



Folsom Soccer Club
DBA
Folsom Lake Soccer League
Constitution and Bylaws

1:01 NAME

1:01:01 This organization shall be known as the Folsom Lake Soccer League, also referred to herein as the League or “FLSL”.

1:02 PURPOSE

1:02:01 The purpose of this League shall be to develop, promote, and administer recreational and competitive soccer programs, among the youth (boys and girls under nineteen years of age) within the eastern Sacramento County and western El Dorado County for the benefit and development of all youth as young men and women as the higher and greater purpose of youth soccer and not just as players.

1:02:02 The purpose of this League is to offer, regardless of race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin and/or ability, soccer programs to youth boys and girls. The programs shall provide an environment based on development of camaraderie, team effort, skills, and for a love for the game of soccer.

1:03 AFFILIATION

1:03:01 This League shall affiliate with the Cal North California Youth Soccer Association (CYSA) and other Principal Organizations as deemed appropriate for each soccer year. To the extent permissible, this Constitution and Bylaws shall be consistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the Principal Organizations. To the extent permissible, this League and its members shall abide by those Constitution and Bylaws. This League may additionally affiliate with more than one Principal Organization.

1:03:02 The term, Principal Organization, means an organization that provides affiliation for numerous subsidiary organizations on a State, Regional, National, or International scale, and to which FLSL chooses to affiliate. The purpose of the Principal Organization shall be for the coordination and sanctioning of youth sports events.

1:04 BOUNDARIES AND TERRITORIES

1:04:01 The principal office for the transaction of the business of Folsom Lake Soccer League is located within the City of Folsom, County of Sacramento, State of California.

Along with the City of Folsom, it’s boundaries may include the eastern parts of Sacramento County and the western parts of El Dorado County.

1:05 CLUBS/PROGRAMS

1:05:01 The governing authority of this League shall sanction or create geographical sub-divisions that shall be known as “clubs” or programs.

1:05:02 Club boundaries shall be fixed and/or modified by the governing authority of this League before, but no later than, the February meeting preceding the seasonal year.

1:05:03 All clubs/programs operating within FLSL will adhere to the FLSL Constitution and Bylaws and Operating Policies and Procedures.

1:06 MEMBERSHIP

1:06:01 Membership in this League shall be by affiliated clubs and programs consisting of sufficient registered players to form a minimum of four (4) teams in three (3) age groups for play within the League, with the exception of the TOPSoccer program, which may have fewer teams and build them based on size and ability. No team may apply for membership directly to this League. Team registration must come through an affiliated club or FLSL program. The recognized administrative bodies, within this league, are those of designated club administrations and FLSL programs. Participation in the activities of this League and its affiliated clubs and programs shall be open to any soccer player, coach, trainer, manager, administrator, and official, provided such person is not barred from participation by affiliated clubs, FLSL, Cal North CYSA, USSF, USYSA, or other Principal Organization.

1:06:02 All member clubs and FLSL programs, their teams, and players shall abide by the Constitution and Bylaws of this League, any Principal Organizations policies and procedures as set forth by the Board of Directors and all applicable policies and procedures of any Principal Organizations.

1:06:03 Annual fees for players are due and payable, unless otherwise provided for by the Board of Directors, at the time, but no later than, such player's first team or League practice and/or game. Teams are not considered registered until all of that team's player fees are paid.

1:06:04 All bank checks, drafts and/or money orders submitted to this League, shall be payable to Folsom Lake Soccer League or FLSL.

1:06:05 All affiliated clubs/programs shall be responsible for governing those persons and their actions associated with their operations. Teams shall abide by the playing league rules under which they are registered and in which they are playing, as well as the Bylaws and the Policies and Procedures of the League.

1:06:06 Members of the League may be placed in bad standing when monies are owed to any affiliation and/or by disciplinary actions imposed by the Board of Directors and/or PAD committee. A member in bad standing may not vote nor participate in any official position of this League or affiliated clubs. If a player's fees have not been submitted, the parents/guardians are placed in bad standing. FLSL may establish policies and procedures for the collection of unpaid fees which may include the holding of a player pass until all fees are paid in full.

