

# **Porterville Soccer League**

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### ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the league shall be the “Porterville Soccer League” (PSL)

### ARTICLE II – NATURE OF THE ORGANIZATION

#### PART A: OBJECTIVE OF LEAGUE

The PSL will provide a recreational, developmental and educational league youth soccer league for all the youth of the City of Porterville, CA. and its surrounding communities.

#### League Goals:

- Provide a recreational, developmental and educational youth soccer league for all its players and coaches.
- Provide a year around soccer league.
- Provide an inexpensive alternative to other youth soccer leagues in the southern eastern area of Tulare County.
- Provide and offer an offseason program for the elite/advanced players whom wish to play soccer year around.

#### PART B: AFFILIATION AND SANCTIONING

This league is guided by the laws of USSF. PSL is a member of the US Club Soccer and USSF soccer and shall abide by its rules, unless the Board of Directors votes otherwise.

### ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

#### PART A: ELIGIBILITY (GENERAL MEMBERSHIP)

League membership will be open to all players/teams regardless of race, creed, or sex. Any registered player and coach shall be deemed a league member.

#### PART B: TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP

The league Board of Directors, by a two-thirds vote of those present at a duly constituted meeting, shall have the authority to suspend, discipline, or terminate membership to any league member(s) when the conduct of such person(s) is considered detrimental to the objective of the league. If any of the above actions are to be considered, the league Board of Directors must follow the steps outlined below:

1. Member(s) involved shall be notified of the nature of the charges against them in writing by league Board of Directors.
2. Establish a date, time and location of the meeting where the league officials intend to convene to discuss action(s) to be taken.
3. Member(s) involved will be invited to attend meeting to provide explanation.
4. Decision of the league Board of Directors shall be documented in writing and distributed to all parties involved.

## **ARTICLE IV – BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

### **PART A: BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORITY**

All authority to operate Porterville Soccer League shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall be empowered to conduct all of the league's business such as: fill vacancies within the organization, create position as needed, solicit contribution or sponsorships, make and enforce league rules, and establish special committees as deemed appropriate. In addition, the Board of Directors has the power to suspend or terminate membership in accordance with Article III, Part B.

### **PART B: STRUCTURE AND POSITIONS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors shall be comprised of the following:

1. President
2. Vice-President
3. Treasurer
4. Secretary
5. Registrar

### **PART C: DUTIES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

1. **President:** Oversees all league issues, member de facto of all league committees, votes only in case of a tie. Is the official representative of the league in all matters, all Directors report to him/her and is responsible for calling and presiding over all meetings.
2. **Vice-President:** Is responsible for overseeing age group coordinators. Serves as President in the event of the latter's absence. Provides guidance as necessary and assist the President and administrator in all duties assign to the president.
3. **Treasurer:** Responsible for all league revenue, income and payments must provide regular statements to the Board of Directors on league income status.
4. **Secretary:** Responsible for league meetings and taking of minutes. Responsible for communication to all clubs regarding meetings and maintenance of league web site.
5. **Registrar:** Responsible for the registration and verification of age for league members with US Club Soccer and the

## **ARTICLE V – MEETINGS**

The President will call Board meetings as necessary. The Board of Directors shall meet at least monthly during the regular league season(s).

A quorum shall consist of one-half of the voting Board of Directors, provided that vacant positions on the Board of Directors are not counted for purposes of determining the necessary quorum. Majority vote of those members present shall decide motions.

Each board meeting shall include, at a specified time, an open forum at which any club member may speak. At the discretion of the chair, or by motion and approval of the directors, time limits may be imposed upon speakers at this forum.

Board meetings shall be open to the public except that the Board of Directors may, upon a two-thirds vote of those Board of Directors members present at the meeting, meet in closed session to discuss personnel matters, pending or potential litigation, disciplinary matters, or removal of a Board of Directors member.

## **ARTICLE VI – AMENDING THE BY-LAWS**

Amendments to the By-Laws shall be submitted to the Board of Directors at least 15 days prior to a General Meeting. All submitted amendments must be voted on at a General Meeting and a 2/3 vote is required of those present to adopt the amendment.

## **ARTICLE VII - NON-PROFIT STATUS – DISSOLUTION**

This corporation is not organized for pecuniary profit, nor shall it have any power to issue certificates or stock or declare dividends, and no part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any member, director, trustee or individual. The balance, if any, of all money received by the corporation from its operation, after payment in full off all debts and obligations of the corporation of whatsoever kind and nature, shall be used and distributed exclusively for carrying out only the purpose or purposes of the corporation, as more particularly set forth herein above. Upon the dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation in such manner, or to such organizations or organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as the disposed of by the District Court of the County in which the principal office organization or organizations as the court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes, provided further that in its dissolution, go or be distributed to any member or individual either for the reimbursement of any sums subscribed, donated or contributed by such member or individual, or for any other purpose.