

# Moriarty Baseball League

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## CODE OF CONDUCT

The Moriarty Baseball program is designed for the enjoyment of our children. It is an educational program as well. Not only can it teach them the basic fundamentals of baseball, but they also learn team spirit, the rewards of hard work and practice, may improve their self-esteem, and the development of good, positive attitudes. It is important for everyone to recognize that all those involved with the administration and supervision of this program are VOLUNTEERS – the coaches, umpires, board members, assistants, scorekeepers, etc. They are offering MANY hours of their time to assure that our children enjoy a fun-filled, healthy summer baseball program. As funds are not available for professional umpires and coaches, we are privileged and definitely thankful to those who are able and willing to assist with this program. Unfortunately, at times, it results in volunteers who may not know all the rules associated with baseball. Therefore, it's not only a learning process for our children, but also for the adults. It is important for these volunteers AND for our children that participants (spectators, coaches, scorekeepers, assistants, umpires, or any board member and players) act as examples and display good positive attitudes, patience, and understanding.

To ensure a successful, healthy environment for our children, the following rules/regulations are in effect:

1. No alcoholic beverages/controlled substances may be brought into the park nor shall a spectator/participant, player, umpire or coach attend under the influence.
2. Profanity towards players, coaches, umpires, etc. will not be tolerated and may result in expulsion from the program.
3. Players or coaches observed abusing equipment may be removed by the umpire. Board members may request the removal of a coach or player for abuse of the equipment.
4. All children should be constantly encouraged and praised: your children as well as their teammates and opposing team.
5. Arguing with coaches and umpires will not be permitted. If you have an opposing opinion, please direct it to a board member or discuss it reasonably and calmly with the coach or the umpire at the end of the game. Again please remember, they are learning volunteers.
6. Players are required to stay in their team's dugout during a game, so please do not encourage them to sit with you in the stands, as it may result in disciplinary action to the player.
7. No unauthorized personnel will be permitted in the dugout. Authorized personnel consist of: one (1) coach, three (3) assistants, team players and one (1) bat girl/boy.
8. If deemed necessary, the umpire or any Board Member has the authority to eject a person or persons from the premises.

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## POST SEASON AABC TOURNAMENT RULES/REGULATIONS

NOTE: You are a representative of Moriarty Baseball League and should conduct yourself accordingly.

"Team" will consist of: maximum of six (6) coaches/chaperones and a maximum of eighteen (18) players.

1. Money may be allocated by the Board to be used for:
  - A. Lodging - reservations are the responsibility of the team.
  - B. Meals/Snacks – suggested \$5/day/meal/player.
  - C. Laundry
  - D. Transportation – maximum of six (6) vehicles.Receipts for all money will be required, and must show the business name, location, and date.
2. Regulations:
  - A. Three (3) players and (1) coach/chaperone per room.
  - B. All players, coaches/chaperones lodging may be paid by the team, within reason.
  - C. All players, coaches/chaperones meals may be paid by the team, within reason.
  - D. Fuel for vehicles may be paid if the funds are available, within reason.
  - E. Laundry, snacks, etc. may be paid by the team, within reason.
3. Coaches will be responsible for all players/chaperones to ensure sportsmanship and courtesy are followed at all times.
4. Coaches are required to provide responsible supervision, if legal guardian or adult designee is not present, of all team members at all times.
5. Coaches must inform ALL players regarding meal times and locations; game times and locations; team meetings and activities.
6. Use of alcoholic beverages and/or controlled substances will not be allowed during official sanctioned team activities.
7. Money may not be used for other things such as:
  - B. Entertainment – ex. Bowling, movies/rentals, gambling, etc.
  - C. Souvenirs – ex. T-Shirts, caps, etc.
  - D. Expenses for non-team personnel.
  - E. Personal long distant telephone calls.
8. Once your team has been eliminated from the tournament, the league will not be responsible for lodging or food beyond 24 hours after elimination.

