

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY SQUARE DANCERS ASSOCIATION

Constitution and Bylaws

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ARTICLE I. NAME AND LOCATION

Section 1. Name. The name of this corporation, which is a nonprofit corporation organized under the New Jersey Nonprofit Corporation Act, is Northern New Jersey Square Dancers Association, hereinafter NNJSDA. The NNJSDA may also be known as the Association.

Section 2. Location. The principal office of the NNJSDA shall be situated at the official address of the registered agent in the state of New Jersey, unless decided otherwise by the Executive Committee.

Meetings shall be held at various locations as determined by the Executive Committee. Meetings and elections may also be conducted remotely through online web-conferencing platforms and/or by phone.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE

Section 1. General Purpose. The NNJSDA is organized and operated exclusively as a social club for the pleasure and recreation of its members (known as Member Clubs) within the meaning of 501(c)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended) or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law.

Section 2. Specific Purpose. The specific purpose of the NNJSDA is to promote square and round dancing, without limitation, as follows:

- a. To create and maintain a favorable public image of square and round dancing and related arts;
- b. To educate the public about the benefits and purpose of square and round dancing;
- c. To encourage the recruitment of new dancers;
- d. To further the educational, social, and recreational opportunities provided by Member Clubs;
- e. To facilitate relationships, communication, and cooperation among Member Clubs;
- f. To provide services that the Member Clubs cannot or do not provide on their own, such as insurance;
- g. To provide special activities, e.g. an annual Mini-Festival;
- h. To provide special programs, e.g. Raid or Patron;
- i. To publicize events of Member Clubs and the NNJSDA through an NNJSDA publication (known as the *Grand Square*), an NNJSDA website, and/or other media (e.g. social, online, print);
- j. To serve as a clearinghouse for activities and information, such as having Delegates distribute flyers among Member Clubs; and
- k. To act as a liaison for Member Clubs to coordinate area activities and resolve conflicts.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Qualifications for Membership. The NNJSDA shall consist of dance clubs that include square dancing, round dancing, or both and shall agree to:

- a. Subscribe to the purposes of the NNJSDA;
- b. Abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of the NNJSDA, as amended from time to time;
- c. Be represented at a minimum of one Delegates meeting per NNJSDA fiscal year;
- d. Conduct dances; and
- e. Conduct classes, when feasible, to ensure membership growth.

Section 2. Dues, Fees, and Assessments.

- a. Each Member Club must pay to the NNJSDA (within the time and on the conditions set by the Executive Committee) dues, fees, and assessments in amounts to be fixed from time to time by the Executive Committee and approved by the Member Clubs.
- b. Changes in the annual dues or *Grand Square* assessment charged to a Member Club shall be recommended by the Executive Committee at least four weeks in advance of the first Delegates meeting of the NNJSDA's fiscal year, at which time a vote shall be taken among the Member Clubs.
- c. Changes to or new fees and assessments charged to a Member Club, e.g. in case of financial exigency, shall be recommended by the Executive Committee at least four weeks in advance of the next Delegates meeting, at which time a vote shall be taken among the Member Clubs.
- d. The NNJSDA shall make available liability insurance for Member Club events through an annual prorated assessment based on the number of dances scheduled by each participating Member Club.

Section 3. Good Standing. Those Member Clubs who have paid all monies due, meet the qualifications for membership (Article III, Section 1), and are not suspended, shall be members in good standing.

Section 4. Information.

- a. The NNJSDA shall maintain records of each Member Club, including the names and contact information of members, officers, and delegates as well as schedules and locations of dances and classes.
- b. Contemplated changes to a Member Club's dance schedule and location shall be reported to the Secretary for clearance.
- c. If Member Clubs change their officers or delegates outside the normal NNJSDA reporting process, the Member Clubs shall report such changes to the Secretary as soon as such changes are made. For the new Member Club officer or Delegate to be eligible to participate in their new position at an NNJSDA meeting, the notification must occur at least one week prior to the meeting.

Section 5. Delegates and Alternates. Each Member Club shall elect or appoint one or two members as Delegates (Delegates) and may elect or appoint one or two members as Alternate Delegates (Alternates). The term for Delegates and Alternates is dictated by the Member Club. Delegates and Alternates:

- a. Shall serve as a liaison between their Member Club and the NNJSDA;
- b. Shall vote their Member Club's decision, not their personal choice;
- c. Shall be members in good standing of their Member Club;
- d. Shall represent only one Member Club at any given time;
- e. Shall not be a member of the NNJSDA Executive Committee; and
- f. May serve on NNJSDA committees or in appointed positions, including as an Assistant. During a Delegates Meeting, any statements on their part shall be the views of their Member Club unless otherwise specified. They may present any report required by their NNJSDA position.

