

LTJBSA MONTHLY GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 8, 2025 | **Time:** 7:30 PM | **Location:** LTJBSA Indoor Facility & Batting Cages

Present Attendees: Andrea Alfieri, Paul Alfieri, John Brogle, Lisa Cox, Ken Dobkin, Nicole Mottola, Dave Shockey, Rory Sullivan, Carly Vichroski, Paul Vichroski, Jake Zalaznick

I. Call to Order

- Meeting was called to order by LTJBSA President, Paul Vichroski.

Motion To Approve Meeting Minutes of December 2024, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

II. Department Reports

- **Treasurer's Report:** Andrea Alfieri reported that numerous purchases are actively underway to prepare for the upcoming spring season, with associated seasonal expenditures scheduled to be paid out over the next month.
- **Little League:** Andrea Alfieri reported on enrollment and operations, noting steady overall registration with strong turnout in Tee Ball, Baseball, and Softball. Coaching recruitment remains an active priority due to a shortage of baseball head coaches (particularly across the Majors and 50/70 divisions) and assistants, while Softball coaching numbers and Tee Ball coordinator sign-ups remain in good standing. A reminder email will be distributed ahead of the registration deadline, and volunteer shifts are posted via SignUpGenius for Spring Cleanup Day, Swap Day, and Opening Day. Office organization and inventory counts are complete; seasonal supplies including hats, socks, belts, and game balls are ordered, while additional team sponsors are being recruited prior to jersey production. The Dick's Sporting Goods sponsorship discount weekend is set for March 28–31 with year-round coupons active. Equipment tracking tags and standardized catcher's bags have been ordered for gear sign-outs, and the league is evaluating the Bravara platform for player assessments. Donation processing has migrated from Qgiv to Zeffy to reduce transaction fees for online fundraising. Wall of Honor and Triple Crown plaques have been ordered from Crown Awards for clubhouse display, and a vendor will inspect all field scoreboards in February with emphasis on Carroll and Pezzicola fields. Capital enhancements include new bases, golf cart maintenance, facility upgrades, and commemorative plaques. LTJBSA submitted a bid to host the District 12 10s tournament while evaluating future hosting commitments.
- **Softball:** Jake Zalaznick reported that 40% of current registrants represent players new to the division or graduating from Tee Ball. Most coaches are returning alongside new coaching volunteers, and outreach to past participants is ongoing to ensure full registration.
- **Senior League:** Carly Vichroski reported on Babe Ruth registration, noting that most registrants are returning players following an aging-out cycle. Outreach to rising eligible families is underway, with a critical need for volunteer head coaches.
- **Competitive Travel:** Andrea Alfieri reported that Lawrence Thunder teams (8U through 17U) are conducting indoor winter workouts, while the 8U Storm softball team is currently on winter recess.

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

Motion To Accept Baseball Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

Motion To Accept Softball Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

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

Motion To Accept Travel Report, Seconded, Approved unanimously.

III. New Business

- **Spring 2025 Calendar & Key Dates (Introduced by General Board):** The board reviewed key operational milestones for the upcoming season, including Equipment Swap and Assessment Day on March 23, Spring Field Cleanup on March 29, Opening Day on April 21, the Opening Day Parade on April 26, the Lawrence High School Softball Night on April 29, the Annual Golf Outing on May 5, Photo Day on May 12, and Trenton Thunder Night on June 18.

IV. Adjournment

- The next regular meeting will be held on February 13, 2025 at Slackwood Firehouse.
- Meeting adjourned at the conclusion of business.

Motion To Adjourn, Seconded, Approved unanimously.