

**HARDIN COUNTY YOUTH SOCCER CLUB
CONSTITUTION**

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**CONSTITUTION
OF THE
HARDIN COUNTY YOUTH SOCCER CLUB**

ARTICLE I – NAME

Section 1. The name shall be the Hardin County Youth Soccer Club (hereinafter referred to as the "Club").

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

Section 1. The purpose of the Club is to offer boys and girls from six (6) to eighteen (18) years of age an opportunity to learn and play fundamental soccer and have fun doing it. The emphasis is on developing and improving skills and encouraging good sportsmanship.

Section 2. The objective of the Club is to promote the play of good, fundamental soccer by juniors, to teach good sportsmanship, promote physical health, and develop, govern, and promote the game of soccer with local guidance and administration within its area of jurisdiction.

Section 3. In furtherance of these purposes and objectives, the Club shall sponsor, organize, and govern regularly scheduled soccer games among its teams.

Section 4. The Club is not a social club. It shall be non-profit, non-political, and non-sectarian.

ARTICLE III – AFFILIATION

Section 1. The Club shall be an affiliated division of the Spindletop Youth Soccer Association, the South Texas Youth Soccer Association and the United States Youth Soccer Federation.

ARTICLE IV – TERRITORIAL BOUNDARIES

Section 1. The principal territorial boundaries of the Club shall be within the limits of Hardin County, Texas. The Spindletop Youth Soccer Association shall assign persons residing outside the Club boundaries to the nearest club.

ARTICLE V – HEADQUARTERS

Section 1. The Club headquarters shall be located in Lumberton, Texas. All files and records shall be located at the office on Park Road North in the Veterans Memorial Park.

ARTICLE VI – MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. The Club shall be made up on member teams. It shall be the parent organization for the member teams. The requirements for, and composition of, member teams are described in the Club by-laws.

Section 2. The Club shall have the authority to levy fees on member teams as set forth in the Club by-laws.

ARTICLE VII – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. A Board of Directors shall manage the business, property and activities of the Club.

Section 2. The Board of Directors of the Club shall be:

A. ELECTED OFFICERS

1. President
2. Vice President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer

B. APPOINTED DIRECTORS

1. Director of Publicity
2. Director of Scheduling
3. Director of Registration
4. Director of Field Maintenance
5. Director of Sponsors
6. Director of Purchasing
7. Director of Communications
8. Director of Referee Recruitment
9. Director of Fund Raising
10. Director of Scorekeeping
11. Director of Coaches
12. Director of Concessions

Section 3. Elected Officers and Appointed Directors/Officers shall receive no compensation for their services.

ARTICLE VIII – COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, as Chairman, the Vice President, the Secretary and the Treasurer. The Executive Committee shall appoint all non-elected Directors.

Section 2. The Executive Committee shall conduct the day-to-day business of the Hardin County Youth Soccer Club, which must be addressed between Board meetings. It shall encourage the standing and special committees to deal with issues in their area of specialty and shall, wherever appropriate, refer issues to these committees for their considerations.

Section 3. The President shall appoint additional Standing Committees as well as Special Committees that may be desired. It shall be the duties of these committees to perform such general services as the style of their committee name suggests.

ARTICLE IX – MEETINGS

Section 1. Regular Meetings:

The Club shall meet on a regular monthly basis at a time and place made known to each of the Board members. No notice of regular meetings shall be required, unless a change of time or place is required.

Section 2. Special Meetings:

The President may call Special meetings. Sufficient notice shall be given in order that Board members may attend. The Special meeting shall take up only the specified business for which the meeting is called. Changes to the Constitution or by-laws shall require written notice to the Board members as to whether action is to be taken at a regular or special meeting.

Section 3. Executive Committee Meetings:

Meetings of the Executive Committee may be called at the discretion of the President.

Section 4. Voting:

Each Board member shall have one vote and must be present to vote. There shall be no proxy voting.

Section 5. Minutes of Meetings:

The Secretary shall record suitable minutes of each regular, Executive Committee, or special meeting and shall reproduce copies of these minutes for distribution to each Board member prior to the next regular meeting. The Secretary shall submit such minutes and any corrections; the Board members shall make additions, or

deletions before acceptance. A complete set of minutes of each meeting shall be preserved as part of the Club's records.

