

## ARTICLE I

- 1.1 The name of this organization shall be the Saskatoon Minor Softball League, Inc. and may be officially referred to as Saskatoon Minor Softball League and by S.M.S.L.
- 1.2 The purpose of this organization shall be:
  - 1.2.1 To promote and provide an opportunity for boys and girls of Saskatoon to play softball.
  - 1.2.2 To foster and promote sportsmanship, citizenship and leadership.
  - 1.2.3 To foster and improve the game of softball for the better enjoyment of players and spectators.
  - 1.2.4 To arrange for and organize leagues, league play and play-offs up to and including ages 18
  - 1.2.5 To do such things as may be, from time to time, deemed appropriate by the executive of the Saskatoon Minor Softball League Inc. to carry out the purposes hereinbefore enumerated.

## ARTICLE II Definitions and Interpretations

In these bylaws, unless the context otherwise requires:

- 2.1 League means the Saskatoon Minor Softball League Inc.
- 2.2 Officers means the officers of the Saskatoon Minor Softball League Inc.
- 2.3 Year means the period from September 1 in any calendar year to and including August 31 in the next calendar year and Fiscal year shall mean the same.
- 2.4 Act means the Non-Profit Corporations Act of Saskatchewan
- 2.5 Community means an area of the city of Saskatoon bounded by common interests including, but necessarily restricted to, a formal Community Association, subject to executive definition.
- 2.6 Zone means an area of the city of Saskatoon bounded by common interests and comprised of a number of communities so as to roughly equalize the number of players available from each area of the City of Saskatoon, the geographic boundaries of which may, from time to time, be set or reset by the executive with the approval of the members.
- 2.7 Parents refers to a player's legal guardian
- 2.8 Residence (reside) mean the primary residence of the player's legal guardian

## ARTICLE III Membership and Affiliations

- 3.1 Membership in the Saskatoon Minor Softball League is open to any team not affiliated with any other league or association.
- 3.2 Teams may be admitted to the league upon the filing of an application for membership accompanied by such registration fee for teams as may be set from time to time by the executive to cover expenses and operating the league.
- 3.3 Any team may be admitted to membership in the league upon the filing of the appropriate application accompanied by the total registration fee, as set from time to time by the executive, subjects to approval of the executive at its next meeting.
- 3.4 Teams from the league may register with Softball Saskatchewan by payment of the required registration fee to Softball Saskatchewan, for the purpose of playing in the provincial softball play-offs. Saskatoon Minor Softball League will approve all Saskatoon (Zone 6) provincial rosters prior to being submitted to Softball Saskatchewan.
- 3.5 Teams from outside league boundaries may become affiliated with the league, but such affiliation shall be totally within the discretion of the executive.

## ARTICLE IV Leagues

- 4.1 At the discretion of the S.M.S.L. Executive, there shall be an "A" League comprised of as many teams from each zone as those zones may deem appropriate according to the number of players available to play in those zones.
  - 4.1.1 Players for zone teams may be chosen only from players who have (a) parent(s) that reside within the zone. Players from other zones may join such teams only upon written permission from the executive, whose permission shall be solely within the discretion of the executive.

