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Constitution, Bylaws, and
League Rules

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The Constitution and Bylaws, as well as all rules of the Pensacola Men's Baseball League (PMBL) have been reviewed and revised herein these documents dated March of 2010.

These documents have been analyzed and ratified by the PMBL Board of Directors and all articles found herein are accepted to be the acting constitution, bylaws and league rules of the Pensacola Men's Baseball League.

These documents supersede any previous documents that have been accepted in the past for enforcing rules and bylaws that are associated with the PMBL.

Any instances that may occur, which are not covered or have not been addressed within these documents, shall be referred to the "American League of Major League Baseball Rules" for a correct ruling by PMBL league officials.

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CORPORATE STRUCTURE

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ARTICLE I

History and Objectives of the Pensacola Men's Baseball League

- Section 1 The Pensacola Men's Baseball League, referred to hereafter as the PMBL for the purpose of these documents, was founded by Mr. Jim Schmitz and began active competition in 1988.
- Section 2 The PMBL's purpose, as a non-profit organization is to provide a place for amateur baseball players to play and improve their skills for national competitions, and to work with local charities to assist in fund raising efforts. The PMBL wishes to establish friendly competition and maintain an ethic of adult and mature attitudes. Creating a "family type" atmosphere, free of vulgarities and intoxication is of the utmost importance while we strive to achieve our personal and team goals. We encourage all wives, children, mothers, fathers, friends and relatives to attend games as spectators.

ARTICLE II

Governing Body

- Section 1 The governing body of the PMBL will be the PMBL Executive Board made up of officers and delegates that will be elected annually in September between spring and fall league schedules. For election procedures, see Article III, Section 2, "Election Procedures and Duties of Officers." The board shall meet year round on a regular weekly basis. All officers and delegates are required to attend meetings regularly. While it is understood that certain situations may impede a board member from having perfect attendance, it must be understood by each member that consistent and repeated absences are detrimental to the progression of the PMBL, and each board member is asked to make a special effort to attend every meeting possible. Overly excessive absences and/or acts against league policy that require major disciplinary intervention could result in a motion by the board to consider the removal of an officer or board member from his position.
- Section 2 Weekly meetings may be cancelled in advance by the league president due to numerous reasons including, but not limited to: other weekly activities by the league, treacherous weather conditions, family illness or death, etc. A second weekly meeting may also be added during the week by the president if executive decisions are pending that are urgent, and a quorum of the board members are available to attend. A meeting may also be changed to another night of the week other than the normally scheduled night providing board members receive enough notice and a quorum may be present.
- Section 3 A quorum of the board members of the PMBL must be present (either physically or available by telephone) for business to be conducted which requires any

type of vote to make executive decisions. Within the PMBL a quorum has been set at 2/3 of the total board members. That is to state that 2/3 or over of total board members available constitutes a quorum which can bring business matters to a vote. The following chart shows the number for a quorum based on 2/3 of total board members:

MEMBERS	QUORUM
6.....	4
7.....	5
8.....	6
9.....	6
10.....	7
11.....	8
12.....	8
13.....	9
14.....	10
15.....	10
16.....	11
17.....	12
18.....	12
19.....	13
20.....	14

Section 4 Motions can only be made by board members. Another board member must second a motion before a discussion can take place. Upon completion of discussion, the floor person will call for a vote. Only board members may vote.

Section 5 Any new bylaw, rule, or motion set before a quorum of board members requires a majority vote (51%) of said quorum in order to pass and to take effect. This action is not to be confused with existing rules and bylaws. Existing rules and bylaws require a 75% majority vote of a quorum in order to alter or abolish the existing rule or bylaw in ANY way. Members of this quorum (as always) must be physically present or available by telephone.

Section 6 Meetings will be conducted in an orderly manner implementing the format of Robert's Rules of Order as closely as possible. While this concept is not strictly enforced, order must be maintained. All members are asked to be recognized by the chair before addressing the floor. The league's Sergeant at Arms will police all meetings. Members are expected to keep their statements and conversations during meetings focused on the subject that is being addressed. Conversations unrelated to the subject on the floor prevent concentration on league business, and cause distractions that are irrelevant and unnecessary.

Section 7 The conducting of league business within meetings of the PMBL board will follow an "Order of Business" format consistent with normal parliamentary procedure. The following constitutes a chronological version of steps to be followed at a normal meeting of the PMBL board:

A. OPENING THE MEETING

The presiding officer should never call a meeting to order until a quorum is available, either by physical presence or by telephone. Business cannot be legally transacted without a quorum of the members.

B. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes for the previous meeting may be read aloud by the league Secretary or distributed to the members in written form. Corrections and

approval are normally done by unanimous consent. That is, the presiding officer can ask, "Is there any objection to approving the minutes as read (or distributed)?" If there is no objection the minutes are approved.

C. REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND STANDING COMMITTEES

The first substantial item of business in meetings is typically hearing from the officers and established delegates or committees. Reports are generally for information only. In such instances, no motion following the report is necessary unless there are recommendations to be implemented. It is common that the reporting member end his report by making a motion if there is a specific recommendation for action.

D. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Unlike standing committees which are established by the bylaws, special committees do not have continual existence. They exist solely for the purpose of a special project. For example, a special committee might be created to plan a specific function or event. Special committees usually go out of existence upon their final report.

E. FINANCIAL REPORT

The league Treasurer will read the current financial state of the league at this time including the league's monetary balance, weekly receipts and expenditures, as well as any concerns for upcoming receipts and future purchases.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Unfinished business refers to matters carried over from a previous meeting. It can involve matters that were pending, undecided, or postponed when the last meeting adjourned. The presiding officer will first bring to attention the unfinished items of business that he is aware of before asking the league secretary if the minutes reflect unfinished business, or asking the members if they are aware of any unfinished business. If no unfinished business is to be discussed, this category may be skipped over.

G. NEW BUSINESS

Members can introduce any new item for consideration under this heading. The presiding officer may be unaware of what items will arise under new business. Much of the work in meeting protocol is accomplished normally at this time.

H. GOOD AND WELFARE

This heading is set aside toward the conclusion of a meeting to give consideration to persons connected in any way to the league who may be experiencing illness, family death or any type of hardship. Board members are asked at this time to bring attention to any of our own that may require assistance from the board in the form of moral support, gifts, monetary considerations, or just prayers. In most cases, and hopefully, no person will be mentioned at this time. It is simply a way to inform the board of someone who may require our support.

I. CLOSING THE MEETING

In most assemblies the presiding officer can adjourn the meeting without a motion to adjourn. If all items of business have been considered, the presiding officer can ask, "Is there any further business?" If there is no response, he may simply state, "In that case this meeting is adjourned." If

custom or tradition requires that a motion be made, the presiding officer may ask, "Is there a motion to adjourn?" Once the motion is made and seconded, the presiding officer may ask, "Is there any objection to adjourning the meeting?" Hearing no objection, the meeting is adjourned.

ARTICLE III

ELECTION PROCEDURES AND DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- Section 1 Board meetings for a new season begin in January. Officer elections take place in February. Persons interested in becoming a board member should begin attending meetings in January.
- Section 2 Interested parties can request to become a board member at any meeting. Existing board members may then discuss the person's credentials with him/ her removed from the board room, or question him/ her of their intentions upon returning. They must then be unanimously approved by a quorum of the existing board to become a member.
- Section 3 It is by the procedure described in Sec. 2 that board members are chosen. Officers and specific Delegates however, must be ELECTED.
- Section 4 Any league member in good standing may nominate any board member for a specific office or titled delegate. You must be a board member to hold an office. Upon announcing all candidates for an office or position, a majority vote by the board shall elect. Voters must be present to cast a vote.
- Section 5 to be considered for the office of President, Vice President, Secretary, or Sgt. at Arms, a person must have served on the board for a minimum of one full season.
- Section 6 To be considered for the office of Treasurer, a person must have served on the board for a minimum of five years (Not Consecutively) or be approved for nomination by the existing board after undergoing an extensive background check including credit and criminal history.
- Section 7 Power and responsibility for any position is immediately transferred to the new candidate upon completion of a successful vote for that particular position.
- Section 8 Offices and positions are held for one full calendar year until a new person is elected, the person resigns, or they are removed for cause by the board.
- Section 9 The presiding officer at a given meeting is the President. If the President is unable to attend the succession is in the following order: VP, Sgt. At Arms, Secretary, Treasurer, and 28+ Commissioner.
- Section 10 Each board member and officer's duties are described within the following section:

A. LEAGUE PRESIDENT

The league president presides over all meetings. He is the main speaker when addressing members of the league at functions such as workouts,

league banquet, etc. In business matters that require a vote of the board members, the league president will not have a vote unless his vote is necessary in order to break a tie. In this case, the league president will cast the deciding vote.

B. LEAGUE VICE PRESIDENT

The league vice president does the job of the president at any function in which the president cannot be present. He may also be delegated by the president to assist with any duties the president may need help with.

C. SERGEANT AT ARMS

The sergeant at arms maintains order during all league meetings. He recognizes members and gives permission to speak. All members are asked to raise their hand during meetings and wait for the sergeant at arms to recognize them and permit them to "have the floor" in order to address the members. The sergeant at arms will also maintain order by chastising those who speak out of turn, or carry on unnecessary conversations in the background while another member has control of the floor. He polices all meetings and all board members **MUST** respect his authority. The sergeant at arms can tap his desk or raise his hand to command complete silence within a meeting.

