

**Hartselle Dixie Youth Baseball
By Laws**

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These by laws replace any and all previously adopted by laws and league rules and policies.

I. Governance

1. The governing authority of Hartselle Dixie Baseball shall be its Board of Directors (hereinafter referred to as the Board). One individual may NOT hold two positions on the Board nor shall any Board member serve simultaneously as an Advisory Board member. The Board shall consist of:

- 1. President**
- 2. Vice President 15/16**
- 3. Vice President 13/14**
- 4. Vice President 11/12**
- 5. Vice President 9/10**
- 6. Vice President 7/8**
- 7. Vice President 5/6**
- 8. Secretary**
- 9. Treasurer**
- 10. Mother's Auxiliary President**
- 11. Player's Representative**
- 12. Equipment Manager**

2. There shall be an Advisory Board for the Hartselle Dixie Baseball Board of Directors. Advisory Board members must have served as an officer of Hartselle Dixie Baseball at some time in the past, but may not currently be a voting member of the Board. There shall be no more than five members and not less than three members to the advisory board. Advisory Board members are elected on an annual basis. Advisory Board members may function in the following ways:

- a. As League representatives at other meetings**
- b. As Committee members if needed.**
- c. As advisors to the Hartselle Dixie Baseball Board**

Advisory Board members are not voting members of the Hartselle Dixie Baseball Board of Directors, but function strictly in an advisory role and as noted above.

3. There shall be a Coaches Advisory Committee for the Hartselle Dixie Baseball Board of Directors. The Committee is composed of one Manager from each of the respective age groups. Each year, Managers of each age group shall choose a representative at the first meeting of the VP and the newly appointed Managers. The term of service on the Committee shall be until the next year's Managers choose new representatives. The role of the Committee is to provide advice and voice issues of the coaches to the Board of Directors of Hartselle Dixie Baseball. The Board may appoint the members of the Committee to serve as a protest committee. The Committee shall have no vote on the Board of Directors.

Article II - Statement of Affiliation

Hartselle Dixie Baseball shall currently be affiliated with Dixie Youth Baseball and shall be governed by and shall comply with the principals, rules and regulations enunciated and decreed by Dixie Youth Baseball. Hartselle Dixie Baseball has the duty and right to choose and affiliate with any organized baseball affiliation deemed appropriate and advantageous to the Board of Directors.

Article III - Powers

Hartselle Dixie Baseball shall have the following powers in addition to others mentioned in this document:

- 1. To make and enforce rules and regulations to govern itself on a local basis.**
- 2. To enter into contracts and to establish accounts to promulgate the objectives of Hartselle Dixie Baseball.**

- 3. To hold and own property to be used by Hartselle Dixie Baseball.**

Article IV - Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of Hartselle Dixie Baseball shall be determined by the Board.

Article V - Board Meetings

Other than the annual meeting of the membership and the Board of Directors in September, meetings of the Board shall be called when necessary by the President or by (4) officers of the Board. A majority vote of a quorum will be required for passage of a motion. Any member in good standing of the Board may make or second a motion.

Article VI - Quorum

A quorum shall consist of not less than two-thirds of the Board of Directors. A quorum must be present at any meeting at which business is transacted or a vote taken committing Hartselle Dixie Baseball to any proposal of action.

Article VII - Annual Meeting of Members; Quorum

Section 1. Annual Meeting

There shall be an annual meeting wherein elections take place on the first Thursday in September of each year. Terms for all officers are one year. Any member in good standing with Hartselle Dixie Baseball may be nominated for office. Membership shall be composed of adults who satisfy ONE of the following two conditions:

- 1. Have their primary residence within the boundaries of Hartselle Dixie Baseball and who are actively participating in Hartselle Dixie Baseball activities.**

-OR-

Are the Parent/Legal Guardian of a child participating with a team.

Any member nominated for office must be present to accept the nomination or have a designated person in attendance to accept the nomination in their stead. A secret ballot will be held, among the members in good standing present to vote for the nominees listed. Ballots will be counted by a member of the Board and verified by another member of the Board, neither of whom are nominated for the office under consideration. If a nominee receives a majority of the votes cast, the nominee will be deemed elected to the office. If no nominee receives a majority of the votes cast, the nominee list will be reduced to the two nominees receiving the most votes and the voting will commence again as specified above. If for reasons of tie votes the list cannot be reduced to two, the list shall include all nominees tied for first place, then for second place until the list includes at least two nominees.

Article VIII - Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall consist of the elected officers described in Article 1 hereof. The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of it's meetings and the management of Hartselle Dixie Baseball as it may deem proper. This Board may appoint members in good standing to positions of leadership such as coaches, committee chairmen and committee members to help promulgate the objectives of Hartselle Dixie Baseball. Any person appointed by the Board may be relieved of their duties by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the entire Board. The Board may rescind a directive or decision of an officer by an affirmative majority vote of the entire Board. Please note the attached list of suggested specific responsibilities for each officer as

examples of the division of responsibilities among the board members.

Article IX - Officer Division of Responsibilities

NOTE: An officer may be impeached by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the entire Board after the officer in question has been accorded a hearing upon the impeachment charges.

A permanent vacancy of the President shall be filled by one of the Vice Presidents after an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the entire remaining Board of Directors.

Temporary vacancies of offices other than the President shall be filled by an affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the entire Board on nominations of any person in good standing that is associated with Hartselle Dixie Baseball or that currently has a child playing in the league.