- 4.1.2 Teams from the "A" League shall compete; in regular season play against the "A" League teams from other zones or teams of equal calibers, at the discretion of the executive.
- 4.1.3 There shall be play-offs at the finish of regular season play; these playoffs shall be played so as to eliminate all other zone "A" League teams and end with the winning team being the "League Championship Team", and the structure of such play-offs shall be determined after teams are registered and solely at the discretion of the executive.
- 4.2 At the discretion of the S.M.S.L. Executive, there shall a "B" League comprised of as many teams from each zone as those zones may deem appropriate according to the number of players available to play in those zones.
  - 4.2.1 Team members for the "B" League may be chosen only from players residing within the community and the zone. Players from other zones within the City of Saskatoon may join such teams only upon written permission from the executive, which permission shall be solely within the discretion of the executive.
  - 4.2.2 Teams from the "B" League shall compete; in regular season play against "B" League teams from other zones or teams of equal calibers, at the discretion of the executive.
  - 4.2.3 There shall be play-offs at the finish of regular season play; these playoffs shall be played so as to eliminate all other zone "B" League teams and end with the winning team being the "League Championship Team", and the structure of such play-offs shall be determined after teams are registered and solely at the discretion of the executive.
- 4.3 At the discretion of the S.M.S.L. Executive, there shall be a "C" League comprised of as many teams from each zone as those zones may deem appropriate according to the number of players available to play in those zones.
  - 4.3.1 "C" League shall be a fun league for the enjoyment of those who want to learn about the game of softball and take part in the game. Team members for the "C" League may be chosen only from players residing within the community and the zone.
  - 4.3.2 Teams from the "C" League shall compete; in regular season play against the "C" League teams from other zones or teams of equal calibers, at the discretion of the executive.
  - 4.3.3 At the discretion of the executive, there shall be play-offs at the finish of regular season play. These playoffs shall be played so as to eliminate all other zone "C" League teams and end with the winning team being the "League Championship Team", and the structure of such play-offs shall be determined after teams are registered and solely at the discretion of the executive.
- 4.4 There shall be tryouts for all League teams and all players wishing to play in the Leagues shall try out for placement on a League team. A committee from the zone appointed by the Zone Commissioner, Co-ordinator and "A" League coaches shall select an "A" League teams. Any player selected for an "A" League team and refusing to play on a an "A" League team shall be permitted to play on a "B" or "C" League team only with the permission of the executive.
- 4.5 Zones will form teams within their respective areas based on the following formula:
  - 4.5.1 For every "C" there must be a corresponding "A" or "B" team in place (see exception 1)
  - 4.5.2 Before a second "B" team may be formed, there must be "A" team in place (see exception 2)
  - 4.5.3 Before a third "B" team may be formed, there must be a second "A" team in place

Exception (i) - One team age categories. If a zone has only one team in any age category (Squirt, PeeWee or Bantam), boys or girls, the placement of that team is at the discretion of that zone's executive.

Exception (ii) - Two team age categories. A zone may request that a second team be placed in the "B" Division category at the discretion of the SMSL executive.

  - 4.5.4 In the boys program if you have 2 teams (whether in your own zone or combined with other zones) an "A" team and a "B" team will be form. 3 teams an "A" team, and 2 "B" teams, and 4 teams will be 2 "A" teams and 2 "B" teams.

## ARTICLE V Officer and Executive

- 5.1 The officers of the league shall be:
  - 5.1.1 President
  - 5.1.2 Immediate Past President
  - 5.1.3 First Vice President
  - 5.1.4 Second vice President
  - 5.1.5 Third Vice President
  - 5.1.6 Secretary
  - 5.1.7 Treasurer
  - 5.1.8 A representative from the Leisure Services Department of the City of Saskatoon
  - 5.1.9 One Commissioner from each zone established within the City of Saskatoon
  - 5.1.10 One Co-ordinator from each zone established in the City of Saskatoon
  - 5.1.11 The Umpire-in-Chief
- 5.2 The executive of the league shall be the same as the officers of the league as hereinbefore enumerated
- 5.3 A Financial Advisory Committee of the league shall be set and shall consist of the President, the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, the Third Vice-President, the Secretary and the Treasurer. This committee shall report to the Finance Committee of the league, as may be required.
- 5.4 All officers shall be elected at the annual meeting with the exception of the immediate Past president and the Leisure Service Department Member.
- 5.5 All officers shall hold office for a period of two (2) years, with the First and Third Vice Presidents and the Treasurer being elected in odd years and the President and Second Vice-President and Secretary to be elected in even years.
- 5.6 The term of office for zone commissioners and zone Co-ordinators shall be two (2) years, with zone commissioners being elected in off years and zone co-ordinators being elected in even years.
- 5.7 All officers shall be eligible for re-election.
- 5.8 There shall be no more than four (4) persons from any zone serving on the executive at any one time, excluding Umpire-In-Chief, Past President and the Secretary. At no time will there be allowed more than (4) votes from any one zone.
- 5.9 Any vacancy occurring on the executive shall be filled, for the balance of the term of such vacancy, by appointment of the President on approval of the executive.
- 5.10 Any member of the executive may be removed from office, for cause, by the remainder of the executive.