D. LEAGUE SECRETARY

The league secretary keeps the "minutes" which are a recording of ideas, discussions, motions and voting results at all meetings. During meetings, he will also read the minutes of the previous meeting to refresh the minds of the members of what took place, and what may have been tabled or is pending. He is responsible for keeping excellent records and documents for reference, except for certain financial documents that are stored by the league treasurer. He may be delegated more often than other officers to create or produce copies of forms that are essential to league business. The league secretary works very closely with the league treasurer to ensure that all league documentation remains in an orderly fashion with easy accessibility to the executive board.

E. LEAGUE TREASURER

The league treasurer controls the PMBL banking account under the direction of the executive board. He collects monetary receipts and makes league deposits. He also signs documents (normally in the form of a check) for league expenditures. The treasurer files certain financial documentation that is related more closely to his position than that of the league secretary, who maintains much of the league documentation not related to revenue. Still, the league treasurer and secretary work closely together to provide stability at the core of all league business. The league treasurer is the chief financial officer of the PMBL and all revenue, whether receipts or expenditures, passes through his hands. All fines and arrearages are collected by the league treasurer with the assistance of other board members, mainly team managers. Any documentation involving league financial business that is required to be filed with any agency will be produced by the treasurer with assistance from the league secretary.

F. 28 + OVER COMMISSIONER

The commissioner for the 28 years old and over league is in charge of attending to certain business involving that particular age division of the PMBL. He is the umpire liaison for this division, interacting with the umpires on scheduling, rescheduling, complaints, protests and so forth. It is his job to see that any and all postponements are made up within a timely fashion and at a time and date that is convenient to all parties involved. He must notify team managers, umpires and scheduled concession workers of make up dates as well as the scorekeeper manager (statistician). He must also make the league president aware of any protests filed by team managers that must be heard by the board or a designated protest committee.

G. PLAYER REPRESENTATIVE

The league player representative represents players of any division within the PMBL who may have a conflict of interest pertaining to anything within the league that causes him to feel as if he was treated unfairly. The player's complaint may be the result of disciplinary action, an altercation with another party, arrearages or any other reason. The player has a right to be heard by the board and have his case presented in a formal manner. If he so chooses, he may be represented by the league's player representative, who will be given ample time before the hearing to prepare and argue the player's case. After the hearing, the board's decision will be made as to what action will be taken. In these matters, the decision of the board is normally final and may not be subject to appeal.

H. LEAGUE RECRUITER

The league recruiter is an essential board member when it comes to the growth and prosperity of the league. He refers to league records to accumulate telephone numbers and e-mail addresses of persons who have played within the league not only recently, but in years past. The recruiter will begin contacting these persons several weeks before the first scheduled workout and day of registration to invite them to once again be a part of the PMBL. It is his job to obtain commitments from players to sign up and play as well as persuade those who are choosing not to play to possibly reconsider. During his correspondence he will also make all of these persons aware of any upcoming fund raising activities in which they may wish to participate. In the weeks before registration, the recruiter will also be the main board member (among several) who will periodically check the PMBL hotline (476-PLAY) for messages from new parties who may be interested in playing in the league.

I. 18 + OVER COMMISSIONER

The commissioner for the 18 years older and over league has essentially the same duties as that of the commissioner for the 28 years and older league. He is in charge of rescheduling for the 18 and over league, but he must always correspond with the 28 and over commissioner to prevent a scheduling conflict. He also is in charge of general league business within his division, although all decisions made by him must go through the board. Any concerns that he has involving umpires must go through the 28 and over commissioner who is the chief umpire liaison.

J. CONCESSIONS MANAGER

The concessions manager is in charge of stocking the league concession

stand as well as scheduling workers to operate it. He sets prices for goods based on their cost to generate revenue that is then spent eventually on league expenses. Like all league revenue, monies generated by concession sales are used for the benefit of the league as determined by the board. The concessions manager must see that the scheduled workers for a particular day have access to the stand as well as a "change bag" that comes from the league treasurer. At the end of the day all proceeds are to be turned in to the league treasurer, or the highest ranking league officer present at the field.

K. ADVERTISING MANAGER

The advertising manager is essential to generating revenue for league operations. He works closely with many delegates who assist him in advertising for the league. This includes but is not limited to the following: the creation of signage, radio and television ads, flyers, player program ads, generating interest for registration and fund raisers, generating sponsorships for teams, players and/or tournaments, etc. The job of the advertising manager cannot be done alone. It is simply too much work for one person. Therefore, the advertising manager heads up small groups and committees within the board to assist him with such tasks as making phone calls, setting up appointments, collecting funds, etc. He is NOT solely responsible for recruiting ALL league sponsorships. Other board members are expected to provide much needed assistance in order to obtain these essential sponsorships. Team managers are responsible for team sponsorships.

L. STATISTICIAN / HEAD OF SCOREKEEPERS

The league statistician provides the league with updated statistics in hitting and pitching categories of all league players. These statistics are posted on the league website as well as the bulletin board at our home field periodically. Normally, the statistics are updated every 7 to 10 days. The league statistician is also responsible for scheduling scorekeepers for every game, who will provide him with the statistics for that particular game. The statistician will then total the statistics and input them into the league's database. The statistician does NOT have the power to change or alter any statistic recorded by an official scorekeeper during a particular game. A decision made by an official scorekeeper can ONLY be altered by the same scorekeeper who must do so within 24 hours of the game becoming official.

M. WEBMASTER

The league webmaster manages the PMBL website. He makes changes to the site as events evolve. The website can include any information pertaining to the league such as rules, advertisements, announcements, scheduling, photographs, statistics, deadlines and much more. All players within the league and their families are encouraged to visit the PMBL website at www.pmb1.org as often as possible for the latest news involving league functions.

N. EQUIPMENT MANAGER

The league equipment manager oversees the "planning to obtain" and "purchasing" phases of league equipment including, but not limited to team uniforms. He is given information on draft night by each team manager making him aware of uniform numbers and jersey sizes for players that have been selected. The vendor chosen earlier to produce uniforms is then notified by the league equipment manager the day after the draft.

O. FIELD OPERATIONS SUPERVISOR

The Field Operations Supervisor for the PMBL performs his duties anytime

the field is being used including league games, practices, workouts, tournaments, etc. He works as a liaison to maintain fluid communication with persons of authority who allow the PMBL to use any field which rests on private property. The field operations supervisor's duties also include monitoring the keys to all locks at the field, making sure that the field gets prepared for events and making sure persons are lined out to groom and secure the field after a particular event has ended. Any manager wishing to schedule practices must do so through the authority of the field operations supervisor.

P. TEAM MANAGER

The team managers within the PMBL become the main "eyes and ears" of the league once the season has begun. The duties of the team managers go far beyond just serving as the coach of their respective teams. They serve as messengers to their players involving duties, discipline and deadlines. Team managers must see to it that their players perform specific duties when scheduled such as grooming and securing the field and working the concession stand. The team manager also must assist the treasurer in collecting arrearages as well as any fines levied involving their team members. Essentially, a team manager is expected by the board to "govern" his team to a point where all players are made aware of league rules and policies that are expected to be followed. Team managers must maintain an unselfish attitude and strive to allow players of all talent levels to participate during games as often as possible without jeopardizing the competitiveness of the team. Finding ways to encourage players of lesser abilities to not show up at games and not informing the same players of team events is totally UNACCEPTABLE behavior by a team manager and is subject to serious league discipline. Persons wishing to manage must receive approval from the board and present a team sponsorship check for the full amount required as set forth annually by the board. In the event that there are more persons wishing to manage than there are teams, the persons who present sponsorship checks AND meet board approval will be considered first.

Q. BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE

Occasionally, the PMBL will have board members who do not hold a specific office or position, but are available to serve as delegates or sit on specific committees. Like any board member, their job will at times call for them to assist other members with various projects. Their service on the board is very important. Officers and members who hold specific positions should not hesitate to ask members at large for their assistance in completing a task or reaching a deadline.

Section 11 All positions listed in "A" through "Q" above are considered Members of the Executive Board of the PMBL. Each "individual person" on the board constitutes one (1) body towards the achievement of a quorum, and constitutes one (1) vote in deciding voting matters, with the exception of the League President who may only vote on league matters to break a tie. The presence of the League President does NOT count toward achieving a quorum. Although some board members hold more than one position, their vote on league matters may only be counted as one (1) vote. (EXCEPTION to Section 9: If the league President also serves as a team manager, he MAY vote on matters involving managers and their responsibilities to their team such as drafting positions. The board maintains full discretion as to determine whether a matter to be voted on concerns the league President as a "team manager.")

Section 12 The board reserves the right to rule on any issue not specifically covered within these documents. Any issue affecting the league, managers, coaches, players, and/or board members must be approved by the board. No individual has the

authority to make "executive decisions" of any kind by himself. An individual board member may not relieve (in full or part) a vendor, sponsor, manager, player or anyone else of arrearages due to the league. In addition, he may not act alone to permit anyone to make late or partial payments.

ARTICLE IV

Delegates and Committees

Section 1 The PMBL Executive Board cannot function efficiently without the assistance of delegates and committees. Some positions held within the board require the services of more than one person when attempting to complete certain tasks. All board members are encouraged to make themselves available to assist other members with their more difficult and time consuming tasks. The league president will entertain requests from board members needing assistance and will subsequently appoint delegates (or a committee if necessary) to assist the member in need. Delegates and committees are afforded a special time slot within normal meeting structure in which to present the remainder of the board with a report of their findings or working results involving a specific job.

