

# **DANVILLE SOCCER CLUB, INC.**

## **CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

This organization shall be known as the Danville Soccer Club, Inc.

### **ARTICLE II - OBJECTIVES**

The objective of the Danville Soccer Club, Inc. is two-fold:

- A. To introduce youngsters, through the recreational program, to soccer through organized support with the primary expressed purpose to have fun, and the secondary purpose to learn soccer skills.
- B. To further enhance skills and develop team play of youngsters through the traveling program, known as Danville Blast.

### **ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP**

- A. Membership in the Danville Soccer Club, Inc. will consist of all parents of players, non-minor players, directors, coaches, managers, and ad hoc committee members.
- B. Voting membership, for the sole purpose of electing the Board of Directors, will be limited to the existing directors and each coach of the fall recreational and fall traveling teams. The coach may assign an alternate to represent that team. Each voting member will be entitled one vote when electing the Board of Directors

### **ARTICLE IV - ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE**

- A. Board of Directors  
The Danville Soccer Club, Inc. shall be governed and administered by a board of directors. The board of directors shall consist of:
  - 1) President
  - 2) Vice-President
  - 3) Secretary
  - 4) Treasurer
  - 5) Recreational Director
  - 6) Traveling Director

- 7) Member at Large
- 8) Danville Parks and Recreation Representative
- 9) Member At Large
- 10) Immediate Past President

B. Officers

The officers of the club shall be the:

- 1) President
- 2) Vice-President
- 3) Secretary
- 4) Treasurer

C. Terms of Office

The President and Vice President shall serve for two years or until their successors are elected. The Treasurer and Secretary shall serve for two years or until their successors are elected. The President and Vice President shall be elected in odd years. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected in even years. There is no limit to the terms an individual can be elected to the board.

D. Meetings

Meetings of the Executive Committee may be held at any time determined by the President. Members of the Executive Committee shall be given not less than 24 hours notice.

The club will meet monthly. Additional meetings may be called at the request of two board members.

E. Quorum

Attendance of the board by five (5) members is required in order to take formal action. Passage of any action by the board requires a simple majority.

F. Removal of a Director

Any director may be removed from the board, with or without cause, by the Board of Directors should the board feel the best interests of the Danville Soccer Club, Inc. will be served.

G. Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee shall consist of a chairman and two members. The chairman of the Nominating Committee shall be the immediate Past President. If the immediate Past President is unable to serve, the President shall appoint a chairperson, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

H. Process

At the last annual meeting, the Nominating Committee shall submit a slate of candidates for offices. The chosen candidates will be sworn in at the next meeting for their prospective term.

**ARTICLE V - RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A. Election of Board Members

The board elects each subsequent year's members no later than December 31st from a pool of nominees submitted by the ad hoc nominating committee.

B. Vacancies

The board will fill any vacancies to board positions that occur, except for the President, by a majority vote of the remaining members. If the President resigns or is unable to carry out his/her duties, the Vice-President shall assume the office of President for the un-expired term.

C. Discipline

The board shall have final responsibility and authority to discipline, suspend or remove any player or coach who is detracting from the overall soccer program.

D. Finances

The board shall establish rules pertaining to the finances of the Danville Soccer Club. Any expenditure by the Treasurer over \$1,000 must receive prior approval by the Board. The checks must have two signatures, the Treasurer and President or Vice-President.

**ARTICLE VI - DUTIES OF OFFICERS**

A. President

- 1) The President shall be responsible for preparing an agenda and conducting meetings of the club.
- 2) The President shall appoint ad hoc committees, such as the nominating committee, when needed.
- 3) The President will be the principal spokesman for the Danville Soccer Club, Inc. with outside organizations to promote the growth of soccer and soccer facilities in the Danville area.

B. Vice-President

- 1) The Vice-President shall serve in the place of the President in case of absence or disability.

2) The Vice-President shall serve as point of contact for all internal matters to include resolving conflicts over fields for games and practices as well as coordination of schedules between the Danville Soccer Club and opponents.

C. Secretary

- 1) The Secretary will keep minutes of all meetings and is responsible for all correspondence.
- 2) The Secretary is responsible for registration of players.

D. Treasurer

- 1) The Treasurer is responsible for the financial records of the league.
- 2) The Treasurer must submit a financial report at each meeting of the board Council.

**Article VII - AMENDEMENTS TO THE BY-LAWS**

All amendments to the rules and by-laws must be presented in writing, by the member requesting the amendment, to each director at least one (1) week prior to a called or scheduled meeting. Two-thirds of voting members present must approve any proposed changes.

**ARTICLE VIII - PLAYING RULES OF THE RECREATIONAL LEAGUE**

Playing rules will comply with rules of the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) with modifications as adapted for the Danville Soccer League and detailed in a separate document entitled Recreational League Rules.

**ARTICLE IX - PLAYING RULES OF THE TRAVELING LEAGUE**

- A. Playing rules will comply with rules of the Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA) with modifications by various Youth Soccer Associations.
- B. The traveling teams will be known as the Danville Blast. Primary team colors will be green and white.

**ARTICLE XI - BASIC POLICIES**

- A. Participation in any league, including recreational, traveling, and adult, will be open to any person, male or female, living in Danville and surrounding area. Non-city residents, playing in the recreational program, must meet the financial requirements set by

the Danville Parks and Recreation Department in order to qualify for membership. Non-city residents, playing in the traveling program, have the same financial responsibility as city residents since this program is not run in conjunction with the City of Danville.

B. Participation is without regard to race, color, creed, sex, religion or national origin.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE DANVILLE SOCCER CLUB, INC.

Date: 1/18/2005

President: (sgd) Charles W Wright III

Secretary: (sgd) Lynn Nickoley