

1.1 The name of this organization shall be the Keller Independent School District Ice Hockey Club, hereafter referred to as the Club.

1.2 The Club exists under the authority granted by the Keller Independent School District (hereafter KISD). The Club recognizes that it is not an autonomous entity and is subject to the rules, regulations and intent of the granting authority.

Article 2 – Organization

2.1 Said Club is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes; including for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

2.2 No part of the net earnings of the Club shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers or other private persons; except that the Club shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the Club shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation; and the organization shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these By-laws the Club shall not carry on any activity not permitted to be carried on: (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code; or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

2.3 Upon the dissolution of the Club, Club assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code; or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not thus distributed shall be distributed by the appropriate court of the county in which the principal office of the Club is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Article 3 – Purpose

3.1 The purpose of the Club is to provide player development and competitive ice hockey for all eligible students in the KISD.

Article 4 – Player Eligibility and Membership

4.1 Players must reside within the KISD and in addition meet all player eligibility requirements of the Southwestern Bell High School Hockey League (hereafter league), the Dr. Pepper Star Centers and USA Hockey, Inc.

4.2 Player try-outs will be scheduled for the upcoming season at a pre-announced and predetermined time and location. Player selection resulting in an offer of membership on a team will be at the sole discretion of the head coach. The total number of teams and players will be determined each season by the Executive Board of the Club.

4.3 Membership on a Club team is a privilege not a right. All players selected for membership on a team will be required to sign a Player/Coach Agreement and Player Code of Conduct, and must abide by the terms of the Agreement and Code of Conduct.

Players must also abide by the requirements of the KISD Student Code of Conduct.

4.4 A no-pass-play policy will be administered as required by the KISD Administration and KISD Athletic Department. Each player will be required to submit all report cards to the team manager during the course of the season.

When progress reports and report cards are issued, any player who fails to submit his or her grade report will not be permitted to participate in Club activities until the grade report is submitted.

Eligibility will be determined based on the “semester grade” as recorded on the report cards at the end of each 9 week grading period. Players who have not passed all subjects for the period will be considered ineligible to participate in accordance with league rules.

4.5 The head coach of each Club team is responsible for insuring that each player meet the requirements of this Article. Failure of a player to meet any requirement will result in temporary or permanent suspension from the team. Permanent suspension will result in loss of player membership on the team. All suspensions shall be reviewed by the Executive Board at the request of the affected player’s adult representative.

Article 5 – Player Representation

5.1 For the purpose of voting on Club business, each player shall be allowed representation by one (1) adult representative (player representative) at Club meetings. All Club issues requiring a vote will be placed on a meeting agenda. Notice of the meeting agenda will be distributed to player representatives in advance of each meeting. Voting may be done by a show of hands or by secret ballot at the discretion of the presiding officer. Club decisions under consideration will require a simple majority of player representatives in attendance to pass.

Article 6 – Payment of Fees

6.1 All players are responsible for paying all Club fees by the due date. Players who are delinquent in the payment of fees will be suspended from all Club activities until all fees are collected.

6.2 Refunds of Club fees will not be given to players who are suspended, quit the team on their own accord, or who become ineligible. The Executive Board will issue pro rata refunds of Club fees to injured players at the request of the player representative.

Article 7 – Executive Board

7.1 The Executive Board of the Club shall consist of the following officers:

- President
- First Vice President
- Second Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Four 4 at-large members

7.2 Election of officers will be by a simple majority at a pre-announced Club membership meeting in May of each year. The term of service for each officer will begin upon election, and terminate at the next annual election.

7.3 In the event the President is unable or unwilling to complete the elected term, the First Vice President and Second Vice President shall assume the responsibilities of the President until the next regular election is held. In the event any officer other than the President is unable or unwilling to complete their term in office, a volunteer will be appointed by the Executive Board to fill the position. All officers will be considered equal voting members for Club business decided by the Executive Board.

7.4 The President, First Vice President and Second Vice President will be responsible for the daily operation of the Club; and for directing and coordinating the activities of team coaches and managers.

7.5 The Treasurer will be responsible for maintaining a checking account at an approved financial institution in the Club's name. The monies collected by the Club will be dispersed for the sole purpose of the Club.

7.6 A minimum of two (2) Club officers will maintain check signing authority at all times. Additional check signers may be appointed by the board as needed. Two (2) signatures will be required on all checks.

7.7 An audit committee consisting of adult volunteers will convene twice per year to review Club finances and will make available a written audit report to the membership at the next regularly scheduled Club membership meeting.

7.8 The changing of the By-Laws of the Club must be recommended by the Executive Board. The changing of the By-laws will require a simple majority of player representatives in attendance at a pre-announced meeting. By-laws are effective upon approval.

7.9 All Executive Board decisions shall be binding and final provided they do not violate any of the rules of the granting authority or league. In the event an Executive Board decision does violate a granting authority or league rule; the decision shall be void.

Article 8 – Coaches and Managers

8.1 All members of the coaching staff will be held to the highest ethical and professional standards. Candidates for all Club coaching and manager positions will be interviewed by

members of the Executive Board; and those candidates selected will be offered positions by the Board after successfully completing a background check with KISD. The Varsity Head Coach will recommend the Coaching Staff candidates to the Executive Board.

8.2 Coaches must meet all eligibility requirements of the league. In addition, coaches may not coach a team where the coach is a parent or guardian of a player on that team.

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