

# **Rock Ridge Youth Baseball Bylaws**

## **Article I**

### **PURPOSE**

Section 1: The purpose of the Rock Ridge Youth Baseball League is:

- A. To operate a nonprofit youth baseball association.
- B. To promote baseball by developing skilled players, promoting fun and team spirit, promoting healthy competition, and promoting and teaching good sportsmanship to all players, coaches, parents, and fans.
- C. To ensure children have the opportunity to play baseball throughout their school years.

## **Article II**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Section 1: The Board of Directors shall consist of 9 voting members

- A. President
- B. Vice President/Umpire Coordinator
- C. Secretary
- D. Treasurer
- E. Equipment Manager/Safety Coordinator
- F. Field Coordinator
- G. Player Agent
- H. Travel Team Coordinator
- I. Coaching Coordinator
- J. Scheduler/ Website Coordinator
- K. Concession Manager – Virginia and Eveleth/Gilbert/Fayal

Section 2: Each Board position term is for three years (check youth baseball website when board positions are open)

Section 3: Any board member desiring to resign should notify the board so action can be taken to

fill the vacancy.

Section 4: Vacancies will be filled by verbal recommendations of a board member, seconded by another member, and by majority vote.

Section 5: Board of Directors will fill any vacancy till replacement is found.

### **Article III**

#### **REMOVAL OF BOARD MEMBER**

Section 1: Unanimous vote by board members

### **Article IV**

#### **VOTING**

Section 1: Each member of the Board of Directors shall be entitled to one vote. All issues shall be decided by a majority vote.

Section 2: Proxy voting shall be allowed at all duly convened Board meetings.

### **Article V**

#### **MEETINGS**

Section 1: Meeting time/date will be posted on Youth baseball website page

### **Article VI**

#### **MINUTES**

Section 1: The Secretary shall keep a written record of the meetings. In absence of the Secretary, another board member will fulfill the duty.

### **Article VII**

#### **COACHES**

Section 1: Responsibility to find team manager to help with schedule, phone call, rides, updating website.

Section 2: Coaches are responsible for discipline of their team. Coaches may bring discipline problems to the Board of Directors.

### **Article VIII**

#### **BY-LAW AMMENDMENT**

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Section 1: A motion by board member, second, and then a majority vote.

## **Article IX**

### **MOVE UP/MOVE DOWN POLICY**

Section 1: It is RRYB policy that players should play on teams as defined by RRYB age groups and classifications. While some players may be more advanced at a particular age than others, RRYB believes that overall development of the player emotionally and physically is best served by having him or her progress normally through age levels and team classifications. RRYB does recognize situations could arise beyond the normal scope of this policy. The following are the two situations in which a player move-up would be considered:

- A. The player wishes to play with his / her grade level
- B. Players are needed at an older level to complete a team

#### **Section 2: Player Movement by his/her grade level**

A. For the player that is not eligible for the level of their “peer grade” per the birth date parameters, they will have the opportunity to play up a level should they choose. This rule is designed to enable players who are born after April 30, but are young for their current school grade, to play with their classmates.

This affects young aged players relative to their grade as follows:

Player NOT eligible (per birth date) for:	But Finishing (at time of registration):
Minis	Kindergarten
Minors/10U	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade
Majors/11U/12U	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade

These players will have the opportunity to move up a level, should they choose. Players that qualify must request to the RRYB Board their desire to move up prior to try-outs/evaluations. Once they have chosen to move up to that level, they must remain at that level for the remainder of the season. This policy is designed to socially help players in the younger levels.

#### **Section 3: Guidelines for a player needed at on older level to complete a team will apply:**

A. Players from the lower level evaluations may be offered the opportunity by RRYB to move up in order of ranking from evaluations. Only final year players at the respective levels will be chosen. Note that, regardless of the need for numbers at any given level, players will not be moved up unless evaluations and review by the RRYB Board show that player is emotionally and physically capable.

B. The number of players needed to be moved up to fill teams will be determined by the RRYB Board.

C. The RRYB Board will contact parents of potential players that would be asked to move up to complete the team.

Section 4: Guidelines for a request for a player to move down: RRYB does also recognize situations where a player may request to move down. These requests will be closely reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the RRYB Board. Solid justification will be required for a player to move down and play at a younger level.

**Note: In all situations RRYB reserves the right to regulate the number of players and teams at all levels and oversees the movement of players.**