

# 2024-2025 Bylaws and Policies

# Bill Batt's Rialto Girls Softball Association 2024-2025 Bylaws

#### <u>Article I</u>

#### Name:

This organization will be known as Bill Batt's Rialto Girls Softball Association.

# Article II

# Objectives:

The objective of Bill Batt's Rialto Girls Softball Association shall be to implant in the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, loyalty, courage, and reverence. The supervisors shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skills, or winning of the games, shall be secondary and the molding of future women is the prime importance.

#### Article III

#### **Government:**

- A. Government of Bill Batt's Rialto Girls Softball Association shall be under the direct supervision of the Executive Board, Board of Directors, and Team Managers, herein referred to as the General Board.
- B. Bill Batt's Rialto Girls Softball Association shall hereafter be referred to as the Association.
- C. The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, Internal Vice President, External Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, and the Chairpersons of the board (2).
- D. Each Board Member shall hold one (1) vote, excluding the President who shall vote only in the event of a tie. In the event that a Team Manager is not present, a ratified representative of said manager's team may vote for that team.
- E. All meetings shall be governed as set forth in the policies and procedures except where it conflicts with the by- laws.
- F. The end of the fiscal year for the Association shall be August 31. Taxes shall be filed pursuant to Federal and State of California guidelines and dates. The current year budget shall be approved at the September Board Meeting.

#### **Article IV**

#### Elections:

- A. Elections will be held annually by the Nomination Committee during closing ceremonies of the Spring season following guidelines set forth in policy.
- B. A nomination committee shall be appointed by the Chairpersons of the board (2). If unavailable, the nomination committee shall be appointed with the majority approval of the Executive Board. The committee shall consist of no less than three (3) general board members who are currently ratified.
- C. Nominees may run for only one (1) executive board position per season.
- D. Eligible voters shall consist of the Board, Ratified Coaches, two (2) parents or guardians of each registered player. Each eligible voter shall have one vote per registered player.
- E. The position of the President, Vice President, Internal Vice President, External Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be elected from nominees who have been a USA Member and Board Ratified League Representative for at least the previous two consecutive seasons.
- F. If the Executive Board falls below seven (7), the President shall appoint additional members as needed with majority approval of the Executive Board, provided that appointee meets the criteria in section E.
- G. If any board member does not fulfill their term they will be ineligible to run for future E-board positions. Exception special circumstance, medical or financial.

#### Article V

# Meetings:

- A. A meeting shall be legal when a quorum is present. A quorum shall consist of five (5) general board members and a minimum of four (4) Executive Board Members. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with guidelines outlined in policy.
- B. The General Board shall have regularly scheduled meetings on the first Sunday of every month excluding holidays. General board meeting may be changed with a majority vote at the previous meeting.

## Article VI

#### **Duties of the Executive Board:**

- A. The Executive Board shall oversee the Association to ensure the proper function of the league toward its stated objectives per Article II.
- B. In the event of Absence, the President shall appoint those duties to another executive board member.
- C. Executive Board Members:

#### **President:**

- The President shall preside over Executive Board Meetings and Board of Director Meetings.
- 2. The President shall preside over Board Meetings.
- 3. The President shall be an Ex-Officio Member of all committee meetings.
- 4. The President shall announce the major goals for the Association at the September Board Meeting.
- 5. Any other duties as outlined in policies and procedures.

#### Vice President:

- 1. The Vice President shall preside over meetings in the absence of the President.
- 2. The Vice President shall assist the President with special events.
- 3. Any other duties as outlined in policies and procedures.

#### **Internal Vice President:**

- 1. Responsible for areas that generate income for the Association, including but not limited to; Registration, Sponsors, Snack Bar, Hosting Tournaments, and Fundraisers.
- 2. Any other duties as outlined in policies and procedures.

#### **External Vice President:**

- 1. Responsible for all areas that generate expenses for the Association including but not limited to; Umpires, scorekeepers, Field Maintenance, Uniforms, Equipment, Opening and Closing Ceremonies, Pictures, League Awards, and USA Tournaments.
- 2. Any other duties as outlined in policies and procedures.

# Secretary:

- The Secretary shall keep records of the minutes for all Board Meetings and Executive Board Meetings as well as furnish the President and all Board Members with copies of the previous meetings' minutes and roll call sheet.
- 2. Any other duties as outlined in policies and procedures.

#### Treasurer:

- 1. The Treasurer shall be responsible for monies throughout his/her term of office.
- 2. The Treasurer shall provide a written and oral report at each Board Meeting.
- 3. All monies are to be deposited in the account of the Association.
- 4. Any other duties as outlined in policies and procedures.

# **Chairperson of the Board:**

- 1. The Chairman of the Board shall be a perpetual position held by an active person in the Association with the most years of service appointed by the President with the approval of the Executive Board.
- 2. The Chairman of the Board shall not be an elected position.
- 3. The Chairman of the Board shall participate in Board meetings and Executive Board meetings. The Chairman of the Board shall have a vote at these meetings.
- 4. The Chairman of the Board's primary duty is to promote the good will of the Association.

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- A. All league representatives include but are not limited to; Executive Board, Board of Directors, Managers, Coaches, and Team Parents. Hereafter referred to as members.
- B. All League Representative Applicants shall have
  - 1. Temporary E-board ratification, pending general board final approval.
  - 2. If an applicant does not pass E-Board ratification, then the application will not go before the general board.
  - 3. A local background check (which will allow a coach to be on the field prior to a favorable USA background check).
  - 4. USA background check.
- C. Any individual not passing E-Board, General Board ratification and/or an USA background check shall be ineligible to participate as a league representative.

#### **Elections:**

- A. The position of the President, Vice President, Internal Vice President, External Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall be elected from nominees who have been an USA certified, Board Ratified BBRGSA League Representative for the previous two consecutive seasons and ratified by opening ceremonies.
- B. If the Executive Board falls below eight (8), the President shall appoint additional members as needed with the approval of the Executive Board, provided that appointee meets the criteria in BBRGSA Bylaws article IV, section E.
- C. New officers shall assume duties at the June board meeting following elections.
- D. All election materials, including ballots, nomination slips and the ballot box are to remain in the park office. All voting ballots are to be counted at the park.
- E. The nomination committee cannot campaign for any candidate.
- F. The nomination committee will be provided with a list of ineligible candidates prior to candidate contact.