ARTICLE V

Official Scorekeepers

Section 1 Official scorekeepers are responsible for occupying the "press box" or "official scorer's booth" during the duration of a league game. They are scheduled by the league statistician and must arrive in ample time BEFORE a game starts to record starting lineups, official game time, day, date and other important data so that the league may have an accurate record of all proceedings pertaining to that game. The official scorekeeper also has sole discretion for judging statistics during the game such as hits vs. errors, earned runs vs. unearned runs, RBI's, etc. All statistics are recorded on a permanent record which is totaled after the game becomes official. The League Statistician will use this record to assist him in posting statistics.

Section 2 "Official Scorekeeper" is NOT an active position on the PMBL executive board and persons acting within this capacity do not have a say in league voting matters unless they occupy some other position on the board which affords them a vote.

Section 3 Team Managers are NOT permitted to ask an official scorekeeper to participate as a fill in player during their game if the official scorekeeper is scheduled to maintain the league scorebook for that particular game. "Passing the book" from player to player on the dugout bench is NOT acceptable.

Section 4 Official scorekeepers are not to be questioned or harassed by players involved within a game concerning decisions made about how a statistic is recorded. This includes whether a batted ball was recorded as a hit or an error. Official

scorekeepers are to use their best judgment at all times with unbiased opinions and integrity when making these judgments. No players will receive special treatment when statistical information is recorded.

ARTICLE VI

Ledgers, Receipts and Expenditures

Section 1 The PMBL cannot function without revenue. The PMBL is a non-profit entity and monies are collected through several means including registration receipts, sponsorships, fund raisers, concessions, league fines and so forth. All monies collected are used for league expenses such as umpires, baseballs, uniforms, equipment, materials for field upkeep, etc. Any money that is to be spent MUST be approved by a vote of the PMBL executive board and the acted upon by the league treasurer. The PMBL is not in the business of generating funds that are extremely over and above that what it takes to annually cover league expenses.

ARTICLE VII

Fund Raisers

Section 1 The PMBL will conduct league fund raisers periodically to generate revenue to be used for league expenses. Golf tournaments, baseball tournaments, and other means are already being used to aid the league in this capacity. Future possibilities could include raffles, poker tournaments and softball tournaments as the league continues to explore legal options and new ways to generate revenue for league expenses and charitable contributions.

Section 2 Fund Raisers require careful planning and participation by delegates to be successful. The league encourages volunteers to assist with fund raisers. A volunteer does not have to be a board member in order to be a league delegate. Sponsorships and prize donations are essential also to conduct a meaningful and successful fund raiser. All league members are encouraged to get involved with preparation as well as to participate in the festivities of the fund raiser.

ARTICLE VIII

Advertising and Player Program

- Section 1 The PMBL advertises annually for player recruitment through newspaper ads, radio commercials, flyers and other means. The PMBL hotline at 476-PLAY is also available year round for persons interested in leaving a message or having a call returned by board members who can provide them with league information.
- Section 2 The PMBL Player Program was created to provide league sponsors with a space for business advertisement. The ad is included as a courtesy by the league to thank these businesses for their contributions to the league. Size and spacing of these ads depends upon the type of sponsorship provided to the league.
- Section 3 The PMBL Player Program also contains league member names, team photographs and general league information as well as photos of league officers.
- Section 4 The PMBL Player Program is produced annually around the middle portion of the spring and summer schedule and is available to each league member at no cost. The Advertising Manager will oversee production of the program.

ARTICLE IX

Charities and Bereavement

- Section 1 In past years, and whenever financially possible, the PMBL has been involved in the support of certain charities. These charities have included the Sacred Heart Children's Hospital and Hospice among others. Funds contributed to charities were generated through fund raisers or tournaments in which any monetary values were purposely set aside for said charities after expenses were paid. The PMBL wishes each year to continue a relationship with certain charities by making contributions when financially possible and on approval of the board. The board will consider charitable contributions on a case by case basis provided the PMBL is financially able to contribute funds. The PMBL holds no agreement or contract with any charitable organization and therefore has no "consistent" pattern concerning fund donations.
- Section 2 Bereavement is taken seriously by the governing body of the PMBL and the board will often and quickly conduct an "informal" vote to purchase flowers, wreaths, sprays, etc. to send the league's condolences upon the passing of family members once connected to the league. In the same fashion, the board may vote to send a different sort of contribution such as cards or fruit baskets to those close to the league who may be ill or hospitalized.

ARTICLE X

Correspondence

Section 1 The PMBL maintains several methods in which to correspond with its members as well as the outside world. Members and prospective members are encouraged to take advantage of all three options in which to correspond with league officials. These options are as follows:

- A. The PMBL Website at:www. pmb1.org
- B. The PMBL Mailing Address at.....Pensacola Men's Baseball League
P.O. Box 30097
Pensacola, Fl. 32503
- C. The PMBL Phone System at..... (850) 476-PLAY

ARTICLE XI

Divisional Breakdowns

Section 1 The PMBL is made up of three divisions in which players may participate depending on their age. The divisions and their stipulations are as follows:

- A. The 28 and Over League
 - 1. Players wishing to participate within this league must be 27 years of age or older. A player who is exactly 27 years of age may NOT pitch within this league until the day of his 28th birthday. Players who are 26 years old at the time of registration may register providing they will turn 27 years old on or before the date of the first scheduled games. Players wishing to register in this league who will not be 27 by the date of the first scheduled games may NOT register until a supplemental draft for this league can be held.
 - 2. 28 and Over league teams are selected through a drafting process by the league's team managers. League games are officiated by two umpires and each game begins with 6 new baseballs provided by the league.
 - 3. The 28 and Over League's "on-the-field" operations generally run from March to August.
- B. The 18 and Over League
 - 1. This league was designed to allow all players 18 years of age and older to participate if they so desire. The competition level for this league has sometimes proven too difficult for older players who may therefore opt for the 28 and Over League option. The 18 and Over League has not been offered every year since the inaugural year of the PMBL. Whether or not this league is offered on a yearly basis will be determined by the PMBL executive board by January of each year. Players must show proof of age to be eligible for participation.
 - 2. Selection of teams for the 18 and Over league will be by a process determined by the PMBL executive board, and may include a "full team" registration process, or a drafting process much like the one carried out by the 28 and Over league.

3. 18 and Over League games are officiated by two umpires and each game begins with 6 new baseballs that are provided by the league. The 18 and over league's "on-the-field" operations generally run from March to August.

C. Fall League

1. Fall League is offered for all players 18 years and over at an abbreviated schedule. Fall League operations run from September to October and players register by joining a team and paying their personal fees in order to participate. The Fall League schedule for each team consists of approximately seven games as opposed to 18 to 21 games for the leagues played within the Spring and Summer months.
2. Fall League games are played with wood bats only. The games are officiated by one umpire and the league will provide 4 new baseballs at the start of each game.
3. Fall League is played under a much less formal format regarding rules for substitution runners and so forth. Scorekeepers are not normally provided for Fall League games and stats are not kept by the league officials. However, all personal conduct policies still apply for players of this league.

ARTICLE XII

Field Operations

Section 1 "Field Operations" for the PMBL include ANYTHING that takes place at the field and is generally under the supervision of the Field Operations Manager, the League President, or a league Commissioner. However, there are instances when these officers will not be present, such as certain league games. In these instances, the team managers present must police field operations and perform necessary duties to maintain and secure the field. There are many different categories that fall under "Field Operations" and each category is vital to the success of the league.

Section 2 Registration, workouts, league games, playoffs and concession duties are several categories that fall under league operations, but have sections of their own within these bylaws in order to explain them in greater detail. Before these matters can be addressed there are many "behind the scenes" duties that must take place concerning field operations that are extremely important. These duties, as well as other facts about the field that all league members should be made aware of are as follows:

A. The Keeper of the Keys

Any event taking place at the field begins with the keeper of the keys. He will be the board member who is in possession of OUR set of keys to the school facilities. He will be the first person to show up at the field and the last person to leave the field. He will unlock the gate to allow other league members to come inside. During the course of the league event, the key

keeper may change. However, the keeper of the keys at the conclusion of the field event MUST be the LAST man involved with the PMBL to leave the property.

B. Clean Up and Repair Days

Prior to the beginning of the season, which includes registration and workouts, several clean up and repair days will be scheduled to prepare the field for the festivities that follow. Whenever possible, all board members are expected to attend and assist with these activities. In addition, any league members who are not board members are welcome to attend and any help they can offer including manual labor or locating equipment to perform these duties is greatly appreciated. Some of the activities during a clean up and repair day include lawn maintenance, trash removal, wood replacing, painting, spreading clay or dirt, sweeping, operating machinery, building mound and plate areas, and cleaning out storage rooms and concession areas.

C. Permission to Use Field

Our field is maintained solely by the PMBL through a verbal agreement with the Escambia County School District. This agreement has in the past served as our "payment" to be able to use the field. Therefore, any organization that is "outside" of the PMBL that wishes to use the field for an event must request permission from the PMBL and be granted that permission.

D. High School Football Games

In the past, the Escambia County School District has requested that we do not schedule games at the same time when the neighboring football field is being used by the District. We must keep a very humble relationship with the school district and adhere to their wishes. This policy will more than likely not change during the course of our season. Fortunately, the football games only conflict with our scheduling dates on a minimal basis, and this has not proved to be a problem without an easy remedy.

E. Restroom Facilities

The PMBL provides portable toilets for all members and spectators of the league. The toilets have been moved outside of the locked field area to provide easy access for cleaning and maintenance by the rental company. The PMBL will do everything possible to see that the toilets are cleaned on a timely basis.