If the Delegate or Alternate is not available, the Member Club president may serve as the Delegate. If the Member Club president is also an Officer of the NNJSDA Executive Committee and wishes to represent the Member Club at a Delegates Meeting, the Member Club president must declare at the start of the meeting that they will be representing the Member Club and not the NNJSDA. However, the Member Club president can still present any report required as an NNJSDA Officer.

Section 6. Delegates Meetings. At least three Delegates meetings shall be scheduled and a minimum of two meetings must be held during the NNJSDA fiscal year. Notice of such meetings shall be provided to the Delegates and to the Member Club presidents at least four weeks before each meeting. Meeting materials shall be provided at least two weeks prior to each meeting, if practical.

Section 7. Delivery Methods for Documents and Notices. Documents or notices shall be delivered to Member Clubs either personally, by United States Postal Service (USPS), or by electronic mail. If by USPS, the document shall be deemed to be delivered when deposited within the USPS with postage prepaid and addressed to the Member Club president and/or Delegate at the address as it appears on the most recent Member Club membership listing. If by electronic mail, the document shall be deemed to be delivered when the email appears in the sender's sent folder.

Section 8. Voting Rights. Each Member Club in good standing shall be entitled to cast one vote with respect to matters submitted to the Member Clubs for action or approval. Only Member Clubs that are present shall have a right to vote unless otherwise specified. An attending Member Club may not cast a vote for an absent Member Club. Votes may be taken by voice, by show of hands, or by written ballot.

Section 9. Quorum. The majority, defined for the purposes of this document as more than fifty percent, of all Member Clubs in good standing shall constitute a quorum.

Section 10. Voting Approval. Unless otherwise specified, all items of business requiring a vote shall be approved by a simple majority of the Member Clubs in good standing present at the Delegates meeting. A simple majority is defined for the purposes of this document as when the highest number of votes exceeds the second highest but does not exceed fifty percent.

Section 11. New Member Clubs.

- a. A written application shall be filed with the Secretary setting forth the name of the club, organizational structure (e.g. is it a nonprofit corporation, does it have elected officers), and the schedule and location of all dances and classes.
- b. Written approval is required from all Member Clubs that dance within 25 miles (defined as a reasonable driving distance between the club applying for membership and the Member Clubs' regular dance locations) of the club applying for membership.
- c. The 3rd Vice President shall visit the club prior to review of the application by the Executive Committee and shall present to the Executive Committee their recommendations regarding acceptance and whether a meeting with the prospective club representative and the Executive Committee is warranted.
- d. At least four weeks prior to the next Delegates meeting, the Executive Committee shall present a recommendation to the Delegates.
- e. The Delegates shall vote upon the application at the Delegates meeting.

Section 12. Suspension.

- a. A Member Club may be suspended from membership in the NNJSDA for failure to comply with or for acting contrary to the Constitution and Bylaws of the NNJSDA. The Executive Committee may invoke temporary suspension of membership until such time as action is taken at the next Delegates meeting. For a Member Club to be temporarily suspended, a vote of two-thirds of the entire Executive Committee is required. A suspended Member Club shall not have a vote until the Delegates vote upon the case.
- b. Suspension of a Member Club shall require a majority vote of **all** Member Clubs in good standing, excluding the Member Club in question. If the majority vote is not achieved due to the absence of Member Clubs, the Member Clubs not present at the meeting must be polled in writing afterwards for their vote.
- c. As soon as practical after the outcome of the vote has been determined, the final results shall be distributed in accordance with Article III, Section 7.

Section 13. Member Club Disbandment. In the event a Member Club finds it necessary to disband, the Member Club shall notify the Secretary of its intent. The Member Club's dance day and time shall be protected for a period of six months from the date of disbandment. After six months, another Member Club may apply to the Secretary for the disbanded Member Club's dance day and time.

Section 14. Clearance for Special Dances and Events.

