

Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation Bylaws
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UPPER TOWNSHIP LACROSSE A NJ NON PROFIT CORPORATION BYLAWS

MISSION STATEMENT

Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation, through effective leadership, is dedicated to providing the best opportunities to inspire participation in the sport of lacrosse while protecting the integrity of the game. We envision a future that offers youth players the opportunity to learn, participate in, enjoy, and embrace the lacrosse experience.

Article I – Name

Section 1

The organization shall be known as Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation, located in the Township of Upper, in the County of Cape May, in the state of New Jersey.

Article II – Purpose

Section 1

The purpose of the Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation is to use the sport of lacrosse to teach the players respect, hard work, good sportsmanship, and honesty. Coaches and parents serving as positive role models for the players will assist the organization in achieving this purpose.

Section 2

Foster a passion for the sport of lacrosse through a positive learning environment in order to prepare the players to have the desire to continue participation in the sport of lacrosse as they advance through high school and beyond. To accomplish this goal, the organization will develop and promote a positive team-oriented atmosphere that safely teaches the skills of lacrosse to the players working as a “feeder” program for OCHS.

Article III – Membership

Section 1

Membership is open to anyone from third through eighth grades that resides within the Ocean City High School sending district.

Section 2

Registration shall be accomplished by either mail or in person sign ups on a date predetermined each year by the Board of Directors.

Section 3

The Board of Directors shall set the registration fees each year prior to the start of the season. The length of membership shall also be determined each year prior to the start of the season.

Section 4

Any player who wishes to play for another youth lacrosse team is required to have the head coach sign a waiver granting the player permission to terminate their membership in the organization.

Section 5

All players with satisfactory attendance at scheduled practices, matches, and tournaments meet the requirements for membership in the organization. No player will have their membership terminated based upon physical abilities.

Article IV – Officers

Section 1

The Board of Directors shall consist of the following positions: President, Second President, Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Event Coordinator, and Trustee(s).

Section 2

The Board of Directors will nominate new member(s) for consideration for appointment to the Board of Directors. These nominee(s) will be appointed to the Board of Directors by a vote conducted by the existing Board of Directors. 4 out of 7 members of the Board of Directors must be present for a vote to be conducted.

Article V – Duties of Officers

Section 1 - President

The President shall oversee the operation of Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation, delegate authority as necessary, coordinate team related functions/meetings, and create committees if needed. The President is responsible for making all final decisions regarding practice schedules, game schedules, appointing head coaches as well as assistant coaches. The Board of Directors must approve all new coaches. The President will be a co-signer on all checks issued by the organization.

Section 2 - Second President

The Second President shall assist the President in all capacities as necessary. They will learn the responsibilities of the President while in office. They will attend Lacrosse League meetings as required. The Second President will be the Upper Township Recreation Committee Representative and is required to attend the monthly Upper Township Recreation Committee meetings.

Section 3 – Vice-President

The Vice-President shall assist the President in the performance of his/her duties. In the absence of the President, the Vice-President shall perform the duties of the President. The Vice-President shall be a co-signer on all checks in the event the President or Treasurer is not available.

Section 4 – Second Vice-President

The Second Vice-President shall assist the Vice-President as necessary. They will learn the responsibilities of the Vice-President while in office.

Section 5 – Secretary

The Secretary shall record the minutes of all meetings and provide a copy of the minutes for permanent record. The Secretary is also responsible for any correspondence of the organization as deemed necessary.

Section 6 – Treasurer

The Treasurer shall maintain all financial records of the organization and prepare checks as directed by the Board of Directors. The treasurer will make timely deposits on behalf of the organization and give a full financial report as necessary. The Treasurer will be a co-signer on all checks issued on behalf of the organization. The Treasurer shall have a 2-year term limit.

Section 7 – Event Coordinator

The Event Coordinator shall be responsible for fund raising activities as directed by the Board of Directors. The Event Coordinator shall oversee all events as necessary.

Section 8 – Trustee(s)

The purpose of the Trustee is to serve as a consultant to the Board of Directors. The Trustee(s) shall also serve as the Executor of the UT Lacrosse Scholarship Fund. The Trustee is not required to attend regular meetings. A Trustee may be a resigning Board Member. The acting Board of Directors determines, by quorum, new Trustee(s). The Trustee shall have a 4-year term limit.

Article VI – Meetings

Section 1

The Board of Directors shall meet at least every other month from the months of January through July, or as deemed necessary to efficiently and effectively conduct the business of the organization.

Section 2

The Secretary shall notify all members of the organization by email, mail, phone, or newsletter of the date, time, and place of all meetings/events other than regularly scheduled meetings/events at least five days in advance if feasible.

Section 3

All general meetings shall be open to all active members. The Board of Directors shall have the right to conduct a closed, private meeting as necessary.

Section 4

Meetings shall be held in an orderly function according to “Roberts Rules of Order”.

Section 5

All meeting minutes shall be made available by the next scheduled meeting. Copies of all minutes shall be maintained for referencing purposes.

Article VII – Quorum

Section 1

A quorum consists of a simple majority of the Board of Directors, excluding Trustee(s), in order to conduct regular business. In order to amend, add, or replace any of the Upper Township Lacrosse Bylaws approval of the majority of the Board of Directors, excluding Trustee(s), is required. 4 out of 7 members of the Board of Directors must be present for a vote to be conducted.

Article VIII – Amendment

Section 1

Approval by majority of the Board of Directors is necessary to amend, add, or replace any of the Upper Township Lacrosse Bylaws. 4 out of 7 members of the Board of Directors must be present for a vote to be conducted.

Article IX – Finances

Section 1 – Contracts

Only the Board of Directors may authorize contracts on behalf of the organization.

Section 2 – Loans

No loans may be entered into on behalf of the organization. No evidence of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless authorized by a resolution of the Board of Directors. Such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 3 – Checks

Checks require two signatures. The President, Vice-President, and Treasurer are approved to sign checks.

Section 4 – Deposits

All funds of the organization shall be deposited to the credit of the organization in such banks and depositories as the Board may direct in a timely fashion.

Article X – Athletic Code of Conduct

Section 1

Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation, coaches, parents, players, fans, and any other individual present at practices, games or tournaments shall serve as positive role models by demonstrating good sportsmanship and proper behavior.

Section 2

Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation, coaches, parents, players, fans, and any other individual present at meetings, practices, games or tournaments shall refrain from any threats, verbal or physical, aimed at any player, coach, referee, member of the organization or any other individual present at Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation sponsored events.

Section 3

It is the responsibility of the Board to oversee and control all events to the best of their ability.

Article XI – Violation of Athletic Code of Conduct

Section 1

Any individual who violates the rules of the Athletic Code of Conduct set forth in Article X of the Upper Township Lacrosse Bylaws may be banned from attending any further events sponsored by the organization and immediate ejection will occur. In the interest of keeping with the mission of the organization, no warnings will be administered hereby making this a zero tolerance policy for the safety and well being of all players.

Section 2

Any individual banned from attendance may petition Upper Township Lacrosse's Board of Directors seeking permission to resume attendance in writing or in person. Approval by majority of the Board of Directors is necessary to resume attendance. 4 out of 7 members of the Board of Directors must be present for a vote to be conducted.

Article XII – Dissolution

Section 1

Upon dissolution of the Upper Township Lacrosse A NJ Non Profit Corporation, the remaining assets will be donated exclusively to the "UT Lacrosse Association Scholarship Fund".