed statement sent to the entire board expressing their views and how they would like to vote). Written votes could only be done for items listed on the agenda that an absent voter would know about prior to the meeting taking place. For matters that require a vote which cannot wait until the next board meeting, a vote may be taken by email and would require response from at least two thirds of all members. If a vote results in a tie, the president shall cast the tie breaking vote.

### 4.3 Meeting Order

The issues at hand shall dictate all meetings. Board members are free to express opinions and vote on issues intended to govern any aspect of the League as deemed necessary. The Board meetings shall have, but are not limited to, the following format:

- Meeting Called to Order
- Roll Call
- Report of Secretary
- Treasurer's Report
- Report of any members who are on agenda
- Resolution of Outstanding Business
- New Business
- Questions and Answers
- Next Meeting Date Confirmation
- Adjournment

### 4.4 Not included in By-Laws

For any rules not outlined in the by-laws, decisions will be made by majority vote of board members.

### 4.5 Attendance

Board members are expected to attend all board meetings. If a board member does not attend at least two of the last three scheduled meetings at any time, a vote must be taken on whether termination is just.

### ARTICLE V AMENDMENTS

### 5.1 Amendments

Amendments can be made to the by-laws at any time by majority vote. The purpose of the organization cannot be amended.

# ARTICLE VI DISSOLUTION

### 6.1 Dissolution

Upon dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax-code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.