



October 2025
LAS VEGAS GAY SOFTBALL LEAGUE
Tuesday October 21st, 2025, | 6:30pm
MICROSOFT TEAMS

CALL ORDER:

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER MINUTES: Motion to Approve: Seconded:

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

- **COMMISSIONER**
- **ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER**
- **TREASURER**
 - **SEPTEMBER 2025 Report:**
 - Starting Balance: \$52,741.40
 - Deposits: \$1,685.51
 - Withdrawals: \$7,474.93
 - Escrow Account (including Neon Classic): \$15,837.72
 - Ending Balance: \$46,951.98
- **SECRETARY**
- **WOMEN'S DIVISION COMMISSIONER**
- **UPPER DIVISION COMMISSIONER**
- **LOWER DIVISION COMMISSIONER**

Committee Reports:

- **Ratings Committee**
- **Tournament Committee**
- **Outreach Committee**
- **Sponsorship / Fundraising Committee**
 - No Chair assigned to this committee at this time.

Old Business:

- Dave Mondt / Joey Markakis: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Rules of Play: Section 9.7
 - **Current Verbiage:** Umpires shall enforce USA Softball rules as it pertains to color and likeliness of uniforms only as it applies to uniform shirts and the safety of the players.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Umpires shall enforce USA Softball rules as it

pertains to color and likeliness of uniforms only as it applies to uniform shirts and the safety of the players. To that end, pursuant to USA Softball's 2025 rules changes, LVGSL shall require pitchers, beginning with the 2026 spring season, to wear a protective face guard when taking the field defensively. The game shall not proceed until a player wearing a protective face guard is positioned on the pitching rubber. Any game that is unable to proceed for failure to provide a player willing to play the position wearing a protective face guard shall be scored a 7-0 forfeit in favor of the opposing team.

9.7.1 — LVGSL shall purchase and make available for use one protective face guard per field allocated for play, as well as sanitary wipes

- **Voting:**

New Business:

- Dave Mondt: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Rules of Play: Section: 16.4
 - **Current Verbiage:** If a team has a pick-up player with a rating of a higher division, the game will be considered a forfeit and fees described in Article 3.04 apply.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** If a team has a pick-up player with a rating of a higher division, the game will be considered a forfeit (see Article 3.4).
 - **Voting:**
- Dave Mondt: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Rules of Play: Section: 3.5
 - **Current Verbiage:** The team at fault of the forfeiture is responsible for paying the total umpire fees to the league for the game being forfeited. In the case both teams forfeit, both teams will pay the total umpire fees to the league.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** The team at fault of the forfeiture, if the executive board is not notified within 48 hours of the first game of the game day, is responsible for paying the total umpire fees to the league for the game being forfeited. In the case both teams forfeit without providing 48 hours notice to the executive board, both teams will pay the total umpire fees to the league. Games that are played to completion but result in a forfeit will not result in a forfeit fee for either team.
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Sections 5.8 to 5.11 and Article 8.
 - **Current Verbiage:** 5.8. League Meetings. The League shall hold membership meetings in January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October and November of each year; the date, time and place to be set by the Board. Meetings are to be posted on the Leagues website calendar page. 8.1. Place of Meetings. Meetings of the Executive Board shall be held at a location determined by the League unless otherwise designated by resolution of the Board. 5.9. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the membership for any purpose or purposes may be called by the Secretary of the Executive Board of the League upon request of the Commissioner or the Executive Board, or upon written request of not less than one third (1/3) of the general membership. 8.4. Authority to Call Special Meetings.

