

AMENDED
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION UNDER THE GENERAL
NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION LAW

1. The name of the Corporation is: Florissant Area Athletic Association, Inc.
2. The period of duration of the Corporation is perpetual.
3. The address of the registered office in the state of Missouri is the same as that of current President and the name of the registered agent at such address is that of the current President.
4. The Board of Directors shall be seven in number, and shall be elected for terms of up to two years in accordance with the Corporation By-Laws, Article III.
5. The purpose or purposes for which the Corporation is organized are: The Corporation shall be a non-profit, non-sectarian organization, civic in its nature and intent, and shall work for the benefit, amusement, education, and enjoyment of amateur sports. The Corporation shall promote these sports throughout the Florissant Area where this Corporation shall operate. The Corporation shall, through proper supervision and example, instill the ideals of good sportsmanship, fair play, honesty, loyalty and courage in the youth of today so they may become better citizens tomorrow. The Corporation shall provide supervised athletic activities and shall assist in all ways to alleviate the problem of juvenile delinquency.
6. The powers of the Corporation are as follows:
 - a. To acquire, improve and maintain lands and buildings suitable for conducting sporting activities. To provide for the comfort and refreshments of the participants and spectators of such sporting and athletic activities. To provide the participants of these sporting activities with instruction and supervision.
 - b. To buy or otherwise acquire, own, hold, lease, sell or otherwise dispose of, and mortgage or otherwise encumber, real property, and personnel property of all and operate, manage and maintain the same.
 - c. To own, hold, build, construct and erect, buildings and structures of all types in the conduct of this sporting activity, and to buy, sell, lease, own, operate, maintain, repair, restore and rebuild the same.
 - d. To borrow money and for such purposes to execute notes, bonds, debentures, or any other form of evidence of indebtedness, and to secure the payments of the same by mortgage, deed of trust or other form of encumbrance, pledge or other form of hypothecation.
 - e. To execute deeds, mortgages, deeds of trust, contracts and other of written instruments.
 - f. To receive and take by gift, grant, assignment, transfer, devise or bequeath, any real property, personal property or money for such purposes as may be necessary and proper for carrying out the legitimate affairs of this Corporation, whether in trust or not, and to execute and perform all trusts in accordance with the terms, conditions, limitations and restrictions thereof so long as they do not conflict with the other purposes of the Corporation.
 - g. This Corporation shall not be used for business, political or pecuniary gain, or profit to itself, its officers or members.
 - h. No part of the activities of the Corporation shall include the carrying on of propaganda or attempting to influence legislation. No part of the earnings or assets of this Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member thereof, contributor thereto, or any private, personnel or selfish purpose. No part of the assets of this Corporation or income derived therefrom shall be given to or insure to the benefit of any person, Corporation or organization not tax exempt under Sub-Title A of the Internal Revenue Code Section 501 (c) of the United States of America. This Corporation shall not have or exercise any powers which would make it ineligible for Federal Income Tax Immunity or which would make the Corporation ineligible to qualify as a charitable contribution donee under the laws of the United States or any subdivision thereof. Any powers or acts of the Corporation that are now or later would render the Corporation ineligible for Federal Tax Immunity or to qualify as a charitable donee shall be void.
 - i. The members of the Corporation may repeal or amend the by-laws of the Corporation and may adopt new or additional by-laws, by a simple majority vote.
 - j. This Corporation shall, in general, exercise any, all and every power that a non-profit Corporation organized under the "General Not For Profit Corporation Law" of Missouri may exercise.

**STATE OF MISSOURI
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS**

We, the President and Secretary of this Corporation, being duly sworn upon our oath, do hereby state that the Amended Articles of Incorporation of the Florissant Area Athletic Association Inc. were submitted to a general and regular meeting of the members of the Corporation with due notice, on the day of October 1994, at which time a quorum was present, and that at such time the Amended Articles of Incorporation were approved by at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast.

Rick Drezek, President

Randy Ellerbusch, Secretary

We, the President and Secretary of this Corporation, being duly sworn upon our oath, do hereby state that the Amended Articles of Incorporation of the Florissant Area Athletic Association Inc. were submitted to a general and regular meeting of the members of the Corporation with due notice, on the day of June 2004, at which time a quorum was present, and that at such time the Amended Articles of Incorporation were approved by at least two-thirds of the votes entitled to be cast.

Gene Harris, President

Carl Carpenter, Secretary

**BY-LAWS OF
FLORISSANT AREA ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**
(Amended October 1993)
(Amended June 2004)

**ARTICLE I
LOCATION OF OFFICES**

Section 1. PRINCIPAL OFFICE -The principal office of the Corporation shall be located in St. Louis County, Missouri.

**ARTICLE II
MEETING OF MEMBERS**

Section 1. REGULAR MEETINGS - The general members of this organization shall meet a minimum of four times annually throughout the calendar year in the months of January, June, September and October at a date determined at the October general membership meeting at 7:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussing and carrying out the responsibilities of the general membership. There shall be an annual meeting for the election of officers voted upon and elected by the general membership of the Corporation on a date determined by the general membership at the October of each year, at the same time to be published on the annual calendar.

Section 2. SPECIAL MEETINGS -A special meeting of the members, when called in the manner prescribed by law and in the by-laws of the Corporation, at the place stated in the call therefore. A special meeting of the members may be called at any time by the President, by the Executive Vice President, by any two Directors, or by not less than one-fifth of the members of the Corporation. Each call for special meeting of members shall state the time, the day, the place and purpose or purposes of such meeting and shall be in writing, signed by the persons making the same and delivered to the Secretary. No business shall be transacted at a special meeting other than such as is included in the purposes stated in call.

Section 3. NOTICE OF MEETINGS - Notice of meetings of the members shall be written, printed or delivered electronically stating the place, day and hour of the meeting and, in case of a special meeting, the purpose or purposes for which the meeting is called, and shall be delivered not less than five nor more than forty days before the date of the meeting, either personally, by mail or electronically, by the direction of the President, the Secretary or the persons calling the meeting, to each member entitled to vote at each meeting. If notices are mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited in the United States mail addressed to the members address as appears on the records of the Corporation with postage hereon prepaid. If notices are mailed electronically, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when electronically posted by the sender to the members electronic address as appears on the records of the Corporation with postage hereon prepaid.

Section 4. WAIVER OF NOTICE -Any member may waive notice of any meeting by a writing signed by the member or anyone duly authorized to act in the member's behalf, either before or after the time of such meeting. A copy of such waiver may be entered in the minutes, and shall be deemed to be notice required by law. Any member present in person at any meeting of the members shall be deemed to have thereby waived notice of such meeting.

Section 5. LIST OF MEMBERS -The Secretary shall prepare a complete list of members of the Corporation containing their names and addresses arranged in alphabetical order to be made available for inspection and voting rights at the meeting. A member shall be every father, mother, or legal guardian of a child for whom the current registration fee has been paid, regardless of the sport involved; or any active adult interested in promoting the purposes of the organization, who subscribes to the by-laws, is approved by the Executive Committee and is enrolled on the membership roster; any enrolled sponsor of one of the athletic teams; or any honorary member approved by the Executive Committee.

Section 6. QUORUM -At all meetings of the members a quorum shall be ten members or more. Meetings of the members requiring voting approval for the sale of real estate shall require a quorum of 25 members or more.

Section 7. ORGANIZATION -The President and if absent the Executive Vice President and if absent the Treasurer shall preside at each meeting of the members and shall act as the Chair thereof. The Secretary and if absent a secretary pro tem chosen by the members present shall act as secretary of all meetings of the members.

Section 8. VOTING -At each meeting of the members, each member shall be entitled to vote in person. Each member shall be, entitled to one vote on each issue voted upon. All voting shall be by voice or hands, at the option of the Chair of the meeting, unless a vote by ballot is requested in writing by at least one member.

Section 9. ADJOURNMENT -If, at any meeting of the members a quorum shall fail to attend at the time and place for which such meeting was called, or if the business of such meeting shall not be completed, the members present in person may, after the expiration of one-half hour, by a majority vote, adjourn the meeting.

Section 10. PROXIES -There shall be no right to vote by proxy.

ARTICLE III DIRECTORS

Section 1. DUTIES -The seven elected regular officers shall be the sole corporate Board of Directors. Their tenure of office shall be two years, and shall change as the new officers are installed. The Board of Directors shall have control and responsibility for all real property and capital assets of the Corporation. The Board of Directors must have prior approval voted upon at a meeting of the general membership of the Corporation before authorizing a purchase, sale, repair or improvement of the real property or capital assets in excess of \$5,000. There must be at least 10 voting members present at such meeting where approval is given for expenditures of \$5000 to \$10,000; at least 25 members present where approval is given for expenditures of \$10,001 or higher. Capital assets shall mean any asset of a non-expendable matter. The Board of Directors shall be guided but not solely governed by or committed to such prior approval made by the general membership. This will exclude expenses and capital asset expenditures as set forth by the budget.

Section 2. ELECTION & TERM OF OFFICE -The term of office of each Director shall begin on the first Tuesday of November following the election. The offices of President, Fund Raising Vice President, Special Projects Vice President, and Treasurer shall be elected for 1-year in 1994 and for 2-year terms in odd years commencing in 1995. The offices of Executive Vice President, Sponsor & Awards Vice President, and Secretary shall be elected for two-year terms in even number years commencing in 1994.

