

# ISD Girls Lacrosse Club

## BYLAWS

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### Article I: Name of Organization

- A. The name of this organization is the ISD Girls Lacrosse Club, hereinafter referred to as the Club.
- B. The Club is a 501-C (3) non-profit Corporation in the State of Washington.

### Article II: Affiliations

- A. The Club is affiliated with the Washington Schoolgirls' Lacrosse Association (WSLA) and shall follow the rules and guidelines developed by the WSLA.
- B. All student athletes who are members of The Club will be members of US Lacrosse (US Lax) and shall be held to the highest standards of their governing regulations.

### Article III: The purpose of the Club is:

- A. To provide direction and guidance for the development and growth of Girls Lacrosse at the youth and high school levels for girls living or attending school within the Issaquah School District (ISD) attendance area. Those in private school within the ISD attendance area may play for the Club if their school does not have a team. Exception cases will be approved by the Board on a case-by-case basis.
- B. To provide operational and logistical support for teams of the Club during the lacrosse season or as otherwise listed in the Board's operating policies.
- C. To promote the growth of girls lacrosse and help instill the values of scholastic achievement, sportsmanship, and teamwork.

### Article IV: General Membership

- A. General membership of the Club shall consist of all student athletes who are registered to compete on any Club team and include their parents or guardians.
- B. Membership term will be January 1 through December 31 of the most recent year that the member has played for a ISD Girls Lacrosse Team.
- C. Each registered player represents one vote. Parents or Guardian of that player(s) may vote as their proxy unless the player is emancipated and therefore may vote for themselves.
- D. All members must adhere to the Code of Conduct established by the Club.
- E. General membership participants will be updated annually with a pre-season letter from the Board or through a general member meeting. This update will include at a minimum the current board positions held, a list of significant changes or updates to the Club, and a prior end of fiscal year summary report.
- F. The general membership shall nominate officers, officers are to be elected by vote of the Board.
- G. Any adult member, or proxy parent for a minor member, in good standing may be nominated for a board position if willing.
- H. The general membership shall approve any changes to the Bylaws.

- I. If vacancies occur the Board may, at its discretion, appoint a replacement for the remainder of the term.
- J. The general membership may petition the removal of any elected board member by a recall petition which must be signed by 20% of the general membership. If the petition is successfully submitted, the recall will then be subject to a majority vote of the general membership.
- K. Each voting block (as defined in Article IV –B) is entitled to one vote in any general election, as long as membership remains in good standing.
- L. Voting takes place at general membership meetings or may be conducted as an online vote.
- M. Voting is by simple majority of those attending the meeting or simple majority of those voting electronically.
- N. The Board of Directors consists of the officers of the ISD Girls Lacrosse Club.
- O. A maximum of seven members shall be voting members of the Board, including at minimum a President, Treasurer and Secretary. Other positions and titles may be filled by a vote of the board to meet current Club needs
- P. The Head Coach for the Varsity team shall attend a minimum of one board meeting per year to present a coaches' report.
- Q. The Board may create At-Large Non-Voting positions in furtherance of the purposes and objectives of the Club.
- R. All voting members of the Board will be elected by a majority Board vote. The term of each Board position is two years and may be reelected.
- S. A majority of the Board must be present or available via telephone in order for the Board to conduct business. A quorum will be considered if over 50% of the board is present
- T. Voting shall be accomplished by simple majority.

#### Article V: Board Responsibility

- A. The Board shall be responsible for creating and approving operating polices that comply with these Bylaws, Federal, State, and local laws. Policies will be approved by a vote of the Board.
- B. The Board shall be responsible for oversight of club operations as defined in this document, in the operating polices and in job descriptions. The board may also create any role or assignment necessary for the support and operation of the organization.

#### Article VI: Compensation

- A. All general members and Board members of the Club are volunteer positions without compensation, with the exception of paid coaches and Board-approved contractors who serve under contract to the Club.
- B. All members and officers are eligible for reimbursement for any reasonable expenses incurred while performing specified duties of the Club.
- C. All disbursements will be made through Board approved ISD Girls Lacrosse Club accounts.
- D. Any club related expenses over \$300.00 must have Board approval.

#### Article VII: Administration and Finance

- A. Fiscal Year - The fiscal year of the Club begins July 1 and ends June 30.
- B. Loans Prohibited – No loans shall be made by the Club to any officer or to any member.
- C. Books and Records – The Club shall keep current and accurate records of all accounts and minutes of every meeting at which a vote occurs.

- D. Amendment of the Bylaws will occur in the following steps:
  - a. Review and adjusted by the Board
  - b. Board approval of Draft Bylaws
  - c. Offered to the General Membership for review and vote in its entirety
  - d. Adoption or rejection will be determined by a majority vote by the general membership in attendance at either general membership meeting or by electronic voting.
- E. The Club will maintain General Liability Insurance coverage through membership in US Lacrosse.
- F. The Club will maintain Director's and Officer's Liability Insurance.
- G. The Board and all other members serve as volunteers and shall not be personally liable for the debts, liabilities, or other obligations of the Club.
- H. Upon dissolution of the Club, all Club funds and/or possessions shall become the property of a beneficiary(s) of the Board's choosing based on the following criteria:
  - a. Must be a 501c3 organization
  - b. Equal distribution to new clubs created out of the division of the Club.
  - c. Other girls' lacrosse organizations, if no subsequent club(s) result in the dissolution of the Club
  - d. At no time will funds be distributed to any Soccer organization or to a boys lacrosse club.