As of the June board meeting outgoing Executive Board shall work with the newly elected Executive Board in compliance with the Association Rules, Regulations, Bylaws and Policies. The outgoing Executive Boards' term will end at the end of the June Board Meeting. In the event of a tie, the general board will decide.

#### Terms of office:

The newly elected Executive Board shall take office the second (2nd) Sunday following elections. All Executive Board positions shall serve a two-year term. In order to maintain continuity of the Association, no more than 50% of the Executive Board shall be re-elected in any calendar year.

The following positions shall re-elect every **even** numbered year.

- President
- External Vice President
- Secretary

The Following positions shall re-elect every **odd** numbered year.

- Vice President
- Internal Vice President
- Treasurer

#### Removal from office:

E-Board members may be removed from office for failure to perform the duties of office, violation of these by-laws, the rules or board decisions and/or policies, or conduct detrimental to the interest of the association. A motion to remove an E-Board must be approved by the majority of the Board of Directors at a regular board meeting. All proceedings to remove an E-Board shall be public information. A motion to remove an E-Board member must be approved by a majority of the E-Board and announced on record at the next regular board meeting.

# Meetings:

- A. A quorum shall consist of five (5) members and a minimum of four (4) Executive Board Members.
  - The Secretary shall call roll of the Board at the beginning of the meeting to determine the number of votes at the meeting, only members present at the first roll call will be allowed to participate in voting. A second roll call will be taken prior to the adjournment of the meeting.
  - 2. For a team to have representation at a General Board meeting that team's representative must be present for both role calls. (reference D3 under Meetings)
  - 3. A motion shall be carried by a favorable vote of the majority of the voting Board Members present at the legal meeting.
- B. The general board shall meet every first Sunday of each month. If the meeting falls on a holiday weekend, or a league function, the meeting may be changed to a new date and time to be announced. All General Board Meetings shall be open meetings (no kids allowed). Additional meetings can be scheduled by the President upon E-Board approval
- C. The Board of Directors meeting shall be held as needed during the current season, to plan for and manage the various functions of the league. Both the Executive Board and Board of Directors shall be included in GroupMe groups. All Board of Directors and Executive Board Meetings will be closed.
- D. All Managers for the spring season shall attend regularly scheduled General Board meetings of the Association December thru May for 4U to 14U divisions and April thru December for High School division.
  - Any team failing to have representation at two (2) or more General Board Meetings during the current season will result in the suspension of that team's Manager from their next two consecutive games regardless of league or tournament play.
  - Four (4) Board Meeting absences will result in the Manager being dismissed from the league.
  - 3. In the event that a manager cannot be present, a Board Ratified League Representative of that team may represent that team at a General Board meeting, with voting privileges. In the event that a General Board Meeting is rescheduled, no manager shall be suspended for lack of representation at the rescheduled meeting.
- E. All Managers for the fall season shall attend regularly scheduled General Board meetings of the Association August November.
  - Any team failing to have representation at two (2) or more General Board Meetings during the current season will result in the suspension of that team's Manager from their next two consecutive games regardless of league or tournament play.
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- F. All E-board members for the current season shall attend regularly scheduled General Board meetings of the Association June May.
  - 1. Four (4) General Board Meeting absences will result in the E-board Member regardless of title being dismissed from the E-board. (At the discretion of the E-board).
- G. All Board of Director members for the current season shall attend regularly scheduled General Board meetings of the Association June -May.
  - 1. Four (4) General Board Meeting absences will result in the Board of Director member being dismissed from the Board of Directors. (At the discretion of the E-Board)
- H. The Policies must be read at one (1) General Board meeting no later than the September General Board Meeting. The Policies may be changed by reading proposed changes no later than the October Board Meeting. They will become effective immediately following the general board approval.-A quorum must be present at all meetings.
- I. Bylaw/policy meeting/s will take place in June with the newly elected e-board.

#### **Duties of the Executive Board:**

- A. The Executive Board shall have the right to spend an amount not to exceed \$1000.00 to solve an emergency problem in its entirety. An emergency problem is defined as any problem causing the league to cease functioning.
- B. The Executive Board will be assigned park duty nights, in which they will be responsible to oversee the proper running of the league and may not participate in any paid league activities on assigned duty nights.
- C. All E-Board members must attend the yearly conference in November
- D. All E-Board should have a food handlers card

#### President:

- 1. The President shall oversee a committee (including the E-Board) to review and recommend changes to the Bylaws, Policies, and Ground Rules.
- 2. The President shall act as the City Liaison
- 3. The President shall hold a planning session with the e-board prior to the August meeting to review, revise, and prepare:
  - a. Calendar of Events
  - b. Budget
  - c. Bylaws and policies
- 4. The President shall review and revise the following forms dealing with:
  - a. Registration
  - b. League Representative Applications
  - c. Snack Bar
  - d. Sponsors
  - e. Team Fundraiser
  - f. Incident Report
  - g. Manager/Coaches Contracts
  - h. Contracted position description
- 3. The President shall enter into contract regarding:
  - a. Reservations of Fields through the City
  - b. Umpires
  - c. Insurance
  - d. Fundraiser Companies (if applicable)
  - e. Field Maintenance

In the event that the president is unable to enter into a contract in any of the above areas the Vice President shall contract on behalf of the association.

#### Vice President:

- 1. Responsible for, Rules and Protest
- 2. The Vice President shall preside over special events.
  - a. Team Parent Clinic
  - b. Scorekeeping Clinic
  - c. Coaches' Clinic / Basic player and first aid
  - d. Player Clinic

#### Internal Vice President:

1. The Internal Vice President shall be in communication with each director that they are responsible for on a monthly basis.

#### **External Vice President:**

1. The External Vice President shall be in communication with each director that they are responsible for on a monthly basis.

# Secretary:

- The Secretary shall maintain a retention schedule, keeping an accurate account of all meeting minutes, correspondence and records for no less than 3 years and turn over to his/her successor all records and communications compiled during their term of office.
- 2. The Secretary shall be responsible for coordination with the President of a written agenda for each meeting.
- 3. The Secretary shall post notifications for the next meeting.
- 4. The Secretary shall maintain a hard copy of meeting minutes, budget and all handouts for the current year in a binder in the office.
- 5. The Secretary shall send a copy of all documents to the President for final review and approval.
- 6. Maintain the Schedule of Events for the League.