Section 3. VACANCIES -In case of vacancies occurring on the Board of Directors through death, resignation, disqualification, disability, removal or any other cause, any such vacancies may be filled by a majority vote of the Executive Committee currently in office. At the next following monthly, annual or special meeting of the members, the members may elect a successor to hold such office for the unexpired portion of the term of the Director or Directors whose office have become vacant. The members, however, are not obligated at such meeting to elect a successor or successors unless they, at their option, vote to do so. If an incumbent Director is elected to a different regular office not serving a concurrent two-year term, such incumbent Director shall resign the previous office concurrently with assuming the newly elected office. The resulting vacancy shall be filled by the preceding provisions of the section.

Section 4. PLACE OF MEETING -The meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held at a place designated by the President by written notice given to the Directors at least one day prior to such meeting.

Section 5. ANNUAL MEETING -The annual meeting of the Directors shall be held in October of each year at a place, date and time designated by the President by written or electronic notice given at least one day prior to such meeting.

Section 6. SPECIAL MEETINGS -Special meeting of the Board of Directors for any purpose shall be called by the Secretary of the Corporation at written request of the President or at written request of a majority of the Directors.

Section 7. NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETINGS -The Secretary of the Corporation shall give notice of all special meetings of the Directors by delivering to each Director in person not later than the day prior to the meeting, or as to any such Director not so personally notified by mailing a written, printed or electronically generated notice of such meeting, postage prepaid to his/her residence so that in the ordinary course of postal delivery it would reach such Director at least one day prior to the meeting.

Section 8. QUORUM -A majority of the Board of Directors shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 9. ORGANIZATION -The President and if absence the Executive Vice President and if absence the Treasurer shall preside at each meeting of the Directors and shall act as Chair thereof. The Secretary, or a secretary pro tem chosen by the Directors present shall act as secretary of all meetings of the Directors.

Section 10. MINUTES & STATEMENTS -The Secretary or secretary pro tem shall cause to be kept a complete record of all meetings and acts.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

Section 1. REGULAR OFFICERS -The Regular Officers of this Corporation shall be a President, Executive Vice President, Fund Raising Vice President, Sponsor & Awards Vice President, Special Projects Vice President, Secretary and a Treasurer.

Section 2. SUBORDINATE OFFICERS -There shall be additional subordinate officers of the Corporation as follows: The commissioners and assistant commissioners for all sports, the past president, various committee chairs and officers of the Auxiliary.

Section 3. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE -There shall be an Executive Committee of the Corporation composed of thirteen voting members as follows:

President	Treasurer
Executive Vice President	Past President
Fund Raising Vice President	President of the Auxiliary
Sponsor & Awards Vice President	Baseball Commissioner
Special Projects Vice President	Softball Commissioner
Secretary	Soccer Commissioner
	Information Officer

Other Committee Chairs may be invited to attend Executive meetings as temporary non-voting members for special reports or consultation upon approval of the President. (No one individual on the Executive Committee shall have more than one vote.)

The Executive Committee shall meet monthly on a date mutually agreed upon by a majority of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall be vested with the responsibility of the sports activities, and shall be governed in this respect by a separate document known as "The Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities." These Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities" may be changed by a two-thirds majority vote at any duly called regular or special meeting of the general members. The duties and responsibilities of the members of the Executive Committee shall be defined in "The Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities. Subordinate officers shall also be selected in accordance with the "Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities."

Section 4. TENURE OF OFFICE AND REMOVAL -The tenure of office of each of the Directors of the Corporation shall be until the first Tuesday of November of the year their term expires, at which time the new Directors shall commence their duties. Any Director may be removed at any time by a two-thirds majority vote of the general members at a regularly called meeting or by a unanimous vote of the remaining Board of Directors, excluding the Director in question.

Section 5. THE PRESIDENT -The President shall preside at all meetings of members, Directors and Executive Committee. He/She shall have the power to call special meetings upon due notice to the membership. The President shall appoint all Committee Chairs with the approval of the Executive Committee. He/She shall sign and approve all correspondence and publications prepared for the Corporation before issuance. The President shall execute all deeds, notes, contracts and other written instrument of the Corporation and shall further perform all duties as are customarily enlisted to and performed by the President of Missouri Corporations.

Subsection A. The President

The president shall be assisted by the Insurance Chair, Information Officer Chair & Volunteer Coordinator Chair who will be responsible to him/her. The Insurance Chair, Information Officer Chair & Volunteer Coordinator Chair will be approved by majority vote of the Executive Committee once selected by the President.

1. Insurance Chair -Shall be responsible for the purchasing of all corporate insurance including liability, robbery, fire, theft, vandalism, equipment and reinsurance bonds. The Chair shall handle the paperwork associated with all claims against any insurance policies.
2. Information Officer – It shall be the responsibility of the Information Officer to maintain a computerized database of members of the corporation, oversee maintenance of the corporate website and other responsibilities as may be assigned. Subordinate positions to the Information Officer shall be the I.D. Picture Chair and Registration Coordinator. The I.D. Picture Chair shall be responsible for the production of all league ID cards or similar materials required by a specific sporting activity. The I.D. Picture Chair shall also be responsible for all equipment used to produce all identification pictures/cards. The Registration Coordinator shall be responsible to coordinate the registration activities which shall include, but not be limited to location, supplies and volunteers.
3. Volunteer Coordinator – It shall be the responsibility of the Volunteer Coordinator to contact individuals who have expressed a willingness to volunteer for the association, determine their interests and abilities and coordinate with the appropriate position (e.g. Auxiliary President, Executive Vice President, Special Projects Vice President) the utilization of this individual within their constraints and the needs of the association. It shall further be the responsibility of this individual to solicit persons to fill volunteer needs of the association.
4. Other chairs may be appointed at the discretion of the President with the approval of a majority of the Executive Committee.

Section 6. THE EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT -The Executive Vice President, during the absence of the President from the city or in cases where the President is unable to act, shall be vested with the powers of the President. It shall further be the duty of the Executive Vice President to assist the President in any manner requested. He/She shall be responsible for the administrative functions of the Corporation, appointing Project Chairs for approval to the Executive Committee, and, once approved, the Chairs of those functions. He/She shall be responsible for the use and allocation of all facilities including fields, buildings and gyms.

Subsection A. The Executive Vice President

The Executive Vice-President shall be assisted by the following Chairs who shall be responsible to him/her. Building Chair, Grounds Chair, and the Chairs of any other special committees appointed for the purpose of administrative function or operation of facilities.

1. Building Chair -Shall be responsible for all permanent buildings, sewers, water, power supply, telephone service, heating and air conditioning, and picnic benches.
2. Grounds Chair -Responsible for the basic development and maintenance of all grounds including surveying, bases, striping, fencing, batting cages and repetitive preparation of the diamonds and soccer fields. The Grounds Chair shall be responsible for the equipment owned, operated or leased by the Corporation that is used for the development or maintenance of the grounds including the tractor and implements, trucks and other hand tools.
3. Other chairs may be appointed at the discretion of the Executive Vice-President with the approval of the majority of the Executive Committee.

Section 7. THE TREASURER – The Treasurer shall, during the absence of the President and the Executive Vice President from the city or in the case of their inability to act, be vested with the powers of the President. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to assist the President in any manner requested.

Subsection A. The Treasurer

The Treasurer shall have the custody of the corporate funds and securities and shall keep full and accurate records and accounts of all receipts and disbursements belonging to the Corporation under the Corporation name, and prepare monthly written reports for presentation at any meeting of the corporation requiring such information such as, but not limited to, Executive Committee and general membership meetings. The Treasurer shall be bonded up to \$100,000. All checks issued by the Corporation must be signed by the Treasurer and the President (or the successor of the President as mentioned above if officially in charge.) The fiscal books of the Corporation shall be reviewed annually by someone not a member of the Executive Committee between the 15th and 22nd of January at which time the results of such review shall be presented to the Corporation.

Section 8. THE FUND RAISING VICE PRESIDENT - It shall be the duty of the Fund Raising Vice President to assist the President in any manner requested. He/She shall be responsible for organizing fund raising projects and appointing Project Chairs (with the approval of the executive committee) and providing plans and schedules for all fund raising projects.

Subsection A. The Fund Raising Vice President

The Fund Raising Vice President shall be assisted by the following Chairs who are responsible to him/her. Picnic Chair, Booster Club Chair and the Chairs of any other special committees appointed for the purpose of fund raising.

1. Picnic Chair - Shall be responsible for organizing and conducting the annual picnic. Prior to the picnic he/she shall submit to the Executive Committee a complete picnic plan with the approval of the Fund Raising Vice President and following the picnic shall submit a complete financial accounting to the Executive Committee.

Section 9. THE SPONSOR & AWARDS VICE-PRESIDENT -It shall be the duty of the Sponsor & Awards Vice President to assist the President in any manner requested. He/She shall be responsible for all trophies and awards of the corporation.

