



Valders Basketball Club Constitution & Bylaws

Mission Statement:

Our mission is to organize & facilitate a competitive & instructional basketball program for boys & girls in the Valders School District. The club will focus on developing solid fundamentals, self-esteem, teamwork, and good sportsmanship.

ARTICLE I

Section 1: Name

Our name is the Valders Basketball Club, also known as the VBC.

Section 2: Our Purpose

The VBC's primary focus is to support events & programs that enhance the development of fundamental basketball skills, this includes basketball tournament entry fees, skills clinics, & summer league fees. Any other requests for financial support are the sole decision of the Advisory Board.

The VBC is organized as a youth basketball club exclusively for charitable and educational purposes. To foster local amateur athletic competition within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended), including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that are recognized as exempt from tax under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended. All funds, whether income or principal, and whether acquired by gift or contributions or otherwise, shall be devoted to said purposes.

Upon the dissolution of the organization, 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 shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

ARTICLE II: Membership

Section 1: Individual Members:

Are the parents or guardian of area youth in the Valders School District who's child plays basketball on any team that chooses to participate and support the VBC bylaws, and coaches and other individuals who choose to support the VBC.

Members join the Valders Basketball Club by filing a proper application form, tendering the proper fee in accordance with Article 2 Section 2 and meeting the requirements for Board or individual memberships as stated in these By-Laws.

Individual members shall have voice but no vote at monthly meetings.

Section 2: Membership Responsibilities

1. Each parent, (on a team that chooses to be involved) must donate at least 5 hours of his/her time supporting VBC fund raising events.
2. If a parent chooses not to donate time they may be liable to pay up to \$50.00 for each child on the team involved. This will be at the discretion of the Advisory Board depending on current financial situation of the VBC.

ARTICLE III: Coaches & Coordinators

The following positions are at volunteer level and must be accepted by the Advisory Board.

Section 1: Team Coaches

Each team must have a team coach, a volunteer position. They are responsible for organizing the team and informing each parent or guardian of the VBC and its purpose.

Section 2: Team Coordinators

Each team must select a team coordinator that must attend all VBC meetings to represent the team, preferably the coach of the team.

Duties:

1. Maintaining and organizing team parent volunteer work schedules.
2. Collect payment from members that choose to opt out of donating time
3. Keep track of parent volunteer hours and submit to Secretary at monthly meetings.

Section 3: Referee Coordinator

Is responsible for organizing and scheduling Referee's for the VBC's fund raising tournament events.

Section 4: Concessions Coordinator

Is responsible for supporting volunteers for all VBC fundraising events.

Section 5: Coaches Coordinator

Is responsible for informing and instructing all volunteer coaches.

ARTICLE IV Advisory Board

SECTION 1: Powers

An Advisory Board, who shall exercise or direct the exercise of all club powers of said By-Laws, shall manage the business and affairs of the VBC.

Section 2: Number

1. Elected Advisory Board Members; Eight individuals will serve on the Board. A President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, two representatives, and the boys and girls high school varsity head coaches.

Section 3: Duties

The management of the business affairs of the Valders Basketball Club is the sole responsibility of the Advisory Board. The Advisory Board, in addition to the duties and powers prescribed elsewhere in these By-Laws, shall have power and it shall be its duty:

1. To establish administrative committees.
2. To prepare or cause to prepare and review the annual budget of the Valders Basketball Club.
3. To call regular and special meetings of the club.
4. To amend the By-Laws of the club.

Section 4: Compensation

The Board receives no compensation other than reasonable expenses.

Section 5: Election and Tenure of Office

1. Board members are elected positions with the exception of the varsity head coaches.
2. Once elected to the board the individual will serve a 3-year term, but are eligible for re-election.
3. Elections will be held on an annual basis starting with the following sequence.
 - a. Secretary and Representative # 2; 2008
 - b. Vice President and Treasurer; 2009
 - c. President, and Representative # 1; 2010
4. Nominations and elections for new board members will be conducted at the June meeting.
5. New board members will take office in July.

Section 6: Resignation, Termination, and Absences

1. Any officer may resign at any time by giving written notice to the Advisory Board.
2. If a Board member has three or more unexcused absences from Board meetings over the length of a year, the Board may, at its discretion, take a vote to remove the member.