#### Treasurer:

- The Treasurer shall debit and credit entries of income expenditures using a chart of accounts on a computer program, the Treasurer will designate a person (not related to the Treasurer) to maintain the charts of accounts and they will not have voting privileges, with E-Board approval.
- 2. Any league-connected funds collected by League personnel shall be immediately turned over to the Treasurer.
- 3. All disbursements from the checking account require two (2) of the three (3) authorized signatures. Any disbursements not included in the annual budget must have Board approval. (Exception: In the event a quorum is not present during a regular scheduled Board Meeting, the Executive Board may make the decision accordingly.)
- 4. The Treasurer shall relinquish to his/her successor all receipts, checks, check stubs, and all other financial data that has been collected during his/her term of office. The Treasurer shall provide a complete balanced set of books by the September Board Meeting.
- 5. The Treasurer shall be responsible for checking the post office box.
- 6. Responsible for collecting and tracking all all-star and select team monies.

# Chairpersons of the Board (2):

- 1. Shall be responsible for checking the post office box.
- 2. Shall be responsible for assisting e-board members with events and tasks such as player and coaches clinics.

#### **Duties of the Directors:**

4U and 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U and high school division directors:

- 1. The President with the approval of the Executive Board shall appoint Division Directors to govern the divisions.
- 2. Division Directors shall report to the Internal Vice President.
- No Division Directors shall have immediate family members in that division or be involved as Coach or Manager in that division. Exception for the Fall ball season.
- 4. Responsible for filling teams to maximum capacity. Rosters shall begin with a minimum number of players as determined by the Executive Board after registration and before Draft. After half a season of play, of a team's regularly scheduled games, a Manager has a choice of adding a player or playing with ten (10) players the remainder of the season. Teams may not drop below ten (10) players.
- 5. Waiting list players will be placed on waiting lists according to the date and time received. Only the Division Directors and registration director shall know numbers or names on the waiting list.
- 6. Any time a player wants off a team, it is the Division Director's responsibility to contact the player, her parents, and the Manager to determine the reason why.
- 7. All Waiting List players shall be drawn from a hat with the first 3 applications received by date drawn first, first 3 in first 3 out (F3I/F3O). The Hat shall contain 3 applicant names at the start of a drawing until those three (3) are assigned at which time another three (3) applicant names can be added by date. The hat shall be considered empty if there are less than three (3) eligible players on the waiting list for that division.
- 8. Division Directors must attend assessments and draft for their division.

# Snack Bar Director:

- 1. Responsible for purchasing supplies for the snack bar during the season.
- 2. Responsible for returning for credit, any unused supplies at the end of the season.
- 3. Responsible for cleaning, closing and securing the snack bar for the off season.
- 4. Responsible for overseeing all functions for the snack bar.
- 5. Responsible for posting a snack bar schedule outside of the snack bar.
- 6. Responsible for determining the snack bar rules; to be approved by the Executive Board.
- 7. Responsible for opening up the snackbar every night of games from 5:00 6:00PM.
- 8. The snack bar director shall be required to have all health department certifications.
- 9. Other duties listed in contract.

#### Picture Director:

- 1. Responsible for procuring a Professional Photographer through proposals, a minimum of three (3). Sponsor plaques shall be included in the package proposal.
- 2. Responsible for informing Managers about dates, times, and places where pictures will be taken. Responsible for distributing pictures to each team.
- 3. Responsible for setting up make-up and All Star picture dates.
- 4. Responsible for ensuring all picture items including plaques remain in the park office.

# Events Director:

- 1. Responsible for planning each event.
- 2. Responsible for contacting sponsors for events.
- 3. Responsible for contacting dignitaries and City Officials for special events.
- 4. Responsible for contacting vendors for events.
- 5. Responsible for submitting vendor proposals to E-board for approval prior to confirmation of said vendors.

#### **Tournament Director:**

- 1. Shall act as a Division Director for all Tournament teams.
  - a. Responsible for obtaining copies of birth certificates or other proof of age from the players selected to represent our league, as well as visiting leagues during tournament play, with the help of the Registration Director.
  - Responsible for the maintenance of all USA All-Star and Select tournament Teams.
    - i. Verify the eligibility of players.
    - ii. Manage player adds and drops.
- 2. Responsible for procuring Uniforms, uniforms must be approved by the E-Board.
- 3. Responsible for representing the Association at all Tournament meetings.
- 4. Responsible for representing our league during all hosted tournaments.

#### Fundraising Director:

- 1. Responsible for obtaining fundraiser programs.
- 2. Responsible for reviewing contract data with the Executive Board's approval.
- 3. Responsible for distributing information to Managers.
- 4. Responsible for distributing fundraiser products.
- 5. Responsible for collecting money and giving it to the Treasurer.
- 6. Responsible for approving the accuracy of invoices.
- 7. Responsible for distributing prizes to teams and players on or before Opening Ceremonies.
- 8. Responsible for managing a 2<sup>nd</sup> Fundraiser if necessary.

#### **Protest Director:**

- 1. Responsible for recording and reviewing all protests and informing all Managers involved.
- Responsible for recording and reviewing all infractions and informing all Managers involved.
- 3. Responsible for nominating a Protest Committee which shall consist of one Executive Board Member, the protest director, and one (1) manager or coach from each division not involved.
- 4. Responsible for responding in writing to each Manager involved the outcome of the protest, or policy infractions, with a copy to the President.
- 5. Responsible for turning in all fees collected to the Treasurer

#### Scorekeeping Director:

- Developing a list of interested and qualified Scorekeepers for the duration of the Spring Season. The Executive Board shall have the final approval of the Scorekeepers list.
- 2. Conduct a Scorekeepers meeting at the start of the season to ensure a consistent scorekeeping method for all scorekeepers.
  - a. Instruct scorekeepers to announce sub time during the game.
- 3. Scheduling Scorekeepers for each game based on the season schedule.
- 4. Collecting and reviewing score sheets from all scorekeepers.
- 5. Reporting game time infractions to the Executive Board weekly.
- 6. Maintaining the standings board once a week.

#### Website Director:

- 1. Responsible for monitoring the league Website.
- Responsible for updating information (upcoming events, dates, stats, etc.), on a weekly basis.
- 3. Responsible for updating sponsor contacts for Spring season teams.