- a. Event, defined for the purpose of Article III, Section 14, shall mean either a dance or an event that includes square or round dancing.
- b. Party or Parties, defined for the purpose of Article III, Sections 14 and 15, shall mean either the NNJSDA and/or Member Clubs.
- c. The NNJSDA shall establish at least three years in advance priority dates for NNJSDA Events. These dates will be published on the NNJSDA calendar which is available on the NNJSDA website.
- d. Any Party planning to hold a special Event outside its regular schedule shall request clearance from the Secretary. Prior to or in conjunction with sending a clearance request to the Secretary, the requesting Party must communicate with all Parties that have a conflicting Event regardless of distance (hereinafter known as Affected Parties).
- e. The following shall not require clearance: bus trips, classes, demos, events recruiting new dancers, multiple-day events, parades, and workshops.
- f. Clearance shall not be granted for the following: dates more than three years in advance; dates when Affected Parties do not give approval in writing; and dates when Delegates meetings are scheduled unless the Executive Committee gives approval in writing.
- g. If the Affected Parties do not give approval, the requester may appeal to the 3rd Vice President as outlined in Article III, Section 15.
- h. All clearance decisions shall be sent to the requesting and Affected Parties with copies to the Executive Committee, the *Grand Square* Editor, and the Webmaster.
- i. A Party holding an Event for which clearance has not been granted shall not be allowed to advertise using NNJSDA resources.

Section 15. Conflict Resolution. Upon request from a Party in conflict with one or more other Parties, the 3rd Vice President shall attempt to mediate an outcome satisfactory to all concerned. If unsuccessful, the President shall appoint an impartial committee consisting of at least three members from at least three different Member Clubs (other than the Affected Parties). The committee shall meet with representatives from each Party to mediate an outcome. The decision shall be binding on all.

ARTICLE IV. OFFICERS AND ASSISTANT OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers.

- a. The Officers (Officer) shall be President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, 3rd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- b. Officer positions may be held by no more than two people at any given time with each person having their own vote.
- c. No one may hold multiple Officer positions at the same time.

Section 2. Assistant Officers.

- a. The Assistant Officers (Assistant) shall be Assistant President, Assistant 1st Vice President, Assistant 2nd Vice President, Assistant 3rd Vice President, Assistant Secretary, and Assistant Treasurer.
- b. Assistant positions may be held by no more than three people at any given time.
- c. The combination of a given Officer and Assistant position may be held by no more than four people at any given time.

Section 3. Term of Officers.

- a. The term of Officers shall be the two fiscal years following their election, unless sooner terminated by death, incapacity, resignation, or removal.
- b. No person shall hold the same Officer position for more than two consecutive terms (a total of four years). After the two consecutive terms, the position shall be made available during the nomination process to other individuals. If there are no qualified, willing, and able individuals, the person in the current position may be permitted to hold the position for a third term upon the approval of the Delegates.
- c. No person shall hold any combination of Officer positions for more than three consecutive terms (a total of six years). After the three consecutive terms, the person cannot hold any Officer position for at least one year; however, the person may hold an appointed position.

Section 4. Qualifications of Officers and Assistants.

- a. All Officers and Assistants must be in good standing with their Member Clubs.
- b. Candidates for President must have served as an NNJSDA Officer or Assistant for at least ten months. If no qualified person is willing to be President, the Delegates shall be notified and will be responsible for finding an acceptable candidate.

Section 5. Callers or Cuers as Officers or Assistants. If a caller or cuer becomes an Officer or Assistant, the caller or cuer cannot be hired, i.e. sign a contract, by the NNJSDA during their term. If a caller or cuer signed a contract before becoming an Officer or Assistant, that contract shall be honored.

Section 6. Election of Officers.

- a. Election of Officers shall take place at a Delegates meeting held during April or May.
- b. The Nominating Committee shall present a slate of candidates to the Executive Committee at least eight weeks prior to the election.
- c. The Executive Committee shall present the slate to the Delegates at least four weeks prior to the election.
- d. In addition to names presented by the Nominating Committee, nominations of qualified (as defined in Article IV, Section 4), consenting candidates may be made from the floor by the Delegates.
- e. In the event a contest occurs, the vote shall be by secret ballot.

Section 7. Officer Duties.