F. Garbage Dumpster

The PMBL has provided a garbage dumpster at the edge of the parking lot for all league trash. Players and board members are encouraged to empty garbage cans found around the field, in the dugouts and the concession stand areas whenever they appear to be close to full.

G. School Resource Officer

Each and every member of the PMBL is expected to cooperate fully with the assigned school resource officer on the property. The school resource officer is to be treated respectfully at ALL times, as they are essentially the security of the entire school property INCLUDING our field. The school resource

officer also sometimes acts as a liaison for our league in discussing matters with the school principals and it is IMPERATIVE to maintain a very good relationship with the employees of the School District.

H. Field Preparation before Games

The field is to be prepared for play before games by the home team. This includes removing tarps, dragging when necessary, setting the bases, watering if needed, and chalking the batter's boxes and foul lines. **In addition to prepping the field the HOME TEAM will also be required to refill the clay and turface buckets prior to the early game on Sundays.**

I. Field Prep after Games

After games it is the home team's responsibility to groom and secure the field. This includes dragging the infield, packing and raking the mound and plate areas, cleaning the trash from the dugouts, and placing the tarps in the proper areas. It also includes locking up the golf cart and all tools used for field grooming. **While the HOME TEAM is responsible for post game prep the VISITING TEAM will be required to dump all the trash receptacles around the park into the dumpster in the parking lot after the late game on Sundays.**

J. Field Lights

All managers and assistant coaches MUST be aware of how to turn the field lights on and off. Whenever ANY bank of field lights are turned off, they will NOT illuminate for a period of 10- 30 minutes if immediately turned back on. While it is OK for any manager to turn on the lights if needed, it is ultimately the responsibility of the acting Field Operations Supervisor (the keeper of the keys) to be sure that the lights are turned off, and that all gates on school property are secured.

K. Scoreboard

It is the responsibility of the acting Field Operations Manager to be sure that the scoreboard is turned off after a league game. This includes unplugging the controller in the press box as well as turning off the scoreboard breaker located in the "field supplies" shed.

L. Field Tarps

The PMBL has Field tarps to protect the mound and plates areas when games are not being played. These tarps are expensive and will NOT withstand punctures caused by metal cleats. It is each manager's responsibility to inform his players NOT to work with the tarps or walk on the tarps while wearing metal cleats. Please change your shoes after games before working with the tarps.

M. Trash Cans

There are numerous trash cans placed around our facility as well as in the dugouts. These trash cans will not empty themselves. All board members, and especially managers are responsible for getting trash cans emptied into the dumpster when they are full. Overflowing trash cans at the field is unacceptable.

N. Field Supplies

Field supplies such as mound and plate clay, turface, chalk and line paint are kept in the "field supplies" shed located at the east end of the field, near the football field. These supplies may be used before, during or after a game if needed. The shed is to remain locked when no field activities are taking place.

ARTICLE XIII

Registration and Workouts

- Section 1 A player's registration to participate in the PMBL may be completed at any time after January 1st. A registration fee, determined annually by the PMBL board should be paid at the time of registration for each player. Proof of a player's age must be verified at the time of registration by a PMBL board member, and all proper documentation must be signed before a player is allowed to join any activities on the field. Age requirements are outlined in Article XXVII.
- Section 2 Registration forms completed after January 1st but before scheduled workout dates for the upcoming season will be deemed "early registration." No penalty will be applied for those wishing to register early. The deadline for paying the registration fee (in full) for all managers, coaches and players is at the end of the last workout.
- Section 3 Most players registering for a league sponsored by the PMBL will do so during scheduled workout days that takes place a few weeks before the season begins. These dates will be determined by the PMBL board and advertised to potential players. These dates will be scheduled on weekends only and will be completed on 2 or 3 consecutive weekends as determined by the board. These dates will enable all players a chance to workout on the field and give potential managers a look at players abilities to help them determine who they would like to select for their team. New players are encouraged to participate in at least two dates of workouts, but MUST participate in at least one to be eligible for selection in any round of the draft. Failure to meet this requirement will result in a PAID player being a "blind draw hat pick" at the conclusion of the draft.
- Section 4 New players will have their photo taken and attached to their registration form to assist managers who are selecting players at the league draft to remember them from the workouts and to help the managers to mentally place their name with their face. The league draft will be held soon after the last scheduled workout and players will be notified by their manager when and where to report next.
- Section 5 All players who are PAID IN FULL will be included in the draft and WILL BE selected on a team. Players who have not paid by draft night are subject to becoming a "victim of numbers" and have NO GUARANTEE of being included to be selected on a team. The board has full discretion over unpaid players and their status of whether or not to be selected.
- Section 6 Any players not included in the initial league draft will be considered for a POSSIBLE supplemental draft after paying all registration fees. There is no guarantee however, that a supplemental draft will take place at any time during the season, and all players wishing to be guaranteed a roster spot on a team are encouraged to register ON TIME and PAY IN FULL.
- Section 7 Drafting procedures and makeup of team rosters will be covered within Article XV.

ARTICLE XIV

Ex Pro Status

- Section 1 Any player wishing to participate in the PMBL who has played professional baseball must be OUT of professional baseball for a minimum of two years if the last professional baseball team played for was a MAJOR league team.
- Section 2 If the last professional team played for was a MINOR league team, the player must be OUT of professional baseball for a minimum of 1 year before he can participate in the PMBL. This includes all minor league affiliates, whether they fall under the category of AAA, AA, A, rookie or independent leagues.
- Section 3 Ex pro status rules apply only to age 28 and over leagues.

ARTICLE XV

Draft Procedures and Team Organization

- Section 1 The 28 and over league in the PMBL uses a "draft" selection process in which managers select their potential players. In past years, the Fall League and 18 and over leagues (when available) have not used a drafting system for team selection and have been allowed to join the league as full teams, and not as "individual" players. This practice however, remains a concept allowed solely at the discretion of the PMBL board. The board may review this practice on a year to year basis, depending on interest within these leagues, and may choose to institute a draft for the purpose of picking players within these leagues. If a draft is indeed instituted, whether temporary or on a permanent basis, the rules for drafting will reflect the rules within Article XV, for drafting players as is done in the 28 and over league.
- Section 2 The selection process begins with each team having an approved manager or an approved manager and assistant coach. Managers choosing to enter the draft with an approved assistant coach MUST have already declared by the deadline set by the board, whether or not he will enter the drafting process alone, or with an assistant coach. He must also declare who his assistant coach will be at that time. This deadline will be set annually, at some point in the days BEFORE registration and workouts. A manager who does not select and reveal an assistant coach by the date of the deadline MUST enter the drafting process alone, unless an EMERGENCY situation has been approved by ALL opposing managers.

- Section 3 Each manager and coach will be listed on their team's roster sheet before the draft begins. They are listed as being "selected" within certain rounds of the draft. These rounds will be determined long before draft night by the opposing managers and board members. In these rounds each team will forfeit their draft selections to compensate for their manager and coach. Teams without a declared assistant coach will forfeit only one draft pick in the round in which their manager would have been selected. The rounds which selections are forfeited will be determined fairly, based on the player's abilities including positions played. Managers should take into account all facets of a player's game when determining compensatory rounds, and are encouraged to be completely fair with their opinions. Teams beginning with a manager and coach who are both considered first round draft picks will forfeit their first and second round choices AND will not pick until the END of the third round. If this scenario affects two or more teams, the board will vote on which team picks last.
- Section 4 At some point before the draft, managers who are NOT starting with two first round type players will draw a number from a blind (hat) pull to determine which position they will pick in throughout the draft chronologically. Managers with two first round players will pick last and will NOT draw from the hat. Their position has already been assigned. Managers shall NOT be allowed to exchange their draft position after drawing from the blind (hat) pull. Once the draw has been pulled the managers must draft in the order determined by the pull.
- Section 5 The draft will follow normal order in the first three (3) rounds, and commence to a "serpentine system" beginning in the fourth (4th) round. At the conclusion of round three (3), the draft order will reverse, and continue to do so at the end of every round. The manager selecting FIRST in the first round will select FIRST in the second round, FIRST again in the third round, and LAST in the fourth (4th) round. The serpentine system will continue from the 4th round until the draft is completed.
- Section 6 Teams will draft a minimum of twelve players and a maximum of thirteen players. Players registered and paid in full prior to the draft will be selected on a team. There is no guarantee for players expressing interest in playing if they have not registered and paid PRIOR to the draft. It is possible for players who have not yet paid to become a victim of odd numbers and be left out of the drafting process. Those players MAY become eligible at a later date if they pay and register, and a supplemental draft is needed at some point during the season.
- Section 7 "Hat picks" are made in the last round of the draft. At the beginning of the last round, players left undrafted will have their names placed in a blind draw and selected by each team. If there are more teams than players left, blank pieces of paper for each leftover team will be placed in the draw. Managers will draw out of "the hat" to determine their last pick. If they draw a blank piece of paper, they will begin the season with one less player than the other teams. Players who have registered and paid, but have not participated in the league within 3 years, and whose abilities are not known to EVERY manager MUST be selected out of "the hat" if they have failed to participate in at least one scheduled workout on the registration dates.
- Section 8 At the conclusion of the draft, managers MUST turn in their completed "uniform information sheet" to the league equipment manager. The sheets will be turned in to the uniform vendor by him the following day. Player's jersey sizes and preferred uniform number information can be retrieved from each player's registration form.

