

Kewanee Athletics By-Laws
Kewanee Athletics Travel Baseball
A Non-Profit Organization

Dated 08/08/2015

Amended _____

Article I: NAME:

The name of this Organization shall be the Kewanee Athletics, herein referred to as “Kewanee A's.”

Article II: PURPOSE

The Kewanee Athletics is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations described under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The Kewanee Athletics provide opportunities for all players exhibiting the skills, attitude and desire to play competitive baseball and to promote the growth of baseball skills for all levels of competition for Kewanee and the surrounding communities. The development of sportsmanship, teamwork, honesty, good character, courage, respect for authority, and physical fitness are the organization’s priorities.

Article III: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section A: Governing Body

The Kewanee Athletics organization shall be governed by a Board of Directors (Board) consisting of the following members:

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary/Treasurer
4. Two at-large members of the community

Section B: Authority of the Board

The Board members shall be responsible for the administration of the Kewanee Athletics. The Board, by majority vote, unless otherwise specified by these By-laws, shall have full authority to direct the actions of the Organization and all baseball teams in a manner consistent with these By-laws.

Section C: Vacated Offices

In the event that a Board member cannot serve their full term, the remaining Board members shall nominate, elect, and appoint an individual who shall serve.

Section D: Involuntary Termination of Office

The appointment of any Board member, Administrative Officer or other Organization official shall be terminated when the Board, by a majority vote (excluding only the one official whose appointment is in question) determines that the individual has acted in a matter that is:

1. Clearly not in the best interest of the Organization.
2. Contrary to the spirit or letter of these By-laws.
3. Contrary to the expressed wishes of the Board.

Article IV: RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD MEMBERS

Section A: Delegations of Authority

Any Board members may delegate authority to meet any responsibility noted below, unless such delegation is specifically barred in these By-laws or barred by action of the Board.

Section B: Office of the President

The President is responsible for:

1. Insuring that the Organization acts in accordance with these By-laws.
2. Serves as the chief executive officer of the Organization (subject to the control of the remaining members of the Board of Directors) and shall have general charge and supervision of the affairs of the Organization.
3. Shall preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and shall be primarily responsible for executing such policies and procedures that may from time to time be established by the Board of Directors.
4. Shall assure that all necessary permits are attained to allow the efficient operation of the Organization regarding fund raising.
5. Handle disputes that arise and defer them to the Board of Directors when appropriate
6. Shall establish practice schedules

Section C: Vice President

The Vice President shall be responsible for:

1. Exercising all of the powers and duties of the President during the absence of the President or in the event of his/her inability to act.

2. Maintaining all records of the Organization, except financial and game related records, in an orderly fashion.
3. Overseeing all incoming and outgoing correspondence.
4. Other duties as may be assigned by the President
5. Shall be responsible for acting as a liaison between the Organization and the sponsors of the Organization by keeping them informed of league activities. This would include securing sponsors, corresponding with prior sponsors.
6. Shall establish practice schedules
7. Shall have such additional duties and powers as the Board of Directors may from time to time delegate

Section E: The Secretary

The Secretary shall be responsible for:

1. Maintaining and reporting the minutes of the meetings of the Board. Authority for this responsibility may be re-delegated only to another Board member.
2. Maintaining all records of the Organization, except financial and game related records, in an orderly fashion.
3. Overseeing all incoming and outgoing correspondence.
4. Other duties as may be assigned by the Commissioner.
5. Develop and print flyers for baseball program, fundraisers
6. Shall plan, organize, run and distribute all of the designated and Board approved fund raising, activities in support of the Organization. This will include, but not be limited to, such events as raffles and associated prizes.

Article V: MEETINGS

Section A: General Meetings

The President shall call a general meeting no less often than twice annually. The President shall give notice of the time and place of regularly scheduled general meetings.

Section B: Board Meetings

The President shall call a meeting of the Board no less than once each Year.

Section C: Conduct of Meetings

The President shall, with the advice of the Board, prepare an agenda for each general meeting and each Board meeting. The President shall oversee and conduct all meetings, including enforcement of the agenda, recognition of speakers, and calling for a motion and/or vote.

Article VI: MEMBERSHIP

Section A: Conditions of Membership

Membership in the Organization shall be limited to those individuals who have:

1. Demonstrated a willingness and desire to achieve the goals of the Organization.
2. Exhibited proper sportsmanship and support of both the spirit and letter of Article II of these By-laws
3. The Organization Reserves the right to remove any player, parent, team member at any time at the discretion of the Organization's Board of Directors.

Article VII: FINANCES

All Finances will be run through approved Organizational accounts at the Community State Bank of Kewanee. All monies are the property of Kewanee A's Organization. If any Head Coach leaves the Organization, any and all money raised, donated, or contributed to the Level Team's account stays with the organization. Each Level Team should have two signers designated for the team's account, in addition to the President being listed as a signer for each Team's account.

Article VII: PARENTS VOLUNTEERING/ASSISTING

Parents will be asked to help out with various activities. It may be at a practice or helping out with fundraising. It may be one time or on a continued basis. This assistance is greatly appreciated and helps contribute to the "family atmosphere". However, the following rules apply:

1. The Volunteer/Assistant is not a representative of The Kewanee Athletics Team or Board.
2. The Volunteer/Assistant's help/assistance must be at the request of the Kewanee A's Coaches and/or Board and must be consistent with the request.

Article VIII: Dissolution

The Kewanee A's Travel Baseball may be dissolved only with authorization by its Board of Directors given at a special meeting called for that purpose and with subsequent approval by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Voting Members (status determined by Membership Committee). Upon dissolution or other termination of The Kewanee A's Travel Baseball, 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, chosen by the then existing Board of Directors of The Kewanee A's Travel Baseball.

Article IX: AMENDMENT

These By-Laws may be amended by a unanimous vote of the Board, except that Article II may not be amended and any amendment must be consistent with the spirit and letter of Article II of these Bylaws.

Article X: AVAILABILITY AND PUBLICATION OF BYLAWS

A copy of these By-Laws shall be provided to any member of the Organization who so requests and may be provided to any other person. These By-laws shall be published on the Organization's website. These By-Laws have been approved by the Board of Directors of the Kewanee A's Travel Baseball.

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