1:06:07 Falsification of records shall be grounds for disbarment from future participation and/or membership in the League.

1:07 AUTHORITIES

1:07:01 This League shall be governed by its Constitution and Bylaws, any Policy and Procedures adopted by the Board of Directors, and the Constitution and Bylaws specific rules and procedures of Principal Organizations. Copies of this League's Constitution, Bylaws and governing documents shall, upon reasonable request, be made available to members.

1:07:02 The governing authority of the League, whose powers shall be designated in the Bylaws, shall be vested with the Board of Directors of this League.

1:07:03 The governing board, hereinafter referred to as the “Board of Directors” shall be comprised of the FLSL officers known as President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Referee Manager, Equipment Manager, Field Manager, Volunteer Coordinator, Community Relations/Outreach, Business Operations Manager, Surf Executive Director, Director of Coaching, and Members-at-Large.

1:08 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1:08:01 The League President shall call an Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the membership to be held between November 2 and January 15. Notice to members of FLSL shall be made not less than twenty-one (21) nor more than forty-five (45) days before the meeting, and shall include the date, time, and place of the meeting. The notice shall be mailed or emailed to the members for which FLSL has an address or email address and shall be posted on the FLSL website.

1:08:02 The order of business at the AGM shall be as follows:

- A) Call to order
- B) Roll call
- C) Credentials report
- D) Introduction of guests
- E) Acceptance of minutes of previous AGM
- F) Reports:
 - a. President
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Committees
- G) Unfinished business
- H) Proposals of changes of Constitution and Bylaws
- I) New Business
- J) Nominating Committee Report & Election of Officers
- K) Good of the Game
- L) Adjournment

1:08:03 Each member of the League Board of Directors, Club Board of Directors, each team head coach, adult referee, and parent(s) of players shall be entitled to one (1) vote per family. An adult player may vote in place of his or her parent. Voting shall be restricted to those affiliated clubs and their registered teams and players which have been registered during the current season. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed, and only those members of record during the current playing season, in good standing, shall be entitled to voting privileges. No person shall cast more than one (1) vote, regardless of his/her affiliation with clubs, teams, and/or as a member of the Board of Directors. The President of the League shall cast a vote only in the event of a tie.

1:08:04 A quorum shall consist of any number of members present at the Annual General Meeting.

1:08:05 In the event there are two or more rule change proposals that are to be voted on at the AGM of the FLSL that conflict with each other, the rule change proposal that receives the greatest number of “yes” votes shall prevail providing that it receives a two-thirds majority of those voting; no runoff voting is allowed.

1:08:06 At least sixty (60) days prior to the Annual Election, the President of FLSL shall appoint, with the Board’s approval, a Nominating Committee consisting of four individuals who do not wish to run for office. The four members shall select a fifth member from the current Board of Directors. The fifth member may run for office but shall not participate in the

nominating process or vote in the selection of the nominees for the position he or she is interested in. The five committee members will nominate their own chairperson.

Nominations for Board of Directors shall be made twenty-one (21) days prior to the AGM.

- A) The Nominating Committee's proposed Slate of Officers and the place and time of the general meeting shall be mailed or emailed to the membership and posted on the FLSL website at the same time as the notice of the Annual General Meeting.
- B) Each individual seeking a position on the Board of Directors must announce their candidacy for a specific position on the Board of Directors, either in person or in writing not less than 21 days prior to the AGM. In the event that more than one candidate is seeking a specific Board of Directors position, a good faith effort must be made by the Board of Directors, within five (5) days of the notification, to notify each candidate for that position of the identities of all candidates for that position.

1:08:07 At the AGM, the Nominating Committee chairperson shall present for a vote by the membership the slate of officers.

1:08:08 Should there be no nominations presented for a specific office at the AGM, the Board of Directors will seek qualified applicants for election by the Board at a future meeting.