Special meetings of the Board for any purpose may be called at any time by the Commissioner or any three (3) Board members. 5.10. Notice of Meetings. Notice of the time and place for the general membership meetings or any special meeting shall be delivered personally to all members (who are members as of the date determined in accordance with Section 15 below) or sent by first class, registered or certified mail, or by electronic mail to the address of each such member as it appears on the League's records, or if no address is given, at the place where the principal office of the League is located, not less than ten (10) nor more than ninety (90) days before the date of the meeting. Such notice shall state those matters that the Executive Board, at the time of giving the notice, intends to present for action to the members. 5.11. Quorum. Quorum shall constitute no less than 50% [fifty percent] plus one, voting members, in accordance with section 13 below, to conduct business at any league meeting. The voting members present at a duly called or duly held meeting of the league at which a quorum is present initially may continue to transact business until adjournment, notwithstanding the withdrawal of enough members to leave less than a quorum, if any action taken (other than adjournment) is approved by at least a majority of the voting members required to constitute a quorum.

- **Proposed Verbiage/Change:** Strike existing 8.1 and change 5.8 to 8.1 Strike existing 8.4 and change 5.9 to 8.4 Strike 5.10 as it's covered in 8.5 Strike 5.11 as it's covered in 8.7 in more detail
- **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Sections: 5.12 to 5.14 and Article 8
 - **Current Verbiage:** 5.12. Penalties for Non-Participation by League Teams. All League meetings shall be attended by at least one representative of each League team. An executive board member is eligible to represent their team in a board meeting but shall not vote in any capacity as the team representative (including the commissioner, who would not vote as commissioner except in the case of a tie vote). In the event that a League team or teams misses three consecutive meetings, without good cause, per participating season, said team/teams will not be eligible for the next International Pride Softball Gay Softball World Series and/or ASANA Series following the consecutive absences. 5.12.1. The team subject to the penalty in 5.12 is able to appeal the penalty to the executive board at the next board meeting after the unexcused absence. The appeal must receive three-quarters (75%) approval from the executive board to be accepted. 5.13. Voting by Members. 5.13.1. Eligibility to Vote. Each team is allowed one vote per team by a designated member of their team for all general league meetings and special meetings. All teams and voting reps must be in good standing with the league. 5.13.2. Manner of Passing Votes. Voting may be by voice or ballot. All general elections must be by written ballot. 5.13.3. Majority Approval Required. If a quorum is present, the affirmative vote of the majority of the members represented at the meeting, entitled to vote and voting on any matter shall be the act of the members, unless the vote of a greater number is required by Nevada Nonprofit Corporation Law or by the Restated Articles of Incorporation or these Bylaws. 5.14. Action by Written Ballot. Any action

which may be taken at any regular or special meeting of the league may be taken without a meeting if written ballots are distributed to every member entitled to vote on the matter, setting forth the proposed action, providing an opportunity for the members to specify approval or disapproval of any proposal, and providing a reasonable time within which to return the ballot to the League. The written ballot shall be filed with the secretary of the League and maintained in the corporate records.

- **Proposed Verbiage / Change:** Move 5.12 and 5.12.1 to 8.12 and 8.12.1 Move 5.13 and subsections to 8.13 and respective subsections Move 5.14 to 8.14. Action by Ballot. Any action which may be taken at any regular or special meeting of the league may be taken without a meeting if ballots are distributed to every member entitled to vote on the matter, setting forth the proposed action, providing an opportunity for the members to specify approval or disapproval of any proposal, and providing a reasonable time within which to return the ballot to the League. The ballot shall be filed with the secretary of the League and maintained in the corporate records.
- **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Sections: 5.15 to 5.16
 - **Current Verbiage:** 5.15. Record Date. For purposes of determining which members may be entitled to receive notice of any meeting, to vote, to give consent to corporate action without a meeting, or to take any other action, the "record date" for membership shall be fifteen (15) days before the date of any such meeting. Only members of record on the date so fixed are entitled to notice, to vote, to give consent, or take any other action, as the case may be. For the purposes of Sections 5.10 and 5.13 above, a person holding membership as of the close of business on the record date shall be deemed a member of record. 5.16. Termination of Membership. 5.16.1. Resignation. 5.16.1.1. A member may resign from membership at any time. 5.16.1.2. A membership issued for a period of time shall expire when such period of time has elapsed unless the membership is renewed. 5.16.2. Suspension, Termination or Expulsion. 5.16.2.1. The Executive Board, acting in good faith and consistent with the requirements stated in subsection (5.16.2.2) below, may suspend or expel a member or terminate membership rights for good cause, as determined by the Executive Board. Good cause shall include, but not be limited to, the member engaging in conduct that is detrimental to the League, or acts or omissions by a member that, in the Executive Board's judgment, constitute a failure to honor and promote the League's purposes as articulated in the LVGSL Articles of Incorporation, or these bylaws. No member may be expelled or suspended, and no membership or membership rights may be terminated or suspended, except according to the procedures set forth below. 5.16.2.2. The Executive Board shall give a member not less than thirty (30) days prior written notice of any proposed expulsion, suspension or termination and the reasons therefore. In addition, the member shall be provided an opportunity to be heard, orally or in writing, not less than five (5) days before the effective date of the expulsion, suspension or termination by the

