

The Weare Athletic Club By-Laws

Article 1: Name and Seal

This corporation shall be known as the Weare Athletic Club, Inc. It shall have a corporate seal bearing the name of the corporation and the year of its incorporation, which seal may be altered or changed at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.

Article 2: Officers

The officers of this corporation shall be a President, a Vice President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. The Directors of the Board shall appoint the Officers from the eligible membership from/at the annual membership meeting. They will serve for one (1) year or until their successor is appointed, or until death or resignation. Each Officer shall have the right to demand in writing that the Secretary shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. In case the Secretary shall neglect or refuse to do so, any Officer may call a meeting of the Board of Directors. A written notice therefore signed by him/her and mailed to each Officer at his last known place of residence at least forty-eight (48) hours previous to the time requesting of such meeting.

Article 3: Members

Active membership shall be open to all residents in the jurisdiction of the Weare Athletic Club over the age of eighteen (18) years. In addition all the players enrolled in the athletic programs of this corporation shall be honorary members.

Article 4: Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall be composed of the Officers and all League Directors. The President shall serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors. The members of the Board of Directors shall serve for two (2) years, Officers one (1) year, or until their successors are elected or appointed, or until death or resignation. The remaining Board of Directors shall appoint vacancies occurring between annual meetings. Such new appointees shall hold office until their successors are chosen according to the procedure set out in these by-laws.

Article 5: Powers and Duties of the Board of Directors

All the powers of the corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors, who shall control the property and affairs of the corporation, with all the powers which the corporation itself possesses not incompatible with the provision of the by-laws, the policies of any affiliated leagues, and the laws of the State of New Hampshire.

They shall have the care and custody of the property of this corporation. They may authorize the making of contracts, leases and other instruments on behalf and for the purposes of the corporation. They may purchase and acquire by deed, lease, or otherwise for the corporation, any property, real or personal, which, in their opinion, may be deemed expedient and may dispose of the same at pleasure. They shall promulgate, from time to time, player selection system rules, league rules and playing rules, which rules shall govern the programs established in the furtherance of the purpose of this corporation and shall not be incompatible in any manner whatsoever with the policies and rules of any affiliated leagues. They shall have access to the books, vouchers, and funds of the Treasurer and to the records of the Secretary. They shall appoint any vacancies that shall occur by reason of resignation or otherwise at any time during the year.

Each Director shall have the right to demand in writing that the Secretary shall call a meeting of the Board of Directors. In case the Secretary shall neglect or refuse to do so, any Director may call a meeting of the Board of Directors. A written notice therefore signed by him/her and mailed to each Director at his last known place of residence at least forty-eight (48) hours previous to the time requesting such meeting.

The Board of Directors shall meet at least annually and at such other times as may be determined by the President or any other member.

Article 6: President

The Directors of the Board shall elect the President from the eligible membership at the first meeting after the annual membership meeting. He/she shall hold office for one (1) year, until a successor is elected, or until his/her death or resignation. He/she shall, when present, preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and at the annual meeting of the active members of this corporation. He/she shall sign such instruments as the Directors shall authorize and shall exercise a general supervisory function over the committees and affairs of the corporation. He/she shall see that the rules, policies, and principles of any affiliated leagues are observed. He/she shall appoint all committees unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors. He/she shall be an ex-officio member of all committees. He/she shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

Article 7: Vice President

The Directors of the Board shall elect the Vice President from the eligible membership at the first meeting after the annual membership meeting. He/she shall hold office for one (1) year, until a successor is elected, or until his/her death or resignation. He/she shall, in the absence of the President, preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors and at the annual meeting of the active members of this corporation. He/she shall be an ex-officio member of all committees and shall carry out such duties and assignments as may be delegated by the President. He/she shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

Article 8: Secretary

The Directors of the Board shall elect the Secretary from the eligible membership at the first meeting after the annual membership meeting. He/she shall hold office for one (1) year, until a successor is elected, or until his/her death or resignation. The Secretary shall serve as contact person with any affiliated leagues and shall take minutes of all meetings and handle all correspondence relating to this corporation. He/she shall record the minutes of the meetings of active members and of the Board of Directors and shall act as custodian of all the records, except financial, of the corporation. He/she shall send notices for meetings of the Board of Directors. He/she shall be responsible for the preparation of any and all records required by state or federal law. He/she shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

Article 9: Treasurer

The Directors of the Board shall elect the Treasurer from the eligible membership at the first meeting after the annual membership meeting. He/she shall hold office for one (1) year, until a successor is elected, or until his/her death or resignation. He/she shall receive and keep account of all moneys of the corporation and disburse the money in accordance with the direction of the Board of Directors. He/she shall keep the financial records, and assume the responsibility for all the corporation finances. He/she shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

Article 10: Directors

There shall be eight (8) Directors elected by the active members at the annual meeting, four of whom shall be elected on even years (League Directors) and four on odd years (Directors-at-Large). They shall serve in that capacity for two (2) years, until a successor is appointed, or until his/her death or resignation. League Directors shall be in charge of the day-to-day operations of their respective league and shall coordinate the day-to-day activities of the personnel appointed by the Board of Directors of this corporation to assist him/her in the running of that program. League Directors and Directors-at-Large shall be responsible to, and subject to, the direction of the Board of Directors. He/she shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

Article 11: Meetings

The Board of Directors shall meet within thirty (30) days following the annual meeting of the active members, at least thirty (30) days prior to the commencement of this corporation's programs, and at such other times as provided elsewhere in these by-laws. Notice of the annual or other meetings shall be conveyed to each Director at least forty-eight (48) hours before such meeting, but any meeting which all the Directors are present or of which the absent Directors waive notice shall be a legal meeting as though called as herein provided. The presence of a majority of the Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings.

The annual meeting of the active members shall be held no sooner than November 1st and no later than March 31st. The Board of Directors shall select the date of the annual meeting of the active members no later than October 31st. Notice of said meeting shall be published (in some newspaper serving Weare, New Hampshire) at least ten (10) days prior to said meeting. A majority of the active members present at the annual meeting shall be sufficient to elect the officers of this corporation.

Article 12: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of the corporation shall end on the 31st day of December each year.

Article 13: Financial Review

At the conclusion of each fiscal year, the Board of Directors shall appoint either a Certified Public Accountant or a licensed Public Accountant to prepare the necessary federal and state returns.

Article 14: Amendments

The by-laws may be amended, altered, or replaced at any legal meeting of the Board of Directors by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors present, provided notice of the proposed amendment is given in the call for such meeting.

Article 15: Quorum

Five (5) members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for transactions of Club business and a majority vote of the quorum shall constitute and act of the Board of Directors.

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