

The Constitution of The Saturated Unicorn

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Chapter 1

Power of Authority

1.1 The Commissioner

1.1.1 The Saturated Unicorn (TSU) will have one league commissioner who, once appointed, will remain in office until: 1. Death 2. Retirement 3. Impeachment or 4. Imprisonment.

1.1.1.1 If a vacant office does occur, a new commissioner will be appointed by popular vote of the league.

1.1.1.1.1 Candidates for commissioner must be an active member of the Senior Council.

1.1.1.2 Imprisonment is applicable here when the sentence being served, or to be served, exceeds the length of a single season of TSU.

1.1.1.2.1 In the case in which the current commissioner is incarcerated, but it does not exceed the length of a single season, the LOC will take over all commissioner duties until our lil homie is on the streets again *#FreeCommish*

1.1.1.3 Impeachment can only be determined by a unanimous vote of the league.

1.1.1.3.1 Sleeping with franchise owner(s) is not grounds for impeachment – unless collusion is proven.

1.1.2 Current TSU Commissioner - Noah Newport

1.1.3 Any issue, dispute, or grievance not explicitly stated herein to be voted on by the Senior Council will solely lie within the jurisdiction of the Commissioner. All decisions made by the commissioner are final.

1.1.4 Any dispute or decision directly involving the commissioner will be dealt with by a majority vote of the Senior Council.

1.1.5 Any non-unanimous vote of the Senior Council must be approved by the Commissioner.

1.1.6 The commissioner holds an unquestioned power to overrule or rule on any decision or issue he/she deems necessary for intervention or final decision.

1.1.6.1 This is a power that the Commissioner shall only use in the most extreme of circumstances. Such circumstances cannot yet be forecasted or expected but even the “Land of the Free” has Martial Law.

1.1.7 Any issue between the commissioner and Lord of the Council needing approval or ruling will be handled via the following process

1.1.7.1 If the approval or ruling would, under normal circumstances, fall within the jurisdiction of the Commissioner then the Lord of The Council will act as commissioner and make a final decision on the matter.

1.1.7.2 If the approval or ruling would, under normal circumstances, fall within the jurisdiction of the Senior Council, the alternate Senior Council member will be asked to act as the third voting member of the Senior Council for the issue at hand.

1.1.7.3 The presiding Senior Council member must not be involved in the matter at hand.

1.2 The Senior Council

1.2.1 The Senior Council will consist of three senior members of the league, excluding the commissioner and will be led by the Lord of the Council (LOC).

1.2.1.1 The current Senior Council

1.2.1.1.1 Jesse Piburn (LOC)

1.2.1.1.2 Brack Brown

1.2.1.1.3 Miles Collins

1.2.1.1.4 Jordan Rudolph

1.2.2 The alternate Senior Council member shall not have any special powers under normal league conditions. The alternate is to only be used when the commissioner and/or a Senior Council member(s) are involved in an issue that requires a deciding vote of the Senior Council or a member of the Senior Council cannot adequately fulfill their role for a period of time.

1.2.2.1 The commissioner shall notify the Senior Council, as well as the Alternate Senior Council member, when the Alternate has been activated.

1.2.2.1.1 The commissioner will be responsible for explaining the circumstances that have led to the Alternate being activated.

1.2.3 Senior Council membership is a lifetime appointment (lifetime of active participation in the league). The same parameters for vacating office, outlined for the Commissioner in Article I Section 1, will apply to Senior Council members.

1.2.4 If a vacancy occurs in the Senior Council the remaining Senior Council members and the Commissioner will take a vote to nominate a new member.

1.2.4.1 The alternate will not automatically become the new full-time member of the Senior Council.

1.2.5 All disputes, alterations, malfunctions, or questions stated to be within the jurisdiction of the Senior Council herein this document will be voted on and approved with by a majority vote of the Senior Council.

1.2.6 Any time “proven” is stated within this document, this can be understood as meaning solid proof was supplied to and reviewed by the entire Senior Council and a majority vote ruled in favor of the issue supported, by said evidence.

1.2.7 If a conflict of interest exists for a member or members of The Senior Council on a issue necessary for a Senior Council vote or ruling, the following procedure will be followed to replace the member(s) until the issue is resolved

1.2.7.1 Once a conflict of interest is noticed, the involved member of the Senior Council will refrain from participating in all discussions and vote(s) related to the issue at hand.