1:08:09 Election of members to the Board of Directors shall be by written ballot at the AGM, and the results shall be tabulated and announced at that same meeting.

1:09 CHANGES

1:09:01 Any affiliated club/program, the Board of Directors or any member of the FLSL may submit proposed changes to the existing Constitution and Bylaws.

1:09:02 The President may form a Constitution and Bylaw review committee which may make recommendations for changes to the Board.

1:09:03 Amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws shall be made at the AGM of the membership, except in such cases as specified in the Constitution and Bylaws of the Principal Organizations to which FLSL may be affiliated. Proposed amendments shall be submitted to the Board at the monthly meeting prior to the AGM. The Board will take an advisory vote on each proposal, the results of which will be available to the members prior to voting at the AGM.

1:09:04 An amendment shall be deemed adopted by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members attending and voting at the AGM.

1:10 RULE OF ORDER

1:10:01 The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order shall be used as a guideline in all cases in which they do not conflict with the Constitution or Bylaws of this League or Principal Organizations.

1:11 DISSOLUTION

1:11:01 Should this Club be dissolved, all assets remaining after payment of all debts shall be turned over to the United States Youth Soccer Association for the express purpose of the development of youth soccer.

2:01 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2:01:01 Board of Director Officers shall be elected at the AGM and serve for a period of two (2) years. The President shall be elected in even numbered years. The First Vice President shall be elected in odd numbered years.

No one person shall hold more than one Board position at a time.

Annually, at the February meeting, the President shall solicit and recommend individuals for positions for League Coordinators and Directors and shall make final recommendations of appointees to the Board of Directors for approval. Appointed League Coordinators and Directors shall not be entitled to full Board of Directors' privileges.

2:01:02 President

- A) The President shall conduct all meetings of the Board of Directors and cast a vote only in the case of a tie.
- B) Appoint as needed and subject to the approval of the Board of Directors, Members at Large, League Coordinators and Directors and the standing committees and/or the committee chairmen who do not fall under the jurisdiction of a member of the Board of Directors.
- C) Nominate person to fill vacant Board of Director positions.
- D) Represent or assign a representative of FLSL at all related activities and functions of affiliated league, district and state associations.

2:01:03 First Vice President – Recreation Program

- A) Shall succeed to the powers of the President in the absence of the President.
- B) Shall serve as the Chairman of the Recreational Programs.
- C) Shall coordinate communication with the Recreation Programs.
- D) Shall chair the Protest, Appeals, and Disciplinary Committee (PAD) for the Recreation Programs.
- E) Working with the Recreation Director shall be responsible for coordinating the training and licensing courses for all recreation coaches.

2:01:04 Second Vice President – Competitive Program

- A) Shall succeed to the powers of the President in the absence of the President and First Vice President.
- B) Shall serve as the Chairman of the Competitive Programs.
- C) Shall work with the Director of Coaching and Executive Director to coordinate communication for the Competitive Programs.
- D) Shall chair the Protest, Appeals, and Disciplinary Committee (PAD) for the Competitive Programs.

2:01:05 Secretary

- A) Shall be responsible for prompt, respectful, and accurate FLSL administrative communications including keeping an accurate record of all meetings, and give notice of meetings.

2:01:06 Treasurer

- A) All accounts shall be paid by check and bear two (2) signatures; the required signatures shall be that of the Treasurer, President, First Vice President, or Business Operations Manager.
- B) No two related parties shall be the two required signatures, regardless of payee.
- C) Examines the financial records on a periodic basis.