- a. The President shall:
 - i. Preside at all NNJSDA meetings and ensure that all business is covered;
 - ii. Be spokesperson for the NNJSDA;
 - iii. Schedule Delegates meetings;
 - iv. Schedule a minimum of one Executive Committee meeting at least five weeks prior to each Delegates meeting and one Changeover meeting prior to June 15. The outgoing President shall preside over the changeover meeting until all outgoing Officers have presented their reports and then turn the leadership over to the incoming Officers;
 - v. Authorize all actual expenditures and may delegate to the Treasurer authorization to pay routine invoices, e.g. fees for callers, cuers, hall rentals, insurance premiums, and other operating expenses, as deemed necessary;
 - vi. Ensure that the policies and programs formulated by the Executive Committee are executed;
 - vii. Be an ex-officio member of NNJSDA committees;
 - viii. Initiate suitable action in emergencies; and
 - ix. Solicit written reports from Officers and appointed positions.
- b. The 1st Vice President shall:
 - i. Be responsible for contracting callers and cuers for all NNJSDA dances (excluding student dances);
 - ii. Secure the facilities for all NNJSDA dances (including student dances);
 - iii. Keep a running list of halls, callers, and cuers used for all NNJSDA events; and
 - iv. Ensure that the Treasurer and President receive copies of the proper documentation for all hall, caller, and cuer expenses.
- c. The 2nd Vice President shall:
 - i. Be the liaison with Member Clubs that have classes;
 - ii. Organize student dances including arranging for the callers, publicity, and invitations to students and angels; and
 - iii. Keep records of all Member Clubs' classes and students.
- d. The 3rd Vice President shall:
 - i. Be responsible for NNJSDA publicity and assist Member Clubs;
 - ii. Vet clubs applying for membership;
 - iii. Resolve disputes between Member Clubs and/or the NNJSDA; and
 - iv. Act as the liaison with Member Clubs that may have financial or membership difficulties.
- e. The Secretary shall:
 - i. Record the minutes of all NNJSDA meetings and distribute a draft to the appropriate parties for review and approval. Once approved, distribute the final minutes.
 - ii. Maintain
 - 1) All final NNJSDA meeting minutes;
 - 2) A record of the names and timeframe of all NNJSDA Officers, Assistants, appointed positions, and committee members, as well as Member Club officers and appointed positions;
 - 3) A running log of all decisions (approved or not approved) at all NNJSDA meetings;
 - 4) A publicly available master list of all Member Clubs' regular and special dance schedules;
 - 5) The original and all amended Constitution and Bylaws; and
 - 6) Other official NNJSDA documentation.
 - iii. Coordinate approval or rejection of a clearance request (Article III, Section 14) and communicate the outcome. All requests, including acceptance, rejection, and the rationale, shall be tracked.

- f. The Treasurer shall:
 - i. Be custodian of all funds, banking accounts, and financial documents;
 - ii. Oversee that all governmental tax filings are accurate and completed in a timely manner (such as 1099s, E990, NJ Annual Report);
 - iii. Maintain records of the NNJSDA's income, expenditures, moneys, and assets on hand;
 - iv. Present the NNJSDA financial status at every Delegates and Executive Committee meeting;
 - v. Invoice Member Clubs for all monies due;
 - vi. Establish an annual budget;
 - vii. Maintain records of all attendees and collect fees at all NNJSDA events;
 - viii. Deposit all funds into the NNJSDA bank account and pay all expenses as required; and
 - ix. Request and maintain Member Clubs' membership lists (including names and contact information).
- g. Other duties may be assigned to any Officer by the President or the Executive Committee.
- h. Whenever possible, Officers are expected to assist in the smooth running of NNJSDA events, e.g. setup.
- i. Duties shall be assigned to an Assistant by either the corresponding Officer or the President with preference given to the corresponding Officer's assignment. Once assigned a duty, the Assistant will have full authority to carry out that duty as though they were the corresponding Officer.
- j. Upon the change of an Officer or Assistant position, the outgoing Officer or Assistant shall initiate an orderly transition of responsibilities and records prior to vacating the position. This clause shall also apply to appointed positions.

Section 8. Executive Committee. The Officers shall constitute the Executive Committee.