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## BY-LAWS MORIARTY BASEBALL LEAGUE RULES AND REGULATIONS

- I. Rules and Regulations
  - a. The official player rules and regulations as published by AABC for the current season shall be binding on this league, unless stated otherwise.
  - b. The local rules of this league shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held no less than one month previous to the first scheduled game of the season, but should conform to the AABC rules. Local League rules will prevail. Rule changes during regular season play can be made by the Board of Directors on a case by case basis, with a 2/3<sup>rd</sup> vote.
    - i. All rules and regulations will apply through the local playoffs.
    - ii. Championship games will follow AABC Official Handbook.
  - c. The use of an ineligible player, as defined in drafting rules, will constitute as misconduct and will be dealt with by the Board of Directors – Penalty will be forfeiture of game or games, after eligibility is questioned.
  - d. If a Manager questions the absence of a player on the opposing team, he/she will record, in writing before the last out of the game, his/her protest to a member of the Board of Directors. The Board will verify the legal absence of the player.
  - e. Roberto Clemente, Willie Mays, Pee Wee Reese Divisions:
    - i. A time limit of One and three-quarters ( $1\frac{3}{4}$ ) hours for both the Roberto Clemente Division and the Willie Mays Division. Time limit for Pee Wee Reese Division will be two (2) hours.
  - f. Sandy Koufax and Mickey Mantle Divisions:
    - i. All games will be seven (7) innings and will have a time limit of two and one-half ( $2\frac{1}{2}$ ) hours.
  - g. To constitute a complete game the following shall apply: eight (8) run rule will apply after the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) inning or after four and one-half ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) innings if the home team is ahead in the Pee Wee Reese and older leagues; after the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) or three and one-half ( $3\frac{1}{2}$ ) innings in the Roberto Clemente and Willie Mays Divisions.
    - i. Roberto Clemente and Willie Mays Divisions will have a six (6) run rule imposed by inning for all but the last regular scheduled inning. If any team scores six (6) runs in one inning they will change sides regardless of the number of outs. NOTE: In the case of a home run

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- (i.e. a hit ball in flight going over the fence or hitting the billboards in fair territory) all runs will count regardless of the run limit. See Rule 2 in the Official baseball rule book. Top of the sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) inning to completion of game will be open innings in both the Roberto Clemente and the Willie Mays divisions.
- ii. Pee Wee Reese Division will have a six (6) run rule imposed by inning for all but the last inning. Top of the seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) inning to completion of the game will be open innings.
  - iii. Sandy Koufax and Mickey Mantle Divisions will have a six (6) run rule imposed by inning for all but the last inning. Top of the seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) inning to completion of the game will be open innings.
  - iv. Roberto Clemente Division will have player pitched baseball.
- h. In the case of two (2) or more teams ending the season tied in standings, a play-off game(s) will be played as soon as possible, to designate the final standings. The term "final standings" is defined as the win-loss record.
- i. All players shall play no less than three (3) offensive outs, six (6) defensive outs and one (1) turn at bat. Failure to comply will be forfeiture of the game. Because of the time constraints Roberto Clemente and Willie Mays may not be able to complete total inning requirements. If they are unable to play full inning games and substitutions cannot be made, those players must be starters in the next game played.

Pee Wee Reese and above must meet all substitution requirements each game. Failure to comply will be forfeiture of the game in progress.

- i. Every player shall be on the batting roster during the regular season games.
  - ii. Substitutes in a game must be started in the next game.
  - iii. If a complaint is placed with the umpire regarding the players – the umpire will verify with the official scorekeeper and forfeiture of the game in progress will be assessed.
  - iv. Roberto Clemente and Willie Mays Divisions must bat entire roster throughout the entire length of game, unless player injury occurs.
- j. Disciplined or intentionally benched player(s): Players that are benched for disciplinary or intentional reasons.
- i. A disciplinary report must be filled out after every disciplinary act and placed in the official scorebook immediately.
  - ii. Disciplinary notes for the benched players will be signed by a board member, coach and the player.

