

**L.A.S.A.R.**  
Linwood Basketball

**By-Laws**  
**June 1, 2001**

**I. Purpose and Aims**

LASAR has as its purpose the following three items:

1. Sponsor recreational basketball for the children of Linwood
2. Sponsor and promote competitive travel basketball
3. Promote good sportsmanship and citizenship

**II. Membership and Duties**

- A. All parents of participating players and non-parent volunteers, both recreational and travel, are eligible and encouraged to become members of the organization. To become a member said parent or volunteer must furnish his/her name and address to the secretary of the organization. However, those members registering to vote are not eligible to vote on any matters until meeting the requirements outlined in paragraph D of this article.
- B. There will be two required meetings each basketball year. One in the month of September to prepare for the fall/winter season and one in April to prepare for the summer program. The President of the organization may call for additional meetings as deemed necessary.
- C. The year of the organization shall run from September 1, to through August 31, of each year.
- D. Only those members who have attended both the September and April meetings are permitted to, (1) vote on any matter; or (2) be nominated to any position on the board of directors.

**III. Board of Directors**

- A. The Board of Directors (the "Board") shall consist of five positions. These are; President, Vice President of Boys, Vice President of Girls, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- B. The board will also consist of additional non-voting members as appointed by the respective Vice Presidents of boys and girls programs. These division directors are responsible for their age and gender appropriate recreation leagues.

C. The Board is responsible for:

1. Interpreting and maintaining the organizations by-laws.
2. Formulating playing rules and regulations.
3. Scheduling and conducting meetings.
4. Organization of divisions within the boys and girls divisions
5. Scheduling of gym use.
6. Scheduling and conduct of sign-ups, registration, practices, games, play-offs, and post-season play.
7. Managing the business of the organization.
8. To hear and rule on all complaints brought forward from a division director or travel program coach. Complaints and appropriate action will be determined by a simple majority vote of the Board of Directors. The decision of the Board is considered final.
9. The Board has the ability to revoke a member's privilege based on behavior deemed inappropriate and harmful to LASAR.
10. Liaison with the Board of Education and Linwood Recreation Board shall be solely through the President or his/her assigned representative.
11. The Board shall have sole and complete authority as to any matter affecting LASAR.
12. Three (3) members of the Board shall consist of a quorum for the conducting of business. The board shall act by a simple majority. Voting need not take place at a meeting, phone votes deemed necessary by the President are suffice. Any matter which the board is equally divided is to be submitted for a vote of the general membership at the next scheduled meeting.

#### IV. Board Officers and Duties

- A. **President.** The President will preside over all meetings, have general management supervision of the organization, appoint committees as she/he feels necessary, schedule meetings, assign travel coaches, and act as a liaison to the Board of Education and Recreation Board.
- B. **Vice-President – Boys.** In the absence of the President, Vice President-Boys will exercise the duties and powers of the President. Vice President-Boys will be responsible for selecting division directors for boy's recreational leagues. Vice-President boys will have authority to hear and rectify complaints regarding the Boy's recreational programs.
- C. **Vice-President – Girls.** In the absence of the President and Vice-President-Boys, the Vice President-Girls shall exercise the duties and powers of the President. Vice President-Girls will be responsible for selecting division directors for girl's recreational leagues. Vice-President Girls will have authority to hear and rectify complaints regarding the girl's recreational programs.

- D. **Treasurer.** The Treasurer will act as the Chief Financial Officer of the organization and be responsible for maintaining all accounts, receive and deposit all funds, submit a written financial report at scheduled meetings, and be a signor on account checks.
- E. **Secretary.** The secretary shall record the minutes of the organization, maintain attendance records, maintain membership records, and notify public of meeting dates thru either paper advertisement or mailings.
- F. **Division Director(s).** The Division Director, together with the respective Vice-President, is responsible for the overall functioning of their age and gender division along with performing overall supervision of the gym at scheduled practices and games.

## **V. Election of Officers**

- A. The Board shall be elected at the annual meeting held in April. Nominations must be made to the President or Secretary at least two weeks prior to the scheduled meeting. Nominations from the floor will not be accepted. The President will conduct the elections and will have sole jurisdiction over election proceedings.
- B. All officers are elected for a term of two (2) years.
- C. In order to be eligible for nomination of any board position, nominee must be a member in good standing for at least one year.
- D. Board vacancies that arise shall be appointed by the President. The appointment shall be confirmed by a majority vote of the board.
- E. Any officer or division director can be removed from office by a two-thirds majority vote of the full Board. The President will conduct the removal vote and will have sole jurisdiction over voting proceedings.

## **VI. By-Laws**

- A. Any board member, voting or non-voting, may request an amendment to the by-laws. This request must be submitted to the President in writing.
- B. Once a proposed amendment is received by the President, he/she will conduct a vote of the full board within thirty (30) days of receipt. In order for a proposed amendment to become a part of the by-laws, it must receive at least 3 affirmative votes (out of 5 voting Board members) from the Board.