



Association Board Meeting

DATE: Sunday, July 27, 2025

TIME: 7:00pm – 9:00pm

LOCATION: Cy's

ATTENDEES:

x	Greg Riggs	X	Jodi Lewis	X	Erika Spande		Tricia Thrasher
X	Jenna Cruz	x	Jeff Spande		Melissa Coddington		Traci Feit
X	Jeff Pierce	X	Sean Bogolin	x	Jayson Bisbee		
x	Jessica Beekmann	X	Bob Brophy	X	Curtis Pavlicek		
X	Shannon Storie		Tony Lane	X	Kari Moore		
X	Rhiannon Pankake	X	Michael Bösl		Mandy Randall		
	Julie Bresser			x	Sam Koktan		

Agenda Item	Notes
Call Meeting to order	Greg called meeting to order at 704
Approval of Minutes	Sent out via google chat on 6.18, Jodi motions, Kari seconds, vote passes 13-0
Discussion Items	<p>Welcome to Traci. She is here to understand more about the board and is interested in the youth program potentially.</p> <p>Travel Tryout plans - any help needed? No need at this time however need to reconcile the reg as there are more volunteer sign ups then players. Greg described the new process for volunteers to do so without checks. Discussion about try out presence and birthdate requirements. Slide deck was sent out and updated based on feedback from coaches and the community.</p> <p>Annual meeting feedback on structure. Jodi and Jes to discuss how to get constructive feedback and prepare everyone for a fruitful discussion.</p> <p>Board positions open: community, youth, grounds associate</p> <p>Jessica motions to make Bob B youth director. Sean seconds. motion passes 12-0 vote</p> <p>Classic, what went well, what didn't. Pioneer future use. 12u structure. Rain did not work well.</p> <p>No more Pioneer for Chaska Classic due to experience and lack of ability to address the issue with the city to get it fixed. Jenna to reach out to Victoria to understand if this is an opportunity. Will have headquarters next year and then have pop of contact at each field.</p>

	Scoreboard (Community & Sunset) Update – potential fundraising idea for next year to have the app option which is each scoreboard ROUGHLY 1,000\$/each. Suggestion to do an equipment drop off during try outs.
Presidents Report	Season Wrap Up Travel Tryouts for 9U-12U mid-August Open Board Positions
Treasurer's Report	Most significant activity in June was \$8k umpires; \$10k Classic umpires, and \$5k Classic registration fees returned back to 9U teams. Cash balance as of 7.26.2025: \$88,884.01 I have been working with our tax accountant to get them information they need to complete our 2024 990 tax return.
Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● End of Season Survey results are in! Click HERE for highlights ● Air Quality stance for 2026 season ● REMINDER to send newsletter items by Sunday, August 3rd ● Please send ideas for Facebook posts ● Travel PDF has been updated on the website ● ● Annual meeting reminder
Travel Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Have aligned on the Travel tryout and team creation changes for 2026 and updated the slide deck accordingly ● Sent out end of season feedback forms for Travel ● Player evaluation forms have been sent to Travel coaching staff (collected in TeamGenius). Closes July 31st ● 2026 9-12U Travel Registration is open – currently 94 players registered (25' had 144 total). Closes August 14th. ● 2026 9-12U Travel Tryouts set for August 16th and 17th <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Missing tryouts and registration birthdate/age level continue to be challenges ● 2026 13/14U Travel Registration opens in January '26, and Tryouts in February '26. ● Lessons learned with 14U games at Athletic Park. Will need to reevaluate. ● Evaluating the appetite for CBA driven development and financials
Equipment	
Grounds	<p>I will not be at the meeting – will be in Pigeon Forge for 12AA trip.</p> <p>My Chaska Classic thoughts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommend no games at Pioneer due to very poor quality fields and very very poor drainage if it rains. Not sure what other options we have but Pioneer is a disaster. - Each site should have 1 pallet of chalk and at least 1 pallet of quick dry for the tourney. - Need more tools/equipment at each site if it rains (rollers, water pumps). - For chalking fields recommend using 2" width for batters box and 4" width for foul lines (don't have to re-chalk the entire foul lines in between every game if still in good shape) - Recommend each site have their own key for the storage units. - Would it be possible to have the first games on Saturday start at 830 or 9am to give grounds crews more time to prepare the fields in the morning? <p>Other Grounds thoughts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -If can't fill the grounds associate role recommend having DIBS available to assist with some of the grounds duties: 1) checking and stocking supplies at each field 2) checking conditions of batting cage nets and Z-screen nets and repairing with zip-ties 3) dispersing mounds and supplies to each complex prior to season and prior to Chaska Classic <p>ASK to consider the company who helped us with diamond dry for the classic tournament for some our needs going forward.</p>
Fundraising	<p>Touch a Truck (8/14) – interest in attending?? Who can be there – it would be nice to have a board presence to meet families.</p> <p>Golf Registration is open – help us spread the word! Sign up!!</p>