- Executive Board. The decision of the Executive Board shall be final.
 - **Proposed Verbiage / Change:** Change 5.15 to 8.15 Change 5.16 and subsections to 5.8 as long as other subsections have been approved to move to Article 8
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Article 10
 - **Current Verbiage:** Article 10 – Board Members. 10.1. Executive Board of the League. The officers of the League shall be a Commissioner, an Assistant Commissioner, a Secretary, a Treasurer (who shall be the Chief Financial Officer), an Open Upper Divisions Commissioner, an Open Lower Divisions Commissioner, and a Women’s Division Commissioner. The League may also have, at the Board's discretion, one or more assistant secretaries, one or more assistant treasurers, and such other officers as may be appointed in accordance with Section 10.2 of this Article. 10.2. Removal of Officers. Without prejudice to any rights of an officer under any contract of employment, any officer may be removed with or without cause by the Board and also, if the officer was not chosen by the Board, by any officer on whom the Board may confer that power of removal. 10.3. Resignation of Officers. Any Board member may resign at any time by giving written notice to the League. The resignation shall take effect as of the date the notice is received or at any later time specified in the notice and, unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation need not be accepted to be effective. Any resignation shall be without prejudice to the rights, if any, of the League under any contract to which the member is a party. 10.4. Vacancies in Office. A vacancy in office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or any other cause shall be filled in the manner prescribed by Article 6, Section 6.9.4 of these bylaws, by the Executive Board not later than the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board. 10.5. Limitation on Number of Offices Held. No Board member may hold more than one officer position at any one time
 - **Proposed Verbiage / Change:** Remove header of Article 10 Strike 10.1 as it's covered in 6.3 6.3 Authorized Number and Qualifications. The authorized number of the Executive Board shall be seven (7). Each Board member must be a member of the League in good standing as defined in Article 5. In the event a member of the Board is no longer listed on the official roster of any softball team recognized by the League, the member’s term of office shall continue until the end of the term for which the member was elected. The seven Executive Board Members shall hold the following positions: Strike 10.2 and 10.3 as it's covered in 6.9.2 6.9.2. Resignations and Removal. Except as provided below, any Board member may resign by giving written notice to the Commissioner or the Secretary of the Board. The resignation shall be effective when the notice is given, unless it specifies a later time for the resignation to become effective. If a Board member's resignation is effective at a later time, the Board shall select a successor to take office as of the date when the resignation becomes effective. Except upon notice to the Attorney General of Nevada, no Board member may resign if the League would be left without a duly elected Board member or Board members. Any Board member may be removed with or

without cause by the affirmative vote of the members. Strike 10.4 as it's covered in 6.9.4 6.9.4. Filling Vacancies. In the event of a vacancy, the Commissioner, with the counsel of the Board, shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the next League meeting, but in no event for more than four (4) months. At the next League meeting, a special election will be held. Each Board member elected to fill a vacancy shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term of his or her predecessor and until the election of his or her successor. Move 10.5 to 6.12

- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Articles 12 to 16
 - **Current Verbiage:** Article 12 - Finances and all subsections Article 13 - Indemnification and all subsections Article 14 - Records and Reports and all subsections Article 15 - Construction and Definitions and all subsections Article 16 - Amendments and all subsections
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Fix numbering on all articles and subsections. Article 12 and subsections should be 12.1, 12.2, etc not 1.1, 1.1.1 Article 13 and subsections should be 13.1 to 13.5 not 2.1 to 2.5 Article 14 and subsections should be 14.1 to 14.5 not 3.1 to 3.5 Article 15 should have subsection 15.1 not 4.1 Article 16 should have subsection 16.1 not 5.1
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Section 12.1.1.2
 - **Current Verbiage:** Each team recognized by the League shall be assessed a Team Fee in an amount to be determined by the Board. Said Team Fee shall be paid prior to the team's first game of the season. In the event the Team Fee has not been paid prior to the first game, the team will be barred from playing in the League until the fee has been paid.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Each team recognized by the League shall be assessed a team fee in an amount to be determined by the Board. A team fee paid for the spring season will cover the team's entry for the spring and fall seasons. In the event a team wishes to play in fall and they did not in spring, said team will be assessed a team fee half of the amount of the team fee for the spring fee. Said team fee shall be paid prior to the team's first game of the season. In the event the team fee has not been paid prior to the first game, the team will be barred from playing in the League until the fee has been paid with the exception of brand-new teams that are formed through the player draft prior to the start of the season.
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Article 12.1.1.11
 - **Current Verbiage:** The League shall consider providing financial assistance to teams participating in the Gay World Series, or for any other cause, after evaluating the League's financial position at the time of the contingency and may donate to any organization up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) on behalf of the League. Any donation in an amount exceeding five hundred dollars (\$500.00) must be approved by a majority of League representatives' voting at any properly convened

- League meeting.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** The League shall pay the team entry fee for teams participating in the Gay Softball World Series. This payment will be made directly to iPride Softball.
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Section 12.1.1.12
 - **Current Verbiage:** 1.1.12. Acceptance of checks: The league shall not accept any personal checks over \$75.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Strike this as we have not enforced a limit on personal checks
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Rules of Play: Article 14
 - **Current Verbiage:** Article 14 – Playoffs. 14.1. For all games, the league will provide softballs and one (1) umpire for each game except semi-final and final game where two (2) umpires will be provided. 14.2. 14.3. The game time limits will be the same as described in Article 5. Protests must immediately be filed with the umpire, and a fee of fifty dollars (\$50) is due upon completion on the game being protested.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Strike section as the league does not have playoffs
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Section: 12.1.1.8
 - **Current Verbiage:** All funds disbursed by the League shall be in the form of a check prepared by the Treasurer and signed by the Treasurer and one Board member. All checks shall require two 2 signatures. Funds may be dispersed via ACH/Electronic Transfer with appropriate approval that is in line with normal disbursement.
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** All funds disbursed by the League shall be in the form electronic transfer (PayPal or Zelle) or by check. Checks must be prepared by the Treasurer and signed by the Treasurer. All funds disbursed must be first approved by the Treasurer and then by the Commissioner. If the Commissioner requests the disbursement of funds, then the Women's Division Commissioner must approve the disbursement after the Treasurer.
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson: Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Articles: 6.3.1 to 6.3.7 and Article 11
 - **Current Verbiage:** 6.3.1. Commissioner 6.3.2. Assistant Commissioner 6.3.3. Secretary 6.3.4. Open Upper Divisions Commissioner 6.3.5. Open Lower Divisions Commissioner 6.3.6. Women's Division Commissioner 6.3.7. Treasurer
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** 6.3.1. Commissioner - Add in text from 11.1 and remove existing 11.1 6.3.2. Assistant Commissioner - Add in text from 11.2 and remove existing 11.2 6.3.3. Secretary - Add in text from 11.3 and remove existing 11.3 6.3.4. Treasurer - Add in text from 11.4 and remove existing 11.4 6.3.4. Upper Division Commissioner - Add in "The Upper Division Commissioner shall be responsible for facilitating all of