## ARTICLE VI Powers and Duties of the Executive

- 6.1 The duties of the executive, in general shall be to:
  - 6.1.1 Carry out the objectives of the league as set out in article I
  - 6.1.2 Suggest and co-ordinate activities and undertakings to further the common interest of the teams which comprise the league.
  - 6.1.3 Maintain a good public relations program, not only with the teams comprising the league but also with the general public.
  - 6.1.4 Formulate, interpret, and evolve operating guidelines for the purpose of carrying out its duties.
- 6.2 The President shall:
  - 6.2.1 Preside at all meetings
  - 6.2.2 Be the functioning officer between meetings of the executive
  - 6.2.3 Be an exofficio member of all committees
  - 6.2.4 With the treasurer and one other executive member, have signing authority on cheques issued by the league. All cheques shall be signed by the treasurer and one of the two officers so authorized.
  - 6.2.5 Give notice of all meetings to those persons entitled to attend, whose notice may be verbal
  - 6.2.6 Shall vote only in the case of a tie
  - 6.2.7 In an emergency shall exercise, in addition to the powers invested in the President by these bylaws or the act, all duties and powers of the executive when it is impossible to obtain a vote of the executive.
  - 6.2.8 May conduct a vote of the executive by telephone or other electronic means.

- 6.2.9 Shall give final approval to all releases and transfers of players in the zones and between zones
- 6.2.10 May appoint any persons, as may be required from time to time, to committees of the league with the approval of the executive
- 6.2.11 Conduct all communications required by the league with the league with the Leisure Services Department of the City of Saskatoon
- 6.2.12 Perform such other duties as may be required
- 6.3 The Immediate Past-President shall:
  - 6.3.1 Render assistance and advise on all matters pertaining to the league
  - 6.3.2 Carry out such other duties as may be required from time to time
- 6.4 The First Vice-President shall:
  - 6.4.1 Be responsible for all aspects of the Division 1 League and Division 1 League play
  - 6.4.2 Be chairman of the Committee of Commissioners and the midget select program chair.
  - 6.4.3 Have all powers and perform all duties of the President in the absence of the President
- 6.5 The Second Vice-President shall:
  - 6.5.1 Be responsible for all tournaments and play-offs in the leagues
  - 6.5.2 Maintain liaison on behalf of the league with Softball Saskatchewan
- 6.6 The Third Vice-President shall:
  - 6.6.1 Be responsible for scheduling league play
  - 6.6.2 Be responsible for scheduling of tournaments and play-offs
- 6.7 Zone Commissioners shall:
  - 6.7.1 Be responsible for the zone from which he or she is elected or appointed
  - 6.7.2 Be the liaison between the zone and the executive
  - 6.7.3 Assist in arranging the playing schedules of all leagues
  - 6.7.4 Assist in registration of players
- 6.8 The Zone Co-ordinator shall:
  - 6.8.1 Assist the zone commissioner with player registration in the zone from which they are appointed or elected
  - 6.8.2 Be the liaison with the district representatives and community representatives and the zone commissioner and the executive in organizing softball in the zone from which they are elected or appointed
  - 6.8.3 Advertise for registration in the zone from which they are elected or appointed.
- 6.9 The Secretary shall:
  - 6.9.1 Handle such correspondence as may be required from time to time
  - 6.9.2 Ensure that all meetings of the league are publicized where appropriate
  - 6.9.3 Perform such other duties related to the office of secretary as may be required from time to time
- 6.10 The Treasurer shall:
  - 6.10.1 Keep the financial records of the league
  - 6.10.2 Prepare monthly and yearly financial statements
  - 6.10.3 Attend to audit of the financial records of the league as may be required from time to time by the executive
  - 6.10.4 Be available to accept team registration fees
  - 6.10.5 Prepare a budget from the ensuing year
  - 6.10.6 Countersign all cheques issued on league bank accounts
  - 6.10.7 Assist with umpires' pay nights
  - 6.10.8 Carry out such other duties as may from time to time be required
- 6.11 The Umpire-in-Chief shall:
  - 6.11.1 Interpret the Official Softball Rule Book and special rules as set down by the league, upon the request of umpires, coaches, assistant coaches, team managers or any interested person connected with the league
  - 6.11.2 Select umpires for league play-off games and tournaments
  - 6.11.3 Be chairman of the Protest and Discipline Committee
  - 6.11.4 Arrange and conduct clinics for the training and certification of umpires
  - 6.11.5 Monitor the effectiveness of umpires
  - 6.11.6 Assist with umpires' pay nights