# Scheduling Director:

- 1. Maintain the Season Schedules (Game, Practice & Snack bar)
- 2. Handle all scheduling conflicts including the rescheduling of games per policies.
  - a. Rescheduling and notifying the Manager, Umpire assignor and Scorekeeping director of changes to schedule.
  - b. Verifying school functions that conflict with season play.
  - c. Verifying reasons for any notice of games that need to be rescheduled because of school, church or league activities as outlined in policies.

#### **Public Relations Director:**

- 1. Responsible for promoting league awareness in the City of Rialto.
- 2. Responsible for communicating with the public regarding league events in conjunction with the Directors responsible for those events.
- 3. Responsible for handling phone calls, voicemail messages and e-mail messages from any published league phone number or email inbox.
- 4. Responsible for notifying Managers of all meetings and events.

# Social Media Director:

- 1. Responsible for posting up to date information, flyers and notices for events, registration, assessments, and tournament team try-outs.
- 2. Responsible for posting pictures of events to promote the league and answering direct messages.

# Registration Director:

- The Registration Director shall be appointed annually, prior to the start of the fiscal year by the President, with the approval of the Executive Board.
- The Registration Director shall be responsible for all duties involving Player Registration, included but not limited to;
  - a. Managing the USA registration website for regular season and All-Stars.
- 3. The Registration Director shall maintain the league database with all currently registered players, new additions (adds and drops). The Registration Director shall be responsible for providing the secretary with the City of Rialto with a Residency Report along with payment for any non-Rialto resident players per the City of Rialto Field Usage Policy.
- 4. The Registration Director shall be responsible for collecting Concussion Protocols forms for all players.

# Sponsor Director:

- Responsible for providing and updating forms and information with regard to obtaining team and league sponsors.
- 2. Responsible for sponsor forms distributed to Managers at the beginning of the Spring Season.
- 3. Responsible for securing sponsors, donations and grants to benefit BBRGSA.
- 4. The Sponsor Director will keep an updated log of all funds by sponsors to each individual team and/or to the League. The Sponsor Director will also keep an updated log of all disbursements back to each individual team.
- 5. Any funds collected by the Sponsor Director shall be immediately turned over to the Treasurer.
- 6. The Sponsor Director will receive check request forms, receipts or invoices from Managers for disbursement of checks. They will be added to the log and then given to the treasurer to prepare checks. Once the checks have been written by the treasurer, the Sponsor Director will distribute them back to the Managers. The Sponsor Director will document the distribution in the log.

- 7. The Sponsor Director shall present an accounting to each team manager at the end of the season. The Manager may request a disbursement of funds, if any, using a check request form with copies of receipts or invoices and submit them to the Sponsor Director.
- 8. The Sponsor Director will provide the Website Director with the sponsor form completely filled out to post the sponsor's information on the website.

# Non-Director Positions:

This position will not have voting privileges and will not be required to attend board meetings, unless required by the executive board.

# **Data Entry Clerk/Auditor position:**

- 1. Will be responsible to enter debit and credit entries of income and expenses using a chart of accounts on a computer-based accounting/bookkeeping software program (i.e. Quickbooks, Quicken etc.)
- 2. Transaction details shall be provided to the Data Entry/Auditor by the Treasurer on a monthly basis. This shall include bank statements, the Treasurer's chart of accounts and any other pertinent information.
- 3. An updated report shall be presented to the President on a monthly basis, or as requested.
- 4. The chart of accounts will be in concurrence with the General Board's approved budget.
- 5. Any discrepancies in the accounting found by the Auditor shall be reported to the President immediately.
- 6. Data Entry Clerk/Auditor shall not be required to attend the regularly scheduled, general board meetings unless requested by the executive board.

# Manager Responsibilities:

- 1. Managers shall designate a coaching staff for their teams. All coaches must be USA approved League Representatives. No one under the age of eighteen (18) may be ratified as a Coach or Manager.
- 2. Manager must provide proof of completed SAFE Sport Certification by day set forth by the registration director.
- 3. Each team shall have a minimum of (4) four USA approved and league ratified personnel, and a maximum of four (4) may occupy the dugout during games per USA rules.
- 4. The ratified person must visibly wear their USA card during any league function. This includes Manager, Coaches, or Team Parent.
- 5. Managers and acting managers shall hold full responsibility for his/her teams' and supporters' actions during the game.
- 6. Managers will be responsible for participation of their team in all league fundraisers and/or functions, including Board Meetings. No team fundraisers may be organized by a Manager or a member of that Manager's coaching staff without prior submission of a fundraising request form and Executive Board approval. After an approved fundraiser is completed, a typed financial statement, detailing all expenses and any funds collected, shall be prepared and immediately turned over to the Treasurer within 48 hours of the end date on the fundraising application (excluding non-playing days).
  - a. No team may open a team or personal banking account under the BBRGSA name, or any other name that is used to deposit the team or any other league monies.
- 7. Managers or Acting Managers must play every player present at the time the line-up cards and are turned into the umpire two (2) complete innings [two (2) complete defensive innings, two (2) complete offensive innings and one (1) complete plate appearance,] or 45 minutes (40 minutes in 8U) (30 minutes in 6U) of game time. In run shortened games, if players do not get the required playing time, players not playing the prescribed time must start and play two (2) complete innings in the following game and all rostered players must be listed on the lineup sheet. Players marked late, or absent, on the line-up card who

arrive after the line-up cards are turned into the umpire are not guaranteed the minimum playing time. Any player in uniform not playing due to injury or illness shall be listed as such on the line- up card, opposing Manager and umpire must be notified prior to the game. Any player removed from a game for injury or illness cannot re-enter said game. During the first (2) two games of the managers season the first violation will result in a warning the second violation will result in the manager's suspension for the next (2) two consecutive team games and forfeiture of said game. After the second game of the manager's season the first violation of this rule results in suspension of the Manager or Acting Manager for the next two (2) consecutive team games and forfeiture of said game. Second violation of this rule will result in forfeiture of said game and dismissal of Manager or Acting Manager.