the divisional needs for the A, B, C, and D divisions. Duties shall include, but not limited to, recruitment and expansion of the division, in accordance with NAGAAA guidelines, in respect to player and team ratings or classifications, liaison between NAGAAA and the League's division they represent. Will create the division playing schedule, arbitrate playing issues with the help of the Board, if required, and enforce all League rules and codes." 6.3.5. Lower Divisions Commissioner - Add in "The Lower Division Commissioner shall be responsible for facilitating all of the divisional needs for the E division. Duties shall include, but not limited to, recruitment and expansion of the division, in accordance with NAGAAA guidelines, in respect to player and team ratings or classifications, liaison between NAGAAA and the League's division they represent. Will create the division playing schedule, arbitrate playing issues with the help of the Board, if required, and enforce all League rules and codes." 6.3.6. Women's Division Commissioner - The Women's Division Commissioner will be the ASANA Representative and attend Winter and Summer ASANA meetings as required with ASANA Membership. In the event the Women's Division Commissioner cannot attend, the Executive Council may select a replacement. Divisional Commissioners will have a vote in all league matters. Remove existing text from 11.5 Change Article 11 to "Hall of Fame" and change 11.6 to 11.1

- **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson – Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Multiple sections / articles throughout documents
 - **Current Verbiage:** NAGAAA
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Change NAGAAA to iPride Softball. First reference in each document will be changed to "International Pride Softball hereinafter referred to as 'iPride Softball'"
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson – Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Softball Code Article 6.
 - **Current Verbiage:** Article 6 - MEMBERSHIP PACKAGE 2. Article 7 - PLAYING SEASON 4. Article 9 - EQUIPMENT 5. Article 10 - FIELD MAINTENANCE 7. Article 12 - UMPIRES - PROFESSIONALISM AND OBJECTIVITY 8. Article 13 - AMENDMENTS TO SOFTBALL CODE
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Fix numbering on all articles and subsections. Article 6 should be 6.1 Article 7 should be 7.1 Article 9 should be 9.1 Article 10 should be 10.1 Article 12 should be 12.1 Article 13 should be 13.1 and 13.2
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson – Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Softball Code Article 8 and Rules of Play Article 4
 - **Current Verbiage:** Article 8 – POSTPONEMENTS 3.1. General: For the spring season only, in the event a game is postponed for any reason the game will be rescheduled. The schedule for other games will not be affected. This may entail the use of double headers and/or other days or fields. Generally, due to the short fall schedule and the shortness of daylight hours, postponed and rained-out games may not be rescheduled. This decision will be left to the discretion of the

- Executive Board. Rules of Play Article 4 - Rainout Policy
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Postponements are covered in Rules of Play Article 4. Move Article 8 3.1 to Rules of Play 4.1 Move existing 4.1 to 4.2 Move existing 4.2 to 4.3 Strike Article 8 from Softball Code Change header of Rules of Play Article 4 to "Article 4 - Postponements"
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson – Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Softball Code Article 11
 - **Current Verbiage:** Article 11 – Playoff Eligibility and Formats
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** Strike Article 11 as the league does not do playoffs
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson – Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Bylaws: Multiple Sections throughout the documents
 - **Current Verbiage:**
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** This will allow the numbering of articles and subsections to remain consistent. If an article or subsection was removed all of the subsequent articles and subsections will be adjusted so that we do not skip numbers. This does not authorize any changes to the verbiage of the articles or subsections, just the numbering.
 - **Voting:**
- Nate Carlson – Governing Document Amendment Proposal – Softball Code: Multiple Sections / Articles throughout the document.
 - **Current Verbiage:**
 - **Proposed Verbiage:** This will allow the numbering of articles and subsections to remain consistent. If an article or subsection was removed all of the subsequent articles and subsections will be adjusted so that we do not skip numbers. This does not authorize any changes to the verbiage of the articles or subsections, just the numbering.
 - **Voting:**

Open Floor:

Meeting Adjourn:

Motioned by:

Second:

Attendance:

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Unexcused Absence:

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Excused Absence:

Next Meeting: November 18th, 2025

