

Top of the Hill Team Bylaws

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ARTICLE 1 – NAME

The name of the organization shall be the Top of the Hill Team (hereinafter referred to as TOTH).

ARTICLE 2 – LOCATION

The organization shall be located in the Town of Westport, CT, Fairfield County, State of Connecticut.

ARTICLE 3 – PURPOSE

The TOTH, established in 2007, is an all volunteer organization comprised of parents and alumni of the Staples High School Boys Soccer Program (hereinafter referred to as STAPLES SOCCER) who are dedicated to providing STAPLES SOCCER with the supplemental resources needed to remain one of the leading programs in the State of Connecticut.

Paramount to this purpose is using TOTH resources to ensure the STAPLES SOCCER coaching staff has the tools it needs to consistently compete for county (FCIAC) and state (CIAC) honors, educate the young men on the team during their formative high school years, and give back to those affiliated with the program facing challenging life circumstances.

Unless specifically requested by the then current Staples Soccer Head Coach, TOTH will have no involvement whatsoever in team rosters, player selection, tactics or any other technical aspect of the Staples Soccer program.

The TOTH is not formed for pecuniary or financial gain, and no parts of the assets, income, or profit from the organization is distributable to, or enures to the benefit of its members, directors, or officers.

ARTICLE 4 – AFFILIATIONS

The TOTH is affiliated with the Westport Soccer Association (WSA).

ARTICLE 6 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The TOTH shall be governed by a Board of Directors (hereinafter referred to as the BOARD). The BOARD shall be responsible for overall policy and direction of TOTH consistent with the stated PURPOSE of the organization. BOARD members will not be compensated in any way.

The BOARD shall consist of no less than five and no more than seven members and must always total an odd number. An affirmative vote of a majority of the BOARD may increase or decrease the number of Directors on the BOARD. As long as TOTH is affiliated with the WSA at least one TOTH Director must also concurrently serve on the WSA Board of Directors.

The BOARD will elect a President who will serve at will as the Chairman of the BOARD.

BOARD members shall serve at will as determined by the BOARD.

Should there be a vacancy created by the resignation of one or more BOARD members the openings will be filled from a list of candidates nominated by the remaining BOARD members and selected by majority vote.

Any BOARD member can be removed for cause from the TOTH BOARD by majority vote.

ARTICLE 7 – MEETINGS

There shall be an annual meeting of the Members of TOTH held in July or August of each year at a time and place set by the BOARD. The meeting shall be held in Fairfield County, CT. Additionally, the Board will hold general meetings on a regular basis throughout the year as deemed necessary to further the mission of the organization.

ARTICLE 8 – FINANCIAL

All funds donated and/or raised by the TOTH will go in to a general fund, administered by the BOARD. Said funds will be deposited to an interest-bearing checking account in a federally insured banking institution. All expenditures in excess of \$250 must have approval from the majority of the BOARD.

ARTICLE 9 – REQUEST FOR FUNDS

All requests for funds from TOTH shall be made to the BOARD in written form noting, at a minimum, who is requesting the funds, how the funds will be used to further the Purpose of STAPLES SOCCER, time when funds are needed, and the total amount requested. All requests for funds must be for items that fall outside of the STAPLES SOCCER annual budget.

ARTICLE 10 – MISCELLANEOUS

Any amendments to these Bylaws must be passed by a majority of the BOARD.

Upon the dissolution of the TOTH, the BOARD shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all liabilities of the TOTH, distribute all remaining funds to the Coleman Brothers Scholarship fund care of the WSA.