



**Pegasus Slowpitch Softball Association
League Meeting Agenda
December 13, 2025 (10 AM)
In Person - Round Up Saloon
Meeting Deck & Budget**

Call to order at 10:04 am

Quorum achieved. All Board members were in attendance except for the Tournament Director. Several PSSA members were also present.

Agenda

Commissioner Dan Kissner did a quick review of the agenda.

Spring Rules/Rating Changes

Referring to the meeting deck projected,

1. 2026 Spring Rules

- a. Dan shared that the Board reviewed the rules and looked for opportunities to clean-up, streamline, and condense into a new version across five topics to help with ease of navigation and consistency. These five topics are: General, Regular Season, EOS Tournament, iPride GSWS, and Ratings Procedures. He shared that the number of pages has been reduced significantly and 10 changes from last year's rules.
 - i. Roster Composition - You must have a minimum of 13 playing players and a maximum of 18 playing players.
 - ii. Legends Division - If more than two (2) Legends-eligible teams register within either the C or D divisions, a separate Legends division will be created for scheduling purposes. If two (2) or fewer Legends teams register in a division, those teams will remain in the open C or D division schedule for the regular season and EOS.
 1. There was a discussion about the options available for Legends teams that win open divisions. Dan clarified that those Legends teams would have the option to select the open bid instead of the Legends bid. Member Holdhusen suggested that Legends teams should decide at the beginning of the season if they want to be eligible for the open bid. Dan said that option would be discussed.
 - iii. Bye Weeks - Total byes per week limited to 2 teams per division (C, D, and E).
 - iv. EOS Awards - EOS awards shall be issued based on the number of teams registered within each division, or at the discretion of the Board:
 - Divisions with fewer than four (4) teams: Award: 1st Place
 - Divisions with four (4) to five (5) teams: Awards: 1st Place and 2nd Place
 - Divisions with six (6) or more teams: Awards: 1st Place, 2nd Place, and 3rd Place
 - v. iPride GSWS Eligibility - For A & B teams, PSSA will permit iPride Cup (formerly NAGAAA Cup) games to count towards the 10-game requirement or the 50% player participation requirement for GSWS participation, subject to verification of the final player registration list and/or lineup cards provided to iPride.
 - vi. EOS Protest Fee - The protest must be submitted via a completed paper or electronic form, and a CASH protest fee must be posted simultaneously. The fee is \$50 per question during the EOS Tournament.
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 - viii. iPride GSWS Berths - Berth allotment adjusted to 2 per division for all divisions other than A/B (excluding no-repeat rule berths). The division with most teams will receive a discretionary bid, or determined by the Board.
 1. There was a brief discussion including examples of when the Board may need to determine assignment and when that would occur.

- ix. iPride GSWS Representation: “No Repeat” Rule Teams - Multiple Eligible Teams: At the start of the season, if two or more teams meet the threshold (at least four (4) players from the GSWS roster), the extra berth will go to the team with the greater number of players from that roster. If teams have the same number, the team whose coach was on the previous GSWS roster will be awarded the berth. If neither of these conditions apply, the extra berth will be awarded at the discretion of the Board, by 1st board meeting after the start of season.
 - 1. Concern was expressed by Member Debose, providing a scenario that was not considered by the Board during its discussion of this rule change. Dan committed to re-opening Board discussions on this rule to include the scenario presented.
 - x. Ratings Council Voting Protocol: Passage of Change - Non-votes (abstentions) are excluded from the vote counting formula. However, if abstentions constitute the majority of the total voting members, the motion or proposal is considered failed due to lack of decisive participation. (i.e - if 3 votes “Yes”, 1 vote “No, and 3 votes “Abstain” - motion would pass; or 1 “Yes”, 2 “No” and 4 “Abstain” - motion would fail)
 - 1. Member Fiorello asked what direction will be provided to the Ratings Council regarding use of “Abstain”. Ratings Chair Matt Mallen said the iPride Ratings Guidelines would be provided. There was also a discussion about providing any video evidence to the Ratings Council prior to the meeting for their review. Matt said he would be providing a summary but will consider providing video evidence prior to the meeting.
2. iPride Ratings Changes
- a. Matt shared that there is one threshold adjustment and four definition adjustments made by iPride at the Summer Meeting.
 - i. Threshold Adjustment
 - 1. Q21 – 26 Throwing Questions: Thresholds will change from 60% to 40%.
 - ii. Definition Adjustments
 - 1. Q5: Changed from “hits a fly ball 300’ or more” → “hits a ball in the air 300’ or more”. This is intended to remove any possible confusion about a fly ball that lands on the ground before reaching 300 feet, but bounces/rolls beyond 300 feet.
 - 2. “Fly Ball”: Changed from “in the air for 3 to 5 seconds” → “in the air for more than 3 seconds”. The limit of 5 seconds was wording from a previous version of the ratings system that included a definition of a “High Fly Ball” that was in the air for more than 5 seconds.
 - 3. “Ground Ball”: Changed from “Ball hit with a downward trajectory that makes contact with the ground in front of the player when hit directly at a player or in front of the bases when hit between players” → “A ball hit with downward trajectory that hits the ground before a player touches it”. The committee felt that the existing definition is confusing and that the new definition is simpler and clearer.
 - 4. “Hit”: Removed “or 4) when a fielder unsuccessfully attempts to retire a previous runner and in the scorer’s judgement, the batter-runner would not have been retired at first base by perfect fielding” and add “or” before #3 in that section. Removed “and in the scorer’s judgement, the batter-runner could have been retired at. In general, the rating system should try to remove the opinion of scorekeepers, so this is mainly to avoid any confusion in how to interpret the ratings questions related to hitting.first base,”.

