

August 2025 Soderville Baseball Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 08/10/2025
Present: Eric P., Aleshia, Caitie, Sophia, Greg, Terry, Eric L., Corryn, Troy
Not Present: Nate, Tim

5:33 Call to Order

Approval of July Committee Minutes for July

– Greg motioned to approve July 2025 meeting minutes. Terry second the motion. Motion carried by committee vote.

Public Forum – N/A, just committee members present

Old Business

- Landscape edging around batting cages
 - Landscape edging around batting cages completed on Monday, August 4th.
 - Still need to raise the nets, need to determine a date for this.
- Fall Baseball requests
 - Teams have formed at 12U, 15U and 17U and other teams have been reaching out to Corryn.
 - These teams will need access to the shed for field maintenance at City Park. They will also need equipment bags. Two coaches have reached out to Eric L. about equipment. Eric knows about the third team and will contact the coach about equipment needs.
 - Fall ball coaches have had questions about field use. Fields will be scheduled through MYAS.

New Business

- Coach and Overall Experience Surveys –
 - Feedback about coaching was generally positive or constructive.
 - Fields at City Park need better care in outfield, #3 needs a makeover, restrooms need to be cleaner and more parking. – We should get a message sent out to coaches letting them know we are planning to address the field issues.
 - Fields at Booster need concessions, bathrooms need to be opened, and more parking around fields 6-8
 - Lions needs concessions, bathrooms, and outfields even.
 - Our cost for Lions and City Park will be increasing from \$500 to \$1000 per complex next year.
 - We should get a message sent out to coaches letting them know we are planning to address the field issues.
 - Next year we need to not allow games/practice when the fields are not playable. The fields were damaged this year due to teams playing in poor conditions.
- All Star games at 10U with Andover/Anoka – Need to look into this during the off-season
- 13U Game on 7/22 Delong vs. Bossany issues – The coaches requested the use of an Andover field so they could play under the lights. Andover didn't allow them to use the field because they didn't have a good reason/real need to use the fields instead of the Soderville fields. Coach Delong sent inappropriate messages to the Andover Baseball Association president.
- 24 Hour Policy – this is being added as a new policy for the 2026 season based on a decision at the SBAA Board.

Committee Reports

- Budget (Greene/Schesso) – Everything is up to date. A bill for payroll is still expected.
- Tournaments
 - 6U – Kirkham took 1st, and Hallich took 2nd
 - 8U – Schmid took 1st, Robinson took 2nd
 - 10U – Yatcoske took 1st, McDonald took 2nd, Shypulski took 3rd
 - 12U – Gillquist took 1st, Clark took 2nd, Pearson took 3rd, the 10U/12U tournament went well
 - Gopher State 13A and 13Rec All-Stars – We received good feedback from the tournament coordinator

- Junior League Baseball (6U-10U) (Greene) – *Discussed reducing number of games next year to provide more time for practice. This will be discussed more in the off season.*
- Senior League Baseball (12U and up) (Potthoff) – *Nothing new discussed.*
- Tournament Team Baseball (Schraufnagel) -
 - *Asked BATBA to spread word after their tryouts.*
 - *Currently 3 people are registered.*
 - *BATBA tryouts are tomorrow (8/11), we will possibly get more registered players after tryout results are posted.*
 - *Greg will send an email out to coaches to get coaches signed up.*
- Uniforms (Schesso) – *Need to get cost estimates for 2026 season, uniform costs are expected to be higher.*
- Equipment (Laumeyer)
 - *Getting quotes on baseballs and catchers gear.*
 - *Will look into ways to improve first aid kits.*
 - *Will look into canvas repair company to repair bags and compare cost of repair to cost for new bags.*
- Development & Training (Laumeyer) -
 - *Nothing new discussed.*
- Umpire Coordinator (Aronson)-
 - *Nothing new discussed.*

Other

- *Briefly discussed sports scheduling software to alleviate complaints about inability to practice. Scheduling software has been investigated in the past and no software available at that time had the flexibility we need. May be investigated again in the off season.*

Next meeting scheduled for September 14th, 5:30 PM at Ham Lake Lanes.

Troy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:58PM, Eric L. second the motion. Meeting Adjourned at 7:58PM