



OSSEO-MAPLE GROVE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

SECRETARY’S REPORT

March 18, 2025

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Andy Groettum, 7:05pm

Position	Name	In Attendance
Admin Directors		
President	Andy Groettum	X
Vice President	Matt Atkinson	X
Secretary	Lindsay Kelley	
Treasurer	Scott Ross	X
Tournament Director	Tammy Luecke	X
IT Director	Cody Billings	X
Training & Development Director	Chris Husby	X
Equipment Director	Joe Kelley	
Volunteer Management Director	Karla Ruhr	X
League Directors		
Travel Fastpitch Director	Mark Hosmann	X
House Girls Director	Nick Kosson	X
Junior Travel Boys Director	Candy Anderson	
House Rookie Director (8-9)	Bill Northey	X
Junior House Director (10-12)	Mike Ryland	X
Senior House Director (13-15)	Jeff Ruhr	
Senior Travel Director	TBD	
Optional Attendees		
OMGAA Social Media Coordinator	Kelly Williams	
Apparel Coordinator	Penny Atkinson	

February Meeting Minutes

- Matt A. moves to approve February meeting minutes.
- Mike R. seconds the motion to approve February meeting minutes.
- No discussion, all approved by voice vote.

President:

- Gleason Fields
 - Giant mounds for baseball will not be used for league games, only the portable flat ones
 - Coaches can't touch the big mounds!
 - Lock boxes on each Gleason Field – code to be provided to coaches
 - Lights shut off at 11pm sharp at Gleason!
 - No Seeds and no gum on turf
 - No drinking
 - No practice at Gleason this year, it will only be used for games
- Picture Day
 - Dates TBD – new coordinator will communicate details and dates forthcoming
- March 30 – Presidents meeting with OMGBA and OMGHA to work on scheduling to prevent/limit impacts with tryouts.
- Acuity will be used again for field scheduling, anyone who abuses privileges by scheduling more than 2 practices will lose their rights to use the system to schedule fields. Around 4/15 the system will open for field reservations.
- MYAS Eligibility – Andy will be re-reviewing the guidelines to ensure eligibility for our community and he will field any questions that there may be.

Vice-President:

- Concessions – Concession managers will arrive by 5:00 on game nights; if concessions are light we will shut them down by 8pm.
 - Tournament concessions in the works with DIBS to ensure we're ready for our May tournaments
- DOME – Baseball and softball have both been allocated # of hours to use across their program based on # of teams. Also open gym time during spring break was communicated on social media. The Dome will be coming down Apr. 13. Please note additional parking for the Dome will be added in near future.
- Team Selection Committee – Awaiting 1 A-level coach for travel baseball. We will be reviewing callback policies.
- We have been paid \$32K by Prime for our banners.
- Discussion and negotiations continue with SportsEngine for providing cameras at Gleason.

Treasurer

- Van Winkle Accounting – We are working to get them access they need to reconcile our files.
- Umpire Update – Interest is increasing for getting umpires to help with rookie league as our trial this year.

IT

- Cody adding a coordinator to help with our website launch – Brent Krzmarzick
- Website Update – Prep is ongoing, targeting cutover by next month's board meeting; board members will be asked to validate content for migration.

Minor/Major House:

- I need to get uniforms ordered.
- A little down on numbers for both Minor and Major, at a total of 10 teams right now.
- We are looking at getting 20-30 additional kids.
- We may combine some minor and major this year.
- Coaching numbers are looking better this year.
- We need to figure out umpires for the year. We will leave this to the director.
- More of an update next month after teams come together.
- Friday night, the boys and girls house all-star game on June 20th at Gleason. Jeff, Mike and Nick should be included too!

Travel Baseball Director:

- Candy not in attendance, no update.

Travel Fastpitch Director:

- Tryouts went great, they were transparent, and we posted evaluations sheets before tryouts so kids knew what they were going to be evaluated on.
- No kids got cut.
- 2 14U teams added.
- A couple of parents upset about a few coaches not being picked.
- Joe and Lindsey helped tabulate scores, and we had a host of independent evaluators.
- All prospective coaches had to help at a tryout and interview for their position.
- Karla did a great job helping with the dubs, thank you.
- Parents were the number one reason why kids didn't get picked. Parents should be reminded that they have an impact on their kids, both positive and negative.
- Most tournaments are paid for and set.
- We will coordinate fields for league play very soon. April 8th will be scheduling day and then we will start to be able to book fields.
- Apparel code is coming for head coaches, 2 assistants and a manager on each team. This will come the 1st week of April.
- Get the equipment list to Matt A. now to confirm it is ordered.
- Background checks are required for all coaches (head and assistants) and safe sport training.

Tournament Director:

- 10U and 12U softball tournaments in May are in great shape! 10U has 1 spot open, 12 is already full
- Shirts have been ordered
- Umpires have been coordinated
- Awards have been selected
- Scott will arrange the times with City of MG.

House Fastpitch Director:

- Uniforms have been fitted and tried on.
- The softball equipment order is with Joe K. Matt A. should also be on copy so he can check to make sure it was ordered.
- We are at 95% of registrations from last year. We will have 18ish teams.
- Last year it was 5 for 8U, 6 for 10U, 4 for 12U, and 3 for 14Us. This year we have 5 at 8U, 5 at 10U, 4 at 12U and 4 at 14U.

Training & Development Director:

- A lot of work with tryouts over the last few weeks.
- Has some ideas for blending softball and baseball tryouts. Let's start a shared document.
- Will get his P.O.s on file.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

- Do we want to hang an OMGAA banner on the High School fields?
 - Matt A. made a motion to approve the OMGAA banner at cost, Karla R seconds and all approved verbally. Motion passed.
- In April, MG and Osseo HS teams play on Field 2, 3 and 4 for OMGAA softball youth night. The city is asking for rental fees. Can we pay the city rent for this event.
 - Mark H. made a motion to approve the OMGAA spend to rent the fields for youth night, Matt A. seconds, and all approved verbally. Motion passed.
- Do we want to allocate \$300/OMGAA on the board rollcall for apparel that displays OMGAA Board Member. This would help with branding/marketing and allow community members to spot us and ask questions, etc.
 - Matt A. made a motion to approve the spend, Mike seconded, and majority approved verbally. Motion passed.

- Matt A. made a motion to approve a \$2085 budget increase for travel baseball because Candy had additional trout expenses related to paying High School kids to help. Mark H. seconded and all approved verbally. Motion passed.
- Mark H. made a motion to bring on an IT coordinator, Brant Krzmarzick. Mike seconded and all approved verbally. Motion passed.

Apparel Coordinator (Matt A. on behalf of Penny A.)

- We are consolidating clothing orders to BSN for price savings. Challenges exist because sometimes getting them to stay on task is hard.
- Don't wait, get your orders in asap.
- Logos – we don't have a logo high resolution. We should approve spend for this soon.
- Ben at BSN is very good, but it is such a big shop, so urgency is important.
- If your budget allows for it, consider purchasing a few extras so you don't have to reorder.

DIBS

- When you sign up, parent is the fulfiller and the athlete is YOUR KID. You can pick the kid. Do not pick yourself, that is the issue!
- Coaches and managers don't have to turn in dibs checks, but everyone else does.

Adjournment

- Mike moves to adjourn the meeting.
- Mark seconds the motion to adjourn the meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:45 pm

Submitted by Tammy Luecke, OMGAA Tournament Director

Minutes are not considered official until approved by the Board at the next meeting.