Section 10. THE SPECIAL PROJECTS VICE-PRESIDENT -It shall be the duty of the Special Projects Vice President to assist the President in any manner requested. He/She shall be responsible for all special work project Chairs and shall provide coordination and assistance to those Chairs to accomplish the special work projects outlined by the President and approved by the Executive Committee.

Subsection A. Special Projects Vice-President

The Special Projects Vice President shall be assisted by the Chairs of individual committee of individual projects outlined by the President and approved by the Executive Committee. The projects may include but are not limited to items of capital asset purchases or work projects involving volunteer services of a major nature such as land purchases, lights, new buildings, benches and dugouts, etc.

Section 11. THE SECRETARY -The Secretary shall attend all meetings of the members, Board of Directors, officers and Executive Committee. He/She shall act as Secretary thereof and keep records of all proceedings at such meetings in the minute books kept for that purpose. The Secretary shall handle all correspondence, serve notices and provide and keep a membership roster of all members of the Corporation. The membership roster shall contain all the data listed on the registration form that is filled out at the time of registration. The Secretary shall maintain and keep permanent records of all correspondence and notices given.

Subsection A. The Secretary

The following Chairs shall be responsible to the Secretary; Newsletter Editor, Public Relations Chair, Printing Chair, Mailing Chair, and ID Picture Chair.

1. Newsletter Editor - Shall be responsible for preparing a newsletter to provide information to members subject to approval of the President.
2. Public Relations Chair - Shall be responsible for the publicity of the Corporation subject to the approval of the President.
1. Printing Chair - Shall be responsible for all printing equipment, supplies and the printing of all forms and other printed matter.
2. Mailing Chair - Shall be responsible for the addressing and mailing of all information to the general membership. The Chair shall be responsible for renewal and fees of the U.S. Post Office.

Section 12. THE AUXILIARY -There shall be an Auxiliary Organization. The Auxiliary shall be responsible: (1) to encourage and administer the participation of the members of the Corporation, (2) to administer and coordinate the activities of the Team Parents and Assistant Team Parents, (3) to administer and conduct the refreshment stands, (4) to administer the Work Rules, (5) to administer the team picture program.

Subsection A. The Auxiliary

The following committees shall be responsible to the Auxiliary: Typing Committee, Telephone Committee, Snack Bar Committee, Team Parent Chair, Team Parents, and Team Picture Committee.

1. Organization -An Auxiliary Board consisting of the President of the Auxiliary, Auxiliary Vice President, Auxiliary Second Vice President, Auxiliary Third Vice President, Auxiliary Treasurer and Auxiliary Secretary shall be elected by the Auxiliary. The Auxiliary Past President shall also be added to this board. Any person who has a current paid family membership to the Florissant Area Athletic Association is also considered a member of the Auxiliary and can attend all meetings and vote in any such meetings and/or elections.
2. President of the Auxiliary -Shall preside at meetings of the Auxiliary and shall appoint a Snack Bar Chair, a Team Parent Chair and Team Picture Committee.
3. Snack Bar Committee -Shall conduct the refreshment stand assisted by the Snack Bar Supervisors and Snack Bar Workers.
4. Team Parent Chair -Shall coordinate the activities of the Team Parents and the scheduling of all work assignments.
5. Team Parents -There shall be a Team Parent for each team. The Team Parents shall also be governed in accordance with the later section of these Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities dealing more specifically with their duties.
6. Team Picture Committee -Shall be responsible for the team pictures in all sports.
7. The Auxiliary shall submit an annual budget for approval at the General Membership Meeting beginning in January 2000, and continuing every January thereafter.
8. The Auxiliary reserves the right to assess penalties and or fines in regards to breach of the Work Rule Agreement. Any modification of said penalties and or fines is subject to approval, by simple majority vote, at any regularly scheduled Auxiliary meeting.

Section 13. THE INFORMATION OFFICER - It shall be the responsibility of the Information Officer to maintain a computerized database of members of the corporation, oversee maintenance of the corporate website and other responsibilities as may be assigned. Subordinate positions to the Information Officer shall be the I.D. Picture Chair and Registration Coordinator. The I.D. Picture Chair shall be responsible for the production of all league ID cards or similar materials required by a specific sporting activity. The I.D. Picture Chair shall also be responsible for all equipment used to produce all identification pictures/cards. The Registration Coordinator shall be responsible to coordinate the registration activities which shall include, but not be limited to location, supplies and volunteers.

Section 14. THE TRUSTEES - There will be three Trustees elected in the manner defined in Article IV section 14 beginning in October 1999 for a term of two years, and in every odd year thereafter.

1. Trustee Duties:
 - a. To review the financial accounts of the Corporation quarterly.
 - b. To review the financial accounts of the Auxiliary quarterly.
 - c. To periodically review payroll records.
 - d. To periodically review cash disbursements of the Corporation and the Auxiliary.
 - e. The Trustees shall report their findings to the Executive Committee.
 - f. The trustees shall report their findings to the General Membership.
2. Trustee Limitations:
 - a. The Trustees will be elected independently of the Executive Officers, and will not have voting rights on the Executive Committee, but shall have voting rights as members of the Association.
 - b. The Trustees shall be excused from the Executive Committee meetings once their report has been given.
 - c. The Trustees report to the general membership shall be limited to findings given to the Executive Committee.

Section 15. ELECTION OF OFFICERS -Regular Officers shall be elected on the first Tuesday of October at the meeting of the members of each year with terms of office listed in Article III Subsection 2 of these By-Laws. The President shall first appoint a nomination committee at or prior to August 15 of each year. The nominations submitted by the nomination committee shall be presented to the members at the membership meeting on the first Tuesday of September.

At such time the members may make further nominations from the floor. Nominations shall be closed at this time and will reopen at time of election only if there be no nominee for an office. The officers shall be elected as heretofore mentioned at the membership meeting on the first Tuesday of October. Thereafter such officers shall be installed and commence their functions as officers on the first Tuesday of November. The Auxiliary Board shall be elected on the second Tuesday in October at a meeting of its members. Nominations shall be made at a meeting of the Auxiliary on the second Tuesday of September. The Auxiliary Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President of the Auxiliary not later than August 15 of each year. Nomination process shall be the same as for the Regular Officers of the Corporation.

Section 16. VACANCIES IN OFFICE -Vacancies in Regular Offices shall be filled by the procedures of Article III Section 3. Vacancies in subordinate offices shall be filled in the same manner as their original appointment. Vacancies in the Auxiliary shall be filled by majority vote of the Auxiliary Board. In the event of a vacancy in the position of Past President on the Executive Committee, the position shall revert to the next previous Past President providing he/she was active in the past year as a member of the organization, otherwise the position will be filled by a member in good standing. This appointee shall be knowledgeable in the organizational structure of the Corporation and cannot be a member of the current Executive Committee. The appointee will be nominated by the President and approved by a simple majority of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

Section 1. FISCAL YEAR -The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin on the first day of each calendar year and shall terminate on the last day of the calendar year.

Section 2. SUCCESSION OF OFFICERS -Officers may succeed themselves in office from year to year or may be elected or appointed to other offices. A person may only hold one office represented on the Executive Committee at a time.

Section 3. COMPENSATION -There shall be no compensation paid to Officers, Directors or Executive Committee members within their capacity as such.

Section 4. REGISTRATION FEES - There shall be an annual family membership fee to be a member of the Corporation of \$10.00 paid each calendar year to the Corporation. The membership period covers all sport activities upon payment of the individual sport registration fee as established for that sport. Membership fees may be accounted for separately or as part of a total fee for participation. The Executive Committee shall maintain all Corporation funds in federally insured, interest bearing accounts as determined practical.

Sports fees shall be added to the membership fee as determined by the Executive Committee and announced to the membership at the meeting immediately prior to registration. The members, at their option, may revise the registration fee. Failure to attain a quorum at the required membership meeting shall constitute tacit approval of the fee schedule as set by the Executive Committee. All monies owed to the Corporation must be paid by the date due. Failure to comply with this will cause all children within the family ineligible to participate in all sports until such time the unpaid fees are paid in full.

The President, upon written request by the person to receive a hardship waiver, may tentatively grant a hardship waiver waiving all or part of the registration and/or membership fees. Final approval of the hardship waiver is to be approved by a majority of the Executive Committee at their next regularly scheduled meeting. Failure of a majority of the Executive Committee to grant the waiver will require the individual requesting the waiver to pay any fees not waived in order to allow participation and membership rights. If all fees, including membership, are waived by a majority of the Executive Committee the individual(s) whose fees were waived will still have full privileges as a member.

Section 5. DISSOLUTION -In the event that this Corporation is dissolved all the assets and property, including the real estate, after payment to the debts of the Corporation, shall be donated to St. Louis County for the use of youth sports of St. Louis County.

Section 6. RULES OF ORDER -The procedure of all meetings shall be governed by Robert's Rule of Order.

Section 7. CUMULATIVE VOTING -There shall be no right to cumulative voting in any election or vote.

Section 8. ABSENTEE VOTING -There shall be no absentee voting.

Section 9. If there exists any conflict between the By-Laws and the Articles Of Incorporation, then the Articles Of Incorporation shall govern.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the By-Laws shall be made by a simple majority vote of all the members at any regular meeting or special meeting duly called, provided first that such amended By-Laws shall have first been read in their final form at the last previous meeting of the general members.

