

Bylaws of NEA Soccer Club

Article I: Name and Purpose

Section 1: Name The name of this organization shall be NEA Soccer Academy, DBA, NEA Soccer Club, hereinafter referred to as "the Club."

Section 2: Purpose The purpose of the Club shall be to promote and develop soccer and Futsal within the community, foster sportsmanship and teamwork, and provide a safe and positive environment for players of all ages and skill levels, and their families, to enjoy the sport of soccer.

Article II: Membership

Section 1: Eligibility Membership in the Club shall be open to individuals, regardless of race, color, religion, gender, or national origin, who support the purpose of the Club and are willing to abide by these bylaws.

Section 2: Classes of Membership The Club may establish different classes of membership, including but not limited to players, parents, coaches, and volunteers, each with their own privileges and responsibilities.

Article III: Governance

Section 1: Leadership The governance of the Club shall be vested in the following key positions:

- 1. **Director:** The Director shall provide overall leadership and strategic direction for the Club. They shall preside over meetings and represent the Club in external matters.
- 2. **Director of Coaching:** The Director of Coaching shall be responsible for overseeing all coaching activities within the Club, including the development and training of coaches. Position reports to Club Director.
- 3. **Administrator:** The Administrator shall manage administrative functions, including registration, scheduling, treasury, and communications. Position reports to Club Director with dotted line to Director of Coaching.
- 4. **Registrars:** The Registrars shall load, update, and maintain rosters for boys and girls club teams. There shall be one registrar for boys and one for girls. Position reports to Administrator.

Section 2: Duties of Key Positions Each key position shall have specific duties as outlined in the Club's policies and procedures.

Article IV: Finances

Section 1: Financial Management The Administrator shall be responsible for managing the Club's finances, keeping accurate records, and providing monthly financial reports to the leadership team.

Section 2: Budget The leadership team shall develop an annual budget outlining expected income and expenses, which must be approved by a majority vote of the members present at a general meeting within six weeks following tryouts.

Section 3: Audits The Club's financial records shall be subject to semiannual audits by a qualified auditor or committee nominated by the leadership team and voted on by club members. Audits will be scheduled within 4 weeks following spring and fall seasons.

Article V: Amendments

Section 1: Amendment Process These bylaws may be amended by a two-thirds majority vote of the members present at a general meeting, provided that written notice of the proposed amendments has been given to the members at least 30 days in advance.

Article VI: Dissolution

Section 1: Dissolution Process In the event of the Club's dissolution, any remaining assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or to the federal government or to a state or local government, for a public purpose.

Article VII: Miscellaneous

Section 1: Parliamentary Authority The rules contained in the latest edition of "Robert's Rules of Order" shall govern the Club in all cases to which they are applicable and do not conflict with these bylaws.

Section 2: Effective Date These bylaws shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

Section 3: Severability If any provision of these bylaws is held to be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect, the validity, legality, or enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not be affected, and they shall remain in full force and effect.

These bylaws are hereby adopted by a majority vote of the members present at a general meeting on October 23, 2023.