2026 Calendar

Referring to the meeting deck projected, Secretary Shannon Brown provided the Spring 2026 Calendar.

- 1. Pre-Season Dates
 - a. 12/14 - Field Day #1 (Cancelled during the meeting due to cold weather restrictions.)
 - b. 1/1 - Player registration opens
 - c. 1/10 - Recruitment Mixer #2
 - d. 1/11 - Field Day #2
 - e. 1/24 - Recruitment Mixer #3
 - f. 1/25 - Field Day #3
 - g. 1/31 to 2/1 - iPride Winter Meetings
 - h. 2/7 - Spring League Meeting
 - i. 2/7 - Rosters due
 - j. TBD: New Coaches/Player Orientation and Umpire Training Clinic
- 2. Tournament Dates
 - a. 1/5 & 1/6 - Las Vegas
 - b. 2/14 & 2/15 - Tampa
 - c. 3/14 & 3/15 - Houston
 - d. 4/4 & 4/5 - Dallas
 - e. 4/11 & 4/12 - Phoenix

- f. 5/24 & 5/25 - iPride Cup/Austin
- 3. Regular Season Dates of Play
 - a. Games scheduled by week, not by set day on calendar.
 - b. Weeks will be played in order on the first day available to play
 - c. 9 weeks scheduled over 12 Sundays reserved for league play
 - d. League Off Weeks: 3/15 (TBRU/Lonestar Classic), 4/5 (Easter Classic), 5/24 (Mem Day/iPride Cup/Hoedown Classic)
 - e. Opening Day - 3/1
 - f. Final Day - 6/7 (dependent on rainouts)
 - g. Additional dates of play shared.
 - h. Bye Weeks - Byes are permitted for out of town tournaments only. Registration documentation showing payment required prior to schedule adjustment. Limit to one bye per team during the season. Total byes per week limited to 2 teams per division (C, D, and E). Requests must be submitted by 2/7 at the Spring League Meeting. If we have more requests than available slots in a division, we will randomly draw from one of those requesting a bye.
 - i. There was a discussion around providing proof of payment concerns. Assistant Commissioner Jesse Martinez informed the group to contact him with any concerns and he would work to resolve those.
- 4. EOS Dates of Play
 - a. League Off Weeks: 3/15 (TBRU/Lonestar Classic), 4/5 (Easter Classic), 5/24 (Mem Day/iPride Cup/Hoedown Classic)
 - i. There was a brief discussion on the Board's selection of these dates as "off weeks".
 - b. Two additional weekends were held for EOS.
 - c. EOS: 6/6 & 6/7
 - i. Alt EOS 1 - 6/20 & 6/21
 - ii. Alt EOS 2 - 6/27 & 6/28
- 5. Regular Season League Event Dates
 - a. 2/21 - Uniform Night
 - b. 3/22 - Pegasus Games
 - c. 4/19 - Variety Show
- 6. Regular Season Miscellaneous Event Dates
 - a. Commissioner's Reception & Spring Awards - 7/18 & 7/19
 - b. iPride GSWS (Columbus) - 8/30 to 9/5
 - c. Player Skill Development Clinics - TBD
 - i. Dan announced that these were being brought back and would be focused on improving various skills, with guidance from more experienced players and coaches. There was a request to include pitching for those players who want to develop that skill.
- 7. Deadline Dates
 - a. 12/31 - Spring Team Registration Closes
 - b. 2/7 - Spring Team Rosters Due
 - c. 2/22 - Spring Schedule Released
 - d. 3/1 - Board Nominations Open
 - e. Week 2 of Play - Rosters Frozen
 - f. Week 3 of Play - Running Ratings Questions Removal
 - g. Week 6 of Play - Player Roster Removal
 - h. 4/20 - Ratings Review Submissions Due
 - i. 4/25 - Ratings Council Meetings (All Divisions)
 - j. 4 Weeks Prior to Election - Board Nominations Close