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- iii. After the second (2<sup>nd</sup>) consecutive offense the manager will appear before the Board of Directors to explain his/her action.
- k. Game time will be forfeit time. An official game can begin with eight (8) players present, with an out being called when the ninth player is scheduled to bat in the lineup. This process will continue until a ninth player arrives and is placed in the vacant slot in the batting order. If less than eight (8) players are available, a scrimmage game may be played and the field must be vacated thirty (30) minutes before the next official game time, if the last game of the evening, they must be finished by official sunset time.
- l. No inning will begin after the time limit of 1 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>, 2, or 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hours; however, the inning in progress will be completed. No game will end in a tie.
  - i. Rain outs will be played on the first available time slot after the rain out. Game time will be determined by the scheduling committee.
  - ii. Rain delay games that must be played the following day will be considered the previous calendar day for pitching purposes.
- m. The home team shall provide the official scorekeeper. The signature of both coaches and the umpire will be required at the end of each game. Official scorebooks and a completed roster form must be turned in at the end of each game. Updated pitching rosters will be a part of the official scorebook.
  - i. Official scorekeeper shall not converse with anyone other than the plate during the game. Scorekeepers may only verify information on players, score, time limit, etc. Scorekeepers may not call attention to players batting out of turn, substitution of players, etc.
  - ii. Scoreboard will remain in operation during the entire game. Only authorized persons may operate the scoreboards.
  - iii. Only authorized personnel will be allowed in the announcer area.
  - iv. No coaching or filming will be allowed from the announcer area.
- n. The visiting team will be responsible for dressing the field immediately following the game. Every coach shall be responsible for the clean-up of their dugout and bleachers. Clean-up will be enforced by plate umpire. Failure to comply may result in a penalty and notification to the board. Coaches shall also dress fields after individual practices.
- o. Players will not be allowed to wear any jewelry during games. This includes any body piercings and watches.
  - i. Medical bracelets are allowed to be worn in wrist or ankle area and must be covered.

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- p. All players must wear age appropriate personal protection equipment during games.
- q. We will abide by the AABC Official Handbook on re-entry with the exception of injury substitutions. A substitution may be made in the case of injury with the last player substituted. The substitute will be placed in the batting order for the injured player.

## II. REGISTRATION

- a. Official registration will be held from January 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup> or as the Board of Directors deems necessary.
- b. The Board of Directors shall annually set the registration days.
- c. No team will be allowed to hold space for a player that does not have a current registration form prior to the official draft date.
- d. All money, birth certificates, and forms must be turned in before the child will be placed on a team and must be turned in by legal guardian or previous years Head Coach no later than the first day of tryouts to remain on team and/or go into a draft sequence.

## III. TRYOUTS

- a. Tryouts shall be scheduled the first (1<sup>st</sup>) Saturday possible after the last official registration day.
- b. Only players listed in subsection below shall attend tryouts:
  - i. All players not on existing team roster and new registrants of current league age MUST attend tryouts as a qualifying pre-requisite for participation in the program (with the exception of Tee Ball who do not tryout)
  - ii. Players unable to attend tryouts for justifiable reason MUST, in writing and in advance, inform the Board of Directors.

## IV. DRAFT

- a. Within ten (10) days after the final tryouts, a meeting shall be called for the purpose of the draft.
- b. Attendance by coaches or their representatives at the draft is MANDATORY. If coaches are not available, the Board of Directors may appoint a proxy coach for drafting purposes.
- c. The Moriarty Baseball draft will follow the drafting procedures as outlined in the Moriarty Baseball Drafting Rules by the Board of Directors. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE ALLOWED.

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- d. The number of each team's remaining players plus new draftees shall total a maximum of twelve (12); exceptions must be approved by the Board of Directors.
- e. All teams may begin practice after the draft.
- f. After the draft and practice have begun, if a team's total number of players drop to less than eleven (11) due to players refusing to play, injuries, or relocation, the coach shall notify the Registration Committee for purposes of player replacement.
- g. Players not attending tryouts will be drafted after coaches have drafted the players who attended tryouts.
- h. Potential players registering after the draft has taken place will be placed in a player pool and assigned to a team as space becomes available.