- 8. Failure to complete fundraising requirement by the E-Board set deadline will result in a one (1) game suspension.
- 9. Failure to complete snack-bar duty by the manager or manager's designee as assigned will result in a two (2) game suspension of said manager.
  - a. Managers must have an approved representative for each player for the entire snack bar shift (18 years and older). No more than two (2) 16 year old's with a valid food handlers card or work permit may be acceptable to replace a player representative.
- 10. After two (2) unexcused absences of a player from practice or games, the Manager must inform their Division Director within 48 hours. A player with two (2) unexcused absences may be removed from the team at the discretion of the Executive Board. If a player drops, the Manager must inform the Division Director in writing within 48 hours. Failure to notify the Division Director will result in the Manager being suspended for the next two (2) consecutive team games without appeal.
- 11. Managers shall be responsible for the return of league property at the end of the season. Managers must properly clean and sanitize the property/equipment prior to the return.
- 12. The Association will not authorize team practice without insurance. No team shall be covered for a non association-sanctioned event (Weekends, Friendlies, or Tournaments).
- 13. All teams must incorporate a buddy system as outlined in USA guidelines in safety awareness guide page 184.
- 14. Managers shall not approach any player for recruitment for future teams during the current season.
- 15. Any infractions of the above outlined rules and/or dereliction of the above outlined duties are sufficient cause for action by the Executive Board for temporary suspension or permanent removal of the Manager or Acting Manager and possible forfeiture of said games.

# Scholarships:

- 1. The scholarship amount of \$1500, if awarded, will be up to \$750.00 per player for up to three (3) girls that play in the league.
- 2. The Executive Board shall establish a three (3) member committee to determine the winners, if any, of scholarship awards.
  - a. To be eligible to receive a scholarship award, the recipient must be a High School Senior eligible to graduate with a cumulative 3.5 GPA or better. Proof of registration for an institution of higher learning will be required to get the award if any.
  - b. Applicants shall provide a written essay of at least 300 to a maximum of 500 words detailing why they should receive a Scholarship Award from the Association. The decision of the committee is final.

# Sponsors/Team Fee:

- 1. The Executive Board shall set the minimum sponsors' fee for the sponsor to receive a plaque prior to the October General Board Meeting.
- 2. The sponsor shall expect and receive publicity during the season.
- 3. The sponsor must agree that other than the commitments outlined on the Sponsor Agreement, the Association shall determine policies and conduct for each team.
- 4. All sponsor fees shall be deposited and received in the Association Treasury. The first full sponsor fee per team will go to the Association. All sponsor fees after the first minus the cost of the plaque will be disbursed to the team designated by the sponsor, (only sponsors who pay the full fee will receive a plaque), upon presentation of bills or receipts for goods and services, and completion of the check request form
- The first full sponsor fee shall be due by the due date as set by the Schedule of Events for the spring season. Teams without a sponsor fee will forfeit games until the team fee is turned in.
  - a. All subsequent sponsor money eligible for a plaque will be turned in by the date set forth by the sponsor director.
- 6. Any monies remaining in the team sponsor's account at the end of the fiscal year will be forfeited to the league's General account and earmarked for equipment to be loaned for expansion teams for the following year.
- 7. No monies will be deposited, accepted, or dispersed by non-association-sanctioned teams to any account of the Association.

# Registration:

There shall be a registration fee charged for each player. This fee must be paid at the time of registration and no refunds will be given after draft night. The Executive Board shall determine this fee and present it at or before the October Board meeting. Registration fees help offset the cost of equipment, clinics, insurance, pictures, umpires, field maintenance and lights. There is an additional fee of \$5.00 (per player) for players who reside outside the city of Rialto, as mandated by the City of Rialto Field Usage Policy.

- Registration will be open to all girls within the age limits. The Association is not limited by geographical boundaries.
- 2. Age Divisions:
  - a. High School Division: Players must not exceed eighteen (18) years of age before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year.
  - b. 14 & UNDER: Players must not exceed fourteen (14) years of age before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year and must **NOT** be participating in a high school CIF softball program.
  - c. 12 & UNDER: Players must not exceed twelve (12) years of age before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year.
  - d. 10 & UNDER: Players must not exceed ten (10) years of age before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year.
  - e. 8 & UNDER: Players must not exceed eight (8) years of age before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year.
  - f. 6 & UNDER: Players must not exceed six (6) years of age before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year.
  - g. 4 & UNDER: Players must be a minimum of three (3) years old before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year and may not exceed four (4) years of age before September 1<sup>st</sup> of the playing year. E-Board approval will be required for any 4U player requesting to play up.

3. Registration scholarship requests must be submitted to the RGSA no later than two (2) weeks prior to the regular registration deadline. Scholarships will not be awarded until one (1) week prior to the registration deadline. The RGSA Executive Board will consider all complete applications received by the application deadline. The amount of the scholarship awarded (if any) may be a partial or full scholarship depending on the number of applicants, and the amount of scholarship funds available at the discretion of the RGSA Executive Board. Scholarships are awarded once per player every eighteen months as applicable

# **Regular Season Play:**

The Spring Season begins on draft night and ends at closing ceremonies. Players may only play in one division per season with the exception of players' ages 12, 13 or 14 who wish to play in the High School Division when their lower division season is over as long as it does not interfere with All-Stars and the player has completed her season of play in the lower division. Refer to Item E-5 under Assessments for further clarification for practice eligibility.

- 1. USA Softball rules shall apply in all instances, unless superseded by the League Policy, Bylaws, and/or Ground Rules.
- 2. All Managers and Coaches must attend a ground rules meeting prior to the first game of the playing season.
- 3. Any team that drops below nine (9) players due to school, church and/or league function (that applies to that player or that players' immediate family within that household) may have their game rescheduled with a 48 hour (excluding non-playing days) notice to the Scheduling Director and the approval of the Executive Board. (With the exception of CIF Playoffs)
- 4. The Scheduling Director shall give Managers a one (1) week notice prior to the start of a rescheduled game. Managers may request from the Scheduling Director, a change in the date and time of the rescheduled game within 24 hours of notification, if a scheduling conflict exists. Requests for changes are not guaranteed. The team not requesting the reschedule shall be granted one (1) rescheduling refusal, pending approval from the Executive Board.
- 5. Scorekeepers will preside over each game and shall report any game-time rule infractions, (such as players not being provided the proper playing time), by submitting the score sheets immediately following the game to the Scorekeeping Director or Executive Board Member on Duty should the Scorekeeping Director not be present for the game. The results of any rule infractions will be disclosed to the scorekeeping director.
  - a. Scorekeeper will ensure all rostered players are listed on the line up.
- 6. All rule protests must be reported to the umpire at time of infraction. (Exception if the play happens on the last out of the game the umpire needs to be notified before he/she leaves the field). All protest forms must be turned in within twenty-four (24) hours from the end of the protested game. (Exception: Association non-playing days are excluded.) A fee of \$50.00 cash is required at the time of filing. All fees must be turned over to the Protest Director or President. All protests will be resolved within seventy-two (72) hours of protest. (Exception: Association non-playing days are excluded). There will be no appeals. Decisions of the Protest Committee are final. The fee of \$50.00 is only refundable if the protest is sustained, within seventy-two (72) hours after the decision.

