BYLAWS OF West Seneca West Sports Boosters, Inc. EIN 27-0579998

ARTICLE I

Name, Office, and Duration
1. Name. The name of this corporation is West Seneca West Sports Boosters, Inc.
2. Location. The principle place of business and administrative office shall be located at 3330 Seneca Street, West Seneca, N.Y. 14224.
3. Duration. The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE II

Purpose

1. Purpose. The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law. Such purposes include but are not limited to:

(a) We are a non-profit incorporated organization that works with school administrators, teachers, parents and students to enhance the educational and athletic programs at West Seneca West High School. Through fund raising activities we provide funds for two major areas:

- Scholarships for seniors leaving WSW high School. All students (athletes or non-athletes) are eligible. The major requirement for these scholarships is membership with the WSW Sports Boosters.
- Grants/mini-grants to applicants/requesters for the benefit of WSW High School programs. Our goal is to "benefit" as many students/athletes as possible with our funding and assistance. Giving assistance to teams rather than individuals is our goal!!!
- We support the Varsity "W" Club located at WSW High School.

We will meet our goals by requesting assistance from the students, teachers, parents and administrators. We will use, as best as possible, student involvement that will assist the students in accomplishing their academic goals.

ARTICLE III Membership

1. Membership. Each school year individuals over the age of 19 are encouraged to become members of the WSWSB. An application along with a \$5.00 membership fee is required annually. Membership allows the individual to attend all athletic events held at the West Seneca West High School free of admission charge.

ARTICLE IV

Officers

1. Designation of Officers. The Officers of the Corporation shall be the Chairman, President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer, and they shall have authority to carry out the duties prescribed in these bylaws. The initial Officers of the Corporation shall be designated by the incorporators, and shall serve for one year. One person may hold more than one office, except no person may hold the office of President and Secretary.

2. Election and Term. Officers of the Corporation shall be reelected at the annual meeting of the membership, and shall serve for one year or until their replacements are elected and qualified.

3. Removal. At any regular or special meeting, any officer may be removed by majority vote of the membership for failure to carry out the duties of the office as prescribed by these bylaws, conduct detrimental to the Corporation, or for lack of sympathy with the stated purpose of the Corporation. Any officer proposed to be removed is entitled to five (5) business days notice of the meeting at which the removal shall be considered and may address the Board of Directors at such meeting.

4. Powers. The Officers of the Corporation shall have all corporate authority, except such powers as are otherwise provided in these bylaws and the laws of the State of New York, to conduct the affairs of the Corporation in accordance with these bylaws. The Officers of the Corporation may by general resolution delegate to committees of their own number such powers as they deem appropriate.

5. Compensation. Officers of the Corporation shall receive no compensation.

6. Vacancy. Any vacancy occurring in the Officers of the Corporation shall be filled by majority vote of the remaining Officers, though less than a quorum. Each person so elected shall serve until the duration of the unexpired term, or until the end of the current school year.

7. Duties of Offices.

• President: The President is the Chief Executive Officer of this Corporation and will supervise and control the affairs of the Corporation. The President will perform all duties incident to the office of President and any other duties that may be required by these Bylaws.

- Board of Directors/Chairman. The Board of Directors/Chairman shall offer guidance to the Offices of the Board as needed. The Board of Directors/Chairman shall be previous officers who do not have children attending West Seneca West Sr. High School.
- Vice President: The Vice-President will perform all duties and exercise all powers of the President when the President is absent or is otherwise unable to act. The Vice-President will perform any other duties that may be prescribed by the President.
- Secretary: The Secretary will keep minutes of all meetings of Members and of the Board of Directors, by the custodian of the corporate records, give all notices as are required by law or by these Bylaws, and generally perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and any other duties as may be required by law, by the Bylaws, or which may be assigned by the Officers of the Corporation.
- Treasurer: The treasurer will have charge and custody of all funds of this Corporation, and will deposit the funds as required by the Officers of the Corporation, keep and maintain adequate and correct accounts of the Corporation's properties and business transactions, and render reports and accountings to the Officers of the Corporation.. The Treasurer will perform all duties incident to the office of Treasurer, and any other duties that may be required by these Bylaws.