## V. PLAYER LOSS AND REPLACEMENT

- a. Coach must inform the Board when player has missed two consecutive games or when coach becomes aware of player loss.
- b. All player loss will be verified by the Registration Committee.
- c. All player loss replacement shall be from the same division age group as player loss.
- d. All player loss replacement shall be coordinated through the Registration Committee with three (3) days, depending on player availability and if below the minimum number of players.

## VI. COACHES/UMPIRES

- a. Any coach or player thrown out of a game will be suspended from the following game.
- b. Any coach or player removed from a game by the umpire for the second time will be required to petition the Board of Directors to remain in the program. Decisions of the Board of Directors will be final.
- c. Umpires will be required to be at the field thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled game time. Umpires shall begin games at the scheduled time or within twenty (20) minutes after the prior game ending, whichever is later. Umpire shall attempt to keep the game on schedule. Umpires may extend the game time if a coach attempts to delay the game.
- d. Field umpires must be at least two (2) divisions above the divisions they are calling. Plate umpires must be approved by the Umpire in Charge and/or Board of Directors.

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- e. Coaches are responsible for providing support in the concession stand on their team's designated day. Three (3) adults per hour are needed to provide sufficient support. All children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult and the presence of children must be approved by the Concession management.

### VII. PARTICIPANTS

- a. All coaches, players, etc. will conduct themselves in a proper manner. Any abuse of a coach, umpire, league official, or any player will result in removal of said person(s) from the park and may result in legal action and/or permanent expulsion from the program.
- b. Each team will be responsible for the assignment of a team parent to assist in all aspects.
- c. Consumption or possession of alcohol or controlled substances in Moriarty Sports Complex is a violation of the City of Moriarty ordinance. Therefore, no alcohol or controlled substances is to be consumed on the property nor shall any participant attend a game under the influence. All persons and personal belongings entering the complex will be subject to search.
- d. No unauthorized personnel shall be allowed in the dugouts. Authorized personnel will consist of one (1) coach, three (3) assistants, team players and one (1) bat girl/boy. Penalty will be forfeiture of the game in progress at the discretion of the plate umpire.
- e. Suspension for Indebtedness:
  - i. A person owing applicable dues or failure to return League property beyond May 15<sup>th</sup> shall be automatically suspended from membership without notice of any kind. A suspended person is denied all rights and privileges. Such a suspended person may be reinstated upon payment of his or her indebtedness and/or return of League property and an approval of a two thirds (2/3) vote by the voting members.

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## MORIARTY AABC

### CONSTITUTION

#### ARTICLE 1 – NAME

This organization shall be known as the MORIARTY AABC, herein referenced to as “Local League”.

#### ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVE

Section 1. The objective of the Moriarty AABC shall be to implant firmly in the children of the community the ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage, and respect for authority, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger, and happier children and will grow to be good, decent, healthy, and trustworthy citizens.

Section 2. To achieve this objective the Moriarty AABC will provide a supervised program under the Rules and Regulations of AABC Baseball. All Directors shall bear in mind that the attainment of exceptional athletic skill or the winning of games is secondary, and the molding of future citizens is of prime importance.

Section 3. In accordance with Section 501-(c)-(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, the Moriarty AABC shall operate exclusively as a non-profit educational organization providing a supervised program of competitive baseball games. No part of the net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual; no substantial part of the activities of which is carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and which does not participate in or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate.

#### ARTICLE III – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. Board and number. The management of the property and affairs of the Local League shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Directors shall upon election immediately enter upon the performance of the duties and shall continue in office until their successors shall have been duly elected and qualified.

Section 2. Annual Election and Terms of Office. At the annual meeting registered coaches shall nominate for the ensuing two (2) years, four (4) members to the Board of Directors. The number so fixed may, within the limits prescribed by the foregoing Section 1, be increased or decreased at any regular or special meeting and if the number is increased, the additional Directors may be elected at the meeting, at which the increase is voted, or at any subsequent meeting. The number of Directors shall not be less than seven (7) nor more than fifteen (15).

The Board of Directors must have less than 50% of the Directors be coaches.

All elections of Directors shall be by majority vote of all coaches present.

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Section 3. Vacancies. If any vacancy occurs in the Board of Directors, by death, resignation, or otherwise, it may be filled by any majority vote of the remaining Directors at any regular meeting or any special meeting called for that purpose.

