

Pocatello Bandits Lacrosse Club – Board Meeting Minutes

Date: August 4, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: In-person & Virtual

Recorder: Trisha Rencher, Secretary

1. Roll Call

Present:

- Trisha Rencher
 - Aaron Herdt (virtual)
 - Tiffany Miller
 - Kirstie Carling
 - Paul Miller
 - Shawn Meador
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2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- **Motion** to approve July 7, 2025 meeting minutes was made and seconded.
 - **Vote:** Unanimous approval. Motion passed.
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3. Board Transition

- Outgoing board members were recognized and thanked:
 - Aaron Herdt (President, High School Coordinator)
 - Paul Miller (Vice President)
 - Tiffany Miller (Girls Coordinator, Webmaster)
 - Kirstie Carling (Youth Coordinator – moving to Girls Coordinator)
- **Motion** made and seconded to elect the following new board members:
 - Charles Parker – President
 - Tracy Lund – Vice President
 - Kyle Clifford – High School Coordinator
 - Aaron Mayer – Youth Coordinator
 - Kirstie Carling – Girls Coordinator
 - Brandon Carpenter – Webmaster
- **Vote:** Unanimous approval. Motion passed.

4. Communication & Email Transitions

- Each board position has a designated email address.
- Outgoing members to share login credentials.
- SportsEngine will remain the communication platform through January 2026.
- Goal is to centralize messaging and improve communication with parents and players.

5. Equipment & Gear Management

- Current gear inventory needs assessment:
 - Moldy helmets, missing jerseys, outdated pads.
 - Multiple canopies are broken and need disposal or replacement.
- Need to appoint an **Equipment Manager** and establish a parent committee.
- Jaglowski family may help with cleaning equipment at their laundromat.
- Plan to **scale down inventory** and subsidize gear packages for new players.

6. Youth Program Restructure

- Goal: Increase accessibility and reduce travel costs for families.
- Proposal for **in-town seven-on-seven league** (weeknight games only).
- Separate “travel team” for competitive players/families willing to travel.
- Recruit 40–50 players for the local youth league.
- Emphasis on fun, development, and long-term retention over competitiveness at younger levels.

7. Fall Ball & Coaching

- **Fall Ball registration** for high school is open now.
 - Need for **committed sign-ups and advance payment** to confirm participation.
 - Fall Ball games in Salt Lake City require 18 committed players.
 - Trisha and Charles will reach out to potential coaches and parents.
 - Proposal to open **coaching applications** immediately.
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8. Growing the Club

- Plan to host “**Try Lacrosse Free**” events mid-to-late August.
 - Distribute **flyers** to local elementary and middle schools.
 - Place **yard signs** around town and use **social media/video** for outreach.
 - Goal: **Grow club participation to 100+ kids** by Spring 2026.
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9. Tournament Planning

- Discussion to shift away from Montana tournaments unless there is mutual participation.
 - Strong preference for **Utah tournaments** (e.g., I.M.LAX) due to:
 - Better structure
 - Saturday-only games
 - Positive past experiences
 - Encourage partnerships with Rexburg, Driggs, Ammon, and others for weekday games.
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10. Girls Program Growth

- Kirstie is working with local girls' lacrosse reps for **fall clinics** and training.
 - Plans to partner with high school girls to mentor and coach youth girls.
 - Importance of girls' participation emphasized for future **state sanctioning**.
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11. Technology & Website

- SportsEngine remains active through January 2026.
 - Brandon Carpenter will explore options for streamlining or replacing SportsEngine.
 - Club has a camera and Starlink for **live streaming** games.
 - Plan to increase video content for marketing and recruitment.
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12. Upcoming Action Items

- ✓ Introduce new board to the community
- ✓ Open applications for coaching positions
- ✓ Plan and promote a “Try Lacrosse” event
- ✓ Contact local teams (IF, Driggs, Rexburg) about weekday games
- ✓ Assign Equipment Manager and begin gear audit

- ✓ Investigate gear subsidies for new families
 - ✓ Communicate with high school players about Fall Ball registration
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13. Next Meeting

Date: Monday, **September 8, 2025**

Time: 6:00 PM

Location: Boardroom at Goody's (in-person/virtual)