- D) Chair the finance committee and review, updating as necessary, the Financial Policy and Procedures.
- 2:01:07 Referee Manager
- A) Shall be responsible for the adequate quantity, quality, and performance of FLSL referees.
 - B) Review and update the FLSL Referee Policy and Procedures.
 - C) Determine sufficient quantity of certification classes.
 - D) Advisor to the PAD committee.
 - E) Oversees the referee appreciation program.
 - F) Attend the CYSA North District 6 referee meetings and/or the California North Referee Association (CNRA) meetings.
 - G) Shall be the liaison to the referee assignors.
 - H) Shall be a current United States Soccer Federation certified referee.
- 2:01:08 Equipment Manager
- A) Responsible for the distribution of the Recreation Program equipment.
 - B) Authorized to appoint committee members to assist and facilitate equipment distribution and returns.
 - C) Arrange for purchase, proper maintenance, distribution and collection of club equipment.
 - D) Monitors all equipment purchased.
- 2:01:09 Field Manager
- A) Shall oversee all fields within the Folsom Soccer Club/Folsom Lake Surf territory.
 - B) Shall maintain a complete inventory of all fields, including location, field dimensions, goal type and dimensions, restroom and parking availability, and the provider.
 - C) Work with Equipment Manager to ensure all field equipment is maintained.
 - D) Ensure all fields are painted and ready for play during soccer season.
 - E) Work with the City to ensure all fields are maintained.
- 2:01:10 Volunteer Coordinator
- A) Recruit volunteers from Folsom Lake Surf/Folsom Soccer Club parents.
 - B) Assign volunteers as needed.
- 2:01:11 Community Relations/Outreach
- A) Shall oversee annual Scholar-Athlete and Humanitarian Awards.
 - B) Shall manage Folsom Soccer Club sponsorship program.
 - C) Shall perform other such duties as may be assigned by the President or Board of Directors.
- 2:01:12 Members-At-Large
- A) Assist the Board of Directors as needed with special projects.
 - B) Shall be appointed by the President.
- 2:01:13 Business Operations Manager – appointed, non-voting position
- A) Shall be appointed and approved by the Board of Directors.
 - B) Shall manage and operate the League on a day-to-day basis, subject to the authority granted by these Bylaws and such other authority that may be granted from time-to-time by the Board of Directors.
 - C) Shall be responsible for the accuracy, validity, and timeliness of all FLSL registrations.
 - D) Review and update FLSL Registration Policy and Procedures.

- E) Maintain the League's registration data utilizing Principal Organization's mandated software.
- F) Oversee club registrars
- G) Oversee the FLSL recreation game scheduling.
- H) Maintain appropriate registration files for historical purposes.
- I) Shall perform the duties of the bookkeeper including accounts payable, accounts receivable, payroll, and annual tax reports.
- J) Shall give receipt for all monies, which will be deposited in a recognized bank in the name of this League.
- K) Prepare, when required by the Board of Directors, the receipt book and vouchers properly balanced according to the bank book or statement, which is up to date.
- L) Prepare proposed annual budget.
- M) Shall receive compensation for services provided in accordance with a recommendation and approval by the FLSL Board of Directors.

2:01:14 Surf Executive Director – appointed, non-voting position

- A) Shall be appointed and approved by the Board of Directors.
- B) Shall receive compensation for services provided in accordance with a recommendation and approval by the FLSL Board of Directors.
- C) FLSL Board of Directors will develop a committee that manages the job duties of the Surf Executive Director.

The Executive Director will serve as the strategic, operational and visionary leader of the Folsom Lake Surf Soccer Club. The Executive Director will report directly to the FLSL Board of Directors and in partnership with the Board, produce, update and manage the strategic and operational plan and budget that reflects long term objectives of the club. This includes collaborating with the FLSL Board of Directors, Business Operations Manager, Director of Coaching, and his/her staff to ensure accomplishment of the club's mission, strategy and annual goals.

2:01:15 Director of Coaching – appointed, non-voting position

- A) Shall be appointed and approved by the Board of Directors.
- B) Shall implement and evaluate a comprehensive Tactical Plan to further develop all FLSL players and coaches.
- C) Shall develop level-appropriate programs for players and coaches that focus on technical and tactical skill development.
- D) Shall maintain data on registered coaches' performance.
- E) Shall monitor the progress of player and coaching development at all levels of play.
- F) Shall attend team practice sessions, assist with the organization and implementation of player tryouts, conduct soccer camps and clinics, and help promote FLSL both inside and outside the league.
- G) Shall meet and report regularly with the FLSL Board of Directors.
- H) Shall receive compensation for services provided in accordance with a recommendation and approval by the FLSL Board of Directors.