Section 4. Meetings, Notice, and Quorum. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held immediately following the annual election and on such days thereafter as shall be determined by the Board. The President or the Secretary may, whenever any of them deems it advisable, the Secretary shall at the request in writing of five (5) Directors, issue a call for a special meeting of the Board. Notice of each meeting shall be given by the Secretary to each Director either by mail or at least three (3) days before the time appointed for the meetings to the last recorded address of each Director, or by telephone or telegraphic or personal notice twenty-four (24) hours preceding the meeting.

In the case of special meetings, such notice shall include the purpose of the meeting and no matters not so stated may be acted upon at the meeting.

Five (5) members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum of the transaction of business.

Section 5. Duties and powers. The Board of Directors shall have the power to appoint such standing committees as it shall determine and to delegate such powers to them as the Board shall deem advisable and which it may properly delegate.

The Board may adopt such rules and regulations for the conduct of its meetings and the management of the Local League as it may deem proper.

The Board shall have the power by a two thirds vote of those present at any regular or special meeting to discipline, suspend or remove any Director, Officer, Committee Member, Coach or Assistant Coach of the Local League. Any member of the Board of Directors that misses three (3) consecutive meetings/work sessions or fifty (50) percent of the meetings/work sessions will be removed from the board.

The Board shall receive at the annual meeting of the Local League a report verified by the President and Treasurer, or by a majority of the Directors, showing the whole amount of real and personal property owned by it, where located, and where and how invested, the amount and nature of the property acquired during the year immediately preceding, the date of the report and the manner of the acquisition; the amount applied, appropriated or expended during the year immediately preceding such date, and the purpose, objectives or persons to or for which such applications, appropriations or expenditures have been made; and the names and places of residence of the persons who have been admitted to membership in the Local League during such year, which report shall be filed with the records of the Local League and abstract thereof entered in the minutes of the proceedings of the annual meeting.

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## ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS

Section 1. The annual meeting of the Local League shall be held in August or September of each year for the purpose of electing Directors, receiving reports and for the transaction of such business as may properly come before the meeting.

Within thirty (30) days following the annual meeting, the Directors present, provided there is a quorum, shall meet for the purpose of electing officers and appointing committees for the ensuing year.

Section 2. Notice of Meeting. Notice of each meeting of the Board shall be advertised at least ten (10) days in advance thereof setting forth the place, time and purpose of the meeting; or in lieu thereof, notice may be given in such form as may be authorized by the Board from time to time, at a regularly convened meeting.

Section 3. Rule of Order. Roberts Rule of Order shall govern the proceedings of all meetings, except where conflict with the Constitution or By-Laws of the Local League.

## ARTICLE V – COACHES AND UMPIRES

Section 1. Coaches shall be approved annually by the Board of Directors and shall be responsible for the selection of their teams and for their actions on the field.

Section 2. While holding such office, the president shall not coach. The President should not umpire.

## ARTICLE VI – FINANCIAL/ACCOUNTING

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall decide all matters pertaining to the finances of the Local League and it shall place all income in a common league treasury, directing the expenditure of same in such a manner as will give no individual or team an advantage over those in competition with such individual or team.

Section 2. The Board shall not permit the solicitation of funds in the name of Moriarty AABC unless all of the funds so raised are placed in the Local League treasury.

Section 3. The Board shall not permit the disbursement of Local League funds for other than the conduct of Local League activities in accordance with the rules and policies of AABC.

Section 4. No Director shall receive, directly or indirectly, any salary, compensation or emolument from the Local League for services rendered as Director with the exception of reimbursable receipts.

Section 5. All monies received shall be deposited to the credit of the Local League in Wells Fargo Bank, First State Bank, or in Ranchers Bank, Moriarty Branch and all disbursements shall be made by check. All checks shall have the signature of two persons.

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Section 6. The fiscal year of the Local League shall begin on the first day of January and shall end on the last day of December.

