DELTA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

ARTICLES AND BY-LAWS

**Article I-Name and Location**

The name of the proposed Corporation shall be known as “DELTA YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION”, hereinafter referred to as the DYSA. The DYSA will be an affiliated club and intends to join the Ohio Youth

Soccer Association - North, hereinafter referred to as the OYSAN, each year and maintain that

affiliation. It shall be located in the Delta , Ohio. This Corporation shall be organized as a charitable corporation and is intended to be a Corporation qualifying under Section 501(c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

**Article II – Objective**

Section 1. The object and the purpose of the Association shall be:

a. To promote the sport of soccer among young people within the Town of Delta;

b. To provide for game and field scheduling, game rules, officials, and equipment;

d. To set policy objectives;

e. To recruit and train coaches;

f. To organize youth soccer teams and provide for the proper training of young people in the sport of soccer;

g. To provide and maintain organization.

**Article III-Membership, Dues and General Financial Policy**

Section 1. Membership to the DYSA shall be open to any child of the Town of Delta and surrounding communities.

Section 2. Fees for participation and uniforms shall be decided by the Board and shall be payable and due at registration.

Section 3. The fiscal year shall be from July 1 until June 30 of the following year.

Section 4. Any major, non-budgeted expenses exceeding $100.00 shall require approval by a majority of the board.

Section 5. All monies shall be promptly deposited in an account in DYSA’s name. Bills shall be paid when due and funds spent only in the best interest of the DYSA.

**Article IV - Officers (and their duties)**

Section 1. The governing body of the DYSA will be the Executive Board, hereinafter referred to as “the Board.” The Board shall consist of the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Additional officers will be added to the board as necessary by the organization.

Section 2. The President shall:

a. Preside at meetings;

b. Serve as Chairman of the Board;

c. Serve as the official representative of the DYSA;

d. Serve on the Advisory Committee;

e. Have authorization to sign checks; and

f. Vote only to break a tie at general and board meetings.

Section 3. The Vice President shall

a. Succeed to the office and powers of the President in his/her absence or for the remainder of his/her term if vacated for any reason.

b. Shall organize the volunteers for scheduling, certifications, and field scheduling

c. Shall resolve the grievances.

Section 4. The Secretary shall:

a. Attend to all correspondence to and from the DYSA;

b. Responsible for keeping detailed minutes of all Board and general meetings;

c. Keep records as necessary; and

d. Be responsible for the DYSA only with the knowledge and permission of the President.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall:

a. Be responsible for the finances of DYSA;

b. Report on the finances at all Board and general meetings;

c. Submit financial transactions and the status of the finances at the Annual General Meeting

d. Have authorization to sign checks.

e. Work collaboratively with CPA to file quarterly taxes with the IRS

f. Be in charge of registering players for the soccer programs provided by DYSA (Spring and or Fall);

g. Responsible for sending appropriate forms and fees to the DYSA for all participating players, coaches and officers

Section 6. Additional Officers shall:

 Within thirty (30) days of the beginning of each seasonal year, the Board of Directors shall prepare a presentation outlining the operations of the DYSA and appoint additional officers needed to effectively run the organization.

Section 7. Changes and/or additions to established officers can be made at any time by the Board of Directors to effectively run the organization.

**ARTICLE V- Volunteers:**

a. All volunteer participants in the program are required to complete the annual online

“risk management ” program. This is required prior to participation in any DYSA activity.

b. Coaches and referees are considered volunteers by the OYSAN and required to complete the “risk management program”

**ARTICLE VI - Board of Trustees**

Section 1: The members of the Board of Trustees shall consist of the Officers (Executive Board) and the remaining Directors.

Section 2.. The Board of Trustees shall:

a. Constitute the governing board of the Association, with the power of Directors;

b. Transact all routine business of the Association;

c. Approve all presidential appointments to elective office vacancies;

d. Approve all expenditures, including ratification of the actions of the Treasurer, when needed;

e. Determine compensation and duties of all employees;

f. Perform all the duties usually incumbent upon a Board of Trustees, not inconsistent with the law and these by-laws, unless otherwise directed by vote of the Association, and

g. Make rules and regulations governing the Association and may change, alter or amend the same at its discretion.