## ARTICLE VII Meetings

- 7.1 An annual general meeting of the membership shall be held at the call of the President, on or before October 31 of the playing year
  - 7.1.1 The order of business at the annual meeting shall be:
    - 7.1.1.1 The reception of credentials
    - 7.1.1.2 Reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting
    - 7.1.1.3 Reading of the minutes of the last general meeting
    - 7.1.1.4 President's remarks
    - 7.1.1.5 Treasurer's report
    - 7.1.1.6 Zone commissioner's report
    - 7.1.1.7 Committee reports
    - 7.1.1.8 Correspondence
    - 7.1.1.9 Election of officers
    - 7.1.1.10 General business
    - 7.1.1.11 Amendment of bylaws
    - 7.1.1.12 Adjournment
- 7.2 General meeting of the membership may be held upon the call of the President, as confirmed by the executive as and when they may be necessary for the welfare of the league.
  - 7.2.1 A general meeting shall be held, at such place, date and time as fixed by the President, upon the request therefore in writing of ten (10) members of the league.
  - 7.2.2 Notice of a general meeting shall be given to all members of the league.
  - 7.2.3 The order of business of a general meeting shall be:
    - 7.2.3.1 Reception of credentials
    - 7.2.3.2 Reading of the minutes of the last general meeting
    - 7.2.3.3 Conduct of business for which the meeting was called
    - 7.2.3.4 Other matters brought before order of business by the President
    - 7.2.3.5 Adjournment
- 7.3 Meeting of the executive shall be held once per month at such place and on such date and at such time as the executive may determine from time to time.
  - 7.3.1 The President may call a special meeting of the executive at any time and shall call such meetings at the request of five (5) or more members.
  - 7.3.2 Monthly meetings of the executive may, upon motion of the executive at the preceding meeting, be dispensed with for any month.
- 7.4 The quorum for a meeting shall be:
  - 7.4.1 Those members in attendance at an annual general meeting.
  - 7.4.2 Those members in attendance at a general meeting.
  - 7.4.3 Nine (9) members of the executive present at an executive meeting.
- 7.5 All questions at any meeting shall be decided by a majority vote of the persons present at that meeting, provided a quorum is present.
  - 7.5.1 The President shall not vote on any motion, but shall have a casting vote in the case of a tie.
  - 7.5.2 At annual meetings and general meetings, all members of the executive (except the President) and coaches, assistant coaches and team managers, to a maximum of three (3) per team, of teams registered with the league in the immediately preceding year and one (1) representative of any community association represented at such meeting, shall have one vote each.
  - 7.5.3 At executive meetings all members of the executive shall have one vote each, except the President, who shall have a casting vote only in the case of a tie.
  - 7.5.4 All voting shall be show of hands, except where two or more persons present at a meeting request a secret ballot, in which event a secret ballot shall be conducted by the secretary.
  - 7.5.5 In the event that it is inconvenient to call a general meeting or an executive meeting, the President may conduct a vote by telephone or other electronic means and any motion voted upon by this method shall be deemed passed if a majority of the persons entitled to vote on the motion vote in favour of the motion and such motion, when passed, shall have the same force and effect as a motion passed at a general meeting or executive meeting as the case may be.