2:01:16 The Board of Directors shall be responsible for, and have sole authority of, the following:

- A) Enforcing and interpreting the Constitution, Bylaws, and Policy and Procedures.
- B) Approving applications of affiliated clubs/programs.
- C) Shall, from time to time, make temporary rules or regulations for specific cases or occasions not provided for in the Constitution, Bylaws, or Policy and Procedures but which are deemed necessary, by the Board of Directors, to carry out the objectives of this League or to comply with the rules and regulations of Principal Organizations.

- D) May hire a Director of Coaching, who shall be responsible for implementing and evaluation a comprehensive Tactical Plan to further the development of all FLSL players and coaches.
 - E) Transact necessary business during monthly meetings, or supplemental meetings called by the President in order to complete the necessary business of the league.
 - F) Approve, assign and monitor committees to conduct league business.
 - G) Determine disciplinary actions necessary to enforce club Bylaws, policies and agreements.
 - H) Plan, implement and monitor all activities necessary to ensure completion of all FLSL soccer activities.
 - I) No “on account” relationship with a vendor shall be made without Board approval.
 - J) Maintain a League Operations Manual for use by all board members in executing their duties. The manual shall be updated annually as necessary with input from each board member.
 - K) Approve the annual FLSL budget.
 - L) Approve all expenditure of FLSL funds.
 - M) Provide an annual financial statement (Jan – Dec).
- 2:01:17 The Board of Directors shall have the right and authority to suspend, bar completely, or otherwise discipline any player, coach, manager, team assistant, league officer, referee, or any individual from any team or club with the proper hearing.
- 2:01:18 The Board of Directors shall have, by two thirds vote of those members present, the authority to remove, with cause, any member of the Board of Directors with a proper hearing. Notice of said hearing shall be given, in writing, at least 14 days prior to the hearing. Cause shall be deemed as not performing one’s duties as set forth by the Constitution and Bylaws or being found guilty of conduct that is detrimental to the purpose of this League. When a position is declared vacant, the Board of Directors shall call for an election of a new member of the Board of Directors within a period of sixty (60) days of said declaration.
- 2:01:19 If a vacancy exists in the office of President the First Vice President shall assume the position of President for the remainder of the term and an election shall be held for the office of the First Vice President.
- 2:01:20 During his/her term of office, a member of the Board of Directors may not hold a position on the board of directors of any other non-FLSL soccer organization. Upon accepting the position as a member of the Board of Directors, the officer shall surrender his/her other club/league office within a period of thirty (30) days.
- 2:01:21 All regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be open to the general membership and reasonable seating shall be provided, in a reasonable space, for every member in attendance. The Agenda for each regular meeting shall be posted on the FLSL website not later than seven (7) days prior to each meeting date. Ratified meeting minutes must be posted no later than 48 hours after ratification. The meeting shall only go into “Closed Sessions” under the following circumstances:
- A) The confidentiality of a minor is at issue.
 - B) The confidentiality of a member during a disciplinary or protest/appeals hearing is at issue (unless said member waives his/her right to confidentiality).
 - C) Issues surrounding pending civil or criminal litigation that prohibits a public discussion of the subject.
 - D) Personnel matters deemed confidential.

- 2:01:22 Any Board member that misses three (3) regularly scheduled board meetings in a calendar year will be subject to review by the Board of Directors.
- 2:01:23 In the event any Board of Directors member is accused of not performing in the best interest of the youth or exhibiting behavior or performance detrimental to either individuals or the FLSL or in material violation of the Constitution Bylaws or Operating Procedures of the FLSL, a hearing process can be instituted by any FLSL member.

