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ARTICLE I. MEMBERSHIP

Section A. NHLBC Member Clubs

- 1. A Booster or Fan Club of an existing National Hockey League Franchise shall be entitled to admission to the N.H.L. Booster Clubs, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as NHLBC) as a Member Club, if it is recognized by the NHLBC as an Official Club.
- 2. Upon their acceptance into the NHLBC, the Clubs shall be known as NHLBC Member Clubs.
- 3. The Credentials Committee shall be the sole arbiter of disputes concerning qualifications for membership as a representative of an NHL Franchise.
 - a. In the event that two or more Clubs representing the same NHL Franchise apply for membership in the NHLBC, those Clubs shall be entitled to admission to the NHLBC as NHLBC Member Clubs.
 - b. Together, all Clubs representing the same NHL Franchise, shall be considered one (1) NHLBC Member Club and share the voting privileges of one (1) NHLBC Member Club.
- 4. A Club representing an NHL Franchise which has been disbanded, moved, or merged into another Franchise shall be entitled to continue as an NHLBC Member Club provided that:
 - a. The Club was an NHLBC Member Club in good standing before the NHL Franchise was disbanded, moved, or merged.
 - b. The Club maintains its identification with the former NHL Franchise.
 - c. The Club maintains a membership of at least ten (10) persons.

Section B. Guidelines for Membership

- 1. Guidelines for an NHL Booster or Fan Club applying for membership into the NHLBC are:
 - a. Submit a letter for intent to the President of the NHLBC no later than the First (1) day of April.
 - b. Within seven (7) days of its receipt, the President of the NHLBC will send a copy of the letter to all NHLBC Member Clubs.
- 2. Members of the applying Club may attend the annual NHLBC Convention.
- 3. Two representatives of the applying Club may attend the Delegates' Meeting as observers with <u>NO</u> voting privileges.

Section C. Conditions of Membership

NHLBC Member Clubs must comply with the Constitution and By-Laws of the NHLBC to be considered NHLBC Member Clubs in good standing.