

Des Plaines Youth Baseball

P.O. Box 2774 Des Plaines, IL 60017

Regular Board Meeting Minutes, February 19, 2025

A. Call to order

- a. Attendees: Bobbie, Amy, Mark, Bre, Shannon, Scott, Jeff R., Zach W, Erin, Brian, Laura, Frank E., Jason, Brendan, Matt

B. Minutes approved

C. Update on past events

- a. First clinic went well
- b. CSYBA meeting rescheduled for Tuesday 2/25 @ Prairie Lakes
- c. Affiliates meeting on 2/18/25
 - i. Attended by DPYB and softball only
 - ii. Tyler went through what they have for work orders
 - 1. Chippewa Field #1
 - 2. Centra and West mound
 - iii. If need to have work order placed, notify Bre or Scott to send request in writing
 - iv. Scott working on getting set of keys made for park district
 - v. Signs/tarps can be put up on fences
 - a. Bobbi can get tarps for the fields when she goes up to Michigan
 - 1. For West Park and Central
 - 2. Will not work for Seminole

D. Upcoming events

- a. Coaches' clinic 2/22
- b. Winter clinic 2/23 1-6 pm
 - i. Concession will be present

- c. Coaches/Volunteer meeting
 - i. Booked at Beacon 3/3/25 @ 7 pm
- d. Evaluations 3/9/25 from 1-6 pm
- e. Draft
 - i. Considering 3/12 and/or 3/13
 - 1. A and AA grouped together
 - 2. AAA/Pony grouped together
- f. Tracy has updated calendar that is accessible by everyone
 - i. Opening day 5/3
 - ii. Mother's Day 5/10 with flowers for mom
 - iii. Memorial Day weekend 5/23-5/26/25: no games
 - iv. End of the year picnic 6/29
 - v. July 4 parade
 - vi. Dog's game to be arranged by Tracy
- E. Ongoing discussions
 - a. Registration
 - i. Registration numbers low
 - 1. Stars=28, A=11, AA=18, AAA=3, Majors= 5
 - 2. If someone can't afford to play, notify Bre, Scott, Shannon or Mark to work something out
 - 3. Consider early bird registration for next year
 - 4. Multi-player discounts for fall
 - 5. Put link with QR code on flyers
 - b. Background checks
 - i. Good for 3 years
 - ii. Volunteers, coaches, and board members
 - iii. Going well

- c. Chippewa conflicts
 - i. Pickleball tournament on 5/10
 - ii. Swim meets
 - 1. Bre to ask Tyler for scheduled
 - d. Practice fields
 - i. Need to schedule through Mark
 - e. Uniforms
 - i. BSN for pants and balls
 - ii. Hats and socks all black
 - iii. Bucket of balls and box of game balls for each team
- F. Position updates
- a. Treasurer's report: Shannon
 - i. Shannon gave current financials
 - ii. Potentially switching banks due to feels and to have ability to Zelle
 - b. Secretary: no updates
 - c. Head of Rules and Umpires: Rob (not present)
 - i. Reach out to Randazzo to see if HS kids interested in umping
 - ii. Rob to look into if new equipment needed
 - d. Division coordinator: Jason
 - i. Sent forms to coaches to help with evaluations
 - e. AAA coordinator: Matt, no updates
 - f. AA coordinator: Brian, no updates
 - g. A coordinator: position open
 - i. Shorter games?
 - ii. All kid pitches
 - iii. If there are at least 4 teams, then will play in house
 - h. Stars coordinator: Jeff, no updates

- i. Field maintenance: Frank A
- j. PT travel: Brendan
 - i. Pitching rules for CSYBA making it harder for travel teams
 - ii. April 5th Scrimmage Day
 - 1. Have concession open
 - iii. Scheduled due to Lakeshore feeder and will be shared with CSYBA
 - iv. 13U: Coach Pelletier
 - v. 10U: Coach Metzler
 - vi. 9U: Coach Mears
- k. Equipment: Frank E
 - i. Consider eliminating boxes where not needed or move around to where needed
 - ii. Bre, Scott and Frank should only have keys
 - iii. Need extra bases for Seminole
 - iv. We have 2 functioning pitching machines
- l. Sponsorship: Brian
 - i. Registration up and active
 - ii. \$500 for Home Run sponsor-big sign
 - iii. Sponsorship registration is up and running
 - iv. Want sponsors confirmed by March 1st for team sponsors
 - v. DPPD to present to Rivers Casino for score boards
- m. Fundraising
 - i. Consider corporate fundraising
 - ii. Humankind still up and running
 - 1. Consider other options
- n. Safety: Matt
 - i. Need ice packs

- ii. Working on park district for CPR class

- 1. Class is online and then testing in person

- iii. Only need one person from each team that will be present at all games to be certified

- o. New Bylaws

- i. Good start and discussions

- ii. Sections assigned

- iii. Members to submit changes to Jeanette

G. Public comments/open discussion: none

H. Next meeting March 19th @ 7 pm Prairie lakes

I. General meeting adjourned