2:02 GENERAL MEETINGS

- 2:02:01 General meetings of the Board of Directors will be held bi-monthly. Additional meetings may convene when the President deems it necessary or when instructed to do so by four (4) or more members of the Board of Directors. The agenda for regular meetings should include the following:
- A) Call to order
 - B) Roll call
 - C) Introduction of guests
 - D) Acceptance of meeting minutes
 - E) Treasurer reports
 - F) President reports
 - G) Administrator report
 - H) Committee reports
 - I) Unfinished business
 - J) New business
 - K) Announcements and time and place of next meeting
 - L) Good of the game
 - M) Adjournment
- 2:02:02 Any member of the Board of Directors will disqualify themselves from voting on any issue directly affecting a team which he/she coaches or any other situation that he/she has a conflict of interest.

2:03 QUORUM

- 2:03:01 At all meetings of the Board of Directors, fifty-one percent (51%) of the Board of Directors membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Voting by proxy or voting by email shall not be allowed.

2:04 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- 2:04:01 The Executive Committee of this League shall be composed of the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Business Operations Manager, and Surf Executive Director.
- 2:04:02 The Executive Committee shall serve between Board of Directors' meetings for either emergencies or to dispose of duties bestowed upon the Executive Committee by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors must ratify all actions by the Executive Committee at the next scheduled meeting after such Executive Committee meeting(s).
- 2:04:03 All contracts with businesses, entered into by FLSL, must be signed by a member of the Executive Committee, after approval by the Executive Committee. Executive Committee approval may be obtained via telephone or email for this purpose. The Executive Committee may vote to allow a league official to enter into contracts with individuals, but not businesses, for the purposes of providing soccer skills training. The Board of Directors shall make policies that guide the development of effective contracts that protect the business interests of the FLSL.

2:05 STANDING COMMITTEE AND COUNCILS

2:05:01 The following standing committees and chairpersons, if not already under the jurisdiction of a member of the Board of Directors, shall be appointed by the President as deemed necessary, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors: Protest, Appeals, and Discipline (PAD) Committee, Policies and Procedures Revision Committee, and the FLSL Recreational Playing League Committee. All Committee and Council recommendations shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for adoption.

2:05:02 Protests, Appeals and Discipline Committee

- A) Shall meet each week during the Recreational and Competitive League's playing season when necessary to hear disciplinary actions.
- B) The Recreational PAD Committee shall be chaired by the FLSL First Vice President, who shall keep written records of PAD proceedings and correspondence.
- C) The Competitive PAD Committee shall be chaired by the FLSL Second Vice President, who shall keep written records of PAD proceedings and correspondence.
- D) All teams playing in the FLSL shall come under jurisdiction of the FLSL PAD Committee.

The Committee shall be governed by FLSL's Bylaws and Policies and Procedures.

2:05:03 The Policies and Procedures Revision Committee shall be formed and shall meet as directed by the Board of Directors. The FLSL President shall appoint a Chairman and members for the Committee.

2:05:04 FLSL Recreational Playing League Committee

- A) Shall be chaired by the FLSL First Vice President.
- B) Shall meet a minimum of once each month and shall communicate and administer applicable rules and regulations for the teams that participate in the FLSL Recreational Playing League.
- C) Shall develop and maintain minimum recreational club playing league standards in order to provide guidance for each recreational club.

2:05:05 Committees are proposed by board members, and approved by the Board of Directors by majority vote as necessary to plan and implement league activities.

2:05:06 The board member whose area of responsibility the committee has been assigned shall appoint a chairperson. The chairperson shall present activity plans to the assigned board member. If they approve, the assigned board member will present to the League Board of Directors for approval prior to the commencement/implementation of the plan(s).

2:05:07 The Chairperson and Committee members shall serve until their assignments have been completed, or until the Board disbands the committee.

