

Middletown-Cobb Little League
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Little League Board
January 8, 2026 at 6:00pm

Location of Meeting:

HVL CSD
19400 Hartmann Road
Hidden Valley Lake, CA 95467

Board Members Present at Meeting: Geraldine Fagalde, Kelly Bianco, Carmen Xavier, Arryn McCabe, Kendra Gerst, Jasmine Cockrill, Whitney Brand, Michael Beehler, David Robinson, Robert Zolensky, Elisabeth Strausborger, Katie Robinson, Paul Bleuss

Absent from Meeting: Ryan Xavier, Cal Howland

Community Members: Nick Walker

The regular meeting of the Little League Board of Middletown-Cobb Little League was called to order at 6:14pm on January 8, 2026 at Middletown Library Community Room by Geraldine Fagalde.

I. Approval of Agenda

The agenda for the regular meeting was distributed. Arryn McCabe made a motion to approve, 2nd by Carmen Xavier and unanimously approved.

II. Review of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were reviewed. Carmen Xavier made a motion to approve, 2nd by Katie Robinson and unanimously approved.

III. Consideration of Open Issues

1. Vote in open **Board positions:**

- **Baseball Coach Coordinator:** *No interested persons present at start of meeting* however Paul Bleuss advised he has spoken to a few people regarding the position (Nick Walker & Mike Robertson) & will continue to follow up with them. Reviewed position duties. Paul will cover on an interim basis until we can fill the position.
- **Snack Shack Coordinator:** *No interested persons present or known by Board Members.* Same direction from the Board as prior meeting, continue to advertise the position and Board Members to split covering shifts/days if needed to keep it operating & maintaining tight control on the register/inventory.

2. **Registration Update:** Carmen provided an update on Spring registration.

- Baseball = 71 players, 7 head coaches & 9 assistant coaches
- Softball = 23 players, 4 head coaches & 2 assistant coaches
- Pending in Carts = 34 BB & 15 SB
- Scholarship Requests = 3 received

3. **Tryouts:** Confirmed dates of 1/24, 1/25, 1/31 & 2/1. Paul Bleuss advised he will run most of the sessions but is looking for assistance with the Saturday mornings while his kids have basketball. Paul is checking to see if Mike Robertson can run those. Arryn McCabe offered to help with those if needed. Whitney confirmed that the porta-potties will be delivered to Hartmann & MMS prior to tryouts. Michael Beehler will reinstall the Starklink for wi-fi at Hartmann for in-person registration prior to tryouts. Board consensus is that tryouts will be “rain or shine”, pending field conditions are still safe.
4. **Field Use:**
 - **Hartmann Field** - Kelly Bianco advised that the field use agreement was submitted to HVL on 12/28/25 & it is going for approval at their Board Meeting tonight (1/8/26)
 - **CME, CVE, MCE, MMS & MHS** - Kelly Bianco advised that all applications have been submitted to MUSD
 - Once approved MUSD should provide an invoice for fees due
 - Arryn McCabe advised that the MMS field is in rough shape (outfield grass is very long) and maintenance request has been submitted to have it mowed prior to tryouts

IV. Consideration of New Business

1. **Constitution, By-laws & Policy Review:**
 - **Constitution:** Gerry located the Constitution that was created by Isaac last year & approved by the Board. Unfortunately it never made its way to Regional for approval. Gerry distributed copies of the Constitution for review & advised only minor changes were made to fill in some missing dates, etc. Paul Bleuss made a motion to approve, 2nd by Arryn McCabe and unanimously approved.
 - **By-laws:** Started review of by-laws, most changes were removing verbage that is redundant of the official Little League rule book &/or District 2 Inter-League By-Laws. Unable to complete review of by-laws due to time constraints of this meeting, will be continued to our next meeting and documented in those minutes.
 - **Policy Review:** Also continued to the next board meeting due to time constraints. Gerry Fagalde provided copies of two policies for board members to review prior to next meeting.
2. **Safety Plan Submission:** Gerry Fagaled & Katie Robinson will work on completing & submitting the Safety Plan.
3. **Equipment:** Gear turned in at the end of last season still needs to be sorted through & the conex at Hartmann needs to be cleaned/organized. Carmen Xavier advised she and Ryan are planning to work on it this weekend. Kelly Bianco will be joining them. If anyone else is available we're aiming for Saturday at 11am & will start a list of gear that is needed.
4. **Donations/Sponsorship Update:** Whitney Brand advised that donation requests were sent out via email & already starting to come in.

5. **Opening Day:** Not discussed in detail due to time constraints of the meeting. Pushing agenda item to next meeting & Gerry suggested floating any ideas in GroupMe until then.
6. **Other Items:**
 - **All-Stars:** Nick Walker inquired about the selection process and relayed complaints he received from several parents regarding last season. The Board explained that the All-Star selection process is covered in the MCLL By-Laws but we didn't get that far in the review process tonight. Discussed the current process & ideas for improvements including: Coaches being able to nominate from all teams (not just their own team), player picks counting, minimum of 1 player from each regular season team, pushing for selections to be based on stats & sportsmanship, etc. Review of By-Laws related to All-Stars will be on agenda for the next meeting and can be revisited throughout the season to improve the process.
 - **Hartmann Scoreboard:** Kelly Bianco advised that she reached out to Electro-Mech regarding the scoreboard. They confirmed that the control console & transmitter can be sent in for repairs. They also provided a quote for a full system replacement. Kelly advised the vendor that replacement would be through HVLA but we would pass along the quote. Kelly will inquire if just a replacement transmitter can be ordered since that is what is believed to be the problem with the current console.
 - **Inter-League Play:** Gerry Fagalde advised that El Molino reached out to her for possible inter-league play and she will provide more info when received.

V. Agenda and Time of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 6:00pm on January 22, 2026 at:
Middletown Library Community Room
21256 Washington Street
Middletown, CA 95461

Tentative dates for future meetings: 2/5, 2/19 at 6:00pm

The agenda for the next meeting will include, but not limited to:

1. Vote in remaining Board positions if interested parties identified
2. Registration Update
3. Tryouts
4. Opening Day
5. Field Use
6. Safety Plan Submission
7. Sponsorship Update
8. Equipment
9. Constitution, By Laws & Policy Review

Kelly Bianco made a motion to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Carmen Xavier, unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm by Gerry Fagalde.

Minutes submitted by: Kelly Bianco

Minutes approved by: Board Members