## ARTICLE VIII Committees

- 8.1 The committees of the league shall be:
  - 8.1.1 Finance Committee
  - 8.1.2 Schedule and Diamond Committee
  - 8.1.3 Rules and Bylaws Committee
  - 8.1.4 Protest and Discipline Committee
  - 8.1.5 Public Relations and Publicity Committee
  - 8.1.6 Committee of Commissioners
  - 8.1.7 Zone - Provincial Committee
  - 8.1.8 Midget Committee
  - 8.1.9 Committee's as required by the President
- 8.2 The Finance Committee shall be comprised of the executive and shall:
  - 8.2.1 Oversee all matters concerning finances of the league
  - 8.2.2 Approve the payment of all accounts payable
  - 8.2.3 Purchase of any equipment deemed appropriate
  - 8.2.4 Give prior approval to all expenditures in excess of \$200.00
  - 8.2.5 Aid and assist the treasurer in preparation of the annual budget
  - 8.2.6 Include the Financial Advisory Committee of the executive as its steering committee
- 8.3 The Schedule and Diamond Committee shall:
  - 8.3.1 Be chaired by the third Vice-President
  - 8.3.2 Be responsible to determine and obtain playing fields as required by the league from the Leisure Service Department of the City of Saskatoon
  - 8.3.3 Draw up Season and play-off schedules and deliver copies to coaches and members of the executive and any other persons who might be deemed appropriate
  - 8.3.4 Investigate complaints with respect to condition of diamonds and take appropriate action
- 8.4 The Rules and Bylaws Committee shall:
  - 8.4.1 Be made up of a chairman and as many members of the executive as might be deemed appropriate and appointed by the President
  - 8.4.2 Receive any suggestions for changes to the Articles of Association and/or Bylaws
  - 8.4.3 Review any suggestions and changes to the Articles of Association and/or Bylaws received
  - 8.4.4 Submit for approval any amendments that may be required to the Articles of Association and/or Bylaws
- 8.5 The Protest and Discipline Committee shall:
  - 8.5.1 Be made up of the umpire-in-chief as the chairman and such members of the executive as the umpire-in-chief deems appropriate and as appointed by the President
  - 8.5.2 Receive, consider and adjudicate upon all protests and discipline action as may be deemed appropriate
  - 8.5.3 Render written decisions concerning its adjudication on any protest and/or disciplinary action to the executive
  - 8.5.4 Ensure that its decision is communicated to the persons concerned
- 8.6 The Public Relations Committee shall:
  - 8.6.1 Consist of members of the executive and/or such other persons as appointed from time to time by the President
  - 8.6.2 Review and approve all communications of a public relations nature with members and the public
- 8.7 The Zone - Provincial Committee shall:
  - 8.7.1 Be chaired by the second Vice-President
  - 8.7.2 Aid and assist the third Vice-President in sanctioning or setting up tournaments, zone play-offs, city play-offs and provincial play-offs as may be required from time to time
- 8.8 The Committee of Commissioners shall:
  - 8.8.1 Be chaired by the first Vice-President
  - 8.8.2 Be comprised of the commissioners elected or appointed from the zones in the City of Saskatoon
  - 8.8.3 Meet at the call of the chairman
  - 8.8.4 Carry out such duties as may from time to time be assigned to it by the executive
- 8.9 Midget committee shall:
  - 8.9.1 Be chair by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President.
  - 8.9.2 Meet at the call of chairman
  - 8.9.3 Carry out duties assigned by the executive from time to time.
  - 8.9.4 Oversee all matter concerning finances of the midget program.

## ARTICLE IX Registration

- 9.1 All teams shall be registered on or before April 15th in each year at a location to be announced by the executive through the zone commissioners and shall pay, upon registration, the entire registration fee as set by the executive for the current year.
- 9.2 Team players shall be registered on or before April 30th in each year at a location and on the date as announced by the executive and, except with the approval of the President, no player shall be registered after such date.
- 9.3 Each team may register a maximum of twenty (20) players only.
- 9.4 Each team shall have at least one adult as its coach, assistant coach or general manager.
- 9.5 Any player whose name appears on the roster of a particular team becomes the property of that team and cannot transfer to another team without the prior written consent of the team's manager or coach and then only upon permission of the President.
- 9.6 Coaches and managers shall be responsible to confirm the eligibility on the team he or she coaches or manages and in the event that it is discovered that any ineligible player is on a particular team, all games played by that team shall be forfeited to the opposition.
- 9.7 All players shall attend school six months prior or reside in the City of Saskatoon.
- 9.8 No player may register with a team outside the zone in which he or she resides, except with the written consent of the zone commissioner in the zone where he or she resides allowing him or her to transfer to another team or zone. Written consent must accompany the player registration form and then only upon approval of the transfer by the executive.