1.2.7.2 Their position will be temporarily filled by the Alternate Senior Council member.

1.2.7.2.1 If the Alternate Senior Council Member was deemed to also have a conflict of interest then the most senior member remaining would fill in.

1.2.7.2.2 Members with the same amount of seniority will be placed in alphabetical order of their last names and a rotation will start with those members (the name appearing first

Table 1.1: Member Seniority excluding the Commissioner and current Senior Council members

| name | seasons |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Jillian Newport | 8 |
| Eric White | 7 |
| Christian de Caestecker | 5 |
| Chappy | 5 |
| Jon Hawker | 4 |
| Mathew Stinnett | 4 |
| Britt Elmore | 2 |

alphabetically will be first) and will restart once the name appearing last alphabetically serves.

1.2.7.2.3 A member will be skipped in their rotation if they also have a conflict of interest with the issue being resolved by The Senior Council.

1.2.7.2.4 Members who have not gained TSU tenure will not be allowed to participate as a temporary voting member of The Senior Council.

1.2.7.2.5 List of seniority (excluding The Commissioner and current Senior Council members):

1.3 Lord of the Council

1.3.1 The Lord of the Council shall not have any special powers or privileges under normal conditions but shall

1.3.1.1 Act as Commissioner if the appointed commissioner is unable to adequately fulfill his or her obligations for any duration of time.

1.3.1.2 Will remain as acting commissioner until the appointed commissioner returns or until the season, including playoffs, has concluded.

1.3.1.3 Make roster changes when notified by another franchise owner.

1.3.1.3.1 May only do so if the Commissioner is not available for immediate contact and must notify another franchise owner before making alterations to team roster.

1.3.2 Issues that are determined to be a conflict of interest for the Commissioner will be handled by the Lord of the Council with equal powers to that of the Commissioner.

Chapter 2

Owners Code of Conduct

2.1 Conduct

2.1.1 Franchise owners must act with the best interest of their team in mind at ALL times!

2.1.1.1 The exact punishment will be determined and handed by a joint decision made by the Commissioner and the Senior Council.

2.1.2 Collusion will NOT be tolerated

2.1.2.1 Collusion does not include unofficial league discussions between team owners

2.1.2.2 Collusion shall apply to issues where any number of teams work together, in an illegal fashion, to harm the interest of another team(s)

2.1.2.2.1 Standard trade vetoes are exempt from this rule

2.1.2.2.1.1 Unless gifts or any type of offering to persuade a vote is offered

2.1.2.2.2 Illegal may include such things as: blackmail, bribery, threat to do harm to owner(s) or their loved ones, or possessions, etc.

2.1.2.3 Any team owner may call for an official review of any event that they feel to fall within the above stated definition of collusion.

2.1.2.3.1 The owner who calls for the review does not have to be an involved party

2.1.2.3.2 If a review is requested, the Senior Council will be called upon to do three things

2.1.2.3.2.1 Listen to the case of ALL involved parties

2.1.2.3.2.2 Take a vote (majority rules) on whether collusion occurred as it is stated in the above definitions.

2.1.2.3.2.3 If collusion is proven, it will be then become the task of the Senior Council, along with the Commissioner, to decide on and impose a proper punishment on all convicted parties.

2.1.3 Cheating of all types will not be tolerated

2.1.3.1 If a team or teams is caught and proven to be cheating, via any method that provides an unfair advantage or disadvantage for any team, they will face punishment from the Senior Council and/or Commissioner.

2.1.4 At minimum, owners who “quit” on their team at any point during the season (including the playoffs) will face a mandatory 1 year ban (minimum) from the league.

2.1.4.1 A two-thirds vote of the league is required to reinstate a banned member.

2.1.4.2 An official ruling to determine if an owner has “quit” on their team will be made by a majority vote of the Senior Council.

2.1.4.2.1 If a ruling is made during the season (including playoffs) a replacement owner may be voted in and allowed to take full control of the abandoned team.

Chapter 3

Membership & Payout

3.1 Teams & Platform

3.1.1 TSU consists of 12 teams, no more no less

3.1.1.1 Changes in the number of teams can only be made in the off season and the change must be voted on and approved via a 2/3 vote of all eligible league members.