- Section 9 Team managers must notify ALL players that have been selected no more than 48 hours after the conclusion of the draft. This includes your FIRST round pick as well as your LAST round selection. All selections are to be given the same courtesy as players within the league REGARDLESS of their playing ability. For a manager to wish that a player with lesser abilities will reconsider and quit, or to not attempt to contact the player with an EXTREME effort is TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE. Managers found guilty of this practice are subject to MAXIMUM discipline and possible removal as manager.
- Section 10 Divisions not required to go through a drafting process must submit all payments as well as rosters to the league treasurer before opening day. Each player must have provided proof of age and signed all proper waiver forms.
- Section 11 Final team rosters should have 12 players (eleven players minimum and thirteen players maximum.) This does not apply to the 18 & over league. The 18 & over league team rosters may reach 15 to 20 players.

ARTICLE XVI

Trades

- Section 1 Trades may be conducted at the draft meeting immediately following the draft process if two or more managers decide to do so. All managers and other league officers must be made aware of every player involved within a trade, even if it does not pertain to their team. Board members are asked to remain discreet and not inform players who have been the subjects of a trade as to not cause ill feelings between the players and certain managers.
- Section 2 After the day of the draft, no player may switch teams without the consent of both managers and the league board of directors. Certain circumstances must exist in order for a trade to be made after draft day. Any trade must be for the good of all players and managers involved and must not give an unfair advantage to any certain team. Trades after draft day are extremely rare and are not encouraged. The PMBL board, including all managers not involved in said trade has full discretion over such matters.

ARTICLE XVII

Supplemental Drafts

Note: No supplemental draft shall be conducted prior to the notification of the board of the need for a draft. All supplemental drafts must occur at a board meeting with a quorum present and a majority vote by the board to proceed.

- Section 1 A supplemental draft will only occur when more than one manager needs a player (or players) OR if only one manager needs a player and there are at least two players PAID and in the "pool" thus meeting eligibility to be drafted.

- Section 2 To qualify for being drafted, a player's registration fee must be paid in full with the league reimbursing a drafted player a prorated amount after being selected to a team based on the number of games remaining at the time of the supplemental draft. No player is eligible to be drafted until these fees are paid. (See pro-rated formula on page 40.)
- Section 3 The first supplemental draft will be held no sooner than 21 days after the first game of the season. The PMBL board may vote to make exception to the 21 day grace period, but ONLY in a dire emergency. As long as the manager(s) involved can field a team using fill in players from other teams no consideration to waive the 21 day grace period shall be considered by the board. After the first supplemental draft, others may be held as deemed necessary without waiting for another grace period.
- Section 4 If a team's roster has less than 11 players, they will get a "blind pull" to bring their roster up to 11 players. Players claimed to have quit must be verified by the league commissioner, or if the commissioner's team is involved, some other board member may make this verification and present it to the board.
- Section 5 Teams with 11 or more payers will draft supplemental players using an NBA style lottery system to establish drafting order. For example, the 6th place team will have their name in a "pull hat" 6 times, while a team currently in second place will have their name in the hat twice. A neutral party will then draw out of the hat to determine drafting order with the first team name coming out of the hat picking first and so on. If two or more teams are tied for 5th place, BOTH of them will have 5 slips with their team name in the pull hat. Ranking is based on current standings.
- Section 6 Players obtained in the supplemental draft **SHALL NOT be eligible to pitch at any time during the regular season, playoffs or championship series of the season in which they entered the league via supplemental draft.**
- Section 7 Players selected in a supplemental draft may begin playing with their respective teams immediately. Uniform requirements will be waived until a matching jersey and cap can be obtained (normally a two week grace period.) Players are asked to try to wear attire that somewhat matches their team's color scheme until their uniform arrives.

ARTICLE XVIII

League Conduct and Disciplinary Action

- Section 1 The league board has the right to suspend, expel or fine any player who abuses league rules or who plays without regard to the safety of other players, umpires or fans. Suspensions can range from one game up to a lifetime ban from the league, depending upon the severity of the incident. Exhibiting a civil attitude and a sense of sportsmanship is imperative.
- Section 2 Fighting or aggressive physical contact between players, fans and umpires will not be tolerated and any player expelled from a league game will have the

incident in question reviewed by the board to see if further disciplinary action is necessary. An umpire has sole discretion to expel any player or manager from the game.

- Section 3 No player or manager shall lay hands upon, shove, strike or threaten an official. Nor shall a player or manager refuse to abide by an official's decision or be guilty of objectionable demonstrations of dissent involving an official's decision. Failure to abide by this ethic will result in ejection from the game immediately and the player shall remain suspended until the board reviews his conduct.
- Section 4 The board may vote to suspend any player or manager for such a period and upon such terms as it may propose for ANY conduct that the board deems prejudicial to the welfare, interest, reputation or character of the league. Except as otherwise provided, the board shall determine the appropriate action required for violations of the codes of conduct, and shall report their decision to the player and his manager. Any player found in violation of ANY provision delineated within the codes of conduct while serving a board appointed probation will be suspended for the remainder of the season.
- Section 5 The PMBL abides by a slide rule. Players shall not intentionally collide with any other player. In this instance the runner will be called "OUT" and at the umpire's discretion may be expelled from the game, depending upon the severity of the incident. All base runners must either slide or give up their right to a base (to avoid a collision) by stopping or veering off of the base path. You may not "bowl over" any fielder in possession of the ball and you must "ease up" when receiving a tag by the fielder with the ball in his possession.
- Section 6 If a defensive player is NOT in possession of the ball or is not in the act of immediately receiving the ball to attempt to record an out, he CANNOT block any base or the plate. He also MAY NOT be in the base path as to impede or obstruct the runner's right to a base or the plate. Under such circumstances, the defensive player is responsible to avoid any collision. If a collision occurs under THESE circumstances, the runner will be considered safe and the obstruction rule will be enforced. If the act is deemed intentional, the umpire MUST eject the defensive player from the game. If the action is judged to be flagrant, the player could face league suspension.
- Section 7 Infielders may NOT decoy a tag. If a decoy tag is detected, all runners shall be allowed to advance one base beyond the base held after play stops. If the same fielder is caught decoying a tag again in the same game, he will immediately be ejected from the game.
- Section 8 Players must not be guilty of physical attacks as an aggressor on others before, during or after a game. Players guilty of this action DURING a game will be expelled from further action in the game and will have the incident reviewed by the board before reinstatement will be considered. Other violations, as determined by the umpire, shall result in disciplinary action are verbal abuse attacks and abusive language toward fellow players, umpires or fans before, during or after a game. Players ejected from the game for an infraction of the abusive language rule must appear before the board, who will review their conduct before possible reinstatement.
- Section 9 NO person shall possess or consume alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs during a game or on the grounds of the school property in which the field is located. This includes the front gate area of the ENTIRE property. No player shall be on the field of play at any time in an intoxicated condition. This law of the PMBL carries a ZERO TOLERANCE policy.

- Section 10 NOBODY, including players and fans may smoke in certain areas on the grounds of the property. These areas include the field, dugout, and bleacher areas. Smoking is permitted well away from the stands, field and dugout areas, and in the parking lot. Smokers are NOT permitted to discard butts on the grounds of the property and must EXTINGUISH their butts in an acceptable area for refuse.
- Section 11 Only the manager or his one designee may approach an umpire to question a call. All other players must retreat to the dugout or base path area while only one designee holds discussions with an umpire.
- Section 12 Good sportsmanship is the responsibility of EACH individual. All members will be held accountable for exhibiting improper behavior.
- Section 13 In the event of a player being ejected from a game, his team manager must notify the board within 24 hours so that the severity of the incident can be reviewed.

ARTICLE XIX

Grievances Protests and Appeals

- Section 1 Grievances by any individual player must be filed through the league's player representative. The player rep must notify the PMBL board within 48 hours of the player's complaint. The board will set a date as soon as possible so that the player's case can be set for a hearing. Failure to comply with the 48 hour window forfeits that player's right to the grievance.
- Section 2 Grievances by a team must be filed by the team manager with the league commissioner, who in turn will notify the board within 48 hours so that a hearing can be set. Failure to comply with the 48 hour window forfeits the team's right to the grievance.
- Section 3 Any grievance, protest or appeal filed requires a \$25.00 fee per incident payable to the PMBL. Any grievance WON by the aggrieved in which this fee has been collected will have the fee refunded to him.
- Section 4 Appeals are handled on a case by case basis. However, most appeals will not be considered without new evidence as PMBL board decisions on grievances and protests are considered final.
- Section 5 Protests must be filed with the league commissioner or league president within 24 hours of the incident. This action requires a \$25.00 fee which will be refunded if the protest is won by the filer. Results from a filed protest may vary from no action taken, to replaying part of a particular game from a certain point, to awarding a given team with a forfeit victory.

ARTICLE XX

Uniforms Helmets and Equipment

- Section 1 All teams must have uniforms consisting of baseball caps, numbered jerseys, and baseball pants. Each player's individual uniform must be of similar design to that of his teammates. Logos and/or trademarks of sponsors may be printed on the jersey and/or the cap.
- Section 2 A player who is not in his team's uniform will not be permitted to play except in the event that a substitute player is needed. A player out of uniform can pay a \$10 fine and still play. The fine must be paid to the scorekeeper prior to the player entering the game and the team's manager must notify the commissioner within 24 hours of this payment. In the event that a player is detected playing out of uniform and has not paid the fee, the player shall be ejected from the game.
- Section 3 Team managers must present the league's equipment manager with their jersey number and size sheet immediately following the draft. This information may be acquired by the manager from each draftee's registration form. Team managers should communicate with the uniform designer concerning his team's color scheme in the weeks before the draft. Caps are normally of the adjustable size. Fitted caps are permitted.
- Section 4 All teams should have their uniforms prior to the first game. A grace period of two weeks will be extended for newly activated players or for new teams to complete their uniforms.
- Section 5 Costs for uniforms that exceed the league allowance MUST be settled with the vendor (by the team manager) when the order is placed.
- Section 6 All batters and base runners must wear helmets. Each individual is responsible for furnishing his own batting helmet. The helmet must have at least one earflap that covers the side of the head exposed to the pitcher. Double earflap helmets are encouraged. Catchers MUST wear a helmet underneath their mask.
- Section 7 Wooden and wood composite bats are permitted without weight limitations. Metal bats must have no more than a -3 rating and have a maximum of a 2 5/8 inch barrel. Additionally, metal bats must be BESR certified and clearly possess the BESR stamp. When concern over the validity or legibility of the stamp arises, the home plate umpire has sole discretion to approve or ban the usage of the bat.
- Section 8 Metal cleats are permitted.

