

Irish Booster Club (“The Bullpen”) Bylaws

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Article 1 (Name): The name of the organization shall be the **Irish Baseball Booster Club**, called “**The Bullpen.**”

Article 2 (Purpose): The club is a non-profit organization formed for the purpose of promoting interest in RHS baseball and supporting the high school program in grades 9-12. Objectives include, but are not limited to:

- Promoting and publicizing baseball in the RHS community
- Encouraging good sportsmanship and team unity
- Developing pride and a sense of tradition in the program
- Providing support, both financial and otherwise, to all levels of the program
- Supporting the kids and coaches in the program

Article 3 (Finances): Any funds raised by the club will be used only to accomplish the above objectives, and no part of such funds will be used by or distributed to the members of the club. If the club is dissolved for any reason, remaining funds will be distributed in their entirety to the program. All accounting will be done through the method of cash receipts and cash disbursements and the fiscal year will be from January 1st to December 31st of each calendar year. The Treasurer and President are listed as additional signatures on the account.

Article 4 (Membership): Voting membership in this organization will consist of anyone who has paid annual membership dues, is a member in good standing and who demonstrates a desire to advance the objectives of the organization. Dues will be determined annually by the Board of Directors. All members in good standing are encouraged to attend general membership meetings, participate in club activities, vote on recommendations presented by the Board of Directors, and initiate motions to the Board for consideration.

Article 5 (Meetings): Meetings will be held on the second ~~Monday~~ Sunday of each month at RMS unless otherwise directed by the Board of Directors. All members are invited to attend the monthly meetings. Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Board, but shall be open to all members. The membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings.

Article 6 (Board of Directors): The Board of Directors shall include the positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary, as well as Committee Chairpersons designated by the Board and membership. Terms of service are two years, but directors may be reinstated for additional terms of service by vote of the membership. The Executive positions on the board will be staggered every two years. The President and Treasurer will be up for vote starting in 2008 and the Vice President and Secretary will be

up for vote in 2009. Voting will take place at the completion of the Legion/VFW baseball season. The Executive positions will be filled by nomination from the Board of Directors. Any person(s) running for Executive positions must be a Board member in good standing for a minimum period of one year. All nominations will be voted on by the membership. Any vacancy on the Board may be filled by appointment of the President for the unexpired term of the office, with the approval of the Board. The varsity baseball coach will be an advisory non-voting member of the Board, and act as a liaison with the RHS administration, his assistant coaches, the school district, and the club.

Article 7 (Committees): Chairpersons of standing committees will be responsible for coordinating the activities of their committee and reporting to the Board. Committees include, but are not limited to: Varsity Banquet, Display Case, Marketing, Senior Parents Appreciation Game Night, Teacher Appreciation Game Night, Special Events, Trip Coordinator, Fund Raising, and City Liaison, Sponsorships, Legion/VFW Baseball and Finance.

Article 8 (Amendments to Bylaws): These bylaws may be amended by a majority vote of the members present at any club meeting. Proposed changes must be submitted to the Board, and the Board must recommend that such changes be presented to the full membership for approval.

Article 9 (Parent/Guardian Code of Conduct): As a parent/guardian of a child involved in the Rosemount High School Irish Baseball and American Legion/VFW programs, I/we agree to abide by and follow the rules and guidelines listed below:

- I/we will respect the property and equipment used at any sports facility, both home and away.
- I/we will encourage good sportsmanship through my/our actions, by demonstrating positive support for all players, coaches, and officials at every game or practice.
- I/we will promote the emotional and physical well-being of the athletes ahead of any personal desire to win.
- I/we will provide support for coaches and officials working with the athletes to provide a positive experience for all.
- I/we will demand a drug, alcohol, and tobacco free environment for my child, and agree to assist by refraining from their use at all RHS/Legion/VFW events, home or away.
- I/we will remember the game is for the athletes and not for the parents.
- I/we will demand that my/our child treat other players, coaches, officials, and spectators with respect regardless of race, creed, color, sex, or ability.
- I/we will treat all players, coaches, and officials with dignity and respect in language, attitude, behavior, and mannerisms.
- I/we will inform the coach of any physical disability or ailment that may affect the safety of my child or the safety of others.
- I/we will inform the coach, within a reasonable period of time, of any anticipated absence from a game or practice my child might incur due to sickness, injury, vacation, or any other reason.

I/we also agree that if I/we fail to abide by the aforementioned rules and guidelines, I/we may be subject to disciplinary action. This action could include, but is not limited to the following:

- *Verbal Warning*
- *Written Warning*
- *Parental Game Suspension*
- *Parental Season Suspension*
- *Parental Banishment from the Irish Booster Club*

These actions may not be necessarily taken in an escalated manner, and the Irish Booster Club Board of Directors reserves the right to select and apply any penalty depending upon the situation.

I/we agree to support and promote the philosophy of the Irish Booster Club (The Bull Pen):

“Humble and Thankful in Victory, Gracious and Complimentary in Defeat”