Section 7. Distribution of Property upon Dissolution. Equipment and other property necessary for the activities of the Local League shall be provided by the City of Moriarty and other persons or originations. All such property provided by the City of Moriarty shall belong to, and be considered the property of the City of Moriarty and shall be loaned to the Local League. Upon dissolution of the Local League and after all outstanding debts and claims have been satisfied, all such property belong to the City of Moriarty shall be returned to the City of Moriarty. All property loaned to the Local League by other persons and/or originations shall revert to said persons or organizations.

## ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS, DUTIES/POWERS

Section 1. Officers. The officers of the Local League shall consist of a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and Treasurer all of whom shall hold offices for the ensuing year or until their successors are duly elected. The President will have no voting power unless a tie. The City Council Representative, appointed by the City Council, will be on an advisory position only and will have no voting power. Office of the President and Secretary may not be held by the same person. No one official can hold two executive seats.

Section 2. President. The President shall:

- A. Conduct the affairs of the Local League and execute the policies established by the Board of Directors.
- B. Present a report of the condition of the Local League at the annual meeting.
- C. Communicate to the Board of Directors, such matters as deemed appropriate, and make such suggestions as may tend to promote the welfare of the Local League.
- D. Be responsible for the conduct of the Local League in strict conformity to the policies, principles, Rules and Regulations of AABC Baseball.
- E. Investigate complaints, irregularities, and conditions detrimental to the Local League and report thereon to the Board as circumstances warrant.
- F. With the assistance of Committee Chaperones, examine the application and support proof-of-age documents of every player, candidate, and certify residence and age eligibility before the player may be accepted for try-outs and selection.

Section 3. Vice-President. The Vice-President shall:

- A. Perform duties in the absence of the President and when so acting, shall have all the powers of that office, and shall have such other duties as from time to time may be assigned by the Board of Directors or the President.

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## Section 4. Secretary. The Secretary shall:

- A. Be responsible for recording the activities of the Local League and maintaining appropriate files, mailing lists, and necessary records.
- B. Perform such duties as are herein specifically set forth, in addition to such other duties as are customarily incident to the office of Secretary or as may be assigned by the Board of Directors.
- C. Maintain a list of all Directors and committee members and give notice of all meetings of the Local League, the Board of Directors, and committees.
- D. Keep the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors and cause them to be recorded in the book kept for that purpose.
- E. Shall conduct all correspondence not otherwise specifically delegated in connection with said meetings and shall be responsible for carrying out all orders, votes, and resolutions not otherwise communicated.
- F. Notify Directors and committee members of their election or appointment.

## Section 5. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall:

- A. Perform such duties as are herein specifically set forth and such other duties as are customarily incident to the Office of Treasurer or may be assigned by the Board of Directors.
- B. Receive all monies and securities and deposit same in a depository approved by the Board of Directors.
- C. Keep records for the receipt and disbursement of all monies and securities of the Local League approved all payments from allotted funds and draw checks thereof.

## ARTICLE VIII – COMMITTEES

Section 1. Fund Raising. The President shall appoint a Fund Raising Committee. The Treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of the committee.

The committee shall investigate ways and means of financing the Local League and could include team sponsorship and the submission of recommendations.

Section 2. Field Maintenance. The President shall appoint a Field Maintenance committee which shall be responsible for the care and maintenance of the playing field(s), buildings, and grounds.

Section 3. Equipment. The President shall appoint an Equipment Committee.

The committee shall be responsible for the proper issuance and return of equipment and for the repair, cleaning, and storage thereof at the close of the season.

The committee shall be responsible for maintaining records regarding ownership of supplies and equipment furnished to the Local League. Equipment furnished by the City of Moriarty will be returned to the City at the end of each season.

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Section 4. Concession. The President shall appoint a Concession Committee. The Treasurer shall be an ex-officio member of the committee.

The committee shall be responsible for the daily operation of the Concession Stand, purchase of inventory for the supplies used in the Concession.

The committee shall be responsible for the monies collected during the seasons and shall turn all monies into the Treasurer for deposit on a daily basis.

Section 5. Registration/Tryouts-Drafts/Scheduling. The President shall appoint a Registration/Tryouts-Drafts/Scheduling committee.