ARTICLE XXI

Sponsorships

- Section 1 Sponsorships are imperative to the functioning of the league. There are many different types of sponsorships, each of which requires a minimum donation to the league. Sponsorships range from a full team sponsorship complete with

- uniform cost, down to sponsorship for small advertisement.
- Section 2 Managers are responsible for soliciting a sponsorship to cover their team expenses. If a sponsorship is not acquired for a team, the league can choose to hold the manager responsible for the sponsorship fees before any post season games can be played by that team.
- Section 3 A sponsorship form, which lists fees for all types of sponsorships, can be obtained through the league secretary. This form informs all potential sponsors specifically what type of advertising compensation they will receive for each of the different donations they may choose to make to the league.

ARTICLE XXII

Umpires

- Section 1 The league uses two umpires per game (only one for fall league.) An umpire has sole discretion to expel any player or manager from a game. Umpires are chosen each season by considering multiple bids issued through written proposals by officiating organizations.
- Section 2 Umpires are generally paid in the event of a rainout unless they can be contacted within a grace period before the game that is set by their organization. Umpires are scheduled and rescheduled through the league commissioner. Managers are asked to cooperate with the league commissioner when possible to postpone certain games early enough so that the umpires do not require payment. This may only be possible on certain days where inclement weather has been constant and the forecast is bleak.
- Section 3 Correspondence with umpires goes through the league commissioner. Complaints about inadequate umpiring should also go through the commissioner who in turn may speak about the situation with the head of the umpire's specific organization.

ARTICLE XXIII

Scheduling, Postponements, Rainouts and Make-ups

- Section 1 The original game schedule will be constructed by a PMBL board delegate. The schedule will be done prior to the draft and must be approved by the board. Draft order will determine team numbers. No games will be scheduled on Easter Sunday, Mother's Day, Memorial Day weekend, or Fourth of July weekend.
- Section 2 Altering the original schedule is discouraged to prevent league chaos. If opposing managers agree, they can cancel a game, but not less than two (2) hours prior to game time. The home team manager must IMMEDIATELY contact the league commissioner and the umpires. Umpires require plenty of notice for cancellations, or the league will be charged fees anyway.

- Section 3 In the event of a postponed or canceled game at the field, the home team manager must make the commissioner and board aware as soon as possible of the cancellation. All makeup games will be scheduled on the first available date feasible to both teams. The postponed game will be played within ten days of the original date unless completely impossible.
- Section 4 After a game begins, only the umpire can determine a delay or postponement due to inclement weather or field conditions. A game that is not of official length that can not be resumed will become suspended, and pick up on a future date at the exact place where it was suspended.
- Section 5 All delays called for by an umpire due to poor weather conditions must last for a minimum of 30 minutes unless the umpires determine that play can safely resume sooner. After 30 minutes have passed, and in the umpire's opinion the players' safety is still compromised for any reason, the game's outcome will be determined as one of the following possibilities:
- A. Suspended Game
 - B. Completed Game
 - C. No Contest ("No Game")
- Which option applies in a particular situation will be determined by the rules of Major League Baseball.
- Section 6 A delayed game must be completed the same day that it began unless the umpire changes its status to a "cancelled" game. In the event of a cancelled game, team managers must notify the league commissioner within one hour of the umpire's decision to allow for the makeup date process to officially be put into motion.
- Section 7 An umpire may delay or cancel the START of a game after arriving at the field due to poor field conditions, bad weather or extenuating circumstances. If this situation occurs at a point where 15 minutes has elapsed after the game's scheduled start time (grace period for late players) each team MUST have at least 7 of their own roster's players present at the field. If a team does not have at least 7 of their own roster players at the field, and a game is called 15 or more minutes AFTER the scheduled game time, THAT team will forfeit the game and it will not be made up. If NEITHER team has at least 7 of their own roster's players present at the point that the game is cancelled after grace period, BOTH teams will forfeit and the game will not be made up.
- Section 8 There will be no penalty for a team (no forfeit) if a game is cancelled at the field BEFORE the 15 minute grace period expires and the team does not yet have 7 of its own roster players present. Unless safety is an issue, umpires are encouraged to wait at least until the 15 minute grace period expires before cancelling a game to ensure that both teams have been given the grace period to accumulate 7 of their own players.
- Section 9 In the event that a game is under a delay and players leave the premises assuming that the game will be cancelled, a team MUST have at least 7 of its OWN roster players if the game is resumed. Forfeiture rules apply.
- Section 10 Substitute players DO NOT count towards meeting the requirement of a team's 7 roster player minimum.

ARTICLE XXIV

Opening Day

- Section 1 The festivities (or lack thereof) on Opening Day of the PMBL will be at the discretion of the board on an annual basis. Factors such as funding as well as volunteers will be considered when deciding what Opening Day functions will include each year.
- Section 2 The Opening Day game format may also change from year to year as the board will consider what is in the best interests of the league for a given year. All teams may be asked to play on the same day for Opening Day OR teams may play on different dates as part of an "Opening Weekend." The games may also be deemed as "relevant" and counting toward team overall standings, OR the games may be played in a pre-season tournament type setting where the outcome of the games DO NOT count in the overall standings. It is this format where more emphasis is put toward the gala of the ceremonies and not the actual competition.
- Section 3 Managers and players will be notified well in advance of Opening Day as to what decisions have been made by the board for a given year regarding festivities and relevance of games played.

ARTICLE XXV

League Game Rules

- Section 1 Regular season games are seven (7) innings with a 2 hr. 45 min. time limit. Official delays such as weather delays DO NOT deduct time from the time limit. A grace period (15 minutes) for late players DOES deduct time from the time limit. Playoff games MUST be played to a completion of seven innings (extra innings if tied) and are under no time restraints. Regular season games tied at the end of regulation will be played to their conclusion. Regular season games that are tied when time expires must be played until the end of an inning in which the tie is broken. Five (5) innings must be completed (4 1/2 innings if the home team is ahead) to be ruled an official game.
- Section 2 Games MUST begin on time if both teams have at least 7 of their own roster players. The 15 minute grace period will not be observed in order to wait for an eighth or ninth player to arrive. League rules allow for substitute players to be used and it is every manager's responsibility to use this rule to his advantage whenever short handed. Teams not having seven of their own players after grace period must forfeit.
- Section 3 Any game scheduled to start (following another game) that cannot start on time will begin 20 minutes after the previous game is completed. However, no game will begin after 8:30 P.M. local time. Any game that cannot begin by 8:30 will be rescheduled to another date.
- Section 4 If at the end of 5 complete innings (4 1/2 if the home team is ahead), one team

is leading by ten (10) or more runs, the mercy rule will take effect and the game will be complete. This rule does NOT pertain to playoff games.

- Section 5 Playoff games suspended for any reason will resume the next day if possible.
- Section 6 No player may participate in a game until he is registered, paid, officially included on a team's roster and has signed the proper waiver forms that are kept on file with the league secretary.
- Section 7 The visiting team will have use of the playing field for the final 15 minutes prior to game time, provided the visiting team has the required number of players for an official game to begin. The home team will have use of the playing field for the 15 minutes prior to the visiting team's 15 minutes, provided the home team has the required number of players for an official game to begin. In the event that there is less than 30 minutes prior to game time, whatever time is available is evenly split. Players must warm up their arms in the outfield area; NOT on the infield or in front of the dugouts.
- Section 8 The home team manager and his team are responsible for repairing the mound and plate areas, dragging the field and putting away all tools and equipment. The board representative who is the "keeper of the keys" for the night is responsible for securing all field and gate locks, locking all doors, and turning off the scoreboard and field lights.
- Section 9 No persons, other than registered PMBL personnel and officials may be present on the field or in the dugout areas once the game has begun. This includes wives and children.

ARTICLE XXVI

Legal Lineups and Player Participation Rules

- Section 1 Each team has offensive and defensive lineups that are independent of each other. Players may play in either lineup or both.
- Section 2 A team manager may bat as many players as he desires, with a minimum of ten (10) (subject to the least number of players available if less than 10 on one team.) If a team only has 9 players, no penalty will be assessed for the missing 10th batter. If one manager has only 9 batters available, the opposing manager may choose to bat only 9 batters as well without penalty. Batters cannot be deleted or skipped over regardless of their batting position or when they were added during the game. The only exception would be skipping an injured player's spot who cannot continue due to injury or emergency leave when occupying a batting spot by himself and there are at least ten batting positions in the lineup, and no substitute is available.
- Section 3 Managers may add batters to the bottom of the lineup at any time. If a batter is pinch hit or run for (except under courtesy runner rules) the player may not enter the game as a hitter, but may remain in the game as a fielder or pitcher.
- Section 4 If a team starts by batting 10 or more players and a player is forced to leave due to injury or emergency circumstances, his spot in the batting order will be skipped with no penalty to his team, providing there is no reserve player available to occupy his spot. In the event of a player ejection, and no reserve

player is available, the vacated spot in the batting order becomes an automatic out. A borrowed (fill in) player MAY NOT be used to fill the spot.