	<p>Know of any businesses that want to be hole sponsors or would have items for our silent auction (sports games/gift baskets/anything) please help us get what you can!</p> <p>Do we want to offer a DIBS payout option for the silent auction - one for youth league and one for travel?? Yes to trying this and then reevaluating</p>
Youth	<p>Will need survey results before any significant review of season can be done</p> <p>Must look to merge Carver program with Chaska; multiple communications issues, too much work to have a 'separate channel' to Carver program. Carver also struggled mightily with participation for their teams, especially the 7/8U program.</p> <p>Almost ½ of regular season 7/8U rained out, but this can be partially attributed to Pioneer fields and their water retention and the inability to move games to other fields</p> <p>7/8U tournament was success; haven't received any feedback on 9/10 (but still need to see survey results to know more)</p>
Community	<p>Season is complete - continuous requests from coaches are more practices and planned/scheduled out more in advance</p> <p>New process of community league coordinator was fairly smooth, some communication issues but overall should be a little smoother next year/season</p> <p>**End of season tournament checks will need to be sent to EP and Edina</p>
Umpire	<p>Season is over. Feedback on umpires.</p>
Concessions	<p>Concessions done for the season. Many canceled concessions at Pioneer fields. Thoughts on concessions for fall ball or donating rest of items to St. Johns for the free Monday night meals.</p> <p>When do concessions need to be cleaned out for season?</p>
Reg/Uniform/DIBS	<p>Will need final roster numbers and sizes for Fall Ball jerseys by Aug 27th (at the latest) to get them in time for the first game on September 11th. Open to feedback regarding 2025 Travel and Youth Jerseys. What we liked, what we didn't.</p>
Webmaster	
Secretary	<p>Can continue at Cy's for monthly meetings without having to pay for the room. Please thank Kent Kramp, the new owner!</p> <p>Annual meeting is in October. Suggestion to move to 1-3 at Cy's - get apps and each director pays for their own drink.</p> <p>Instead of completing the slide deck. QUICK typical board business for 35mins. Then we talk areas of opportunities within the WHOLE program- both on a grand scale and a smaller divisional scale. (Take roughly 30mins). Then we break up into director groups to talk about an area for us to tackle within what we just heard (30mins). Examples below that are completely made up but have heard feedback through the years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● President, Secretary, Treasurer and communications tackle a large program challenge ● Travel directors - off season offerings (do we offer, do we make people aware, do we keep doing what we are doing, do we give each travel team money) ● Youth- is there a group such as DBats that we can promote a camp for offseason development and Chaska covers 5\$ per head for those that are Chaska players, etc. Rules, playing up. ● Fundraising - focus on narrowing in on a fundraising campaign project ● Grounds and Webmaster - talk about field space and strategic partnerships ● Community - take the lead on expo planning ● Umpires - just keep being you Pierce or join a group

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DIBs, Reg, Uniforms- discuss jersey vendors, prices, new uniform mock up for the board, calculate the DIBs ratio we should have going forward, define what DIBs opportunities we should and shouldn't have based on this year. <p>Last 25mins come back together to toss around initial ideas ONLY a proposal where I would like feedback as I don't think the slideshow and read line for line helps us get anywhere and I know there is a lot of board experience here therefore give ideas and thoughts!</p>
Adjourn Meeting	Meeting adjourned at 9:06. Bob motions, gregs seconds.

Next Meeting: September 7th, 2025 at 7pm - Location: Cy's & Google Meets Call-In