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF SPORTS ACTIVITIES

(Amended October 1993)

(Amended June 2004)

SECTION I GENERAL SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Subsection A. General Corporate Activities

- (1) Executive Committee -The Executive Committee shall exercise the powers given by and shall itself be governed by "Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities." The members and voting rights of the Executive Committee are defined in Article IV Section 3, of the Corporation By-Laws.
- (2) Regular Meetings - The Executive Committee shall meet monthly on a date mutually agreed upon by a majority of the Executive Committee. In the event a mutually agreed upon date cannot be determined the President shall determine the meeting date.
- (3) Special Meetings - The Secretary shall give notice of all special meetings of the Executive Committee orally, in writing or electronically not later than one day prior to the meeting. Such notice shall be deemed satisfactory if mailed to the physical or electronic address given in the membership roster. Attendance at such meetings shall constitute waiver of any notice.
- (4) Quorum -A majority of the voting members of the Executive Committee at any meeting shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. The act of the majority of the voting members of the Executive Committee present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the Executive Committee.
- (5) Minutes -The Secretary or the Secretary pro tem appointed at a meeting of the Executive Committee, shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the Executive Committee.
- (6) Powers of the Executive Committee -The Executive Committee shall be responsible for executive matters not already designated by the Articles of Incorporation and the By-Laws and excepting those powers concerning the real property and capital assets of the Corporation. The primary concern of the Executive Committee shall be sporting activities. The Executive Committee shall have authority to approve purchase orders up to \$5,000. Purchase orders in excess of \$5,000.00 must be approved by the members of the Corporation at a membership meeting prior to the expenditure. For an Executive Committee member to make a purchase in the amount of \$5,000.00 or less, he/she must have prior approval of the Executive Committee at a meeting thereof. A majority vote at such Executive meeting shall constitute such approval. Failure of any Executive Committee member to obtain proper approval of the Executive Committee prior to a purchase shall require a two-thirds majority vote of the Executive Committee to authorize payment of such bill. This will exclude expenses as set forth by the budget. The office equipment owned or leased, utilized by the Executive Committee in performing its duties shall be the responsibility of the Secretary.
- (7) Duties of Executive Committee -The duties of the Executive Committee shall include, hut not be limited to, the following:
 - a. Define and approve special non-playing sports rules of an annual nature such as tournament make-up, play offs, trophies, ground rules, etc. Any rule affecting the actual playing of the game or any rule changes affecting established procedures in the "Rules and Regulations" shall require membership approval.
 - b. Approval of all special dates, such as registration, opening day, picnic, tournaments and other special projects.
 - c. Approval of all fees and charges.
 - d. Hear appeals and request of membership regarding assessments, refunds, requests for hardship case approvals, censures, honorary memberships and related matters.
 - e. All other duties as defined elsewhere in the "Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities".

(8) Budgets -The President shall have the right at any time to call upon the members of the Executive Committee, or any of the Subordinate Officers, to prepare an itemized financial budget of his or her area of responsibility. These budgets shall be submitted by a date designated by the President.

(9) Amendments or Additions To the "Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities" -Amendments or additions shall be made by a two-thirds majority vote of the members at any regular meeting or special meeting duly called, first that such amendments or additions shall have first been submitted in writing to the President or the Executive Vice President and reviewed by the Subsection (B) Paragraph (2) rules committee in accordance with Section (1). The President shall provide the members notice of proposed amendments or additions as part of the meeting notices required under Article II of the By-Laws of the Corporation.

Once a rule change is adopted it cannot be changed until the following season of that sport. Any rule change once submitted and duly voted upon cannot be resubmitted within one year unless sufficiently modified to change purpose or impact of the change.

It shall be the duty of each President to have all amendments and additions completely typed and incorporated in an amended "Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities" by the time of the first installation of the new Regular Officers taking office after the amendments and additions are approved by the membership.

(10) Conflicts Between the Rules and Regulations and the By-Laws -If there exists any conflict between the Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities and the By-Laws, then the By-Laws shall govern. If there exists any conflict between the "Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities" and the Articles of Incorporation, then the Articles of Incorporation shall govern.

(11) Honorary Land Deed Plan -The Honorary Land Deed Plan is intended to honor those who make special financial contributions to the Corporation. The first eleven donors of \$5,000 or more (in Cash or services or any combination thereof) shall have a field named in their honor. The \$5,000 may be donated over a reasonable length of time to be determined by the Executive Committee. Reductions in debts or bills shall be considered as cash in determining eligibility. The normally donated services of members will not be considered as such contributions. Such honorary designation shall expire after a length of ten years.

Subsection B. Other Committees

There shall be the following additional committees: The Nomination Committee and the Rules Committee.

(1) Nomination Committee -The Nomination Committee shall be responsible for determining the best qualified and willing members of the Corporation to serve as officers for the coming fiscal year. The Committee shall present to the membership at least one nominee for each of the Corporation's offices that is open for election. The Committee may submit as many as three persons for each office. The Committee's nominations shall be presented at the Corporation's September meeting. The Committee shall receive each nominee's permission to submit his or her name. The Committee shall consist of the Corporation's last Past President and two additional members appointed by the present President on or before the first day of each July. The last past President shall be Chair of the Committee. If the Past President shall choose not to serve in this capacity, it shall be the right of the present President to appoint a Chair of the Committee. A majority of the two (2) shall constitute a quorum and at least two (2) members must agree on any nominee.

(2) Rules Committee -The Rules Committee shall consist of the last Past President, a member of the Board of Directors and three other members of the Corporation appointed by the President and approved by the Executive Committee. The last Past President shall serve as the Chair of this Committee. If the Past President shall choose not to serve in this capacity, it shall be the right of the present President to appoint a Chair of the Committee. This Committee shall be responsible for resolving all appeals concerning the Corporation "Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities". An appeal may be made by any Corporation member in good standing, submitted in writing to the President or Executive Vice President. The nature of the appeal, however, must be exclusive of game protests. A majority of the Committee members shall constitute a quorum. Decisions shall be by majority vote of the Committee members present. The Rules Committee shall resolve an appeal within two weeks from the date the written appeal is submitted by the member. An extension of two weeks may be granted by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Decisions of this committee are final and may not be appealed. The Secretary shall record all decisions of the Rules Committee. This record shall serve as precedence for all future appeals.

Rulings of this Committee shall be read into the minutes of the subsequent Executive Committee meeting of the Corporation.

The Rules Committee shall also be responsible for processing recommended amendments or additions to the By-Laws and the Rules and Regulations of Sporting Activities for the purpose of proper presentation of wording, noting conflicts with existing rules and coordination with other proposed rules changes. The Committee may communicate directly with the submitting member to resolve questions and conflicts. The Committee shall report its proceedings to the President within two weeks from the date the written communication is submitted by the member. An extension of two weeks may be granted by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. The Committee shall provide copies of proposed rules by all members at general membership meetings and shall provide an oral or written summary of their proceedings.

Subsection C. Awards

(1) Trophies For Players

- a. The structure and cost of each program will be determined by the Sponsors & Awards Vice President and presented to the President upon request to allow budgeting of the Sponsor & Awards program to be approved by the General Membership as part of the budgetary process.

Subsection D. Membership Registration

(1) Membership -As defined in the By-Laws.

(2) Date of Registration -Registration for each sport shall take place at a time and place designated by the Executive Committee. A notice of the time, date and place of registration shall be given to the membership not less than one week prior to the date of the first registration for each sport.

(3) Registration Procedure - The Treasurer, or those workers on the day of registration designated by this Treasurer, shall provide one membership registration receipt to each family that has paid the registration fee. This receipt shall contain at least the following information:

- a. Amount of fee received.
- b. Calendar year for which the membership is valid.
- c. Date of registration.
- d. Name of family registering.
- e. Number of players in family who will participate in the sports activities of the Florissant Area Athletic Association.
- f. Signature of person receiving registration fee.

There shall be no registration by mail and there shall be no refunds except in very special situations that are approved by the Executive Committee.

(4) Team Workday – Before each sports respective season, there are things that need to be cleaned up, set up and repaired in order for the teams to begin playing. In order to accomplish this, each team is obligated to provide one individual to assist in the day's activities. These activities may include machinery repair, grounds upkeep, electrical repair, carpentry work, assembly, general cleaning and other assorted tasks that may require various amounts of physical labor. The obligation is for a period of four (4) hours, to be designated by the Vice President. The Vice President will make every effort to accommodate special circumstances, and will allow any parent or legal guardian of a team member to participate. Two individuals for two (2) hours each will fulfill the requirement. All participants must be at least eighteen (18) years of age. Failure to fulfill this obligation can result in forfeiture of game(s) or monetary fines until the obligation is completed. This is at the discretion of the Executive Committee, by recommendation of the Executive Vice President. Questions/concerns regarding the Team Workday can be addressed to the Executive Vice President.

Subsection E. Suspension Hearings

Any person who is suspended from any game shall be entitled to a hearing (upon their request) to be held by that Sports Commissioner within two weeks. This shall include managers and coaches who are denied the privilege of managing or coaching. This hearing committee shall consist of five members made up of the Commissioner, the Assistant Commissioner, Umpire or Referee-in-Chief, the Divisional Coordinator or a member of the travel league board and other member of the Executive Committee chosen by the Commissioner of the respective sport.