## Fall Season Play:

- 1. The Fall Season begins in September and ends in November.
- Any team that falls below nine (9) players will be allowed to pick up additional league registered player/s back to nine (9). The pick-up player/s must be age eligible for that division and shall be considered rostered player/s for that team and that game only. No

- pick-up players will be allowed for the tournament.
- 3. Rosters can be adjusted when no manager is available at E-Board discretion.
- 4. If a player, based on age, must play up for the following spring season, then the player must play up in that division the preceding fall ball season.

# Post Season (Tournament) Play:

- 1. The General Board shall determine the number of teams per division that will be sent to the all-star tournaments. There shall be a maximum of one (1) USA Gold Team per division.
  - a. Potential players must attend at least one try-out to be eligible for postseason play. All pitchers and catchers must stay for the pitcher/catcher evaluations to be eligible to pitch in all-star play. The All-Star Tournament player and Manager Selection method shall be determined by the General Board and proposed at the March General Board Meeting. The initial try-out dates shall be determined by the Executive Board. Additional try-out dates shall be coordinated with the manager pending Executive Board approval for special circumstances.
  - b. The General Board shall determine how teams are picked.
- 2. No league representative may manage an All-Star Team Tournament team without Executive Board approval.
- 3. In order to become eligible for tournament play in any division of the Association, a player must play in at least half of the regular season games and have all financial responsibilities met on time.
  - a. Exception: If the player is listed as injured on the line-up card during games for which she is injured, she shall be eligible for tournament play.
- 4. Any player chosen for an All-Star team must play for that team, or will not play at all unless determined by the Executive Board.
- 5. Players must play in the lowest age division that they are eligible for, unless approved by the E-board.
  - a. A player who played in a higher age classification during the current season is eligible to play in their proper age classification in championship play.
- 6. To be eligible for postseason play, players participating on travel ball A teams and select teams must stop playing on March 31<sup>st</sup> as noted in the USA Yellow Book.
- 7. The league will pay for two warm up tournaments and the Eastern District USA Softball tournament.
- 8. Teams who berth for the USA Softball tournaments beyond Eastern Districts for the league to pay for any additional tournament fees.
- 9. Any manager/coach of an All-Star team must be a team manager or coach during that current season.
- 10. A player can try-out for more than one division.

#### **Postseason Select Teams:**

1. <u>SELECT RULES and POLICIES:</u> "Select" is a program developed by USA Softball that provides the option for advanced players to play at a more challenging level during the recreational season. USA Softball Select is intended to allow advanced players to play against All-Star caliber teams from other leagues within the Eastern District and USA Softball of Southern California to get a higher level of competition, while keeping costs low, and without compromising the integrity of the primary recreational league. When Select teams are formed, they will not replace what has been commonly known as the "Gold" Summer All Star teams. Select is an option for the 8U through 14U divisions only.

# Select Teams play- August 1st. March 31st

- 2. BBRGSA Select Committee.
  - a. The Select Committee is composed of the Executive Board and Tournament Director.
- 3. Coach Selection Procedure
  - a. The coach must be a current BBRGSA recreation league coach.
  - b. Those interested in a Select Head Coach position must submit their name to the committee.
  - c. Assuming the existence of qualified candidates, the Select Committee will select all Head Coaches who must then be approved by the E- Board.
  - d. Each Head Coach will recommend as many assistant coaches as needed once the team has been selected. The E- Board shall review and must approve all proposed Select team staff.
  - e. Select Coaches and staff may be dismissed at E-Board discretion.
  - f. A second try out will be added if needed.
- 4. SELECT TEAM RULES and POLICIES
  - Select team rules and policy requirements shall be the same as All Star postseason play.
  - b. The Board of Directors shall prepare a document with additional rules and regulations to be approved by the general board.
  - c. Parents shall be responsible for all fees associated with the select team including a spring registration fee and a fall registration fee except one jersey.

Select Teams play- August 1st- March 31st

# **Pregnancy:**

- 1. Any player who is found to be pregnant will be required to provide the Executive Board with a Doctor's note stating that they are eligible to play during and after the pregnancy. A decision will be made on a case by case basis.
- 2. Girls that are pregnant will play at their own risk; the Association will not be responsible for any injuries relating to pregnancies either before or after.

# **Injury:**

1. Any injury that a player sustains in which they have to go to the Doctor, will need a Doctor's note to return to play.

#### **General Conduct Policies:**

- 1. The Executive Board shall have the authority to suspend or remove any league representative (Executive Board Members, Board Members, officials, Managers, Coaches, Parent/Guardians, Extended Family Members, Players, or Umpires) whose conduct is considered to be detrimental to the best interest of the league. Any Executive Board Member, Board Member, Official, Manager, Coach, Parent/Guardian, Extended Family Member and/or players involved in a threatening manner, fighting, or the use of profanity before, during, and/or after any Association function shall be suspended from the Associations functions for up to three (3) team games or three (3) post season games. The Executive Board shall notify any violators of their infraction within 48 hours of the discussion of said infraction in a meeting of the Executive Board.
- 2. If a manager/coach gets ejected from a game by an umpire, then the manager/coach will be suspended for the remainder of that game and the next game. The ejected coach/manager must leave the fields and must go to the parking lot or street. Any additional misconduct will be addressed by the board with consequences under General Conduct Policies Item A. The coach/manager will not be allowed to coach in any game

that night. The next night the manager/coach can coach their other team. After the second suspension, the E-Board will determine if the manager/coach will be dismissed from the league. A third suspension will result in an automatic dismissal from the league.