- Section 5 If a team starts with only nine (9) players in the batting order and a player is forced to leave for ANY reason, his batting spot becomes an automatic out if no reserve is available to fill the spot. A borrowed player may not fill the spot. A team batting only eight (8) batters is only charged ONE automatic out.
- Section 6 If a team begins a game with less than 9 players in the batting lineup, any vacant spots are automatic outs until they can be filled. The automatic out spots are exercised at the BOTTOM of the batting order and cannot be chosen at random positions within the order by the manager.
- Section 7 A team must have at least seven (7) of its own roster players to begin an official game and may borrow up to two (2) players from the league's other teams with the opposing manager's consent. This rule does not apply to playoff games. Borrowed players may NOT be used for postseason games. Borrowed players must hit last in the lineup and cannot pitch. If the team's 8th or 9th player arrives after the start of the game, the borrowed player(s) are replaced beginning with the fill in player who is batting highest (normally 8th) in the lineup. You may not switch the borrowed players' positions in the lineup when a roster player arrives. Opposing managers have every right to decline allowing a fill in player to compete against them if they feel the player's level of skill puts them at an unfair disadvantage REGARDLESS of the skill of the absent player they would be filling in for.
- Section 8 All players may be substituted for defensively at any time without affecting the player's offensive status in the lineup. If the pitcher is removed, he may re-enter to pitch as long as he remains in the offensive or defensive lineup. The removed pitcher may play any other position.
- Section 9 All Players who show up on time for their team's regularly scheduled game must make a minimum of three (3) appearances (an appearance is defined as a plate appearance or playing 3 outs in one-half inning in the field) in the game including at least one (1) plate appearance. A defensive appearance constitutes the time it takes to record three (3) outs (one-half inning.) This rule does not apply to players who show up late or are declared as injured. This rule also only applies in games that last at least 6 1/2 innings. Failure to adhere to this rule by managers could result in a protest hearing by the board with penalties levied up to and including forfeiture of the game.
- Section 10 Managers may elect to use "line shares" within their batting order. A line share is a spot occupied by two players in the lineup in which either of the two players may hit or run at any time to fill that particular position. The two players occupying the line share serve as "one person" and may switch out as often as the manager desires. A manager can use line shares in as many spots of the offensive lineup that he desires, but is not REQUIRED to do so. The manager **MAY DECLARE A LINE SHARE AT ANY TIME BEFORE OR DURING A GAME.** Line shares must be declared to the scorekeeper, umpire and opposing manager. A line share may not contain more than two (2) players at any time. Players occupying a line share cannot be moved to another position in the order once they have been declared within a shared spot, whether they have made an appearance yet or not. **Line shares do not absolve the manager of his responsibility to ensure that the participation rule is strictly adhered to.**
- Section 11 Each team will be allowed a maximum of two courtesy runners per game. The player who occupies the offensive slot to make the LAST OUT (whether batted OR on the base paths) will be the LEGAL courtesy runner. If that player has a

"line share" partner, the PARTNER can also be the LEGAL runner (without being charged with using a courtesy runner), as they are looked upon as ONE player within the offensive lineup. No "injury" runners will be allowed (under ANY circumstances), so managers are encouraged to use their best judgment with injured and slower runners while considering line share spots within the lineup.

- Section 12 Speed up runners may also be used to keep the game moving. As is the rule for courtesy runners, the LEGAL speed up runner must be the last out recorded, unless that player also qualifies for a speed up runner. In this instance the LEGAL runner can become the second to the last out recorded, and so on. A speed up runner MUST be used for the catcher any time there is two outs. If a manager is changing catchers in the next half inning, the catcher who is on record to be legally run for is STILL the catcher who caught the last pitch defensively. The pitcher may also request a speed up runner with two outs, but this action is optional.
- Section 13 When running for the pitcher, the player to throw the last pitch defensively is STILL considered the pitcher, EVEN if the manager plans to change the pitcher in the next half inning.
- Section 14 If the pitcher or catcher is to be run for by speed up rule with two outs, and the pitcher or catcher have a line share partner in the offensive lineup, the manager has a choice to use EITHER the line share partner OR the LEGAL speed up runner available who recorded the last out.
- Section 15 When an opposing manager realizes that a substitute runner (or a batter) is not the LEGAL player who should have been in the game, he should bring it to the attention of the umpire when the ball is put back into play. Time will be called and the umpire will confer with the official scorekeeper. If the player in question is found to NOT be the LEGAL runner or batter, the umpire will declare him to be "OUT." This action MUST take place immediately following the illegal substitution (when the umpire puts the ball back into play) and before a pitch is thrown. If a pitch is thrown before the umpire calls "time" or "no pitch" the illegal player is then declared in the game, and he cannot be removed from the base paths or batter's box.
- Section 16 No player, while pitching, may wear white or grey sleeves past the elbow. A player may NOT wear a batting glove or wrist band while pitching. Jewelry worn between the elbow and fingers such as a wrist watch or bracelet is also prohibited.
- Section 17 Pitchers MAY issue intentional walks. The pitches must however, be physically thrown. Just telling an umpire to put a man on base is not adequate.
- Section 18 If any pitcher records three (3) hit batsmen in one game, he MUST be removed from the mound immediately and may not return to pitch at any time during the same game.
- Section 19 There is no regulation as to how many innings a pitcher may throw during a specific game or week.
- Section 20 No starting lineup may include a player who is not physically present on the field or in the dugout. Player who is reported to be "on the way to the park" or "in the parking lot" cannot be included in the lineup. Including the player in the lineup and conceding an automatic out until he arrives is NOT permitted and may be subject to protest.

ARTICLE XXVII

Player Eligibility

- Section 1 As previously stated in Article XXV, Section 6 for League Game Rules, no player may participate in ANY game unless he is a member of a PMBL team roster, he is paid and registered and he has signed the proper PMBL waiver forms. The player must be at least 27 years old to play in the 28 & over league and at least 28 years old to pitch. Players participating in the 18 & over league (if available) must be at least 18 years old by opening day.
- Section 2 To be eligible for post season play, a player must participate in at least five (5) of his team's regularly scheduled games. These eligible players may play any position for their team in postseason play. However, for a player to be eligible to PITCH in post season play he must not only have participated in at least 5 of his team's regularly scheduled games, but he must also have been on his team's roster and participated as a player at least once before the conclusion of his team's eleventh regular season game. He also must be at least 28 years of age on or before the date on which he pitches.
- Section 3 The opposing manager may at any time have the right to question a player's age and request identification. A player will have 24 hours to produce proof of age. The PMBL board will determine penalties to players and/or managers found guilty of violating age requirement rules. Penalties could include forfeiture of certain games and/or a 2 year suspension for the player. If the board determines that the manager had prior knowledge, a similar suspension will result.

ARTICLE XXVIII

Tie Breakers

- Section 1 Ties between two or more teams will be broken in final league standings in order to determine playoff seeding by the following tie breakers in order:
- A. Overall win/loss record
 - B. Head to head record (when applicable)
 - C. Total runs allowed head to head
 - D. Total runs allowed for entire season

ARTICLE XXIX

Playoff and Championship Formats

- Section 1 The top four (4) teams in overall standings will qualify for playoff berths.
- Section 2 In the semi final round the 2nd seeded team will play the 3rd seeded team in the first playoff game, with the 2nd seeded team as the home team. The winner of this game will advance to the championship series. In the next playoff game the 1st seeded team will play the 4th seeded team, with the 1st seeded team as the home team. The winner of this game will also advance to the championship series.
- Section 3 The Championship Series will be a best 2 out of 3 series played on consecutive days. The higher seed will be the home team for games 1 and 3, and the lower seed will be the home team for game 2. The first team to win 2 games will be the league champion.

ARTICLE XXX

Fines and Arrearages

- Section 1 Any and all fines and/or arrearages including individual fees and team fees must be paid in full before the individual or team in arrears may participate in any post season games. This includes fines levied by the board during the course of the season, such as concession stand fines, as well as normal league fees such as registrations and sponsorships.

ARTICLE XXXI

Concession Duty

- Section 1 Each team is responsible for working the league's concession stand an equal number of times. Managers will be given a schedule by the Concession Stand Manager so that they have plenty of notice as to which dates their team must work. Teams must have at least one team member inside the concession stand when their team is on duty. Two team members are encouraged on early Sunday games as fans are generally more plentiful and requests for outside grilling are more common.
- Section 2 The league treasurer will provide workers with a "change bag" before their shift, which must be monitored at all times and returned to the league treasurer (or highest ranking officer available) at the end of the night.
- Section 3 Failure to appear for concession stand duty will not be tolerated and a \$50 fine will be levied by the board to any team who does not report. If a team is late reporting, a \$5 running fine will be levied for every 15 minutes that the team is late up to \$50.

ARTICLE XXXII

PMBL All Star Game

- Section 1 Each season, usually after the Championship Series has been completed, the PMBL All Star game will be played. The even numbered teams based on the final standings AFTER the championship will face the odd numbered teams in a nine (9) inning contest.
- Section 2 Wood bats only are permitted for use in the all star game.
- Section 3 The manager of the League champions will manage the odd numbered teams and the manager of the championship series loser will manage the even numbered teams.
- Section 4 Team members are chosen by a vote of their teammates on their regular season team rosters. Each team may vote in 4 or 5 players off of their regular season roster depending upon how many TOTAL teams were in the league. An all star team roster should contain anywhere from 14 to 16 players. Managers are encouraged to devise a game plan that will ensure all deserving all stars of plenty of playing time during the contest.
- Section 5 There is no mercy rule or time limit enforced during the all star game.