Subsection F. Injured Players

In the event that any player is injured, the following procedure should be followed:

- a. If a parent or guardian is present or can be readily found, the injured player shall be turned over to the parent or guardian who shall, of course, have the right to determine what medical attention is needed.
- b. At times a minor has sustained injuries when the parents could not be readily found. Naturally, if a parent can be contacted, the Corporation is more than willing for the parent to take the child and choose whatever medical care the parent desires. If, however, a parent cannot be readily contacted, it is desirable that any Licensed Physician be given authority to render treatment. Parents may give their advance consent by giving the same to their Team Manager. This option has been reviewed and endorsed by the St. Louis City and County Medical Societies.
- c. If a parent or guardian cannot be readily found, and if the injury MAY BE SERIOUS or involve COMPLICATIONS such as stitches, shots, surgery, etc., the child will be directed to care by the provider designated by our insurance carrier or the local emergency medical services available in the immediate area first at the discretion of the Insurance Chair or, if not available, at the discretion of the Park Coordinator.

SECTION II
BASEBALL ACTIVITIES
(Amended October 1993)

Subsection A. Baseball Commissioner

- (1) Baseball Commissioner -The Baseball Commissioner shall be selected by the President and approved by the Board of Directors. The Baseball Commissioner shall be responsible for the enforcement of the rules and regulations of baseball; conduct of all Players, Managers, Coaches, Umpires and Spectators at all baseball events; and the determination of the number of teams and leagues to be in all baseball activities. He/she shall also appoint all Managers, Division Coordinators and their assistants. The Baseball Commissioner will further appoint acting under his direction. The Baseball Commissioner may be a manager for the current season. The Baseball Commissioner term of office shall be from November 1 to October 31.
- (2) Officers Acting Under the Direction of the Baseball Commissioner -The Baseball Commissioner shall be assisted by the following officers: Assistant Commissioner, Umpire-in-Chief, Schedule Coordinator, Equipment Coordinator, Division Coordinators and Travel League Representative. Utilization of these subordinate positions and minor changes of their duties shall be at the discretion of the Baseball Commissioner.
- (4) Umpire-in-Chief shall be appointed by the Commissioner. The Umpire-in-Chief shall appoint, schedule and assign umpires for all games.
- (5) Umpires -The Umpires shall be responsible for umpiring the games according to the Corporation Rules (see Subsection B. Baseball Rules) and shall assure that the game are conducted in a sportsmanlike manner. The umpire may eject players for un-sportsmanlike conduct. Coaches, managers or spectators may be warned for first offense of un-sportsmanlike conduct, but for the second offense they are removed from the game. The offender must leave the area; failure to do so will warrant a forfeiture of the game.
- (6) Schedule Coordinator -The Schedule Coordinator shall determine and arrange all baseball diamond allocations and arrange the baseball schedules.
- (7) Baseball Equipment Coordinator -The Equipment Coordinator shall determine equipment needs, recommend equipment purchases, obtain estimates of equipment to be purchased with bids which have been approved by the President. He/She shall maintain, disburse and collect the baseball equipment of the organization. The Equipment Coordinator will also be responsible for collection of all equipment. The amount of all required deposits shall be set by the Baseball Commissioner and approved by the Executive Committee. All deposits will be collected at the time of equipment check out and returned once the Corporation's equipment is turned back over to the Equipment Coordinator.
- (8) Division Coordinators -There shall be a Division Coordinator for each Division. He/she shall assist the Commissioner in establishing the number of leagues and the number or teams in each league within his division.
- (9) Travel League Representative -Will represent the Corporation in all travel league activities.

(10) Team Managers -The Team Managers shall be appointed by the Commissioner after the Commissioner has consulted with the Division Coordinator. The Team Managers shall meet the qualifications of good citizenship, sportsmanship and the knowledge of baseball. Sportsmanship is the foremost criteria the Commissioner shall consider in appointing Team Managers. Other considerations shall include but are not limited to past support and accomplishments for the Corporation, managing previously, number of players from last year who returned, etc. The responsibilities of the Team Managers will include the following:

- a. A manager's first and most important duty is to develop sportsmanship in his/her players by example, both on and off the field. Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines sportsmanship as "Skill in or devotion to sports; especially conduct becoming to a sportsman, involving honest rivalry and graceful acceptance of results". If the manager makes no alibis, no scheming to win at any cost; and if the manager demonstrates a genuine love for fair play, is a modest winner and if necessary, a gracious loser, his/her players will develop the sportsman's attitude from example.
- b. To participate in all the activities arranged for the teams.
- c. To attend the regular meetings of the Corporation.
- d. To attend meetings of the Team Managers.
- e. To select a maximum of two Team Coaches and a Team Parent.
- f. To distribute and collect uniforms.
- g. To take care of uniforms and playing equipment. The playing equipment shall consist of bats, catcher's equipment, helmets and balls.
- h. To collect and return all FAAA-owned uniforms, playing equipment and baseballs at the scheduled date established by the Commissioner.
- i. To conduct a minimum of one practice per week. If a Team Manager is unable to give personal attention to any of his/her duties, he/she shall designate someone else to carry out their duties.

(11) Team Coaches -The Team Coaches shall assist the Team Manager in the training of the players and the conduct of the games.

(12) Team Parents -There shall be a Team Parent for each team. The duties of the Team Parent shall be as follows:

- a. To assist the Team Manager in the relaying of telephone messages as required.
- b. To secure help for the concession stand as directed by the Auxiliary.
- c. To coordinate orders for and arrange delivery of team pictures.
- d. To attend the meetings of the Auxiliary and of the Corporation.

13) Team Scorekeepers -There shall be a Team Scorekeeper for each team. He/She shall tabulate the score sheets and see that they are properly signed by Umpires and Managers present at each game. A pitching summary shall be included on all score sheets.

Subsection B. Baseball Rules

(1) Baseball Rules -All baseball leagues and games are governed by the Rules of the Corporation. League games are also governed by the rules and regulations of the league in which they are participating. If a conflict shall exist between the Rules of the Corporation, and the Rules of the participating league, the rules of the league shall apply. Zone and inter-zone play-off games are played according to the rules of the organization hosting the games.

(2) Family Baseball Participation Registration -In order for a player to participate in baseball activities, the family must be members of the Corporation. As part of registration, each member shall complete the volunteer portion of the registration form indicating thereon the manner in which the member is willing to volunteer in the current year.

(3) Late registrants, other than new registrants, will be placed on the Commissioner's waiting list in the order of the date of notification of their desire to register. The Commissioner's shall then place these players, whose names appear on the waiting list, on teams whenever openings are available. However, the determination of the opening available shall be left to the Commissioner since he/she must consider the proper number of players on each team. When late registrants register for baseball, they shall complete all of the registration cards at the time of paying the membership fee to the Treasurer or his designee.

(4) Classification -Each year when a player registers, they will be placed in their respective age classification. The classification is determined by the league in which the corporation is currently affiliated. Under special circumstances a younger player may be placed in an older classification if the Commissioner approves.

(5) Grading -The GRADING SYSTEM is intended to place each boy on a team and in a league commensurate with his or her baseball ability so that each player may participate to a greater extent. After a player has been classified, they will be graded. Each player is graded as to his/her personal ability in comparison with other players in the same classification. Players entering the youngest division shall be assigned to teams on the basis of date of birth so that the player age distribution is approximately equal on all teams. Any player in the Players Pool who comes from a dissolved team shall be guaranteed placement within the same division as the dissolved team (for example A, B, C, or D) provided the player receives a grading that merits such placement. Any player from any source grading ninety percent or better in their age group will be guaranteed placement within their respective 'A' division. Any player in the Players Pool who fails to attend the Grading Session and be graded shall not be placed on a team until all graded players have been placed on teams.

THE MECHANICS OF GRADING

a. Grading Session -The Grading Session shall take place before the beginning of the season at a time, date and place selected by the Commissioner. If possible, players from a particular classification shall be graded by managers and coaches from the classification. The players attending the grading session will be new players to the League and players not returning to their previous team. At the grading session all players (including pitchers and catchers) are graded within their classifications in seven categories:

- 1) Running
- 2) Batting
- 3) Infield Throwing
- 4) Infield Fielding
- 5) Outfield Fielding
- 6) Outfield Throwing
- 7) Overall Coordination

b. Grading Numbers -The grading numbers as established for each category by the grading session shall be listed on the back of the player card, for each player to be drafted.

Example:

Throws R _____ L _____ NO. _____

Bats R _____ L _____

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Running _____	Total _____
Batting _____	Grade _____
Fielding _____	(infield) _____
Throwing _____	(infield) _____
Fielding _____	(outfield) _____
Throwing _____	(outfield) _____
Coordination _____	
Pitcher _____	
Catcher _____	

Only these numbers will be indicated on back of each card.

Grades shall be given of 1 thru 5 for each category to indicated below average ability respectively. These grades are then totaled to arrive at a numerical in arriving at these figures no numerical consideration will be given to any players ability as a pitcher or catcher.

