

OSA Board Meeting
August 12th, 2025

Attendees

Brandon Howe
Sara Clausen
Anne Hess
Nila Norman
Tom Paustenbach
Matt Katterhagen
Cale Johnston
Jamie Bishop
Cami Dahlstrom
Matt Palm
Patrick Felten

Not in Attendance

Brette Esterbrooks
Davida Suiter

Cami motions to approve minutes from July. Tom seconds. Minutes approved.

Tom- Finance Update

All OSA 2025 sponsors are now paid.

Joint fields account, OBA sending final \$3.5k to joint account for Gala.

Fall liability insurance has been paid. I'm asking Dan P at MN softball for a 2025-26 insurance certificate.

Brandon- Player Development

We are going to provide roving instruction again for the fall. We've been in contact with Lisa and the catching coach from TC fastpitch.

OBA/OSA Twins Game is set for August 31st. Hopefully it will be a good community building event!

Cami- Coach Development

Twins money coming soon - Twins grant opens again in November.

Cami sent a fall coach email with practice plans, news, and reminders. We need to move all of the digital files from her time in the Coach Development role to Google Drive so the position can continue or be integrated into an existing role.

Matt P- Equipment

All the equipment has been distributed for fall, and we are holding off on ordering new stuff until twins grant money comes in.

Cale- Fields Update

All fall fields have been assigned, and if we need indoor space in the fall, coaches will need to reach out to Deb at the AC. Cami is going to send an updated coach email with that information.

Jamie- Uniforms Update

Nationals pin ordering and distribution was a success. The spreadsheet made it easy for us to track payments.

We have reopened the fall swag store because we didn't meet the minimum for orders and production. We sent out another email blast to remind families to shop.

All fall uniforms and jerseys have been distributed. The board agreed to cover the cost for new uniforms for the fall for REC players.

Patrick- Fundraising Update

Patrick talked with Eric, our previous board member in charge of fundraising. Eric provided good insight on how to successfully take over the position.

There was conversation about what families he should ask for donations, including repeat donors and lower age group levels. Eric made good recommendations to keep fliers in your car. There was also conversation about what the sponsors are paying for and how we can communicate what their donation provided to the program. We discussed communication about what the sponsorship packages entail and how to follow up with families after a season.

Nila- REC Update

First fall rec league 15 kiddos on one team with more interest. Could have formed two teams. Travel directors meeting- Safe sport refresher course!

Sara- Travel Update

MN Softball is trying to connect everything with ACE certification with programming and applications, but you can use your spring ACE for a full year. Working to find a new system to reimburse coaching certifications.

14U Update- Two Options

Co-op with other communities or joining the existing team as a practice player. Got some options on the table, but have received mixed feedback from 14U families.

Other Business

We've refunded a few players

We have one new person coming to hopefully be the secretary

We could always use more people on the board

We need a REC person and a Fields and Umpires person

Matt K- Fields Update

The school decided to give us a small discount on our DC fields. We sent another email back to the school, but haven't heard anything.

Next Meeting: September 9th 6:30- Everyone needs to be in attendance to vote on the new slate.

Tom motions to adjourn and Sara seconds.