

**Hibbing Youth Baseball Board
Board Meeting
Wednesday, April 3
Barr Engineering Conference Room**

- Called to order at 6:00 p.m.
- Roll call
 - Present: Chris Zubich, Tim Zubich, Pat Bolden, Brian Stavnes, Andy Fisher, Jim Thune, Chad Nickila, Tony Potter, Luke Heaton & Dave Brust
 - Absent: Jared Lubben
- Public Forum: No one was present.
- Finance Report
 - Refund was issued for Cooper Harris, who decided not to play baseball.
 - Hibbing Foundation grant: A motion by Fisher was seconded by Nickila and unanimously approved to use the \$1,000 grant to purchase catcher's equipment.
 - A motion to add Easton Fisher and Kadin Augustin to the L&M Supply purchase list for field maintenance supplies was made by Brust, seconded by Bolden and unanimously approved. Fisher abstained.
- Old business
 - Chisholm Little League proposal: A motion was made by Thune, seconded by Bolden and unanimously approved to accept the proposal by Chisholm to enter a team into Hibbing Little League for the 2024 season contingent on Chisholm's home games being played on Wednesdays and that Hibbing's rules being followed for league play. The reasoning for requesting scheduling Chisholm's home games on Wednesdays is it keeps Hibbing's LL Field open on those days for practices for teams that don't have games scheduled.
 - Evaluations/Player exception requests:
 - A motion was made by Fisher, seconded by Bolden and unanimously approved to place the following players in Minor

League: Braxten Dickey, Anthony Skerjance, Benjamin Baudeck and Christian Dwinell.

- A motion was made by Brust, seconded by Bolden and unanimously approved to place Knox Dickey in the Transition League.
- A motion was made by Fisher, seconded by Bolden and unanimously approved to place Hezekiah Rosc in the Transition League.
- All other player exception requests were tabled until after outdoor evaluations.
 - 9U coaches: Tabled until tryouts are held.
- New business
 - Practice & game schedules: Discussed moving Tykes to Mondays, moving Transition League to Tuesdays and Wednesdays, and Minor League having 3 activities per week. Little League will continue having 4 activities per week (Monday-Thursday).
 - Set ML & LL outdoor evals: Tabled due to the weather.
 - Set travel tryouts: Tabled due to the weather.
 - Bemidji 11U tourney: A motion was made by Nickila, seconded by Thune and unanimously approved to allow the 11U travel team to participate in the Spring Lead-off Tournament from May 18-19 in Bemidji.
 - Dibs requirements for coach's spouses: Tabled until determining how many volunteer hours are needed.
 - Pepsi agreement: A motion by Fisher was seconded by Nickila and unanimously approved to enter into an agreement with Pepsi for bottled beverages and to purchase a slushy machine. As part of the Pepsi agreement, Hibbing Youth Baseball will receive a new beverage cooler in exchange for ordering beverages for the concession stand from Pepsi. Pepsi will deliver the beverages and stock the cooler.
 - Hibbing Community Center: Stavnes and Brust will attend the stakeholder meeting 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 8
 - 12U & 14U tourneys: A motion was made by Fisher, seconded by Nickila and unanimously approved to register the 14U travel team for the John Hadley Memorial Blitz Tourney on June 2 in Superior, WI. The 12U team is considering entering War by the Ore Tournament in Gilbert from Aug. 9-11, but a decision hasn't been made.
- Set the next meeting for 6 p.m. Thursday, April 25, at BARR Engineering.
- Adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

