

## **VSS Board Standing Rules**

The standing rules for 2025-2026 VSS Board shall be as follows:

- a) The board will establish an annual budget. Any expenditure that exceeds 25% of the budget amount will require board approval.
- b) Player/manager comments will be allowed at the beginning of a board meeting. Comments will be limited to 5 minutes and the subject/topic must be submitted in writing/email to the commissioner or a board member 48 hours prior to the meeting. The board will listen to player/manager comments at the start of the meeting but not comment/interact. If a board member wants to add whatever the comment was for board discussion, they can make a motion to add the item to new business, and if the motion carries, the board can talk about the item at new business. Once player/manager comments are complete, the meeting will be closed to non-board members unless players/managers/guests have been invited to the meeting at the request of the board for business such as for the draft or for other league business.
- c) Whenever possible, the board should follow our current rules and not pass any rule changes that are not safety related once the season starts.
- d) The board should involve the rules committee in any rules changes as per the bylaws. If the board wants to change a rule, they should send it to the rules committee. The rules committee recommends, and the board then accepts, rejects, or sends it back to rules committee for further analysis/revision. (Note - The board is limited to accepting, rejecting, or sending back, not modifying what the rules committee sent).
- e) The board should not vote on any new business items not on the published agenda (i.e. that were added during the meeting) at the first meeting. Any votes should come at a subsequent meeting. (This gives us a chance to think about the item and publish an agenda with the item as a topic)