Section 7: Vacancies

1. A vacancy in the Advisory Board shall exist upon the death or resignation of any Officer.
2. Vacancies in the Advisory Board may be filled by one of the remaining Board Members. Or, the Advisory Board has the sole discretion to elect a new officer if it is deemed necessary. Each Board Member so elected shall hold office for the balance of the unexpired term of his predecessor.

Section 8: Advisory Board Meetings

1. Meetings of the Advisory Board shall be held at such place as may be designated from time to time by the Advisory Board.
2. Any two Board Members may call special meetings of the Advisory Board for any purpose or purposes at any time by the President, or in his absence by the Vice President.

ARTICLE V: Board Members

Section 1: President

1. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the club and shall have general supervision, direction and control of the business and affairs of the club.
2. He/she shall preside at all club meetings.

Section 2: Vice President

1. The Vice President shall, in the absence of the President, perform the duties and exercise the powers of the President. They shall perform such other duties and shall have such other powers as prescribed by the Advisory Board.

Section 3: Secretary

1. The Secretary shall attend all meetings and keep a log of minutes.
2. He/she shall keep the seal of the corporation and affix it to all documents requiring a seal, and shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Advisory Board or by these By-Laws.
3. Responsible for notifying the general public of meetings and other events scheduled by the Advisory Board.

Section 4: Treasurer

1. The Treasurer shall have the custody of the club funds, shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements in books belonging to the club and shall deposit all moneys in the name and to the credit of the club in such depositories as may be designated by the Advisory Board.
2. The Treasurer shall disburse the funds of the club as may be ordered by the Advisory Board, taking proper vouchers for such disbursements, and shall render the President and the Advisory Board, at its regular meetings, all his/her transactions as Treasurer and of the financial condition of the club.
3. The Treasurer is responsible for maintaining a list of all assets of the VBC.

Section 5: Representative #1

1. The Representatives are responsible for Treasury audits. All bank statements and checkbook balances must be reviewed on a quarterly basis. Results of such audit must be presented to the Advisory Board at the following board meeting.

Section 6: Representative #2

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Section 7: Head Coaches

1. The Head Coach's primary purpose is to serve as mentor for volunteer youth coaches.
2. The Head Coach is also responsible for insuring that all volunteer coaches are informed on coaching techniques. Such as supporting and conducting coaching clinics,

ARTICLE VI: Club Meetings

Section 1: Monthly Meetings

1. Monthly meetings shall be held on the third Sunday of each month. If this date falls on a legal holiday then on the next succeeding Sunday. Meetings will be held at the Valders Village Community Center at 6:30 PM, or at such other place that the President of the club may reasonably designate. At each meeting the Advisory Board will report on the affairs of the club and such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting. In the event that the monthly meeting is not held on the date herein provided such meeting, the President shall call a meeting in lieu thereof to be held as soon thereafter as may be convenient.

2. All meetings will be conducted under Roberts Rules of Order.
3. At all meetings, the following is the order of business:
 - a. Roll Call.
 - b. Reading, correction and adoption of minutes of preceding meeting.
 - c. Officer Reports.
 - d. Unfinished Business.
 - e. Committees Reports.
 - f. The regular election of Officers, Chairs and other elective positions at the annual meeting only.
 - g. New Business.
 - h. Resolutions and orders.
 - i. Adjournment.

Section 2: Special Meetings

ARTICLE VII: Club Records and Reports

Section 1: Records

The club shall maintain adequate and correct books, records, and accounts of its business.

Section 2: Inspection

All books and accounts of the club shall be open to inspection by the public in the manner and to the extent required by law.

Section 3: Certification and Inspection of By-Laws

The original or a copy of the by-laws and any amendments thereto, certified by the secretary, shall be open to inspection by the public and officers in the manner and to the extent required by law.

ARTICLE VIII: General Provisions

Section 1: Fiscal Year

The fiscal year shall be the calendar year.

Section 2: Amendment of By-Laws

- (a) Except as otherwise provided by law, the Advisory Board may amend or repeal these by-laws or adopt new by-laws.
- (b) These by-laws may be amended by a three-quarters majority of the Advisory Board. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the secretary to be sent out with regular board announcements.
- (c) Whenever an amendment or new by-laws is adopted, it shall be copied in the minute book with the original by-laws in the appropriate place. If any by-law is repealed, the fact of repeal and the date on which the repeal occurred shall be stated in such book and place.

Section 3: Indemnification

The club does hereby save and hold harmless and indemnify the board members of the Valders Basketball Club to the fullest extent allowed by law while acting reasonable within the scope of their capacity as a board member.