Section 3. Two thirds of the members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum.

Section 4. Non-attendance amounting to three consecutive board meetings and/or four meetings in a calendar year, shall be grounds for recommendation of dismissal and shall require a majority vote of the Board. The Secretary shall send written notice after absence at two consecutive meetings and shall also notify a board member in writing when he or she is relieved of duty.

Section 5. In the absence of the President and Vice President, a senior Director shall preside at meetings of the Board of Trustees and the Association.

Section 6. The Board of Trustees shall meet at least four times per year established by the board.

**ARTICLE VII- Nominations and Elections**

Section 1. Nominations can be submitted in writing to the secretary by voting members of the DYSA or by the President at a Board of Trustees meeting at least thirty days prior to the annual meeting of the Association.

Section 2. The election of Officers and Directors shall be by written ballot at the annual meeting, a majority vote of members present and voting being necessary to elect.

Section 3. Voting members at the annual meeting shall be DYSA Board Members, Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Contributing Sponsors, and parents of registered. No individuals shall have more than 1 vote. At the Annual Meeting the Secretary shall establish a procedure of certifying and shall certify as to the eligibility of each person present to vote.

Section 5. If there is only one nominee for each office, the secretary shall cast one ballot for the entire slate, or for as many as there are sole nominees for an office.

Section 6. Upon election, the Officers and Directors shall assume office at the adjournment of the annual meeting of the Association.

\*Section 7. Term Limits – No officer shall hold a position on the board for more than two consecutive years.

**ARTICLE VIII-Meetings**

Section 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held between June1st and July 31st at a place and time to be designated by the Board of Trustees, unless otherwise voted by the board. Notice of the time and place shall be published in the Delta Atlas and if no longer in service then in any other local newspaper published in the Town of Delta. The announcement of the meeting will occur no later than two weeks prior to the meeting date.

Section 2. The order of business at the annual meeting shall be as follows:

1. Determination of quorum;

2. Reading and approval of minutes of the preceding meeting and the preceding Annual Meeting;

3. Presentation and approval of the Treasurers Report;

4. Report of officer nominations;

5. Other business that come before the meeting or that which has been placed on the Agenda by the President; and

6. Adjournment.

Section 3. Special Meetings of the Association may be called by the President or by the Board of Trustees when deemed advisable and shall be called by the Secretary-clerk upon written request of not less than half the members.

Section 4. Notice of any special meeting of the Association shall be published in the Delta Atlas and if not then in service then in any other local newspaper published in the Town of Delta stating the object of the meeting, the matters to be acted upon and by whose order the meeting has been called.

Section 5. Two-thirds members of the Association shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at the annual meeting or any special meeting of the Association.

**ARTICLE IX – Conflict of Interest**

If, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, there appears to be a conflict of interest where a board member is directly involved in a protest, or other matter, that member of the Board shall disqualify himself/herself from such a hearing.

**ARTICLE X - Dissolution**

Should the DYSA dissolve, all monies currently in the treasury, after all bills and debts have been paid, shall be donated to a recognized 501 (c) (3) organization.

**ARTICLE XI - Policies and Procedures**

The Board of Trustees may establish Policies and Procedures for the governance of its soccer teams, coaches, committees, and members. The rules contained in the Policies and Procedures shall govern this Association in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with the By-laws.

**ARTICLE XII - Amendments**

These By-laws may be amended or revised by the Board of Trustees, by a Two-thirds vote of its members present and voting.

**ARTICLE XIII – Lack of Knowledge of the Rules**

A plea of ignorance of the Articles, By-Laws, Rules of Play and/or Procedures approved and published by the Board of Directors is not valid; violators may expect appropriate disciplinary action by the Board of Directors of the League.

It shall be presumed that all members are aware of the provisions of the Articles, By-Laws, Rules of Play and Policy the Procedures published by the Board of Directors of this League.

The Delta Youth Soccer Association Articles and By-laws were approved by the DYSA board on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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