

Aptos Little League April Board Meeting Minutes

Date: Monday, April 14, 2025

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Rio Sands Hotel

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM.

Approval of Previous Minutes:

The minutes from the March meeting were reviewed and approved.

Hit-A-Thon:

- Winners were reviewed.
- John Bergh is compiling information for the 2025 event.
- Funds have been requested and are expected to be in the account by month's end.
- Considerations discussed: improving measurement accuracy, possibly keeping a balloon out and moving it when kids hit the furthest, and awards such as \$18 shirts and \$31 sweatshirts (quotes pending).
- Winners will be announced soon.
- Potential end-of-year party discussed.

All-Star Uniforms:

- Currently reviewing design options.

Agenda Changes & Topics:

- **Golf Tournament Update:**
 - Due to insufficient team sign-ups, we are hesitant to commit to associated costs.
 - Action: Send out dates and registration links for sign-up and payment.
 - Website updates needed, including making each team responsible for their foursomes.
 - Proposed date: July 3rd, with no dinner planned.
 - Need to appoint a fundraising chair.
 - Consider featuring a "Player of the Week" and a business sponsor.
 - The website contains unused sections, such as sponsors and special events, which may be reorganized.
 - Move TOC winners to a dedicated page.
 - **Payments:** PayPal links are now functional.
 - Possible venue: BBQ Blues.
 - **Closing Ceremony:** Potential location at Women's Hall; Garrett is investigating and will seek feedback via email.
- **Hit-A-Thon:**
 - Website updates required, including assigning responsibility for bringing in foursomes.
- **Event Planning:**
 - Confirming whether there will be a July 3rd event without dinner.
 - Additional fundraising efforts are ongoing.
 - All-Star voting: Must order uniforms by May 21; discussion scheduled for May 8.
 - Santa Cruz has expressed interest in hosting the 8/9-year-olds.
 - The chapter plans to take a year off hosting the All-Star event.
- **Tournament of Champions (TOC) Majors:**
 - Decision pending on hosting.

Treasury Report:

- Current balance: \$14,600 (mostly from Polo sponsorship).
- Sponsorship income: \$19,000.
- Total income: approximately \$80,500.
- Shortfall: \$10,000 from Hit-A-Thon this year.
- Non-profit status has been reinstated retroactively.

Additional Updates:

- **Commissioners:** All reports are positive.

- **Umpire in Chief (UIC):** Seth and Rock are returning; Pete and Henry are actively participating in games.
- **Field Update:** Pending.
- **Player Agent & Coaches:**

Dodgers Team Discussion:

- Tommy Prentice has broken his leg again.
- The board discussed whether to replace a player from AAA or retain 11 players.
 - Pros of keeping 11: Allows AAA players to compete in majors.
 - Cons: Bringing up a top AAA player who didn't make majors, or promoting an AA player.
- Decision: 9 of 11 board members voted to maintain 11 players.
- If a team has fewer than 11 players at playoffs, other teams may bat the same number of players and revert to standard sub-rules (1-minute at-bats, six consecutive outs).
- Remaining games: 8-9.

Upcoming Events & Responsibilities:

- Closing ceremonies, additional fundraising, and all-star voting are upcoming.
- **Important Dates:**
 - All All-Star uniform orders are due by May 21.
 - May 8: Discuss All-Star voting.
- **Additional notes:** Santa Cruz will host the 8/9-year-olds; Aptos plans to skip hosting this year.

Other Updates:

- **TOC Majors:** Decision pending, if they need a location, Aptos will host.
- **Treasury:** Detailed above.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:05 PM.