- a. **Executive Committee Duties:**
 - i. Formulate policies and programs and, with the help of the Committees (Article IV, Section 9) and appointed positions (Article IV, Section 10), carry out the business of the NNJSDA;
 - ii. Review annually and set Member Clubs' dues, fees, and assessments, as well as event fees;
 - iii. Approve a budget annually;
 - iv. Authorize non-budgeted expenditures; and
 - v. Approve the banking institution for the NNJSDA.
- b. **Quorum and Voting Approval.** The presence of two-thirds of the Officers shall constitute a quorum. Unless otherwise specified, all items of business requiring a vote must be approved by two-thirds of the Officers present. Each Officer shall have one vote. If an existing Officer is not present, the corresponding Assistant shall act as a replacement for that Officer with all authority of that Officer. If more than one Assistant is present, either the absent Officer must have specified which Assistant will be the replacement or the Assistants present must agree at the beginning of the meeting as to who will be the official replacement. Otherwise, an Assistant cannot vote.

Section 9. Committees.

- a. Nominating Committee (formed by November 30): to recommend a slate of officers for the following year. The Nominating Committee shall consist of a chairperson and other members with no minimum or maximum number imposed.
- b. Audit Committee (formed by April 30): to audit the books annually and at each change of Treasurer as well as to ensure that the NNJSDA is operating in accordance with Federal and state requirements. The Audit Committee shall consist of a chairperson and, whenever possible, one other member. If only a single Auditor can serve, the Executive Committee shall document their approval in addition to notifying the Delegates and Member Club presidents.
- c. Mini-Festival Committee (formed by January 31 two years prior to a Mini-Festival): to plan and run the Mini-Festival. The Mini-Festival Committee shall consist of a chairperson and other members with no minimum or maximum number imposed.

- d. Ad hoc committees as deemed necessary by the President, e.g. to review and recommend amendments or revisions to the Constitution and Bylaws; to coordinate education sessions; to plan leadership seminars; and to handle other NNJSDA matters as required.

Section 10. Appointed Positions.

- a. The President shall appoint:
 - i. A minimum of three and a maximum of six Trustees/Advisors to render general advice and assistance and to fulfill the NNJSDA's legal requirement as an incorporated entity in the state of New Jersey;
 - ii. A registered agent to maintain the NNJSDA in good standing with government agencies;
 - iii. A Webmaster;
 - iv. A *Grand Square* Editor;
 - v. An Insurance Coordinator;
 - vi. A chairperson of all named committees in Article IV, Section 9; and
 - vii. Chairpersons of Ad hoc committees, as needed.
- b. Solicit and/or appoint liaisons with other organizations, as appropriate, e.g. the Callers' Council of New Jersey (CCNJ).
- c. Assistants shall be appointed when appropriate by either the President or the corresponding Officer with preference given to the corresponding Officer's choice.
- d. The term of all appointees shall be the current fiscal year, unless sooner terminated by death, incapacity, resignation, or removal.

Section 11. Executive Board.

- a. The Executive Board shall consist of the Executive Committee and the following non-voting members: the Assistants (unless they meet the requirements in Article IV, Section 8.b), the Trustees/Advisors, the immediate past President (for one year after their term as President expires), and all appointees as listed in Article IV, Section 10.
- b. Executive Board members shall serve without remuneration except for reimbursement for reasonable expenses incurred for the NNJSDA and for discounts at NNJSDA events as determined by the Executive Committee.

Section 12. Resignation and Suspension.

- a. The President may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the Executive Board.
- b. Officers and Appointees may resign at any time by giving written notice thereof to the President.
- c. The Executive Committee may invoke temporary suspension of an Officer or Assistant for failure to comply with or for acting contrary to the Constitution and Bylaws of the NNJSDA until such time as action is taken at the next Delegates meeting. For an Officer or Assistant to be temporarily suspended, a vote of two-thirds of the entire Executive Committee is required. Prior notice of such a proposed action shall be provided in writing to all Officers, including the Officer or Assistant in question, at least thirty days prior to the meeting at which the review and vote is to be taken.
- d. Suspension of an Officer or Assistant shall require a majority vote of **all** Member Clubs in good standing. If the majority vote is not achieved due to the absence of Member Clubs, the Member Clubs not present must be polled in writing afterwards for their vote.
- e. As soon as practical after the outcome of the vote has been determined, the final results shall be distributed in accordance with Article III, Section 7.
- f. Other Appointees, excluding Assistants, may be suspended at any time by the President.

Section 13. Filling of Officer Vacancies.