ARTICLE XXXIII

League Banquet

- Section 1 The PMBL League Banquet is held annually after the summer all star game and before the fall league season begins. The site for the banquet changes annually. Food and drinks are served as all members of the PMBL come together to celebrate another successful spring and summer season.
- Section 2 All PMBL awards are presented during "after dinner" ceremonies at the PMBL banquet. Every award, from league championship trophies to individual awards will be handed out at this time.
- Section 3 The PMBL banquet also serves as the "announcement" time to recognize changes within the PMBL board for the following 12 months. Election results for league officers will be made public before awards are presented. This election is normally held about two weeks before the banquet. The PMBL is continuously on the lookout for dedicated people to help run the league.

ARTICLE XXXIV

League Awards

- Section 1 Following each spring & summer season, at the league banquet, team and individual awards are presented to deserving parties. Recipients of some awards are determined by statistics. Other award winners are determined by a vote of the board, a vote of individual teams, or an appointment by the league president.
- Section 2 Award winners are determined at a board meeting well enough in advance of the league banquet to allow for awards to be created for presentation.
- Section 3 The following explains each acknowledgment, how it may be earned and the type of accolade presented to the individual:
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| A. League Most Valuable Player | (vote of the board) | trophy |
| B. League Rookie of the Year | (vote of the board) | trophy |
| C. Gold Glove Award (best fielder) | (vote of the board) | trophy |
| D. Don Sutton Award (best pitcher) | (vote of the board) | trophy |
| E. Jim Schmitz Award (humanitarian contribution) | (vote of the board) | plaque |
| F. Most Improved Player | (vote of the board) | plaque |
| G. Comeback Player of the Year | (vote of the board) | plaque |
| H. Manager of League Champions | (statistical result) | trophy |
| I. League Champion Individuals | (statistical result) | T-shirts |
| J. Manager of League Runner Ups | (statistical result) | plaque |
| K. Home Run Champion | (statistical result) | plaque |
| L. Batting Champion (highest average) | (statistical result) | plaque |
| M. Triple Crown Winner (if applicable) | (statistical result) | trophy |
| N. RBI Champion | (statistical result) | certificate |
| O. Most Doubles | (statistical result) | certificate |
| P. Most Triples | (statistical result) | certificate |
| Q. Most Stolen Bases | (statistical result) | certificate |
| R. Most Wins by Pitcher | (statistical result) | certificate |
| S. Most Strikeouts by Pitcher | (statistical result) | certificate |
| T. John Webb Award (lowest ERA by pitcher) | (statistical result) | plaque |
| U. Team Most Valuable Players (one-each team) | (vote by team) | certificate |
| V. President's Award (ANY reason) | (chosen by pres.) | plaque |
- Section 4 In addition to the awards listed above, league officials may choose to also present certificates to persons who participated in the all star game, as well as certificates for certain "gag" awards to provide laughter and entertainment for those attending the banquet. Gag awards are best created by persons with a great sense of humor, and can be presented for anything ranging from a negative statistic to an embarrassing incident during the season.

ARTICLE XXXV

The PMBL Hall of Fame

- Section 1 The PMBL Hall of Fame is an enshrinement to honor only the most elite of individuals who have ever been associated with the PMBL. This association can be considered through a number of possible roles including players, executives, umpires, sponsors, or contributors in some other capacity.
- Section 2 It takes more than just being an above average baseball player to be considered for election to the PMBL Hall Of Fame. Things to be considered by voters other than ability are longevity, character, and overall contributions to the league, whether tangible, financial or simply moral.
- Section 3 The PMBL Hall of Fame has existed for many years and former players whose time with the league dates as far back as the inaugural year of 1988, have been elected. The PMBL Hall Of Fame has been a work in progress and has for most of the history of the league, been simply an enshrinement for individuals recognized solely on paper and in principal.
- Section 4 As of 2009 the PMBL Board of Directors wishes to carry the enshrinement of these individuals a step farther. By erecting an actual, physical shrine and using the PMBL website, these prestigious individuals can have their photographs, achievements and contributions reviewed in an area at the field as well as online.
- Section 5 As of 2009 an election will be held every February by the board of directors for possible induction to the PMBL Hall Of Fame. An annual election is necessary as new members joining the board each year may not remember individuals in the distant past who may be deserving of enshrinement, yet do not have enough acquaintances on the current board to generate the necessary votes to be elected. For this reason, a veterans committee will be chosen amongst the "old timers" in the league who will consider those individuals who have been estranged from the league for over five (5) years. The veterans committee will consist of eight to ten members.
- Section 6 The Veterans Committee will meet to discuss and consider nominations of persons who MAY deserve Election to the Hall of Fame. Persons considered MUST be at least 5 years removed from league activities. The committee will then conduct an individual vote (by written ballot) with each person choosing only nominees that they find deserving for enshrinement. Persons receiving 75% or more of the TOTAL committee's vote will be elected.
- Section 7 Persons who have not been estranged to the league for over 5 years are eligible to be elected by the entire board of directors. Nominations are considered in the same fashion as electing veterans, and a vote (by written ballot) will be held. Persons receiving 75% or more of the TOTAL board's vote will be elected.
- Section 8 Election to the PMBL Hall Of Fame honors the recipient for the life of the league. Because this is the highest honor a person may receive from the PMBL, voters must be extra careful to not be lax or reckless with their vote, and to make nominees completely, absolutely and without question deserving of such an honor.
- Section 9 Anyone elected to the PMBL Hall Of Fame during February elections will have their selection announced and be honored briefly during opening day ceremonies of the same year.

ARTICLE XXXVI

Angels in the Outfield

Section 1 At the PMBL field we proudly offer a display to honor our great friends who passed away while members of the league, or who had recently retired from the league before passing. Our Angels In the Outfield Board honors these members with their names and the uniform numbers they wore while in the league. The display serves as a reminder that we will never forget them, the friendship that they offered, and the good times we had with them on and off the field.

ARTICLE XXXVII

Tournaments

Section 1 Each year the PMBL is proud to be involved in active competition around the southeastern United States in tournaments. Teams from age divisions 28+ over, 38+ over and even 48+ over have participated and been competitive in these tournaments for many years. Teams from Pensacola are normally all star teams with members selected from regular season teams.

Section 2 Some of the tournaments that Pensacola patronizes annually are The Billy Townsend Memorial Tournament in Atlanta, Georgia on Memorial Day Weekend, The Annual Caryville Wood Bat Tournament in Caryville, Fl on 4th of July Weekend, The Roy Hobbs World Series in Ft. Myers, Fl in October and November, and the MSBL World Series in Clearwater, Fla. also in October and November.

Section 3 The PMBL also annually hosts its own tournament on Labor Day Weekend. The PMBL Labor Day Tournament uses our home field as well as other fields within the greater Pensacola area to promote this small variety of tournament to generate funds for the league as well as charities. The Labor Day tournament lasts from Friday until Monday and is the last big bash before Fall League begins.

ARTICLE XXXVIII

Journals

Section 1 From time to time during the season certain typewritten publications will surface around the field involving games played and the league in general. These publications are not produced by the PMBL Board. They are published by individual members of the league out of their love for baseball journalism and are distributed by these individuals for your reading enjoyment. The journals have been received well in the past by players and fans alike that look forward to the storylines and witty content that they contain. The journals are for entertainment purposes, and are in no way meant to be offensive to anyone. However the PMBL does wish to state that the opinions written in these "unofficial" publications are solely the opinions of the authors who wrote them and does not reflect the opinions or bylaws exercised by the PMBL board.

ARTICLE XXXIX

Archives and Records

Section 1 The PMBL makes every attempt to try to retain archives and records from years past. At times these records can be beneficial to solving similar problems that may surface in the future. Unfortunately, some archives and records have been lost or misplaced as the governing officers have changed over the years of the PMBL's existence. Archives and records of a "general" nature are maintained by the league secretary and archives and records of a "financial" nature are normally maintained by the league treasurer. Board members should make a special effort to see that copies of recorded material generated throughout the year find a permanent place with the league's secretary and/or treasurer. Examples of these documents would be board meeting minutes, annual draft records and end of the season statistics.

ARTICLE XL

Amendments to Constitution, Bylaws and Rules

Section 1 The Constitution and Bylaws, as well as league rules contained within these documents have been accepted and ratified by the PMBL Board of Directors. No portion of ANY article within these documents may be altered in ANY way other than through procedures as outlined in Article II (2).

Section 2 Only by a passing vote of the proper percentage conducted by the League board can the wording of an Article be changed, and any vote for such action MUST be for the benefit of the entire league and not due to the best interests of certain individuals. Bylaws and rules long established shall NOT be changed for light and transient causes.

Section 3 Overturning or altering a bylaw or rule shall require a 3/4 majority vote of a quorum as outlined in Article II (2), Section 5.

PRO-RATED REGISTRATION FEES

Players joining the league through supplemental draft will have their registration fees pro-rated based on the following formula:

1. Figure the cost of full registration minus the cost of one jersey and cap.
2. Divide that total by the total number of games.
3. Then multiply that total by the number of remaining games.
4. That total plus the cost of the jersey and cap equals the total amount due.