- 3. Managers, Coaches, Parents/Guardians, Extended Family Members, players and spectators, shall keep an attitude of respect towards umpires. Managers shall not exceed 60 seconds in questioning any interpretation of a rule by the umpire. All Managers will have their conduct be an asset to the league when discussing a decision of play with umpires. Players, Parents and Spectators shall not approach an umpire regarding any calls at any time.
- 4. No league personnel shall at any time incur debts in the name of the league. Any person associated with the league who has an outstanding balance due, including fundraisers, to the league from previous years cannot be on the Board of Directors, or hold any position in the league. This will include Managers, and Coaches and team parents. Players who fail to participate in at least the minimum required fundraiser(s) will be suspended from playing in the current season until the minimum required fundraiser(s) is met.
- 5. League personnel are strictly forbidden to represent themselves as spokesman in any matter pertaining to league functions without the express authority of the Executive Board.
- 6. No person may consume alcoholic beverages, tobacco, e-vapor products or marijuana on the fields or anywhere on the premises at any time.
- 7. The Executive Board shall notify any League Representatives found guilty of contributing to the delinquency of a minor of their infraction within 48 hours of the discussion of said infraction in a meeting of the Executive Board Members, of their immediate and permanent removal from the league.
- 8. The parents and/or legal guardians and family members of each player shall participate and conduct themselves during each season as follows:
  - Keep an attitude of respect and cooperation toward all managers, coaches, umpires, league representatives and other parents/family members of the other players.
  - Encourage, respect and support all players within the Rialto Girls Softball Association.
  - c. To support and participate in any league fundraiser(s). Failure to participate, or failure to timely turn in fundraiser monies, will result in player suspension until compliance is met.
  - d. Work the scheduled shift for snack bar duty as assigned by the league, a minimum of two and up to four times per season as directed by the team manager. Failure to perform snack bar duty by at least one player representative over the age of 18 will result in at least a one game suspension of the player for each missed shift.
    - I. No more than two(2) 14-17 year olds may be permitted to work in the snack bar. Runner and drink station only.
    - II. Refer to snack bar rules.
  - e. In the event of a grievance or complaint that cannot be resolved by the team manager or team coaches, the designated Division Director shall be contacted and act as the facilitator between the parent/player, manager, coaches and Board of Directors.

General Board Members shall be responsible to turn in any funds collected for payments to outside vendors for any other items the league does not provide. Failure to adhere to this requirement will result in disciplinary action that will be determined by the E-Board.

# **Player Discipline:**

- A player may be benched by the Manager for disciplinary reasons, as a result of conduct during a game, or league activity, or any extracurricular activity. This must be reported to the opposing Manager and the plate umpire, who shall report it to the official scorekeeper who shall note it in the scorebook.
  - a. Situations where a player has been benched by a Manager may be reviewed by the Scorekeeping Director and Executive Board following the incident. Managers shall use discretion and be prepared to provide documented justification when benching a player.
- 2. A player cannot be dropped or disciplined if she misses practices or games due to church meetings, Girl Scouts, school functions, or league functions.
- 3. <u>Use of a suspended player shall constitute the use of an ineligible player, which will result in forfeiture of said game or games by USA rules</u>.

#### **Dress Code:**

- All players must wear shoes, a league approved shirt, and shorts with sliders or long pants. Shoes shall not be hard soled, sandals or slip-ons this applies to coaches and managers as well. Any player wearing clothing deemed to be unsafe shall be removed from the game.
- 2. Molded cleats are optional. Metal cleats are optional in High School Division only.
- 3. Any player who has been issued a uniform must be in uniform to be allowed to play ball. All players on a team shall properly wear uniforms that are alike in color, trim, and style. Reference USA Rule 3, Section 6
- 4. The league will not be responsible for furnishing gloves, cleats, uniforms, or equipment.

# **Spring Season Draft and Draw:**

- 1. Players must play for the teams selecting them in the draft. If the player refuses assignment to the team selecting her in the draft, the player shall not play for any other league team unless an incident report has been submitted for review and upheld with 48 hrs to the e-board in previous seasons as determined by the Executive Board. Any player refusing assignment may re-enter the draft next year and not be drafted by the team she refused.
- 2. To be considered a new team that will draft like an expansion team, will consist of no returning players.
- 3. Draft and Draw Procedures:
  - a. 4U division:
    - Parents shall be permitted to request that their daughter be placed on a team of choice unless that team's roster has already met the maximum allowable players as determined by the Executive Board.
    - ii. Managers may take players from their Fall ball team as returning players for the following Spring Season.
    - iii. Players in the 4U draft shall be selected by teams according to their age group; oldest to youngest (4,3) until all players have been placed on teams.
    - iv. Players electing to go back into the draft may not be picked up by the same team they dropped from.

#### b. 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U division:

- i. Draft order will be a lottery pick.
- ii. Players selecting to go back into the draft may not be picked up by the same team they dropped from.
- iii. Expansion teams will select two (2) consecutive players each round, until such time that the team roster equals six (6). No team shall pick two (2) players in any round if the team roster has reached six (6) players in that round.
- iv. If two (2) or more sisters appear in the draft, the first sister shall be placed on the round she is picked. The other sister(s) are placed in the 7th round of that roster spot or subsequent round.
- v. Roster vacancies existing after the completion of the draft will be filled by blind draw of players who signed up on the regular sign-up dates and did not complete all areas in the assessment

# Options/Picks:

Options: (#1, #2, #3, #4, #5 and Sister) 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U, 14U division:

Picks: <u>Manager pick</u>: The manager's daughter will <u>not</u> use an option and will be placed in the 6th round (if multiple daughters the 6th and subsequent rounds).

