

## **CONSTITUTION**

### **ARTICLE 1 - NAME**

- 1.1 The name of this organization is the Youth Soccer Club of Montgomery County, Inc, operating under the name "Texas Rush Soccer Club" (herein referred to as "The Club").

### **ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE**

- 2.1 The Club is a charitable and educational non-profit organization whose purpose includes the teaching of good sportsmanship, the education of youth and adult participants in the fundamentals of the sport of soccer, and the promotion of health and fitness through the participation in organized events. The Club is committed to providing its services on an equal opportunity basis without regard for sex, race, color, religion, or nation of origin.

### **ARTICLE 3 - AFFILIATION**

- 3.1 The Club is affiliated with the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) through the United States Youth Soccer Association (USYSA) and United States Club Soccer and their local organizations. The Club is free to affiliate itself with any other sports organization deemed necessary in meeting its purpose as determined by the Board of Directors.

### **ARTICLE 4 - MEMBERSHIP**

- 4.1 Membership in The Club is open to any resident of the State of Texas. Members of The Club include properly registered youth and adult players, their parents or legal guardians, properly registered team coaches and managers, and all members of the Board of Directors including members of active committees. The Board of Directors has the authority to levy fees on its members for participation in the activities of The Club.

### **ARTICLE 5 - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- 5.1 **BOARD OF DIRECTORS** - The Club will be governed by a Board of Directors consisting of seven (7) members. Board of Director positions are elected by The

Club membership in accordance with The Club's By-Laws. Additionally, the Board may appoint committees as it deems necessary to fulfill the functional requirements of the club. Board of Director and committee positions are designated volunteer positions and as such participants are not eligible for compensation.

- 5.2 **GENERAL POWERS** – The Board of Directors will have the power to transact all business of The Club and have the power to enforce the Constitution, By-Laws, and rules and procedures of The Club, the Laws of the Game, rules of the USSF, and any other organization it may affiliate itself with. The Board may choose to delegate any of these powers to The Club's Operations Staff or other committee.
- 5.3 **OFFICERS** – The Board of Directors will elect the officers of The Club, which are the President, Vice-President, and Secretary/Treasurer, in accordance with The Club's By-Laws.
- 5.4 **TERM** – The term of a Director of the Board is two (2) years.

#### **ARTICLE 6 – MEETINGS**

- 6.1 **GENERAL MEETINGS** – General meetings of The Club membership may be called by the President at any time, for any purpose with majority approval of the Board of Directors.
- 6.2 **REGULAR BOARD MEETINGS** – The President shall establish a schedule for Regular Board Meetings. Meeting schedules shall be made available to all sitting Directors and the Club' membership. Regular Board Meetings shall occur at least four (4) times per fiscal year. Regular Board Meetings are open to Members of The Club as defined in Article 4.
- 6.3 **SPECIAL BOARD MEETINGS** – Special Board Meetings shall be called by the President to take up specific business as needed. These meetings can be requested by any Director. All Directors must be made aware of the purpose of the meeting at the time of meeting notification. Special Board Meetings are open to Members of The Club as defined in Article 4.
- 6.4 **ADMINISTRATIVE SESSION** – Administrative Sessions of the Board of Directors can be requested by any Director and held subject to approval of the President. These sessions will be attended by Directors only.
- 6.5 **REMOTE PARTICIPATION** – Upon approval from the President, Regular and Special Board Meetings may be conducted in whole or in part using any electronic communications means that allows all participants to effectively communicate clearly with one another. No proxies are allowed.

## **ARTICLE 7 – AMENDMENTS**

- 7.1 Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws shall be made at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors with at least ten (10) days advanced notice in writing made to all sitting Directors. Amendments are adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) majority of votes cast of the members of The Club in accordance with the By-Laws.

## **ARTICLE 8 – CONFLICT OF CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS**

- 8.1 If conflicts are found to exist between provisions in The Club’s Constitution and The Club’s By-Laws, the provision in the Constitution will prevail.

## **ARTICLE 9 – DISSOLUTION**

- 9.1 In the event that The Club is dissolved or ceases to function, the Board of Directors shall, after making provision for payment of The Club’s liabilities, dispose of all assets in the following manner:

(1) disbursed to an organization or organizations that are established for charitable, educational, religious, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or the latest corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

(2) tendered to any appropriate affiliate of USSF which shall make arrangements for disposition of the assets and care-taking of registered players.

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