

**BY-LAWS
OF
US LACROSSE GREATER ROCHESTER CHAPTER**

ARTICLE I

ESTABLISHMENT AND PURPOSE

The Organization The US LACROSSE GREATER ROCHESTER CHAPTER is a not for profit corporation established under the Nonprofit Corporation Law of the State of New York. These by-laws intended to govern the activities of the US LACROSSE GREATER ROCHESTER CHAPTER, (hereinafter called the “Chapter”).

1.1 Purpose: The principal goals and objectives of the Chapter are:

- a. To encourage, foster and promote the growth of lacrosse at all levels in the Greater Rochester area; to communicate lacrosse events in the Greater Rochester area to our membership and the lacrosse community
- b. To solicit moral and financial support from citizens and other individuals, organizations, corporations, societies and groups
- c. To honor area individuals, past and present, who by their deeds as players, coaches and contributors and by the example of their lives personify the great contribution of the game of lacrosse to our way of life and to enshrine the names of such individuals in the US Lacrosse Greater Rochester Hall of Fame.

1.2 Objectives: The objectives are the anticipated methods to promote lacrosse in the Greater Rochester area:

- a. To lend assistance in initiating, organizing and publicizing youth lacrosse programs
- b. To develop strategies to encourage the expansion of high school lacrosse
- c. To conduct and publicize special lacrosse events in the area, to raise funds for
- d. Promoting the game; to encourage more youngsters to become lacrosse players and to increase the lacrosse fan base
- e. To lend assistance in recruiting new coaches and referees for youth and high school lacrosse programs
- f. To support college and club lacrosse programs
- g. To support summer leagues as required and requested

- h. To collect data and submit nominations on behalf of the Greater Rochester area residents who are strong candidates for admission to the Lacrosse Hall of Fame

ARTICLE II

POWERS

- 2.1 **Powers:** The Chapter shall have the following powers (subject to such limitations as prescribed by statute) in continuance of its aims and objectives, which shall not be deemed to be exclusive of any other powers provided by law:
- a. To solicit contribution and aid
 - b. To purchase, receive, take by grant, devise, bequest or otherwise; to hold, improve, employ, use and otherwise deal in and with, real or personal property
 - c. To pledge its assets, but only as a continuance of the sport
 - d. To publish and distribute information concerning the support or status of the Chapter.

The powers shall include all other powers necessary to effectuate the above detailed powers.

ARTICLE III

DIRECTORS

- 3.1 **Directors Duties and Powers:** The affairs and property of the Chapter, accept as otherwise provided by law, shall be conducted and managed by its Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may adopt such rules and regulations for the Chapter, for the management of its affairs, or for the conduct of its meetings, as they deem necessary.
- 3.2 **Numbers of Directors:** The Board of directors and the Chapter shall number not less than six (6) nor more than fifteen (15) directors.
- 3.3 **Term of Office:** The elected directors shall serve a term of two (2) years.
- 3.4 **Uncompleted Terms:** In the event that any director shall fail to complete his term of office, the Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement. A vacancy may be filled by a majority of the remaining Board through less than quorum.
- 3.5 **Removal:** Any director may be removed for cause by the affirmative vote of 2/3 of all members of the Board. The vote shall be taken at a meeting for which the notice will have specified the proposed removal.
- 3.6 **Quorum:** A majority shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Board of Directors.
- 3.7 **Regular Meetings:** The Board of Directors shall meet ten (10) times a year, at a time and place determined by the President. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by the President or at the request of two or more members of the Board.

Notification shall be given to all members of the Board of Directors not less than 5 days prior of the time, place and purpose of the special meeting.

- 3.8 Attendance Requirements: Members of the Board should attend a minimum of eight (8) meetings, or the Board may, at its sole discretion, remove and replace those members who do not attend utilizing section 3.5 as the process of removal. A Board member may miss more than two meetings with prior notice, for an excusable event such as family, health, work related conflict or game conflicts, etc. An excusable absence is further defined as the use of good judgment.

Officers are expected to attend all meetings with the exception of an excusable event, such as family, health, work related conflict or game conflicts, etc. Such conflicts shall be communicated to the President as soon as reasonably possible.

The President, or a designated member to determine if the absent member is able or willing to continue to serve on the Board of Directors will contact any member of the Board missing 3 consecutive meetings. This information will be reported to the board and a determination will be made at the next board meeting.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

- 4.1 Number: There shall be four (4) officers of the Chapter, namely, President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be members of the Board of Directors. At the last regular meeting of every other calendar year of the Board of Directors, a nominating committee, appointed by the President, shall make nominations to the Board of Directors to fill all offices. Additionally, nominations may be made from the floor. The officers of the Chapter shall be elected at that meeting by majority vote of the Directors, a quorum being present, for a term of two (2) years. The Board of Directors may appoint uncompleted terms of officers.
- 4.2 President: The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Chapter and shall preside at all meetings and shall act as a member ex officio of all committees and perform any and all such duties as may fall within the scope of office. The President or appointed representative, approved by the Board of Directors, shall represent the Chapter in all dealings on behalf of the Chapter. In addition, the President or the appointed representative shall attend meetings of the Lacrosse Foundation, Inc. with expenses and travel paid for by the Chapter.
- 4.3 Vice President: The Vice President shall, in the absence or incapacity of the President, perform the duties of that officer, and when so acting, shall have the powers of the President.

- 4.4 Secretary: The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Board of Directors and shall be the custodian of all documents and correspondence, and shall issue such notices of meetings and conduct such official correspondence as required.
- 4.5 Treasurer: The Treasurer shall have custody and responsibility for all funds and securities of the Chapter in such bank or banks as the Board of Directors may designate. He/she shall, along with such other officer or officers as the Board of Directors may designate, sign all checks, drafts, notes and orders for the payment of money. The Treasurer shall make regular financial statements and reports and shall show the books and accounts to any director upon request. The Treasurer may be required, at the Chapters expense to give bond or bonds for the faithful performance of duties in such amount and with such surety or sureties as shall be determined by the Board of Directors at or before the 1st regular meeting of each year of the Board of Directors.
- 4.6 No Compensation: No director or officer of the Chapter shall receive, directly or indirectly, any salary or compensation from the Chapter for his services as a director of officer.
- 4.7 Webmaster: The Webmaster shall be appointed by the President to maintain and update the US Lacrosse Greater Rochester website.

ARTICLE V

FISCAL YEAR

- 5.1 The fiscal year of the Chapter shall begin on January 1st and end on December 31st of each year.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS

- 6.1 These BY-LAWS may be amended or repealed and new BY-LAWS may be adopted at any meeting of the Board of Directors either by majority vote of the entire Board without notice or by $\frac{3}{4}$ vote of a quorum upon written notice mailed twenty (20) days prior to the meeting.