## ARTICLE X Suspension or Probation

- 10.1 Any person connected in any way with the league may be suspended from any involvement in the league for any conduct on or off the playing field which, in the judgement of the Protest and Discipline Committee is detrimental to the game of softball, as played in the Saskatoon Minor Softball League and:
  - 10.1.1 Such suspension shall take effect immediately upon notification of such decision to the person concerned
  - 10.1.2 Shall be for such length of time as determined by the Protest and Discipline Committee
  - 10.1.3 May be lifted by the Protest and Discipline Committee upon such terms and conditions as the Protest and Discipline Committee may deem appropriate
- 10.2 The president may place any person connected in any manner or fashion with the league on probation for any conduct on or off the playing field which, in the judgement of the President, is detrimental to the game of softball played in the Saskatoon Minor Softball League, for such length of time as the President may deem appropriate and upon such conditions the President may deem appropriate
- 10.3 A probation order issued by the President shall not be subject to appeal
- 10.4 A suspension of any person shall be subject to appeal by the person so suspended, and the procedure of such appeal shall be as follows:
  - 10.4.1 A person wishing to appeal a decision of the executive shall deliver their signed notice of appeal to the executive and the manager or coach of the team with whom the person has been associated. This must be accompanied by such evidence in support of the appeal, in duplicate with one copy to be delivered to the President and one copy to be delivered to the Protest and Discipline Committee chairman, within seven (7) days from the date he or she receives notice of the decision now being appealed.
  - 10.4.2 The protest and Discipline Committee shall hear such appeal within seven (7) days of receipt of the notice of appeal by the chairman of the Protest and Discipline Committee and shall, upon the request of the appellant, hear the appellant in person together with such evidence as the appellant may deem appropriate to present to the committee, upon two (2) days prior notice to the appellant of the place, date and time of the hearing of the appeal.
  - 10.4.3 The decision of the Protest and Discipline Committee shall be rendered in triplicate, signed by the chairman of the committee, within three (3) days from the hearing of the appeal and shall ensure that one copy thereof is delivered to the appellant or the coach of the team involved, the President, and one copy to be retained with the permanent records of the committee.

## **ARTICLE XI Miscellaneous Matters and Procedures**

- 11.1 The league, its team coaches or managers, or officials of the league will not be responsible for accidents occurring in the league, practice or play-off games, or in transporting of players to and from games. All accidents are to be reported to the league President. Accident insurance through Softball Saskatchewan is compulsory.
- 11.2 Protests, together with evidence in support thereof and signed by the team manager or coach, must be made in triplicate with one copy delivered to each of the following with 48 hours after the game: the President, the Chairman of the Protest and Discipline Committee and the opposing team coach. The defending team will have 24 hours to file defence evidence to the chairman of the Protest and Discipline Committee. If either team fails to comply with this rule, the team failing to comply automatically loses the protest. The notification of intent to protest must be made immediately before the next pitch.
  - 11.2.1 Captain or manager of the protesting team should immediately notify the umpires and the coaches of the opposing team that the game is being continued under protest
  - 11.2.2 Interested parties shall take notice of the conditions surrounding the making of the decision that will air in the correct determination of the issue. This should be written on the back of the scoresheet
  - 11.2.3 All protests must be accompanied by a twenty-five dollar (\$25) fee. This fee shall be returned if the protest is upheld.
  - 11.2.4 There will be no protests taken over the phone
- 11.3 Any minor softball tournaments held in Saskatoon must be approved by the President of the league. No all-star games are to be played in any of the Division of the league except as approved by the President of the league.
- 11.4 No banquets involving teams of a league may be held except as approved by the President of the league. Any coach may arrange a banquet for his own team without approval.
- 11.5 No team or group of teams may use the name of the league for any tournament, fund raising program or any purpose without the permission of the league.

## **ARTICLE XII Rules of Play**

- 12.1 The Official RuleBook of Softball Canada shall be followed except where modified by the executive of the league.
- 12.2 Special rules for play shall be provided for each of the A, B and C Leagues.

## **ARTICLE XIII Amendment and Effective Date**

- 13.1 These bylaws may be amended, repealed or replaced by a two-thirds majority of voting members present at an annual general meeting or at a general meeting called for the purpose
- 13.2 Any proposed amendment must include the articles and sections of the bylaws to be amended and must be submitted in writing to the Chairman of the Rules and bylaws Committee thirty (30) days prior to any annual general meeting or a general meeting called for the purpose. Any amendment proposed shall reviewed prior to being placed before an annual general meeting or general meeting called for the purpose by the Rules and Bylaws committee who shall include in their report at such meeting the opinion of the committee with respect to the proposed amendment as well as the committee's recommendation with respect thereto:
- 13.3 No waiver of these bylaws is of any force or effect
- 13.4 Upon the coming into force of these bylaws all previous bylaws are repealed.
- 13.5 These bylaws shall come into effect upon approval at an annual general meeting or a general meeting called for the purpose.

## **ARTICLE XIV Certification and Approval**

- 14.1 These bylaws are declared to be passed by motion on this 9th day of September, A.D. 1987 as attested to by the hand of the executive this 9th day of September, A.D. 1987 and amended on September 26, 2007.