Players may also be graded as pitchers or catchers and will be graded without respect to any numerical rating mentioned above. The Commissioner will then use the numerical rating to assign players to leagues based both on the ability of players available and the number of players needed in each league.

a. Late Registrants -Whenever the Commissioner accepts a late registrant who was previously graded and did not attend the grading session, he/she shall exercise discretion in grading the player on the information available.

(6) The Commissioner's Plan for Determining the Number of Leagues Per classification, Teams Per League and Players Per Team.

a. Basic Considerations -The number of Leagues and Teams in each Classification shall be determined by the Commissioner.

b. The Formula -

1. The Commissioner will first compute the total number of players in a particular age Classification.

2. The Commissioner will attempt to keep all of the teams in a particular league to be a approximately the same size as far as practical. However, the size of the teams may vary from League to League.

(7) Establishment of Teams -The teams shall be established in the following manner:

- a. A team to be retained from one year to another by either of the following methods, if approved by the Commissioner:
 1. By meeting the grading rule requirements and by having a minimum of seven players re-registered on the same team.
 2. By having the former manager or one of the former coaches or any of the former parents of the team appointed as manager for the new season. Under this rule the team may be retained even if less than seven players re-register so long as there is a manager appointed and provided there is a vacancy for such retained team within the league based on the number of players required to complete the rosters. Players from teams that are not retained shall be placed in the player pool.
- b. The team roster shall be established in the following manner. These rules shall apply to all the teams in all the divisions except the first year Atoms.
 1. With retained teams, the present manager or their designated alternate shall draw additional players from the player pools to complete the team roster. In the event a manager or designated alternate is not present at the "Players Drawings", the Division Coordinator shall draw the players for the team.
 2. With new teams, the manager, designated alternate or the Division Coordinator shall draw all of their players from the player pools to form the team roster.

RULE INTERPRETATION: A player will not be retained on a team roster for subsequent season **if:**

- a. The player is not registered for the current year.
- b. The player is originally registered but subsequently refunded the registration fee. A player will be retained on a team roster if the player is registered and placed on a team but subsequently injured, or family is temporarily transferred as long as the registration fee is not refunded. A late registrant that registers after the draft will not be retained on the same team.
- c. The time, date and place for the drawing of players shall be set by the Commissioner and he/she shall notify everyone concerned of this time, date and place for drawing.
- d. Draft Procedures -The draft procedure must assure equitable circumstances for all managers.
- e. Managers of teams may have their own children on their team. Managers of teams who do not have their own children on their team do not have the privilege of selecting a player in a similar fashion.

REGULAR LEAGUE RECRUITING

All returning teams may recruit up to a maximum of five players. No more than three players can be recruited from within the FAAA organization, and no more than three can be recruited from outside that organization. Recruiting from within the FAAA organization requires the team receiving said recruit(s) to move up one or more divisions within their respective age group. The following formula shall apply:

- * One or Two Players -Team moves up one division.
- * Three Players -Team moves up to the "A" division.

Recruiting from within the FAAA organization may only be accomplished between August 15 of one year and February 1st of the following year. Penalty for recruiting outside this period shall be a one-season suspension of the manager or team representative who seeks the recruit.

SELECT LEAGUE RECRUITING

Prior to February 1st of a year, the Commissioner may establish a Select League within the FAAA organization. Managers and team representatives desiring to hold tryouts for the specific purpose of participating within the Select League may recruit from within the FAAA organization. Any player who agrees to play for a Select League team within the FAAA organization will not be allowed to participate in the Grading Session or the Draft Procedure. All Select League players must declare their membership on a Select League team by having their manager or team representative submit their name for such team prior to baseball registration. Failure to declare Select League membership will render the player ineligible to participate in the Select League for that season only. All such ineligible players will be placed on a Regular League team and will not receive a refund for any fees paid.

DRAFT PROCEDURE

Teams moving up in classification will be awarded first draft pick within their classification in lieu of a recruited player. If more than one team moves to the same classification the team with the worst record will draft first. Ties will be decided by the commissioner.

FIRST DRAFT PICK

CLASS A

CLASS B

CLASS C

CLASS D

The number of players to be taken in each round shall be determined by the number of players on each team, recruits and players in the draft.

General Players Pool -The players in the general players pool shall consist of new players, and players not retained on last years team.

- a. Teams changing leagues will have their draft order determined by the Commissioner and League Coordinator.
- b. Teams coming from 1st year league will have their draft order determined by the Commissioner and League Coordinator while taking into account the previous year's record.
- c. After the drawing of players have been completed, then the person in charge of each team may trade one, and only one, player from his/her team. This single trade shall be any newly drafted player only.

(8) Pooled Players -A player who desires to pool from his/her team may do so by requesting to be placed in the player's pool in his respective classification and league no later than registration for the following baseball year. Any manager who decided to pool a player may do so by requesting the player be placed in the players pool in his respective classification and league. This request should normally be included with the managers grading at the end of the season and must be requested no later than eight weeks prior to registration day of the following baseball year.

It shall be the duty of the manager to so notify each player who has been pooled or submitted for re-grading.

(9) Minimum Playing Time for the Players -In regularly scheduled games, each player in all divisions shall play a minimum of three (3) innings of a seven (7) inning game, or as decided by the league.

If any player continually misses practices, and if the manager feels it is necessary to discipline the player, they may do so by not playing the player for one game provided the Division Coordinator is notified in writing before the start of the game. The failure of any manager to comply with the minimum playing rules shall be valid grounds for forfeiture of a game if this matter is properly protested.

SECTION III
SOFTBALL ACTIVITIES

(Amended October 1993)

(Amended June 2004)

Subsection A. Softball Commissioner

(1) Softball Commissioner -The Softball Commissioner shall be selected by the President and approved by the Board of Directors. The Softball Commissioner shall be responsible for the enforcement of the rules and regulations of softball; the conduct of all Players, Managers, Coaches, Umpires and Spectators at all softball events; and the determination of the number of teams and leagues to be in all softball activities. He/she shall also appoint all Managers, Division and League Coordinators and their assistants. He/she shall select an Umpire-in-Chief to be approved by the Executive Committee. The Softball Commissioner will further appoint a Schedule Coordinator and an Equipment Coordinator. Term of office shall be from November 1 to October 31.

(2) Officers Acting Under the Director of the Softball Commissioner -The Softball Commissioner shall be assisted by the following officers: Assistant Commissioner, Umpire-in-Chief, Schedule Coordinator, Equipment Coordinator, and Division Coordinators. Utilization of these subordinate positions and minor changes of their duties shall be at the discretion of the Softball Commissioner.

(3) Assistant Commissioners -The Assistant Commissioners shall be selected by the Commissioner and approved by the Executive Committee. The Assistant Commissioner shall assist the Commissioner in any manner requested by the Commissioner.

(4) Umpire-in-Chief-The Umpire-in-Chief shall appoint, schedule and assign umpires for all games.

(5) Umpires -The Umpires shall be responsible for umpiring the games according to the league rules and shall assure that the games are conducted in a sportsmanlike manner. The umpire may eject players for un-sportsmanlike conduct. Coaches, managers or spectators may be warned for first offense of un-sportsmanlike conduct, but for the second offense they are removed from the game. The offender must leave the area; failure to do so will warrant a forfeiture of the game.

(6) Schedule Coordinator -The Schedule Coordinator shall determine and arrange all softball schedules.

(7) Equipment Coordinator -The Equipment Coordinator shall determine equipment needs, recommend equipment purchases, obtain estimates of equipment to be purchased with bids which have been approved by the President. He shall maintain, disburse and collect the softball equipment of the organization. The Equipment Coordinator will also be responsible for collection of all deposits levied against any equipment. The amount of all required deposits shall be set by the Softball Commissioner and approved by the Executive Committee. All deposits will be collected at the time of equipment check out and returned once the corporation's equipment is turned back over to the Equipment Coordinator.

(8) Division Coordinators -There shall be a Division Coordinator for each Division. He/she shall assist the Commissioner in the registration for his Division and in any other way requested by the Commissioner.

(9) Team Managers -The Team Managers shall be appointed by the Commissioner after the Commissioner has consulted with the Division Coordinator. The Team Managers shall meet the qualifications of good Citizenship, sportsmanship and the knowledge of softball. Sportsmanship is the foremost criteria that the Commissioner shall consider in appointing Team Managers. Other considerations shall include but are not limited to past support and accomplishments for the Corporation, managing previously, number of players from last year who returned, etc. The responsibilities of the Team Managers will include the following:

- a. A Manager's first and most important duty is to develop sportsmanship in his players by his own example, both on and off the field. Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines sportsmanship as "Skill in or devotion to sports; especially conduct becoming to a sportsman, involving honest rivalry and graceful acceptance of results". If the manager makes no alibis, no scheming to win at any cost; and if the manager demonstrates a genuine love of fair play, is a modest winner and if necessary, a gracious loser, his/her players will develop the sportsman's attitude from example.
- b. To participate in all the activities arranged for the teams.
- c. To attend the regular meetings of the corporation.
- d. To attend meetings of the Team Managers.
- e. To select a maximum of two Team Coaches and a Team Parent.
- f. To distribute and collect uniforms.
- g. To take care of uniforms and playing equipment. The playing equipment shall consist of bats, catcher's equipment, helmets and twelve new balls.
- h. To collect and return all FAAA-owned uniforms, playing equipment, softballs and grading information within the time limits designated by the Commissioner. Managers not complying will be billed for playing equipment not returned.
- i. To conduct a minimum of one practice per week.
- j. If a Team Manager is unable to give personal attention to any duties, they shall designate a rostered coach to carry out his/her duties.