ARTICLE V

Meetings.

1. General meetings will be held at the West Seneca West High School from 7:30PM to 9:00PM on the last Thursday of the following months:

- September
- October
- November
- January
- February
- March
- April
- May
- June

If due to scheduling conflicts at the High School, dates the meeting will be held may change. All meeting dates will be posted on the WSWSB web site prior to the beginning of the school year.

2. Special Meetings. Special meetings may be called by the President of the Corporation or a majority of the Officers of the Corporation. Persons authorized to call special meetings shall provide notice of the time and location of such meetings and state the purpose thereof, and no other matter shall be considered by the Officers of the Corporation at such special meeting except upon unanimous vote of all Officers present.

3. Notice and Waiver. Notice of regular meetings and special meetings need not be in writing. Attendance at any meeting shall be considered waiver of the notice requirement thereof.

4. Quorum. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the Officers. If at any meeting, less than a quorum is present, the majority may adjourn the meeting without further notice to the absent Officer.

ARTICLE VI

Fundraising and expenditures

- 1. Fundraising. Upon agreement with executive board, different types of fundraising activities may be undertaken by the WSWSB to raise monies for distribution for yearly scholarships and/or grants.
 - Each fundraising activity will have a chairman who will report not only to the executive board but also to the general membership at the monthly meetings.
 - All funds received are to be given to the treasurer for deposit in the WSWSB banking account.
 - At the conclusion of the fundraiser, a detailed report is to be given to the executive board outlining expenditures (along with receipts) and profits.
- 2. Scholarships. Current Scholarships offered:
 - <u>One Male and One Female Athlete of the Yea</u>r scholarship. These awards are determined/chosen by the coaches and then submitted to the Boosters for approval. **Currently each award is \$500.00**.
 - <u>One Male and One Female Blue and Gold scholarship</u>. These awards are determined/chosen by the coaches and then submitted to the Boosters for approval. **Currently each award is \$500**.
 - <u>Eight membership scholarships</u>. The student does not need to participate in athletics. These are chosen randomly from the application pool. **Currently each award is \$250.00**.

Annual Scholarship Requirements:

• A parent/guardian must be a member of the West Seneca Sports Booster Club for the current school year. The application must be received/postmarked no later than March 31st of the applicable year. Scholarship applications can be found on the West Seneca West Sports Boosters web page at: http://www.wscschools.org/west-highschool.cfm?subpage=19203

• The application for the scholarship must be received by the established deadline date. The application and deadline date can be obtained from the Student Services Office, or on the web at:

http://www.wscschools.org/west highschool.cfm?subpage=186

The final choice of the recipients of these scholarships is at the discretion of the WSWSB. Each year a chairman will be chosen by the executive board to review the selected applicant and present this choice to the executive board for final approval.

3. Grants.

Mini-Grants

All teams/clubs are eligible for a maximum of \$500 per team/club if the following conditions are met:

- The coach/advisor of each team/club requesting must be a Booster member.
- The coach/advisor must bring the mini-grant application to a Booster Club meeting for review/approval from the board. (See Booster web site for meeting dates)
- All mini-grants must be applied for no later than the May Booster Club Meeting.
- Applications for Mini-Grants can be found on the West Seneca West Sports Boosters web page at:

http://www.wscschools.org/files/19322/mini-grant%20request%20form.doc

• As per the mission of the WSWSB our goal is to "benefit" as many students/athletes as possible with our funding and assistance. Giving assistance to teams rather than individuals is our goal.

Major Grants

Major grants of up to \$1500.00 may be available upon presentation to the executive board at a general monthly meeting.