- a. **President Vacancy.** If the office of the President becomes vacant, a simple majority of the entire Executive Committee may appoint a qualified (as defined in Article IV, Section 4) Officer or Assistant for the remainder of the current fiscal year. Preference should be given to an Assistant President. At the end of the fiscal year, an election shall be held to fill the President's position for a full two-year term.
- b. **Officer Vacancies other than the President.** All other Officer vacancies shall be filled by appointment by the President with the concurrence of a simple majority of the entire Executive Committee for the remainder of the current fiscal year. At the end of the current fiscal year, an election shall be held to fill that Officer's position for a full two-year term.

ARTICLE V. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws submitted by Member Club.

- a. The proposed amendment shall be submitted to the President at least four weeks prior to the next scheduled Executive Committee meeting.
- b. The President shall notify all members of the Executive Committee of the proposed amendment at least three weeks prior to the Executive Committee meeting at which time it will discuss and formulate a recommendation.
- c. The Executive Committee shall submit to the Member Clubs' Delegates and presidents the original proposed amendment and the Executive Committee's recommendation on the proposed amendment at least four weeks prior to the next Delegates meeting.
- d. At the Delegates meeting, the Executive Committee shall discuss with the Delegates the original proposed amendment and its recommendation.
- e. Votes shall be taken on the original proposed amendment as well as any revisions suggested by the Executive Committee or the Delegates.
- f. If approved, the President shall transmit the final updated Constitution and Bylaws to the Member Clubs' Delegates and presidents.

Section 2. Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws submitted by Individual.

The same steps as listed in Article V, Section 1 are to be followed. If the same amendment had been proposed within the last 3 years, the Executive Committee has the option to decide not to pass it on to the Delegates. The individual submitting the amendment shall be a member in good standing of a Member Club.

Section 3. Proposed amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws submitted by Executive Committee.

If an amendment is proposed during an Executive Committee meeting at which a quorum is present, the President has the option to immediately discuss the proposal and proceed directly to Article V, Section 1.c.

Section 4. Ratification of Amendments. Ratification of an amendment to the Constitution and Bylaws shall require a two-thirds vote of **all** Member Clubs in good standing. If the two-thirds vote is not achieved due to the absence of Member Clubs, the Member Clubs not present must be polled in writing afterwards for their vote.

ARTICLE VI. GENERAL

Section 1: Fiscal Year. The NNJSDA fiscal year shall be from June 1 to May 31.

Section 2: Hiring of Callers and Cuers. All callers and cuers calling or cueing for the NNJSDA must possess the appropriate licenses for all the music that they play.

Section 3: Governing Parliamentary Law. *Robert's Rules of Order* or *Cannon's Concise Guide to Rules of Order*, as determined by the President, shall be the governing parliamentary law in all cases not covered in this Constitution and Bylaws.

Section 4: Quorum and Voting.

- a. When determining the number required for a quorum or vote, the resulting number must be rounded up.
- b. If a vote results in a tie, the issue being voted on shall remain unchanged.
- c. When voting, an abstention shall be considered a valid vote.
- d. Whenever an Officer is responsible for casting a vote and there is a reasonable expectation that there is a conflict of interest based on an affiliation that the Officer has with another organization, it is the responsibility of the Officer to recuse themselves from the vote.

Section 6: Gifts. NNJSDA funds shall not be used to provide gifts, unless the gift is a lesser substitute for a payment, e.g. donation to a school for the use of school facilities.

Section 7: Transitioning from Prior Constitution to New Constitution.

- a. For purposes of term limits, an Officer who has served at least two full consecutive years in any Officer position under the old constitution will be considered to be in the last year of their first two-year term.
- b. For purposes of term limits, an Officer serving less than two full consecutive years in any Officer position under the old constitution will be considered to be in the first year of their first two-year term.
- c. Any Officer serving under the old constitution has the option to switch to an Assistant position while retaining their right to vote for the remainder of the current fiscal year.
- d. This section can be removed with no vote or discussion one year from adoption of the new constitution.

ARTICLE VII. DISSOLUTION

Section 1. Asset Distribution. In the event that the NNJSDA disbands, all accumulated assets in excess of liabilities shall be distributed equally among the remaining Member Clubs. If there are no remaining Member Clubs, those assets shall be donated to one or more nonprofit, nonpolitical organizations, recognized under Section 501(c) of the IRS code, selected by a simple majority of the entire Executive Committee.

Section 2. Employer Identification Number. The NNJSDA nonprofit organization shall be dissolved in accordance with state of New Jersey regulations and the Employer Identification Number (26-4468234) shall be canceled in accordance with Federal regulations.

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