2026 Budget

Referring to the budget document projected, Treasurer Shiloh Shannon reviewed the highlights of the 2026 Budget.

1. Highlights
 - a. Increase of \$5 per player for insurance this year. This has been absorbed into the budget so that player season fees will not increase this season.
 - b. Increase from \$500 for \$600 GSWS Team Fees has been included.
 - c. Half of the \$10 event entrance fee will be donated to charity, which was the intent when increased by past Boards but never implemented. This means that monies allocated to GSWS Teams will be a little less.
 - d. Easter Classic budget specifics reviewed, with a question about the allocation of the monies raised. Shiloh confirmed that those funds had not been allocated to a specific line item and it was suggested that those monies be donated to charity.

Motion to approve the 2026 Budget made by Shiloh. Second by Member Holdhusen. No additional discussion. No objections. **Motion is passed.**

iPride Draft Series

Referencing the meeting deck projected, Matt provided information on the new iPride Draft Series which is planned for 2/27 - 3/1 in San Diego. The event includes softball, pickleball, and golf.

Director Reports

1. Communications - JC Harsh informed teams that he would be posting a cancellation for the Field Day, scheduled the following day, due to weather. He also informed coaches to send him information about any opening practices and with sufficient notice.
2. Athletics - No Report.
3. Events - Client Schwalen gave a brief update on the Fall Ball Awards/Winter Mix event and handed out medals to teams who were not in attendance at that event.
4. Ratings - No Report
5. Recruitment - Randy Perneszi provided an update that the Field Day scheduled for the next day has been cancelled due to weather.
6. Partnerships - No Report
7. Tournament - Jesse Martinez provided a report for Jonathan DeJarnett on plans underway regarding the Easter Classic Tournament scheduled for April 4th and 5th.
8. Treasurer - No Report.
9. Secretary - Shannon Brown highlighted that this year, 13 PSSA Teams participated in the "Aopt-A-Family" at Children's Medical in Dallas. He thanked the following teams for their participation and their generosity: Blaze, Homies D, Homies E, Kikis, Mad Batters, Poundcakes, Pride D, Pride E, Sliding into DMs, Stampede, Texas Team, Titans D, Titans Legends. He informed the group that there will be bigger focus on community outreach and asked for support from all players and coaches.
10. Assistant Commissioner - No Report.
11. Commissioner - No Report.

Committee Updates

Referring to the meeting deck projected, Dan introduced the Committee Chairs.

1. Elections - Ben Johnson
2. Ethics - Zach Noblitt
3. Audit - David Smith
4. UIC - Lynnette Strange
5. Scorekeeping - Jess Lowe
 - a. Jess asked the group to have anyone interested in scorekeeping to please contact her.
6. Athletics - Chae Studebaker
7. Recruitment/Pride - Gabriel Vasquez
8. Tournament - Phillip Williams
9. Community Outreach - Brandon Brown
10. DEI - WC McClendon
11. Archives - Open
12. WINGS - Charles Urich
 - a. Shannon, a member of the WINGS Committee, reminded the group about the purpose of the WINGS Fund and encouraged them to remind their fellow players. He stated the Committee would work with JC to communicate more about it in 2026.

Open Forum for Membership

No additional topics were raised by the membership in attendance.

Motion to adjourn at 11:04 am by Dan. Second by Shiloh . No discussion and no objection.

In accordance with section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, the Board may convene into Executive Session for the purpose of discussion of any agenda item listed herein that deals with personnel matters or that may have legal consideration or might require legal counsel and/or advice.