2:05:08 The Board of Directors may establish temporary committees for a specific function or purpose. Members of a temporary committee will be appointed by a Board of Directors member or members, will be approved by the Board of Directors, and will serve for the length of the Committee. The Board of Directors may cancel the temporary committees at will.

2:06 FINANCIAL YEAR

2:06:01 The financial year shall be the same as the calendar year.

2:07 RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2:07:01 Members shall abide by all League governing documents. A plea of ignorance to the Constitution, Bylaws, Policy and Procedures of this League or Principal Organization is not sufficient defense and violators may expect appropriate action by the Board of Directors of this League.
- 2:07:02 Any person found guilty of violating the Constitution, Bylaws, Policy and Procedures of this League, or Principal Organizations may be asked to appear before the Board of Directors in order to explain his/her actions.
- 2:07:03 All officers and appointed officials of this League shall be insured for liability or Director and Officer liability claims by FLSL for performing actions and duties directly related to the work of this League.
- 2:07:04 FLSL shall comply with all laws regarding employment and contracting for services. The Board of Directors shall make policies that reflect current local, state and federal laws and decisions to remain in compliance.
- 2:07:05 The League shall not assume, nor be liable for, the debts nor financial responsibilities, either implied or incurred, of any of its members.
- 2:07:06 All fundraising activities require league endorsement and League Board of Director's approval. Fundraising proposals shall include specific information on the nature of the fundraising activity and how the proceeds will be used.
- 2:07:07 The Board of Directors shall make policies regarding the use of the Corporation's Tax ID. No one shall use the Tax ID of the FLSL for any financial transaction or fundraising effort without prior approval by the FLSL Board. For the purposes of implementing this, the Board may delegate authority to the President to approve specific requests and may grant blanket approval for some types of fundraising activities.
- 2:07:08 The FLSL Constitution and Bylaws and Operating Procedures shall govern, except when these are superseded by the Bylaws and Operating Procedures of the Principal Organizations that FLSL joins. In games or tournaments open to multiple soccer associations, FLSL teams shall comply with the rules and authority of the association who sanctions the particular game or tournament.
- 2:07:09 The Rules of Play shall be the "Laws of the Game" as published by FIFA with those modifications stated within the Operating Procedures.

2:08 SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES OF SOCCER PROGRAM

- 2:08:01 FLSL shall establish and administer three programs: Recreational, Competitive, and TOPSoccer. Each program is of equal importance and shall be provided protection from anything detracting from the success of the program. Children having fun is still the foundation for which to develop any program. All coaches shall sincerely place the player's needs before their own. All players will be equally afforded the same opportunities and benefits of the program to which they belong. No program shall be inaccessible to a player due to financial constraints.
- 2:08:02 Recreational – The primary objective of the recreational program is for children to play in an organized game and have fun.

- 2:08:03 Competitive – The competitive program is designed for players of exceptional ability to refine and improve their soccer skills and tactics in an environment of competitive play and good sportsmanship. Emphasis shall be placed on the selection and development of the most skillful and highly motivated players. Players shall be of the most committed for success in the program. Individuals selected as coaches shall possess exceptional communicative skills equal to the highest level of game knowledge, skill, and love for the game of soccer. To preserve the objectives of recreational and competitive program, League age group statistics shall be used to determine the maximum number of teams approved in this program. FLSL’s competitive program will provide two levels of training and play:
- 1) Competitive, year-around soccer opportunities, regional and statewide tournament play with players committed to participating in the best training and skill development programs as they strive to play at the highest possible levels in the state and country.
 - 2) Competitive, seasonal soccer opportunities, with volunteer coaches supported by professional trainers, travel to tournaments, regional play, and require a greater time commitment, than recreational soccer, by players in order to improve their skills and enhance their soccer experience.
- 2:08:04 TOPSoccer – The primary objective of the TOPSoccer program is to give children with physical and mental disabilities the opportunity to play in organized games and activities and have fun. The TOPSoccer program has the discretion to modify the rules of the game to increase participation level and safety.