3.1.2 A fan of Alabama, Florida, or Ohio State shall never be permitted entry into TSU.

3.1.3 TSU will forever be an ESPN league unless a majority league vote decides to move to another host.

3.2 Dues & Entry Fees

3.2.1 The cost of entry for the 2019 season will be \$140

3.2.1.1 Week 17 has no impact on the championship as it is played in weeks 15 & 16

3.2.2 All monies must be paid before the draft order is set

3.2.2.1 All entries must be paid by August 23,2019

3.2.2.2 If monies are not received by this date you will not be in the league.

3.2.2.3 All entries shall be sent to saturatedunicornffl@gmail.com via Google Pay

3.2.3 All monies will be paid to the commissioner and he/she will be responsible for holding the money until the conclusion of the season.

3.2.4 In season, all monies shall be kept in the official TSU bank account

3.2.5 Weekly payouts will be made at the conclusion of the season.

3.2.5.1 NO advances on monies won during the season will be granted.

3.3 Payout

3.3.1 The total prize money for the 2019 season will be \$1680 and will be

Table 3.1: League Payouts

| payout | amount | note |
|---------------------------------|--------|--|
| 1st Place | 650 | |
| 2nd Place | 300 | |
| 3rd Place | 140 | |
| 4th Place | 50 | |
| 1 v 2 Week 13 Showdown Winner | 50 | |
| Weekly High Score | 20 | per week, regular season only |
| Most Cumulative Points | 60 | regular season only |
| Most Cumulative Points Against | 25 | regular season only |
| Highest Single Week Point Total | 25 | all season, including playoffs and week 17 |
| Week 17 High Score | 140 | |

Chapter 4

Team Roster & Lineup

4.1 Roster & Lineup

4.1.1 Each team consists of 15 roster spots and will submit a valid lineup each week of the regular and postseason that consists of 9 starting players.

4.1.1.1 A valid starting lineup consists of the following

4.1.1.2 The only exception to this rule is benching a player to ensure a win for your team.

4.1.1.2.1 For example your opponent's team is done and you are winning by 1 point with only your kicker left to play. It is acceptable to bench your kicker to guarantee a win.

Table 4.1: A Valid Starting Lineup

| position | starting_spots |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| QB | 1 |
| RB | 2 |
| WR | 2 |
| TE | 1 |
| Flex (RB/WR/TE) | 1 |
| Defense/Special Teams | 1 |
| Kicker | 1 |

4.1.2 There will not be a limit to the number of players at each position a team can have on their roster.

4.1.3 Limitations will not be placed on the “drop player” status for any players.

4.2 Injured Reserve Slot

4.2.1 Each team will have 1 IR slot separate from their roster that may only be filled by a player designated by the host platform to be IR eligible.

4.2.1.1 This will not count against a teams 15-man roster

4.3 Submitting Weekly Roster

4.3.1 Individual players on a team roster will be locked in at the start of each player’s game.

4.3.2 If an owner wishes to make a lineup change and is physically unable to do so they may contact the commissioner to make the changes for them.

4.3.2.1 All calls to the commissioner must be made prior to lineup locks and cannot be undone once submitted by the commissioner.

4.3.2.1.1 If the commissioner is unavailable during this time the LOC will make the changes.

4.3.2.1.2 Both the Commissioner and LOC must notify the league of the adjustment(s), via the official TSU group message, prior to final submittal.

4.3.2.1.2.1 Text message is an acceptable form of communication and the recipient does not need to respond.

4.3.2.2 The commissioner or LOC are not responsible for guaranteeing changes.

Chapter 5

The Draft

5.1 Draft Day & Location

5.1.1 The 2019 draft will be held on Saturday, August 1st

5.1.2 The location of the 2019 draft is at a house on Chickamauga Lake in Decatur, TN

5.1.2.1 Jordan “I Do” Rudolph is the 2019 draft host.

5.1.3 The commissioner will be responsible for purchasing and providing the official draft board and stickers for each season’s draft.

5.1.4 Each team owner is responsible for paying 1/12 of each years draft cost, even if they are not able to attend the draft. By paying 1/12 each league owner is eligible to bring a +1 do the draft without extra cost.

5.1.4.1 The only exception to this will be the “special occasion drafts” where the league plans to book trips that are on an individual booking basis. Example - The 10 year all-inclusive draft.