Section 6. Financial Reports:

The Treasurer shall keep an accurate and up-to-date accounting of the finances of the Club. A written Treasurer's report shall be made available to all Board members prior to each regular monthly meeting. The Treasurer shall submit this report and any corrections, additions, or the Board members shall make deletions before acceptance. A complete set of financial reports shall be preserved as part of the Club's records.

Section 7. Order of Business:

The normal order of regular business meetings for the Club shall be as follows, unless a change is moved and approved by the members:

1. Call to order.
2. Roll calls and quorum establishment.
3. Reading and acceptance of minutes of the previous meeting.
4. Report of Officers.
5. Committee Reports.
6. Old business.
7. New business.
8. Adjournment.

Section 8. Attendance at the Club meetings:

Club Board members are expected to attend all regular and special meetings.

Section 9. Rules of Procedure:

Unless specifically called out in this Constitution and the Club by-laws or state or national association rules, Roberts' Rules of Order (current edition) shall apply to the conduct of the Club business at regular or special meetings.

ARTICLE X – ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Election:

Election of Officers shall take place at the regular December monthly meeting.

Section 2. Term of Office:

Officers will be elected for alternating 2-year terms in order to provide continuity in administration. Directors will be appointed for one-year terms. The President and Treasurer will be elected in the same year, and the Vice President and Secretary will be elected the following year. Their terms will begin upon election or appointment. It is suggested that provide continuity in administration, at least one-half of the elected officers should have served as elected officers during the previous year.

Section 3. Nominations:

The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee at the October meeting to seek out qualified candidates for Officers and the appointed Directors for the coming year. The Nominating Committee shall ascertain from each nominee his/her willingness to serve, if elected or appointed. The Nominating Committee shall nominate no more than two (2) persons for each office or directorship. The Nominating Committee shall make its recommendation at the regular November meeting.

Nominations from the floor may be made during the elections held at the November meeting. The persons nominated from the floor shall be present and shall affirm his/her willingness to serve, if elected or appointed, or such persons shall have stated his/her intentions in writing and this intention is presented to the President at the time the nomination is made.

Section 4. Voting:

Each team shall have one vote. The coach of the respective team shall cast this vote. The President only may cast the signed proxy vote of a team coach.

EXCEPTION: No one person shall have more than one vote, even if he/she coaches more than one team.

Section 5. Filling of Vacancies:

When vacancies occur in any of the offices of the Club, except the office of President, The President shall nominate a person to fill the vacancy and Board members shall approve the nomination at the next regular meeting. Should the Board fail to approve the nomination, the President shall select again, and the process shall continue until a successor satisfactory to the Board has been confirmed.

ARTICLE XI – DISCIPLINE OF MEMBERS, OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board may, by a two-thirds vote of all Board members, remove an officer for gross neglect of assigned duties or misconduct. This action shall be taken only after proper notice has been given to the officer affected, and after he/she has had the opportunity to be heard by the Board.

ARTICLE XII – AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION

Section 1. The Constitution and its by-laws may be amended, altered or repealed by a two-thirds majority of the Board members with a 14-day prior notice.

ARTICLE XIII – ENACTMENT

Section 1. When the Hardin County Youth Soccer Club adopts this Constitution, this Constitution and by-laws shall supersede previous Constitution, by-laws, and enactments of the Club.

ARTICLE XIV – DISSOLUTION

Section 1. The Club may be dissolved by a two-thirds majority of the Board members, provided that each Board member has received written notice of the proposed action 14 days prior to the meeting called for such purpose. If dissolved, the remaining assets of the Club, after payment of any and all legal obligations shall be transferred to the Spindletop Youth Soccer Association or other governing body.

ARTICLE XV – ITEMS NOT COVERED

Section 1. If not directly addressed in this Constitution and its by-laws, the Club will follow the Constitution and by-laws of the Spindletop Youth Soccer Association, the South Texas Youth Soccer Association, and the United States Youth Soccer Federation.