



**AAYSA Constitution May 2018—
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ARTICLE 1: NAME 1.0 The name of this organization shall be the Alamo Area Youth Soccer Association, a Texas non-profit 501c3 corporation hereinafter referred to as "AAYSA."

ARTICLE 2: PURPOSE 2.1 The exclusive purpose of AAYSA is to provide the opportunity for all who wish to participate in youth soccer activities within AAYSA's territory. AAYSA shall teach good sportsmanship, educate youth participants and adult sponsors in the fundamentals of the game of soccer, promote the game of soccer through sponsorship or regularly scheduled competition, and conduct other educational activities as shall be deemed appropriate for the promotion of youth soccer.

ARTICLE 3: AFFILIATION 3.1 AAYSA and its member organizations shall affiliate and comply with the authority of the South Texas Youth Soccer Association, hereinafter referred to as "STYSA," and the United State Soccer Federation, hereinafter referred to as USSF and United States Youth Soccer, hereinafter referred to as "USYS."

ARTICLE 4: SEASONAL YEAR 4.1 The Seasonal Year of AAYSA shall follow the STYSA Calendar

ARTICLE 5: TERRITORY 5.1 AAYSA shall be comprised of all member organizations within the Alamo Area including cities and counties in the surrounding community.

ARTICLE 6: MEMBERSHIP 6.1 Membership in AAYSA shall consist of properly constituted and approved youth soccer associations, organization, clubs and leagues, herein known as "Member Associations" within AAYSA's defined territory.

6.2 Each member association shall retain its own autonomy; however, each will adhere to AAYSA's Constitution/Bylaws, Guidelines, policies and decisions approved by the member associations pertaining to all matters within AAYSA's authority. Upon Governing Board approval, AAYSA shall admit as member organizations applicant organizations, associations, clubs or leagues within its area.

6.3 Full Member status: Voting rights for all member associations will be dependent upon the number of players that are registered in AAYSA sponsored programs. AAYSA sponsored programs include AAYSA Academy, AAYSA Recreation-Plus Inter-association League, AAYSA League Cup and in-house D-III / D-IV programs. Member associations with 100 or more players registered with AAYSA at the beginning of the seasonal year will have full voting rights within AAYSA and will be designated as a Full Member.

6.3.1 Member associations with fewer than 100 players registered at the beginning of the seasonal year will not have full voting rights within AAYSA and will be designated as Associate Members.

6.3.2 Associate members, while not having full voting rights, will have voting rights within the specific league/program that their teams/players are entered into.

6.3.3 Independent teams are considered to be Associate Members.

6.3.4 Associate Member representatives may participate in all meetings and discussion, and whose teams may participate in all AAYSA competitions.

6.4 GOOD STANDING. Any member association that: 1) fails to cast all votes to which it is entitled for two (2) AAYSA Governing Board Meetings; or 2) is delinquent in the payment to AAYSA of any registration fees, fines or other fees; or 3) fails or refuses to comply with the authority of STYSA, shall be considered to lose good standing and shall have its voting rights automatically suspended until such rights are reinstated by a simple majority vote of the Governing Board. No club, team or individual registered with a member association not in good standing as a result of 2) or 3) above shall be allowed to participate in any competition sponsored by AAYSA.

ARTICLE 7: GOVERNING BOARD 7.1 AAYSA shall be governed by a Governing Board.

7.2 The Governing Board shall be composed of the President, Executive Committee Members, and the President of each Member Associations or other representative designated in writing to the AAYSA Secretary by the member association.

7.2.1. The duties and responsibilities of the Governing Board shall be:

7.2.1.1 establish all AAYSA Rules;

7.2.1.2 establish all AAYSA fees and charges

7.2.1.3 adopt a budget and, except as otherwise provided for in the Bylaws, approve all nonbudgeted expenditures;

7.2.1.4 assist Member Associations to provide the opportunity for all those who wish to participate in youth soccer activities;

7.2.1.5 carry out all other duties and responsibilities as specified in the Constitution, the Bylaws and Rules of AAYSA, or as required by STYSA; and

7.2.1.6 monitor compliance with the AAYSA Constitution, and Rules and decisions of the Governing Board;

ARTICLE 8: OFFICERS/EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE 8.1. Positions. The members of the Governing Board shall elect the following officers of AAYSA: 8.1.1 The below officers shall constitute the AAYSA Executive Committee; 1. President 2. Executive Vice President 3. Secretary 4. Treasurer 5. Registrar 6. Vice President of AAYSA Academy/AAYSA Recreation-Plus Inter-association League 7. Vice President of AAYSA League Cup Play (AAPL, AACL, AASL) 8. Commissioner of Referees 9. Director of Coaching

