

**Meeting Title:** District 7 Presidents and Staff Meeting

**Date:** January 13, 2026

**Time:** 7:07 PM

**Location:** Oregon Farm Bureau

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## Attendees

### Presidents:

- Cascade – Emilie Kunkel
- Eugene – Steven Frey
- Mid Valley – Dan Gerard
- Silverton – Gene Cannon
- South Salem – Chris Hummert
- Parrish – Whitney Madderom
- Sprague – Casey Burnham

**Staff:** Tom Bowman, Duane Bedell, Tim Halfman, Wendy Smith, Kevin Smith, Andy Wooldridge, Angie Hatch, Leslie Parpart, Mike Moreno, Sandi Halfman, Barry Nelson

**Guests:** Frank Dyemartin (Sprague Player Agent), Cody Clack (Mid Valley)

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## Meeting Called to Order

- Meeting called to order at 7:07 PM
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## Approval of Previous Minutes

- Meeting minutes approved
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## Treasurer's Report

- Report distributed to attendees
  - Labeled as Q4 2025 but reflects Q1 2026
  - Adjustment needed in software (calendar vs. fiscal year)
  - Limited activity due to time of year
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## General Updates

- Constitutions must be updated and uploaded to Data Center (especially with leadership changes)
  - Leagues to review:
    - Policy updates
    - Collection of dues
    - Membership cards
    - Definition of “member in good standing”
  - Update officers/directors in Data Center
  - Reminder: Charter and insurance must be completed
  - Background checks handled by Leslie; current Data Center issues noted
  - Reminder to complete all checklist items
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## Old Business

### State Leadership Conference:

- Only ~50 registered; goal is 150
- Issue reported with payment after registration; Leslie to follow up

### ASAP Program:

- Evolving in 2026 with:
  - Little League SAFE
  - SAFE to Play

### Training Requirements:

- Abuse Awareness – annual (ALL volunteers; certificate required with tracking number)
- Concussion Training – annual (required by Oregon for all with player contact)
- Diamond Training – one-time (All-Star managers/coaches)
- Junior umpires must complete concussion training
- Reminder: altered certificates not acceptable

### Marketing:

- Only one response received; still open

### Chartering:

- Must charter both Baseball and Softball divisions

### Registration:

- District reviewing data
  - Presidents must monitor out-of-bound players:
    - Waivers valid for one year only
    - Must be approved before player participates or is drafted
    - Players must register correctly before waiver process begins
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## New Business

### Umpire Training:

- March 21–22 in Corvallis
  - Full day (21st), half day (22nd)
  - Approximate cost: \$100
- Rules training: March 28 at Farm Building (Capitol St.)
- No separate D7 umpire training planned
- Leagues may request assistance locally
- Umpire numbers declining; leagues responsible for coverage
- Youth umpires:
  - Must have adult present (not a coach)
  - Background checks required
- Scholarship opportunities discussed for Western Region training
- Eric's umpire recruitment email to be shared

### Junior Division Rule Change:

- Motion by Chris:
    - Allow 15-year-olds to play in Junior Division (opt-in)
    - Allow 15-year-olds to pitch
  - Vote passed
  - Restriction: Not eligible for All-Stars
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## Future Business

- Interleague play discussion scheduled for next meeting
- Opt-in/opt-out rules to be reviewed
- March meeting focus:
  - Scheduling (especially with out-of-Salem leagues)
  - Game approvals and league flexibility
- Discussion highlights:
  - Saturday game concerns from previous season

- Number of scheduled vs. extra games
    - Travel concerns (50/70 teams to Portland)
  - Waitlist discussion:
    - Goal for all players to have opportunity to play
    - Acknowledgement that waitlists may occur
  - Season timeline:
    - Season ends second week of June
    - In-person registration typically in March
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## **Adjournment**

- Motion to adjourn by Wendy Smith
  - Seconded by Kevin Smith
  - Meeting adjourned at 8:23pm
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