5.1.4.2 League members who are not able to attend a draft (highly discouraged) will not be responsible for peripheral draft costs such as: boat rental, special excursions, lube, male strippers, hospital bills, etc.

5.2 The Draft & Draft Order

5.2.1 The Saturated Unicorn Draft will be a full auction format starting in 2019. Each team will auction 15 players to fill their roster

5.2.1.1 The nomination order will NOT be a snake format. Meaning that the nomination order will reset after the 12th nomination is made.

5.2.1.2 Ex. - The first player to nominate a player will also nominate the 13th player

5.2.2 The nomination order will be determined by team owners randomly selecting cards from a standard deck of playing cards.

5.2.2.1 The cards will be 2-Ace (Ace being high) from a single suit of a standard deck of playing cards. (One card will remain after selections are made.)

Basically, you need to have at least \$1 left for every empty roster spot.

5.3.1.1.1 For example, assuming an auction budget of \$200, a minimum bid of \$1, and 15 total roster spots, the most Chappy could ever pay for a player is \$186. This would leave enough for 14 \$1 bids.

5.3.2 All teams must auction 12 players during the auction portion of the draft.

5.3.2.1 When a player is nominated for auction, the person who nominated the player automatically places a \$1 bid on the player.

5.3.2.2 When a player is nominated the nominating person can set the minimum bid at any amount they wish - as long as that amount is within their remaining budget and does not exceed their maximum potential bid.

5.3.2.3 Once a an owner has auction drafted 15 players they will not be allowed to nominate players for auction. Their turn will go to the next person in order who has not filled out a complete roster of 15 players.

5.4 Overbidding

5.4.1 If a team owner places a bid that exceeds their maximum remaining budget they will be fined \$1 FAAB for the first offense and \$10 FAAB for every instance thereafter. This fine is levied on the owners in-season FAAB Budget, not against the auction budget.

5.4.1.1 This applies to winning a player as well as overbidding ones budget during the active auction of a player. i.e. - If you have \$50 remaining in your available budget and bidding for DeAndre Hopkins is at \$51 you can't place a bid. If you do, bidding will pause, your regular season FAAB fine will be recorded, and bidding will restart at the last legal bid prior to the first illegal bid - if that bid is known. If the last legal bid is not known or if the illegal bid is not initially noticed but is later noticed during active bidding of the same player, the auction will pause, the FAAB penalty will be recorded and bidding will restart for that particular player at \$1

5.4.2 If an owner overbids on a player that they nominated and bidding completely restarts the player will be re-nominated at \$0 and the nominating owner shall then not be allowed bid on this player during that re-bidding round. If none of the eligible owners place a bid on that player, the player in question returns to the undrafted pool and remains auction eligible by all owners, including the owner that committed the overbidding infraction, to be nominated by the standard nomination process outline above.

5.5 Draft Day Requirements

5.5.1 Each team is required to draft a complete roster during the draft.

5.5.1.1 During the course of the draft each team must draft enough players to fill out a complete starting lineup

5.5.1.2 The remaining bench players can be of any position combination

5.5.2 Failure to abide by these requirements of the draft will result in a \$10 FAAB penalty for each position that is not drafted.

5.5.2.1 Ex. - If Jesse fails to draft a kicker, he will be penalized \$10 FAAB before the start of week 1 of the 2019 season. If he fails to draft a kicker and a quarterback he will be penalized \$20 FAAB for the 2019 season, the maximum fine would be \$80 FAAB

5.5.3 Failing to be present at the mandatory TSU draft

5.5.3.2 If full payment is not received

5.5.3.2.1 You will forfeit your position in the league and a replacement owner will take your spot.

Chapter 6

Scoring

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6.1 Scoring Format

6.2 Scoring Categories

6.3 Point Values

Chapter 7

Ties

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7.1 Weekly

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Offseason Changes

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11.4 New Membership Requirements & Expectations

11.5 Inactive Status & Priority Reentry

Appendix A

The Champions

2019 - ???

2018 - Chappy

2017 - Miles Collins

2016 - Noah Newport

2015 - Jesse Piburn

2014 - Jesse Piburn

2013 - Miles Collins

2012 - Noah Newport

Appendix B

Amendments

We have finished a nice book.