The committee shall be responsible for the printing and distribution of registration forms, receiving and filing completed registration forms.

Section 6. Umpires/Coaches. The President shall appoint an Umpires/Coaches committee.

The committee shall be responsible for the solicitation of coaches.

Section 7. Special Events Committee. The President shall appoint a Special Events committee.

The committee shall be responsible for the planning of all Special Events.

## ARTICLE IX – AFFILIATION

Section 1. Registration. The Local League shall register yearly with the American Amateur Baseball Congress.

Section 2. Rules and Regulations. The Official Playing Rules and Regulations as published by AABC, with the exception of those Local League rules and regulations as noted in Section 3 below.

Section 3. Local League Rules. The rules of the Local League shall be adopted by the Board of Directors at a meeting to be held not less than one month previous to the first scheduled game of the season.

## ARTICLE X – DUES

Section 1. A reasonable AABC participation fee may be assessed as a parent's obligation to assure the operational continuity of the Local AABC. A minimum registration fee per player shall be assessed. AT NO TIME SHOULD PAYMENT OF ANY FEE BE A PREREQUISITE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE AABC LEAGUE PROGRAM.

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## ARTICLE XI – AMENDMENTS

This Constitution and By-Laws may be amended, repealed or altered in whole or in part by a majority vote at any special meeting of the Board of Directors provided notice of the proposed changes is included in the notice of such meeting.

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## MORIARTY BASEBALL DRAFTING RULES

I. For the purpose of making equitable distribution of good talent and providing a good balance among the teams in the league, Moriarty Baseball draft rules will be as follows:

II. Allow existing T-Ball teams to move up together as a full team to Roberto Clemente Division.

III. Tryouts will begin with the Roberto Clemente Division. All first year eligible players registered for the Roberto Clemente Division must attend the tryouts.

IV. Eligible Players:

A. A player must register on or before the date of the player draft in order to be eligible for the player draft.

B. Players must take part in the tryouts in order to be eligible for the player draft, unless approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

C. Any player who does not meet these requirements will be drafted last or placed on a team approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

D. Exceptions permitted will be as follows: Illness verified by a physician, family emergency such as death or serious illness in the family, conflicting school activities.

E. No coach may select their assistant coach until after the draft has been completed (unless they are returning from the previous season).

V. Drafting Sequence

A. Draft sequence will be determined on how many existing players are on a team. Teams with the least amount of players will draft first until they equal out another team. Each team will take turns in order to equal out.

B. If more than one new team has the same amount of players, order of draft will be determined by ranking in last year season. If more than two new teams with same amount of players, a flip of the coin will be conducted.

Example: If a team consists of one player and another team consists of three players, the teams with the one player will draft until they equal out to the team with the three players.

Then the teams that have three players will draft until they equal out to the teams that consist of five players.

C. Any player that does not attend tryouts, their names will be randomly placed on a team by the Moriarty Board of Directors.

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D. Any team moving up to the next division takes lower ranking than the teams that are already establish in that division.

## VI. RELEASE

A. An eligible player participating in the tryouts and draft will be released and may not be drafted by the prior season's team.

B. Players on teams disbanded after the draft shall be considered released and immediately eligible for placement to teams through the player pool.

C. When the draft is complete, there will be no release granted. If a player refuses to play with a team that selected him/her the player will not be able to participate with another team. Any player in the player pool assigned to a team and refuses to play for that team will not be able to participate. For any exceptions to be considered it must be in writing to the Board of Directors for review. No refunds of registration fees will be made.

D. Any player drafted by a team will remain the property of that team throughout their MAABC career, with the following exception:

1. If a player because of league age is forced to change divisions and is a member of a team not changing divisions, the player is then considered to be released from that team.

## VII. OPTIONS

A. Any brother/sister of a returning player, whose parents desire, in writing, that they be placed on the same team, shall automatically be drafted to the returning player's team in the final draft position.

## VIII. TRADING

A. No trading of players will be allowed.

## IX. NEW TEAMS

A. The Board of Directors may appoint a proxy for drafting in the absence of a coach.