(10) Team Coaches -The Team Coaches shall assist the Team Manager in the training of the players and the conduct of the players and the conduct of the games.

(11) Team Parents -There shall be a Team Parent for each team. The duties of the Team Parent shall be as follows:

- a. To assist his/her Team Manager in the relaying of telephone messages as required.
- b. To secure help for the concession stand as directed by the Auxiliary.
- c. To coordinate orders for and arrange delivery of team pictures.
- d. To attend the meeting of the Auxiliary and of the Corporation.

Subsection B. Softball Rules

(1) Softball Rules -All softball leagues and games are governed by the Rules and Regulations of Sports Activities.

Florissant league games are also governed by the roles and regulations of the league in which they are participating. If a conflict shall exist between the Rules of the Corporation, and the Rules of the participating league, the rules of the league shall apply for Corporation teams. Zone and inter-zone play-off games are played according to the Rules of the organization hosting the games.

(2) Family Softball Participation Registration - In order for a player to participate in baseball activities, the family must be members of the Corporation. As part of registration, each member shall complete the volunteer portion of the registration form indicating thereon the manner in which the member is willing to volunteer in the current year.

(3) Late Registrants, other than new registrants, will be placed on the Commissioner's waiting list in the order of the date of notification of their desire to register. The Commissioner's shall then place these players, whose names appear on the waiting list, on teams whenever openings are available. However, the determination of the openings available shall be left to the Commissioner since he/she must consider the proper number of players on each team, When late registrants register for softball, they shall complete all of the registration cards at the time of paying the membership fee to the Treasurer or his assistant.

(4) Classification -Each year when a player registers, they will be placed in their respective age classification. The classification is determined by the league in which the Corporation is currently affiliated.

(5) Grading -The grading system is intended to provide an equitable draft wherein each team in a league, through the use of the drafting formula, has an equal opportunity to field a competitive team. Each player is graded as to her personal ability in comparison with other players in her age classification.

- a. The Mechanics of Grading -A player will receive their grade either on the basis of his/her last season's play or by attending the grading session. All players entering the youngest age division of the current league will not be graded. All pooled players will attend the grading session.

Grading Session -The Grading Session shall take place before the beginning of the season at a time, date and place selected by the Commissioner. If possible, players from a particular classification shall be graded by managers and coaches from the same classification. The players attending the Grading Session will be both those who did not have a grading from the previous year's play and those who have been pooled. At the Grading Session all players (including pitchers and catchers) are graded within their Classification in 7 categories:

- 1) Running
- 2) Batting
- 3) Infield Fielding
- 4) Infield Throwing
- 5) Outfield Fielding
- 6) Outfield Throwing
- 7) Overall Coordination

Grades shall be given of 1 through 5 for each category to indicate below average, average and above average ability respectively. These grades are then totaled to arrive at numerical grading. Thus the maximum possible grade is 35 and the minimum is 7. In arriving at these figures no consideration will be given to any player's ability as a pitcher or catcher, although those desiring may be graded as a pitcher or catcher.

- a. Late Registrants -Whenever the Commissioner *accepts* a late registrant who was not previously graded and did not attend the grading session, they shall exercise discretion in grading a player on the information available.

(6) Commissioner's Plan for Determining the Number of Teams and Players Per Team -The number of teams in each classification shall be determined by the Commissioner.

(7) Establishment of Teams -The teams shall be established in the following manner:

- a. A team may be retained from one year to another by either of the following methods, if approved by the Commissioner:
 1. By meeting the grading rule requirements and by having a minimum of seven players re-registered on the same team.
 2. By having the former manager or one of the former coaches or any of the former parents of the team appointed a manager for the new season. Under this rule the team may be retained even if less than seven players re-register so long as there is a manager appointed and provided there is a vacancy for such retained team within the league based on the number of players required to complete the roster. Players from teams that are not retained shall be placed in the players pool. The pitchers and catchers from these teams will be placed in the pitchers and catchers pools.
- b. The team roster shall be established in the following manner. These rules shall apply to all the teams in all the divisions except the Pixies.
 1. With retained teams, the present manager or designated alternate shall draw additional players from the player pools to complete the team roster. In the event a manager or his/her designated alternate is not present at the "Players Drawing", the Division Coordinator shall draw the players for the team.
 2. With new teams, The manager, his/her designated alternate or the Division Coordinator shall draw all of their players from the players pools to form the team roster.
- c. The time, date and place for the drawing of players shall be set by the Division Coordinator of each classification, and he shall notify everyone concerned of this time, date and place for the drawing.
- d. Managers of teams may have their own children on their team. Manager of teams who do not have their own children on their teams do not have the privilege of selecting a player in a similar fashion.

PITCHERS AND CATCHERS POOL

- (1) All teams requiring a pitcher or catcher shall have an opportunity to draw them before the drawing of the general players. However, such a selection will be applied against that team's number of picks in the first round of the player draft.
- (2) Players rated 4 or 5 in grading session for pitching or catching ability shall have these scores denoted on the back of the player card. Scores for other skill areas will not be indicated at this point.
- (3) After pitcher and catcher draft is completed, the Coordinator will apply scores for other skill areas to the back of the cards, and the cards will be returned to the general players pool for balance of draft.

GENERAL PLAYERS POOL

The players in the General Players Pool will consist of new players, players who have not been retained from last year's team and players who have requested a team transfer. Teams will draft in reverse order of the previous year's finish and won lost record except as follows:

1. New teams will draft first (coin flip will determine order if more than one team).
2. Teams coming from 1st year league entry teams will have their draft order determined by the Commissioner and Coordinator while taking into account the previous year's record.

GRADING NUMBERS

The grading numbers as established for each category by the grading session shall be listed on the back of the player card, for each player to be drafted.

Example:

Throws R _____ L _____
Bats R _____ L _____ NO. _____

Running _____ Total _____
Batting _____ Grade _____
Fielding _____ (infield)
Throwing _____ (infield)
Fielding _____ (outfield)
Throwing _____ (outfield)
Coordination _____
Pitcher _____

Catcher _____

Draft Round -Number Per Round. The following formula will be used to determine the number of draft picks per round each team shall be entitled to make. Note this does not affect order of draft, only number of selections.

- a. Teams will draft until rosters are complete (Commissioner will determine size of roster).
- b. Teams from last year with roster smaller than the team with the largest roster from 1st year will draft as described in the draft procedure.
- c. The Commissioner, or his/her representative, present at the draft meeting shall make final decisions on any questions not covered by guidelines outlined above.
- d. After the drawing of players has been completed, the person in charge of each team may trade one, and only one, player from their team. This single trade shall be any newly drafted player only.

(8) Transfers -A player who desires to transfer from their team may do so by requesting that the player be placed in the player pool in her classification. This request should normally be included with the Manager's grading at the end of the season, and no later than eight weeks prior to registration of the following year.

a. Any manager who decides to transfer a player may do so by requesting that the player be placed in the players pool in her classification. This request should normally be included with the Manager's grading at the end of the season, and no later than eight weeks prior to registration of the following year.

b. It shall be the duty of the Commissioner or his designee to so notify each player who has been pooled prior to the first registration of the next season.

DRAFT PROCEDURE

Selected/Round

Teams with 1 player less than largest roster size -1 on 1st, 2 on 2nd, 1 on 3rd etc.

Teams with 2 players less than largest roster size -1 on 1st, 2 on 2nd, 2 on 3rd, 1 on 4th.

Teams with 3 players less than largest roster size -2 on 1st, 2 on 2nd, 2 on 3rd, 1 on 4th.

Teams with 4 players less than largest roster size -2 on 1st, 2 on 2nd, 2 on 3rd, 2 on 4th.

Teams with 5 players less than largest roster size -3 on 1st, 2 on 2nd, 2 on 3rd, 2 on 4th.

Teams with 6 players less than largest roster size -3 on 1st, 3 on 2nd, 2 on 3rd, 2 on 4th.

New Teams... S on 1st, 3 on 2nd, 3 on 3rd, 3 on 4th.

ALL ADDITIONS WILL BE AT THE OPTION OF THE COMMISSIONER

(9) Minimum Player Time -In regularly scheduled games of the League, each player shall play at least three full innings of each game unless the player being disciplined. Failure to attend practice shall constitute cause for disciplinary action. Opposing managers and Umpires must be notified in writing on the score sheet before each game of the name of player being disciplined. Under no circumstances shall the player being disciplined be allowed to enter the game.

Failure to comply with these minimum playing rules shall be valid grounds for forfeiture of the game if this matter is properly protested.

Each manager shall be allowed to recruit a maximum of three (3) players, if such vacancies occur on the team. A child may be recruited under one of two conditions:

a. Has not played in the league for at least one year or

b. The team on which they previously played does not have the required number of returning players to remain intact.

In order for recruitment, the manager must present written parental request for child's placement on particular team to the Softball Commissioner prior to division's grading session.