- a. All teams will be allowed five (5) option players:
  - I. #1 Option (first round pick)The #1 Option is the equivalent of a 1st round draft pick.
  - II. # 2 Option (second round pick)The #2 Option is the equivalent of a 2nd round draft pick.
  - III. #3 Option (third round pick)
    The #3 Option is the equivalent of a 3rd round draft pick.
  - IIII. #4 Option (fourth round pick)
    The #4 Option is the equivalent of a 4th round draft pick.
  - V. #5 Option (fifth round pick)
    The #5 Option is the equivalent of a 5th round draft pick.
- b. Sister Option Definition: If one of the first five options listed above, has a sister(s) in the same age division that is not currently on the team, the sister(s) may be placed on the same team as her rostered sister. This is known as the sister option. Sisters must be blood related or legally related. Proof is required. The Sister Option is only valid before the draft. A sister who signs up after the draft shall be drawn from a hat and not guaranteed to play for the same team as her rostered sister. The sister option is to be placed on the next available draft spot (i.e round 6 if 5 options)
- c. If the option comes with a sister, the option remains with the sister for at least one season after the original option leaves the team. (The only exception to this rule is if the original option is moving up a division the following year.)
- d. The parent of the optioned player must complete an option form in triplicate, with copies provided to the parent, the Manager, and the Registration Director.
- e. Only one (1) #1 Option, one (1) #2 Option, one (1) #3 Option, one (1) #4 Option, one (1) #5 Option, may be on a team at one time.
- f. All new Options must be declared by a date to be set by the Executive Board.
- g. At the discretion of the Registration Director and the Division Director, a Manager may replace a pitcher who was optioned during the current season if she drops from the team mid-season, with a replacement pitcher option. The option stays with the new player.

# Spring Season Draft and Draw: High School Division ONLY

- 1. Players must play for the teams selecting them in the draft. If the player refuses assignment to the team selecting her in the draft, the player shall not play for any other league team unless an incident report has been submitted for review and upheld with 48 hrs to the e-board in previous seasons as determined by the Executive Board. Any player refusing assignment may re-enter the draft next year and not be drafted by the team she refused.
- 2. To be considered a new team that will draft like an expansion team, will consist of no returning players.
- 3. Draft and Draw Procedures:
  - a. High School Divisions:
    - i. Draft order will be a lottery pick.
    - ii. Players selecting to go back into the draft may not be picked up by the same team they dropped from.
    - iii. Expansion teams will select two (2) consecutive players each round, until such time that the team roster equals six (6). No team shall pick two (2) players in any round if the team roster has reached six (6) players in that round.
    - iv. If two (2) or more sisters appear in the draft, the first sister shall be placed in the round she is picked. The other sister(s) are placed in the 7th round of that roster spot or subsequent round.
    - v. Roster vacancies existing after the completion of the draft will be filled by blind draw of players who signed up on the regular sign-up dates and did not complete all areas in the assessment

#### 4. Options/Picks:

Options: (#1, #2, #3, #4, #5 and Sister)

Picks: <u>Manager pick</u>: The manager's daughter will <u>not</u> use an option and will be placed in the 6th round (if multiple daughters the 6th and subsequent rounds).

If the manager does not have a daughter they will get a manager pick.

- a. All teams will be allowed five (5) option players and returning players and the 5 options must be re optioned every year .If a player elects to not return they will enter the draft. Managers up a division will be considered an expansion team and will not take over pre existing teams.
  - i. #1 Option (first round pick). The #1 Option is the equivalent of a 1st round draft pick.
  - ii. # 2 Option (second round pick). The #2 Option is the equivalent of a 2nd round draft pick.
  - iii. #3 Option (third round pick). The #3 Option is the equivalent of a 3rd round draft pick.
  - iv. #4 Option (fourth round pick). The #4 Option is the equivalent of a 4th round draft pick.
  - v. #5 Option (fifth round pick). The #5 Option is the equivalent of a 5th round draft pick.
- b. Sister Option Definition: If one of the first five options listed above, has a sister(s) in the same age division that is not currently on the team, the sister(s) may be placed on the same team as her rostered sister. This is known as the sister option. Sisters must be blood related or legally related. Proof is required. The Sister Option is only valid before the draft. A sister who signs up after the draft shall be drawn from a hat and not guaranteed to play for the same team as her rostered sister. The sister option is to be placed on the next available draft spot (round 6 if 5 options)

- c. If the option comes with a sister, the option remains with the sister for at least one season after the original option leaves the team. (The only exception to this rule is if the original option is moving up a division the following year.)
- d. The parent of the optioned player must complete an option form in triplicate, with copies provided to the parent, the Manager, and the Registration Director. If the manager doesn't have a daughter they will get a manager option.
- e. Only one (1) #1 Option, one (1) #2 Option, one (1) #3 Option, one (1) #4 Option, one (1) #5 Option, may be on a team at one time. A manager must use an option for his/or her daughter provided she is not a returning player to that team.
- f. All new Options must be declared by a date to be set by the Executive Board.
- g. At the discretion of the Registration Director and the Division Director, a Manager may replace a pitcher who was optioned during the current season if she drops from the team mid-season, with a replacement pitcher option. The option stays with the new player.

#### Assessments

- a. All players that sign up on the scheduled sign-up days (prior to first assessment day) and complete all events at the assessments will be drafted on teams until the list is exhausted.
- b. All players who sign up on the scheduled sign-up days and do not attend assessments or do not complete all events of the assessments will be placed in a hat and randomly drawn after all players on the board have been placed on teams. Players that sign up late or after assessments will be placed on a waiting list.
- c. A full roster will consist of a minimum number of players as determined by the Executive Board after registration and before draft. Additional players may only be picked up after all teams have reached this minimum.
- d. No manager shall conduct private assessments for a regular season team. Only registered players may practice with the team and/or select teams prior to the draft.
- e. All players must demonstrate their pitching and catching abilities during a scheduled assessment. This is an attempt to provide new managers an opportunity to option or draft a pitcher and catcher to insure an equitable distribution of talent amongst all the league teams.

# **Special Option**

- a. The Executive Board may allow a Special Option after the draft. The Special Option can only be enacted if a division is short players to the extent that the start of regular season play is jeopardized. A Special Option can be any player eligible for season play in the division. Use of a player removed from the league for disciplinary reasons is prohibited.
- b. A majority vote of the Executive Board is necessary to allow the Special Option to be enacted. A majority vote of the Division Managers shall decide whether the Special Option will be used.
- c. Only one (1) Special Option will be allowed for each team.
- d. The Executive Board shall determine the date and time that Special Option forms must be turned in to the Registration Director. The Special Option Form must be attached to the Registration Form and all fees paid

# Fall Season Draft and Draw:

- 1. For consistency, the draft and draw procedure for fall season will be the same as the preceding Spring season.
- 2. Ground rules and policies will be determined by the executive board prior to the August general board meeting and given to the general board for approval at the September meeting.

# **RGSA Policies:**

1. These policies will remain in effect for two (2) years unless there is a majority vote at the May general board meeting to amend for the following Spring season. If amendments are needed, the bylaws/policy meetings will be held in June with the newly elected e-board.