8.2 Executive Committee. The above officers shall constitute the AAYSA Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be responsible for implementing the decisions of the Governing Board. The primary responsibilities are, but not limited to the following:

8.2.1. establish and approve all inter-organization play and playoffs;

8.2.2. establish and approve any inter-association play (league play between AAYSA teams, and teams from other STYSA associations, except those established at the Western District or state levels of STYSA;

8.2.3. review and pass upon all requests (which must have been previously approved by the member organization involved) to host invitational tournaments requiring STYSA approval; and

8.2.4 carry out all other duties and responsibilities as specified in the Constitution, the Bylaws and Rules of AAYSA, or as required by STYSA;

8.3 Term

8.3.1 Officers shall be elected for a two-year term beginning July 1. They may succeed themselves in office.

8.3.1.1 Officer elected even number years: President, Treasurer, Commissioner of Referees, and Vice President of AAYSA League Cup Play

8.3.1.2 Officer elected odd number years: Executive Vice President, Secretary, Director of Coaching, Vice President of AAYSA Academy/ AAYSA Recreation-Plus Inter-association League, and Registrar

8.4 Attendance

8.4.1 Attendance. Any AAYSA officer who is absent two consecutive Executive Committee meetings without reasonable excuse may have his/her position declared vacant by the Governing Board with a simple majority vote.

8.4.2 Vacancy. In the event that any office becomes vacant, the Executive Committee may fill the position until the next regularly scheduled Governing Board at which a special election will be held to fill the position.

8.4.3 Removal. Except for a vacancy for non-attendance, a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Governing Board at any duly constituted meeting shall be required to remove any officer

ARTICLE 9: MEETINGS 9.1 Governing Board Meetings.

9.1.1 June: Elections, approve the budget, amend Constitution, Bylaws and Rules as appropriate, review Executive reports

9.1.2. January: Approve budget, amend Constitution, Bylaws, and Rules as appropriate, review Executive reports

9.2 Executive Committee Meeting. May, August, September, November, January and April.

9.3 Special Meetings. The President may call special Meetings of either the Governing Board or the Executive Committee. Special meetings of the Governing Board may also be called by written notice to the AAYSA Secretary by members of the Governing Board's representing at least 1/3 of the voting powers of all of the member organizations; and of the Executive Committee by written notice to the AAYSA Secre

tary by at least 1/3 of the Executive Committee. Only the subjects for which a meeting has been called may be addressed at the meeting.

9.4 Place of Meetings. The AAYSA President may designate any place within the boundaries of AAYSA, as the place for any regular or special meeting.

9.5 Notice. Notice of a meeting shall have been accomplished when the AAYSA Secretary or his/her designate places the notice with electronic notification.

9.6 Order of Business. After a meeting has been called to order, the order of business for a Governing Board or Executive Committee meeting shall be as follows: 1. roll call and vote accreditation; Request for reinstatement 2. reading and approval of minutes of last meeting; 3. unfinished business; 4. reports, if any, of chairpersons of standing committees; 5. reports of officers; 6. elections of officers (June Governing Board Meeting); 7. amendments, if any, of Constitution, Bylaws or Rules. (Governing Board only); 8. new Business; and 9. adjournment

9.6.1 The president may modify the order of presentation of any meeting's business to accommodate guests and to bring about the efficient handling of matters to be presented. All meetings of AAYSA shall be conducted in accordance with Robert' Rules of Order, (latest edition).

9.7 Quorum. A majority of the total membership, in good standing, which comprises a board committee or other group as of the date of the meeting (Governing Board, committee or otherwise), shall constitute a quorum at all meetings.

Article 10: Dissolution

In the event that AAYSA ceases to function or dissolves, and after paying or making provision for the payment of all just liabilities, the Governing Board shall transfer all of the net assets to any successor organization which has similar purposes as specified in this Constitution; provided, however, such successor organization qualifies under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (or any corresponding provision). Should no successor organization exist, than the net assets shall be distributed to STYSA, provided STYSA qualifies under Section 501(c)(3). If STYSA does not exist or does not qualify, then the Governing Board may distrib

ute the net assets to any youth organization it designates so long as the organization qualifies under Section 501(c)(3).

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