

LTJBSA MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 8, 2023 | **Time:** 7:30 PM | **Location:** LTJBSA Indoor Facility & Batting Cages

Present Attendees: Andrea Alfieri, Paul Alfieri, John Brogle, Ken Mitchell, Eric Moskal, Nicole Mottola, Sandy Oswald, Dave Shockey, Rory Sullivan, Carly Vichroski, Paul Vichroski, Jake Zalaznick, Zig Zegarski

I. Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by LTJBSA President, Paul Vichroski.

Motion To Approve Meeting Minutes of February 2023, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

II. Department Reports

- **Treasurer's Report:** Dave Shockey presented the financial report, noting strong sponsorship growth that doubled the prior month's totals, payment for Tee Ball uniforms, minimal account activity with no major outstanding invoices, and excellent overall financial standing.
- **Little League:** Paul Alfieri reported that baseball will field teams across the Majors, AAA, Minors, and Rookies divisions, combining with Ewing due to their enrollment numbers to reach 329 registered players—the second-largest Little League program in Mercer County behind Hamilton. Assessment Day is scheduled for the turf field, with a contingency plan to run initial drafts and utilize the first two practice weeks to balance rosters if needed. Tee Ball reached 91 players across eight teams, with first games beginning April 10 and the Opening Day Parade set for April 15. Paul Alfieri also noted an upcoming presentation to the Town Council on March 21 to highlight support initiatives for youth baseball.
- **Softball:** Rory Sullivan reported that enrollment concluded with 53 registered players, 11 volunteer coaches, and two new team sponsors secured for the season. Special thanks were extended to high school student volunteers and Coach Angela for directing preseason instructional clinics.
- **Senior League:** Carly Vichroski reported that Babe Ruth reached maximum capacity with 30 registered players across two teams, with uniforms ordered. The division is participating in interleague play with Ewing, Hopewell, and West Windsor, and Lawrence Babe Ruth will host the 15U State Tournament from July 5–12, 2023.
- **Competitive Travel:** Matt Heady submitted the report noting that all teams will participate in the USABL spring season starting April 2, with the 10U squad competing in an Eastern division with Manalapan while all other rosters remain local and prepare for preseason scrimmages against the Central Jersey Rebels.

Motion To Accept Treasurer's Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

Motion To Accept Babe Ruth Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

Motion To Accept Little League Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

Motion To Accept Softball Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

Motion To Accept Travel Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

III. New Business

- **Opening Day Festivities & Community Parade (Introduced by Paul Alfieri & Nicole Mottola):** Teams will march in the parade alongside Lawrence High School softball and Notre Dame baseball, with outreach planned to the color guard and cadets, while coordination continues with PJ's Pancake House regarding breakfast catering and evaluating potential new dining locations.
- **Little League & Tournament Team Regulations (Introduced by General Board):** The board reviewed new All-Star rules implementing a mandatory continuous batting order for all attendees without minimum defensive fielding requirements, roster rules mandating a 12-player minimum with automatic removal for missing consecutive games, and confirmation that territorial boundaries remain active.
- **Concession Stand Operations & Preseason Preparation (Introduced by Andrea Alfieri):** Concession stand cleaning is underway, meetings were held with new food vendors to introduce expanded menu items, additional equipment purchases are being explored, and ice machine repairs will be completed prior to Opening Day.
- **Umpire Training & Cadet Coordination (Introduced by Paul Alfieri):** Umpire training has concluded, with three softball players scheduled to assist in officiating Little League games.

IV. Adjournment

- The next regular meeting will be held on April 12, 2023 at the LTJBSA Indoor Facility.
- Meeting adjourned at the conclusion of business.

Motion To Adjourn, Seconded, Approved unanimously.