(10) No Tampering Rule -No Manager or Coach shall contact any player who is not on his/roster except through the Coordinator and through the use of the Players Pool. A manager may have his child on his/her team.

No other adult may join the team and then have their daughter placed on the roster. Parents or Legal Guardians may follow the players.

SECTION IV
SOCCER ACTIVITIES

(Amended October 1993)

(Amended June 2004)

Subsection A. Soccer Commissioner

- (1) Soccer Commissioner -The Soccer Commissioner shall be selected by the President and approved by the Board of Directors. The Soccer Commissioner shall be responsible for the enforcement of the rules and regulations of soccer, the conduct of all players, managers, coaches, referees and spectators at all soccer events, and the determination of the number of teams and leagues to be in all Soccer activities. He/she shall also appoint all Managers, Divisions and League Coordinators and their assistants. He/she shall select a Referee-In-Chief to be approved by the Executive Committee. The Soccer Commissioner will further appoint a Schedule Coordinator. They shall be responsible for the Corporation's equipment assigned to the officers acting under their direction.
- (2) Officers Acting Under the Direction of the Soccer Commissioner -The Soccer Commissioner may be assisted by the following officers: Assistant Commissioner, Schedule Coordinator, Equipment Coordinator, Referee-In-Chief and Division Coordinators. Utilization of these subordinate positions and minor changes of their duties shall be at the discretion of the Soccer Commissioner.
- (3) Assistant Commissioner -The Assistant Commissioner shall be selected by the Commissioner and approved by the Executive Committee. The Assistant Commissioner shall assist the Commissioner in any manner requested by the Commissioner.
- (4) Referee-in-Chief-The Referee-in-Chief shall appoint, schedule and assign Referees for all games. The Referee-in-Chief shall appoint an assistant.
- (5) Referees -The referee shall be responsible for refereeing the games according to the necessary league rules and Florissant Area Athletic Association Rules and shall assure that the games are conducted in a sportsmanlike manner.
- (6) Schedule Coordinator -The Schedule Coordinator shall determine and arrange all soccer field allocations and arrange the soccer schedules.
- (7) Soccer Equipment Coordinator -The Equipment Coordinator shall determine equipment needs, recommend equipment purchases, obtain estimates of equipment to be purchased with bids which have been approved by the President. He/she shall maintain, disburse and collect the soccer equipment of the organization. The Equipment Coordinator will also be responsible for collection of all deposits levied against any equipment. The amount of all required deposits shall be set by the Soccer Commissioner and approved by the Executive Committee. All deposits will be collected at the time of equipment out and returned once the Corporation's equipment is turned back over to the Equipment Coordinator.
- (8) Division Coordinators -There should be a Division Coordinator for each Division. He/she shall assist the Commissioner in establishing the number of leagues and the number of teams in each league within his division. He shall further coordinate the activities of his Division.

(9) Team Managers -Team Managers shall be appointed by the Commissioner after the Commissioner has consulted with the Division Coordinator. The Team Managers must meet the general qualifications of good citizenship, sportsmanship and knowledge of soccer. Sportsmanship is the foremost criteria the Commissioner shall consider in appointing Team Managers. Other considerations shall include but are not limited to past support and accomplishments for the Corporation, managing previously, number of players from last year who returned etc. The responsibilities of the Team Managers shall include the following:

- a. A Manager's first and most important duty is to develop sportsmanship in his players by his own example, both on and off the field. Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines sportsmanship as "Skill in or devotion to sports; especially conduct becoming to a sportsman, involving honest rivalry and graceful acceptance of genuine love of fair play, is a modest winner and if necessary a gracious loser, his/her players will develop the sportsman's attitude" for example.
- b. To participate in all the activities arranged for the mains.
- c. To attend the regular meeting of the corporation.
- d. To attend meetings of the Team Managers.
- e. To select a maximum of two Team Coaches and a Team Parent.
- f. To distribute and collect uniforms.
- g. To take care of uniforms and playing equipment.
- h. To collect and return all FAAA-owned uniforms and playing equipment at the scheduled date established by the Commissioner.
- i. To conduct a minimum of one practice per week.
- j. If a Team Manager is unable to give personal attention to any of his/her duties, they shall designate a rostered coach to carry out his/her duties.

(10) Team Coaches -The Team Coaches shall assist the Team Manager in training of the players and the conduct of the game.

(11) Team Parents -There shall be a Team Parent for each team. The duties of the Team Parents shall be as follows:

- a. To assist her Team Manager in the relaying of telephone messages as required.
- b. To secure help for the concession stand as directed by the Auxiliary.
- c. To coordinate orders for and arrange delivery of team pictures.
- d. To attend the meetings of the Auxiliary and of the Corporation.

Subsection B. Soccer Rules

- (1) Soccer Rules -All soccer leagues and games are governed by the rules in which the Corporation is affiliated.
- (2) Family Soccer Participation Registration - In order for a player to participate in baseball activities, the family must be members of the Corporation. As part of registration, each member shall complete the volunteer portion of the registration form indicating thereon the manner in which the member is willing to volunteer in the current year.
- (3) Late registrants will be placed on the Commissioner's waiting list in order of the date of notification of their desire to register. The Commissioner shall then place these players, whose names appear on the waiting list, on teams whenever openings are available. However, the determination of the openings available shall be left to the Commissioner since he must consider the proper number of players on each team. When late registrants register for soccer, they shall complete all the registration cards at the time of paying the membership fee to the Treasurer or his assistant.
- (4) Classification -Each year when a player registers he or she is placed in his or her age classification. The Classification is determined by the league in which the organization is affiliated.

Under special circumstances a younger player may be placed in an older Classification if the Commissioner approves.

- (5) League Formation and Player Assignment -League formation and player assignment is a sequential process that will be completed as follows. This process is intended to provide each team an equal capability of attaining first place in their league.

Step 1 - Size of the leagues: Utilizing information from the complete registration, the Commissioner will determine the number of teams for each league.

Step 2 - It shall be the duty of the Commissioner or designee to so notify each player who has been pooled or submitted for re-grading at least four weeks prior to the first registration for the next season.

Step 3 - Grading: Grading sessions can be scheduled for each age group.

When grading is used, the mechanics will be:

Grading Numbers -The grading number as established for each category by the grading session shall be listed on the back of the card for each player to be drafted.

Example:

Kicking L _____ R _____ NO. _____

Running _____

Heading _____

Dribbling _____

Coordination _____

Only these numbers will be indicated on back of players card.

Grades shall be given of 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 for each category to indicate below average, average and above average ability, respectively. These grades are then totaled to arrive at a numerical grading. Thus, the maximum possible grade is 30 and the minimum is 6. Late Registrants -Whenever the commissioner accepts a late registrant who was not previously graded and did not attend the grading session, he/she shall exercise discretion in grading the player on the information available.

Establishment of Teams -The teams shall be established in the following manner.

Step 1 -A team be retained from one year to another by either of the following methods; if approved by the Commissioner.

1. By having a minimum of seven players re-registered on the same team.
2. By having the former manager or one of the former coaches or any of the former parents of the team appointed as a manager for the new season. Under this rule the team may be retained even if less than seven players re-registered so long as there is a manager appointed and provided there is a vacancy for such retained team within the league based on the number of players required to complete the rosters.

Step 2 -The team roster shall be established in the following manner.

1. With retained teams, the present manager or their designated alternate shall draw additional players from the players pool to complete the team roster. In the event that a manager or designated alternate is not present at the "Player Drawing", the Division Coordinator shall draw all their players from the players pool to form the team roster.

RULE INTERPRETATION: A player will not be retained on a team roster for subsequent seasons if:

- a. The player is not registered for the current year.
- b. The player is originally registered but subsequently refunded the registration fee. A player will be retained on a team roster if the player is registered and placed on a team but subsequently injured, or father is temporarily transferred as long as the registration fee is not refunded. A late registrant that registers after the draft will not be retained on the same team.
- c. The time, date and place that the drawing of players shall be set by the Commissioner and he/she shall notify everyone concerned of this time, date and place for drawing.
- d. Draft Procedures -The draft procedure must assure equitable circumstances for all managers.
- e. Managers of teams may have their own son on their team. Managers of teams who do not have their own son on their team do not have the privilege of selecting a player in a similar fashion.

Step 3 -Commissioner's Approval: The Commissioner will review and approve the team rosters.

(6) Player Draft -Drafting will be in order of finish to previous year by round robin procedure and coordinated by the Commissioner. After the drawing of players has been completed, then the person in charge of each team may trade one and only one player from his team. This single trade shall be any newly drafted player only.

(7) Transfers -A player who desires to transfer from his/her team may do so by requesting to be placed in the players pool in his respective classification and league no later than registration for the following year. Any manager who decided to transfer a player may do so by requesting that player be placed in the players pool in his respective classification and league. This request should normally be included with the manager's grading at the end of the season and must be requested no later than eight weeks prior to the registration of the following season.

It shall be the duty of the Commissioner or his/her designee to so notify each player who has been pooled or submitted for regarding.

GAME DURATION

The quarters system and the total playing time of a game (halves or quarters), shall be at the discretion of the Commissioner. (Each player will play a minimum of one-fourth of the game).