

FARGO ALL CITY YOUTH HOCKEY LEAGUE, INC.

BYLAWS

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Article I

Philosophy and Purpose

The purpose of Fargo All City Youth Hockey League, Inc., (FACYH) is to provide structure, organization and financial management of Fargo All City Youth Hockey League, Inc. youth hockey program. FACYH is dedicated to the principles of fair play and good sportsmanship and to the development of character in hockey players. We believe that players will have fun if each player has the opportunity to develop hockey skills to the best of his/her ability. It is the goal of this organization to teach the game of hockey and to instill in players the virtues necessary to achieve success. Therefore, it is the intent of the program that every player on a team must be given an opportunity to develop and improve hockey skills.

FACYH is organized as a non-profit, tax exempt corporation incorporated and operated under the laws of the State of North Dakota. FACYH will also cooperate with and abide by the rules of USA Hockey and the North Dakota Amateur Hockey Association (NDAHA).

Article II

Membership

All memberships shall be annual and run from registration to the next registration. Membership in FACYH shall entitle the member to one vote and be granted to:

1. Any parent, step parent, or legal guardian of any FACYH registered hockey player upon registration for that year,
2. Any active FACYH Board (Board) member,
3. Any coach or assistant coach that is on the Board's approved list of coaches set at the beginning of each hockey season,

Article III

FACYH Board

FACYH Board shall consist of all the officers and directors as defined in Article III. The officers of FACYH shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President, Vice President and Treasurer shall be qualified to be bonded. The signature of the President or the Vice President shall be required to validate checks and/or other disbursements of funds of amounts as determined by the Board for purposes as may be authorized by the Board.

Directors and Officers

The number of directors shall be no less than five and no more than twenty. A representative may be appointed by the board of the Angels, Flyers, Patriots and Raiders and they will retain a position on the board as long as their respective organization does not have termite, mite or girls teams and must attend a majority of the meetings. All directors except from the Park District, Angels, Flyers, Patriots and Raiders shall be elected by a majority of the members voting for a term of two years with one half of all directors and officers being elected on alternate years. Elections shall be held at the Annual meeting with terms to commence on the following first day of May. In the event a vacancy occurs in any office other than the president, the Board shall appoint a person to finish out the term of the vacancy. In the event of the vacancy of the president, the vice-president shall serve out the remaining term of the president. In the event that the vice president is not able to serve out the remaining term of the president, a special election will be held by FACYH with a majority of the members voting to elect the person to serve the remainder of the term.

Any necessary increase or decrease in the number of directors shall be approved by a majority of the Board. A special vote will be held to elect the person to serve as the new director(s) at the next membership meeting by a majority of the members voting. The term will expire at the next annual meeting. Any decrease in the number of directors will take effect at the next annual meeting.

Board members may be removed from office by the following procedure:

1. A written motion to remove shall be made at a membership or Board meeting to remove a specific Board member.
2. The president shall appoint, at that time, an ad hoc committee to investigate the charges.
3. The committee shall make its report to FACYH, at a special meeting called within 15 days of the motion.
4. A two-thirds vote of the members of the board is required to remove a Board member.

Powers of the Board

The Board shall exercise all of the powers of the corporation in the management of the business and affairs, as it deems best for the interests of the corporation. In addition, the Board shall set the policies of the corporation and shall have the power to make any final decisions regarding said policies subject to the Referendum action outlined below. The Board shall have the authority to approve bills and authorize payment.

Referendum

Any member of FACYH can require a vote on any issue if the following requirements are met:

1. Create a written petition which states the issue to be decided;
2. Presenting the petition and signatures at the next membership meeting at which the Board will discuss the issue and establish a date within 30 days for a special vote of the membership.

A majority of the members voting at the special meeting will determine the issue. The Board will implement the issue as decided upon by the vote.

President

The president shall preside at all general membership meetings and meetings of the Board. He/she shall take direct charge and assume responsibility in the supervision of the business and the direction of the organization. He/she shall have the power to form new committees that may from time to time be authorized by the Board and become necessary in the execution of his/her duty as president. He/she shall be ex-officio member of all standing committees. In the event of a deadlock in the voting by any committee or the Board, he/she shall have the power to cast the deciding vote. In general, the president shall perform all duties usually incident to the office of president. The president of FACYH shall also have the power of signature on any and all checking and savings accounts in the name of FACYH.

Vice President

The vice president shall have such power and perform such duties as may be specified by the president. He/she should become familiar with the various standing committees and offices of this organization. He/she should become familiar with the rules and regulations of FACYH, Roberts Rules of Order and NDAHA. If for any reason the President cannot fulfill his/her duties, the vice president shall succeed to and perform the duties of the president. The vice president shall be this organization's representative.

Secretary

The secretary shall keep an accurate record of the proceedings of the Board and the membership meetings. He/she shall maintain a typewritten account of said meetings in the secretary's minute book, which is available to FACYH and the Board. It shall be the secretary's duty to handle all correspondence relevant to this organization.

Treasurer

The treasurer shall keep accurate financial records for the corporation, provide a monthly account of transactions and of the financial condition of the corporation and prepare all disbursements for signature. The treasurer is also responsible for the overall compilation of the annual budget. The treasurer will cooperate with and provide documentation and records for the annual tax return and financial review as necessary.

Article IV

Meetings

A majority of the number of Board Members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings of FACYH. All issues voted upon by the Board shall be decided by a majority of the votes cast by the officers and directors present.

Annual Meeting

The April Membership Meeting will serve as the Annual Meeting. At the annual meeting, elections of all open Board positions will be held. Nominations for open positions will be accepted and placed on the ballot by the Secretary up to ten business days prior to said meeting. Write-ins will be accepted at the time of the vote. Each member shall cast one vote for each candidate and all elections will be decided by a majority of votes cast. Eligibility of voting may be challenged at any time for a show of proper credentials. The member must be present to vote.

Board Meetings

A meeting of the Board can be called at anytime by the President and/or on request of any two Board members as necessary to act on any special issue that requires immediate attention prior to the next membership meeting. Results of any Board meeting will be discussed in detail at the next membership meeting. Notice of the date, time, location and purpose of Board Meetings will be sent to all Board Members a minimum of three days prior to said meeting.

Special Meetings

A Special Meeting of FACYH may be called at anytime by the President, a majority of the Board or by a signed petition of any fifty members.

Article V

Amendments

These "By Laws" may be amended by a 2/3 majority of the members voting at any meeting of FACYH. Written notice of the proposed amendment must be sent to all members at a minimum of 10 days prior to said meeting.

Policies and Procedures

The Operating Policies and Procedures will be provided to all members annually. These policies and procedures will be consistent with the By Laws of this corporation and will govern the day to day activity of FACYH. As stated in Article III (Power of the Board), the Board shall set the policies of this corporation. All amendments to these policies and procedures must be sent to the members no later than 30 days after such changes.

Rules of Order

The rules contained in Roberts Rules of Order as revised, shall govern this Corporation in all cases in which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these By Laws.