

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

CHANHASSEN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



Nov 9th, 2025		7:03pm	Legion & Zoom
Meeting called by	Ryan Check		
Type of meeting	CAA Diamond Sports Annual Board Meeting		
Note taker	Kelli Hallstrom		
Members present/online	Alicia Kockler, Kelli Hallstrom, Nick Hansgen, Jeff Kraemer, Todd Johnson, Matt Birkenholtz, Ryan Check, Dwayne Archuleta, Chelsea Folta, Clint Bitting, Amanda McGibbon, Bob Brophy, Tracy Rothstein, Mike Miller,		
Members absent	Julie Vastka, Nate Hanson, Ben Hendrickson, Brett Sween, Michael Stafford, Parker		
AGENDA ITEMS			
Previous Month Meeting Minutes			
Presenter	Kelli Hallstrom		
Discussion	October Minutes Approved		
In-House Community Director Vote			
Presenter	Nick Hansgen		
	Bob Brophy Approved		
President Report			
Presenter	Ryan Check		
	Jerry attended the board meeting due to timing. Will get additional information before the next meeting. Working on budgeting items. Looking at shifting the Tournament Director role for the Chan Challenge. Still looking for Tournament Directors for both baseball and softball state tournaments.		
Treasurer Report			
Presenter	Alicia Kockler		
	Projected in a budget deficit right now. Hoping to add tournaments so we can turn this around going forward. Capital spending is still important for the organization. Working to adjust this in our budget for the 2026 season. The check request form was sent this week to the board. Coding into 2026 is very important for reconciliation. Discussed stipend.		
BOC Report			
Presenter	Nick Hansgen		
	Adjustment to Chan Challenge Tournament Director role. Looking to fill it asap. June 12-14 for Chan Challenge target date. Working on tryouts for the following season. Likely adjusting the dates and some additional details. Will discuss more between now and the December meeting. Fundraising efforts being worked through for the 12u teams. Finalizing approvals for efforts for all teams. Working on some off-season items and putting together some documentation around all baseball efforts.		
SOC Report			
Presenter	Brett Sween – Sent via email		
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Summer 2026 Teams formed - all-time low number of questions and complaints (kudos to Julie V!)</i> 2. <i>Tournaments - tentatively requested Lake Ann fields for weekends of June 20 and 27. Will confirm or cancel by end of year if no tournament director.</i> 		

	<p>3. Had 2026 Planning meeting, each SOC defined ~3 goals for year and we identified 4 joint SOC priorities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Increase Fun Culture Moments: off-field things to enrich the experience ○ Improve Coach Support: training, mentoring, in-season support ○ Strengthen Pitching / Catching Program: get more exposure earlier; more investment in catching ○ Evolve the Winter Program: build a solution for 2026 - 2027
Sheds & Lake Ann Renovation Project	
Presenter	Jeff Kraemer/Clint Bitting
	<p>Sheds are completed. 11 mounds in the Lake Ann sheds. The rest are at Bandemer. Still waiting on roofing.</p> <p>Lake Ann project will be two projects. Meeting with the city was great, and everyone is excited about the project. Phase 1 is fields 4,5 and 6 for grading. Grant money helped pay for this in full. Goal is to get this done in November 2025. This will help with removing water from the fields and level set the entire complex. Phase 2 is fields 1, 2, and 3. Working with the city to have a better idea of what they are willing to help with financially and what additional funds are available with CAA. Goal for Phase 2 is early Spring 2026. Will likely delay the usage for 2026. Looking forward to this project and all the benefits it will have for our players.</p> <p>Will be working through education around how we take care of our fields both in tournaments and for usage on a regular basis.</p> <p>Need to establish a capital plan for next projects for both Chanhassen and Victoria.</p>
5000 Swings Club	
Presenter	Nick Hansgen
	Need a volunteer to run the 5000 swings program. Tracy will do it for 2026. Go live Dec 1.
Code of Conflict & Conflict of Interest Forms	
Presenter	Kelli Hallstrom
	Will do an electronic form going forward.
Other Topics	
	<p>Possible HS liaison as a board member position. Looking for a vote in December for this position or if it works to do it through one of the current positions.</p> <p>Reminder for uniform try-ons that Scheels will</p>
Presenter	Ryan Check
	Adjourned 8:16pm