4. Section VI Champion Award Program

The purpose of the West Seneca West Sports Boosters Section VI Champion Award Program is to recognize exceptional athletic performance.

- An embroidered warm-up jacket will be presented to each West Seneca West Section VI champion athlete.
- Only one jacket per individual per his/her high school career but, if an athlete becomes a multiple champion, the WSWSB will have the jacket embroidered to show the multiple championships. Coaches for the champions should contact the Boosters on the specifics of this award.

ARTICLE VII

Restrictions on Actions

 All the assets and earnings of the Corporation shall be used exclusively for its exempt purposes, including the payment of expenses incidental thereto. No part of any net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any employee of the Corporation or be distributed to its Directors, officers, or any private person, except that the Corporation shall be empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II of these bylaws.
 Notwithstanding any other provision of these bylaws, the Corporation will not carry on any activities not permitted by an organization exempt under Section 501(c)(3), Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law, or organizations whose contributions which are exempt under Section 170(c)(2), Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law. The Corporation shall have no capital stock, pay no dividends, distribute no part of its net income or assets to any Officers and private property of the subscribers, Officers shall not be liable for the debts of the Corporation.

3. No substantial part of the Corporation's activity shall be for the carrying on of a campaign of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation. The Corporation shall not participate in any political campaign, will not engage in political campaigns or attempt to influence legislation or interfere with any political campaign on behalf or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

4. In particular, but not without limitation of the generality of the foregoing paragraph, during such time as the Corporation may be considered a private foundation as defined by Section 509(a), Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law, it shall not:

A. Fail to distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942, Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law.

B. Engage in any act of self dealing as defined in Section 4941(d), Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law.

C. Retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c), Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law.

D. Make any investment on such manner as to subject it to tax under Section 4944, Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law.E. Make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d), Internal Revenue Code, 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future federal law.

ARTICLE VIII

Contracts, Checks, Deposits and Funds

1. Contracts. The Officers of the Corporation may authorize, by general resolution, an agent or agents, in addition to persons authorized by these bylaws to enter into any contract on behalf of the Corporation.

2. Checks, Drafts and Orders of Payment. All checks, drafts, notes, or orders of payment or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall be signed by the Officer or an from time to time designated by general resolution of the Officers of the Corporation.

3. Deposits. All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies, of other depositories as the Officers of the Corporation may designate.

4. Gifts. Any officer or designated agent may accept gifts, contributions, bequests, or devise of any property on behalf of the Corporation.

5. Loans. No officer of the Corporation or agent shall have the authority, on behalf to the Corporation, to enter into a loan or any other contract of indebtedness except by unanimous vote in a specific resolution of officers of the Corporation. The authority designated by this provision shall be limited to a single and specific instance.

ARTICLE IX

Dissolution

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the officers of the Corporation shall, after paying or making provision for payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, including the costs and expenses of such dissolution, dispose of all the assets of the Corporation exclusively for the exempt purposes of the Corporation or distributed to an organization described in Section 501 (c)(3) or 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, 1986 or the corresponding provisions of any future federal law, as shall be selected by the last Officers of the Corporation. None of the assets will be distributed to any officer of the Corporation. Any such assets so disposed of shall be disposed of by, and in the manner designated by, the state court having jurisdiction over the matter.

ARTICLE X

Statement of Nondiscrimination

Notwithstanding any provision of these bylaws, the Corporation shall not discriminate against any director, officer, employee, applicant, or participant on the basis of sex, race, color, ethnicity or national origin.

ARTICLE XI

The Officers of the Corporation shall have the power to amend, alter, make and repeal the bylaws of the Corporation by majority vote.

Adoption of Bylaws

Adopted by the Officers of the Corporation by resolution and vote of all directors on the date below:

06/14/12 [Date] PETER T. Williams

[First Officer Member's Name Here], Signature

[Date]

[Second Officer Member's Name Here], Signature

6/14/12 [Date]

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