



LTJBSA General Meeting Minutes

Date: March 11, 2026

Location: Central Park

Attendance

Andrea Alfieri, Carly Vichroski, Paul Alfieri, Paul Vichroski, Jake Zalaznick, Daniel Angebrandt, Gene McGuire, John Brogle, Liz Zegarski, Erik Raj, Zig Zegorski, Dave Schwartzer, Mike Russo, Tom DeFillipo, Randy Potter (online), Scott Ryan (online), Dave Shockey (online), Dan Perrino, Rich Schumacher (online), Matt Heady, Kristen Dobkin (online), Lisa Cox, and Ken Dobkin.

1. Approval of February 2026 Minutes

The board reviewed the February meeting minutes. A correction was noted regarding an AI-generated error that suggested field work was finished and a dome had been purchased; the board clarified that no dome was purchased.

- **Motion:** Paul Alfieri
- **Second:** Jake Zalaznick
- **Status:** Approved

2. Treasurer's Report

The preseason financial position is strong. Recent investments include portable game mounds for Carroll and Hughes fields and new bullpen mounds for the Hughes complex to replace existing divots with clay surfaces. Progress is being made on the golf outing with several new

sponsorships secured. Apparel sales, specifically hats, are generating a healthy profit margin for the association. The 2025 taxes have been filed and paid in full.

- **Motion:** John Brogle
- **Second:** Andrea Alfieri
- **Status:** Approved

3. Little League Report

Baseball

Paul Alfieri reported that registration is at its highest level in 25 years, surpassing all 2025 totals. Tee Ball is currently at capacity with a waitlist. The board discussed a future transition for the Majors division (11 and 12-year-olds) to move toward 50/70 field dimensions over the next few seasons. Professional field renovations are underway at Colavita, Carroll and Hughes fields, managed by a specialist with Major League groundskeeping experience.

Softball

Jake Zalaznick reported record-breaking participation numbers. The program features three teams in both Coach Pitch and Miners divisions, with strong enrollment across the 6-10 age groups. To better integrate the programs, softball games will be rotated onto Carroll Field this season, allowing for more visibility between the baseball and softball communities.

- **Motion:** Jake Zalaznick
- **Second:** Paul Alfieri
- **Status:** Approved

4. Parade and Special Events

Lisa Cox provided an update on Opening Day preparations. The Lawrence Township Police will provide motorcycles and drones for the event. The Lawrence High School choir is confirmed to perform. Registrations are currently active for Photo Day and the upcoming Trenton Thunder night on June 2.

5. Babe Ruth Report

Current enrollment stands at 15 players. The board expressed concern regarding the lack of a dedicated manager and assistant coaches. If volunteers do not step forward by the end of the week, the spring season for this age group is at risk. There was a broader discussion regarding the impact of travel ball commitments on Babe Ruth enrollment.

- **Motion:** Carly Vichroski
- **Second:** Paul Alfieri
- **Status:** Approved

6. Competitive Travel Report

The travel program has grown significantly, increasing from four teams last year to nine teams this season. Consequently, field availability will be at a premium, with scheduled activities seven days a week. All travel teams must log their practices and games through the Sports Connect system to prevent scheduling conflicts.

- **Motion:** Jake Zalaznick
- **Second:** Paul Alfieri
- **Status:** Approved

7. Snack Shack Report

Preseason cleaning is complete, and Snack Shack is being prepared for the March 27 move-in. It will be open on March 28th for the Township Easter Egg Hunt, New menu items, including specialized breakfast items from Caesar's Bagels, will be introduced throughout the season. Team managers will be responsible for organizing parent volunteer shifts for their designated nights.

- **Motion:** Carly Vichroski
- **Second:** Jake Zalaznick
- **Status:** Approved

8. Old and New Business

- **Field Maintenance:** Zig emphasized that the new field investments require strict maintenance protocols, including daily watering and proper dragging techniques. It was noted that the new infield grass is a hybrid designed to stay at a height of 3/4 inch to ensure fast play.
- **Tournament:** An 8u/10u Travel Softball Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, June 7. The event will feature triple-headers to maximize Snack Shack participation.
- **Practice Locations:** Due to renovations at Central Park, the board is seeking permission to use fields at Lawrence Intermediate School for preseason practices.
- **Field Rededication:** Paul Alfieri suggested hosting a rededication ceremony for the Colavita, Carroll, Pezzicola, and Hughes families to honor the history of the fields following the recent renovations.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at the conclusion of new business.

- **Motion:** Carly Vichroski
- **Second:** Paul Alfieri
- **Status:** Approved

