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## District 9 Policy #10 - Big League All Star Selection and Administration

This policy governs the administrative processes of All-Star selection, All-Star Manager/Coaches selection and handling the administrative aspects of funding the Big League All Star team.

1. District 9 will always enter one team in the Big League State Tournament if the District has that Big League program. The team will always be the best players from the teams in the District as selected by Rule 3 below.
2. The District 9 All Star Manager shall be the District 9 Manager of the team with the best record in the League in which District 9 teams participate. If not available, the next Managers in order of finish shall be considered. If no Manager is available, all Coaches in order of finish shall be considered. This Manager appointment shall be subject to approval of the District Administrator and the appropriate Ass't District Administrator for that Big League program. The DA and ADA may, for justifiable reasons, bypass the Manager with the best record, and appoint a lower finishing Manager. The All Star Manager shall select the All Star Coaches. The Coaches must be a regular season Manager or coach of record.
3. League Managers cannot take his team intact into the State tournament unless that is approved by the District Administrator. The All Star players shall be selected as follows:
  - (a) League Managers or their representatives will vote for the first 10 players.
  - (b) All Star Manager and Coaches will select the final 5 players.
4. The All Star team will be funded by the participating Leagues as follows:
  - (a) The Big League ADA shall make a budget to take the team along the tournament trail to the point at which Little League Baseball, Inc. assumes that responsibility. This budget will be submitted to the League Presidents and the DA for approval.
  - (b) Each League shall submit a check to the DA that is a portion of the approved budget in relation to the number of players that League has on the All Star team, i.e., if the team has 15 players and League "A" has three of the players, League A shall submit a check for 3/15<sup>th</sup> or 20% of the budget.
  - (c) District 9 shall deposit these moneys in the District account and shall pay the expenses for the team from that fund.
  - (d) After the All Star related expenses have been paid, the District shall give a complete accounting of the disbursement of funds and shall refund any overages collected or bill any shortages on a pro-rated basis as outlined in (b) above.
5. The following expenses shall be paid from the fund collected in 4.(c) above:
  - (a) The All Star Team Registration fee required by Williamsport.
  - (b) Manager/Coaches/Team expenses as outlined below:

- (1) No expenses will be paid if the tournament is held within the general Puget Sound area (generally 200 miles round trip).
- (2) Tournaments held outside the general Puget Sound area but still where the team drives to the tournament site, the following will be reimbursed:
  - a) Mileage to the tournament site at the rate of 15 cents per mile for a maximum of three cars. The cars must be driven by a licensed adult of 21 years or older and the automobile must be covered by private Liability insurance. Mileage money will be reimbursed to the Manager and Coaches after the tournament based on number of trips actually made and whether item (b) and (c) is claimed.
  - b) Reimbursement for hotel room for the Manager and Coaches (at the rate of 2 adults per room), and the players (at the rate of 4 players per room) at the hotel selected by the District, for the time the team is active in the tournament. If the tournament host offers to provide housing for the Manager, Coaches and/or players, then reimbursement will not be made.
  - c) A per diem rate of \$15.00 per person for the Manager, Coaches and players for each day the team is active in the tournament. Half Day per diem will be paid for the 'travel to and from tournament site' days. Per diem will not be paid if the host offers to provide food/per diem even if it is refused.
  - d) Any phone calls made by the Manager that can be justified as required to support the team will be reimbursed.
  - e) If item (b) above applies for housing, a flat \$10.00 will be provided to the Manager and to the Coaches to be utilized for mileage while at the tournament. In addition, miscellaneous expenses in support of the team (i.e., Gatorade, first aid supplies, etc.) that can be justified to the DA and substantiated by receipts will be reimbursed. ..

Note: Items b), c), d) and e) can only be claimed if the distance is such that it doesn't make sense to drive back and forth each game day. This decision will be made in advance by the Manager, ADA and DA.

- (3) For tournaments where the team must fly (Divisionals and/or Regionals) to the tournament site, the following will be reimbursed:
  - a) Travel to these tournaments will be by airplane and will be arranged by the District or Little League Baseball, Inc. Therefore, travel will not be reimbursed. Travel will be provided as a group and any changes of a ticket to allow a person to fly at a different date or time will be at that person's expense. Tickets will be purchased with a set departure date and set return date.
  - b) The host League is required to provide housing and food/per diem for the Manager, Coaches and players while they are in the tournament. When this is provided and/or offered, neither additional housing nor

food/per diem will be reimbursed by the District unless it is approved by the DA or ADA in advance in writing.

- c) After elimination from the tournament and before the scheduled return date, the following, and NO MORE will be provided:
  - 1) Rooms for the Manager and Coaches (2 adults to a room) and for the players (4 players to a room).
  - 2) The per diem will be at the rate of not to exceed \$15 per person per day for the Manager, Coaches and Players. If a person leaves early on their own, the per diem and room for that person will terminate. The players will sign a form acknowledging the receipt of a specific amount daily. Any underspending by one person does not allow overspending by another.
- d) The fund will reimburse any phone calls made by the Manager up to the time of elimination that can be justified to support the team
- e) The District will arrange for an appropriate number of vehicles (using unlimited mileage provisions) for the Manager, Coaches and the players. District will make the reservations in the name of the Manager and shall reimburse the Manager for the vehicle rental. The appropriate number will be based on several variables and will be agreed upon by the Manager, ADA and DA in advance. None of the vehicles are to be used for anything except team functions. If they are used for other than team functions, the manager will be responsible for that day's rental.
- f) Any miscellaneous expenses in support of the team (i.e., Gatorade, first aid supplies, etc.) that can be justified to the DA. Trips to batting cages are an example of the kind of expenses that will not be acceptable.

None of the expenses outlined in 5. Above will be reimbursed if the tournament host provides them free, even if the Manager or a Coach declines to accept what the host offers.

All expenses, including the per diem to the players, must be appropriately justified by proper receipts or they will not be reimbursed. The Manager and/or Coaches will spend their own money and then will be reimbursed after the tournament on those items spelled out above.

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