

PBSA April 2025 Board Meeting

April 10, 2025

Full Board

8:34 – 10:05

Renton Italian Club

Meeting called by:	John Lipchick	Type of meeting:	Board Meeting
Facilitator:	John Lipchick	Note taker:	John Lipchick

Attendees:

Exec Board:

Mike Devine - President	X
Joel Kline – Vice President	X
Joe Beresford - Treasurer	X
John Lipchick - Secretary	X
Paul Bondarenka – Dir of Field Maintenance	X

Matt DeSantis – Dir of Operations	X
Shawn Lafferty – Dir of Baseball	X
David Biondo – Dir of Fast and Slow Pitch SB	X

Non-Exec Board Attendees:

Jeremy Erkel – Tball Rep	X
Kyle Craig – BR Rep	X
Nick Iorio – Rookie Ball Rep	X
Jim Godula – Minor Ball Rep	
Vacant – Jr Ball Rep	
Shawn Lafferty – Pony Rep	X

Jeremy Mills – FP SB Rep	
Jennifer Dintini – 8u Coach Pitch	
Justin Pifer – Dir of Equip	
Anthony Iorio – Dir of Player Development	
Matthew Clark – Webmaster	X
Erica Gribbin - Concessions	X
Dean Linderman – Dir of Community Relations	X

Agenda

Agenda Item: Treasurer Report

Presenter: Joe Beresford

Discussion:

- Nothing today

Agenda Item: Baseball

Presenter: Shawn Lafferty

Discussion:

- Concession Stands for tournaments – moving forward for April tournament 4/25-4/27;
- League reps – may have options for practices on weekends at the Plum HS; reach out to Lafferty /Devine for options if needed/desired (reminder, no seeds/gum when using the HS turf fields); in house teams have priority for HS fields over tournament teams
- Tryout dates TBD targeting 5/31-6/1
- Season to start 4/21 with 4 weeks of practice preceding (3/24-4/18)
- Seeking a Junior Ball Rep; consider combining Junior/Pony rep
- Uniform handouts to be handled in similar fashion to last season; Tuesday 4/15 – will have timeslots for each league; Erica will help coordinate check collection; league will need to be available
- *In House tourneys: will not be community only any longer; will be open; AAU allowed in; will be a B level tournament (AC affiliate B/C tourneys); 4/29 Plum teams manage fields, another in June;*
 - *June 28 - 29, 2025 Tournament (even ages)*
 - *July tournament July 25-27 (odd ages)*
- *Sept 20 - 21, 2025 Wood Bat Tournament*

Agenda Item: Fast Pitch Softball

Presenter: David Biondo

Discussion:

- Schedules completed for Fast and Slow pitch – to be posted soon
- Shawn Marcellino foundation - if anyone can't pay for registration ... foundation may help cover
- Tournament dates for 2025 August 8-10 due to conflicting tournaments in the area
- Targeting Tryout dates: 4/27; makeup TBD; will be confirming dates
- Will hand out uniforms, collect checks and give to Erica Gribbon
- Sr Night for softball at HS: saying team name; 4/17/25;

Agenda Item: Slow Pitch Softball

Presenter: David Biondo

Discussion:

- No additional updates from above.

Agenda Item: Equipment**Presenter: Justin Pifer****Discussion:**

- No update

Agenda Item: Field Maintenance**Presenter: Paul Bondarenka****Discussion:**

- Dirt ordered – will be dumped where the old Boro was located; Boro reimbursing for portion they disposed of at time of previous dirt storage area destruction
- Chalk has come in
- Parts for sandpro ordered for the drag
- Boro: Dugouts field 8 – roof and concrete added;
- building 10x20 area near field 8 to store dirt; will need covered by a tarp
- Batting cage plan shifted to be along the fence of field 2; final version submitted; curbs had to be added around the final design; Boro to run conduit to the batting cages; All plans approved; State preliminarily approved our submission for the grant money we were allocated to assist with the batting cages; to start construction in April; bids have been open for 2 weeks; will take a few weeks; expected completion in Spring;
- *Boro wants last Fall ballgame to be the first weekend of October to account for end of season field maintenance*
- *Boro requesting dates for 2026 tournaments by end of November 2025*

Agenda Item: Operations**Presenter: Matt DeSantis****Discussion:**

- Uniforms have all arrived
- Putting in final order for any updates/late signees
- Plum hats currently in stock (approximately 40 flex fit) – propose donating to tourney teams (7u?)

Agenda Item: Concessions**Presenter: Erica Gribbon****Discussion:**

- Trying fundraising for baseball in the first tournament (Concession Stand 1 only)
- Will start ordering supplies
- Trying to set up a new account with Pepsi

Agenda Item: Enrollment**Presenter: John Lipchick****Discussion:**

- 481 signed up for Spring 2025
- Insurance renewal completed. In the process of adding Tournament teams

Agenda Item: Player Development**Presenter: John L on behalf of Anthony Iorio****Discussion:**

- Weekend Camps being considered –
 - 2 hours per age group
 - Kevin Rayburn, 5-7 coaches working on development and specific player positions (catcher, pitcher)
- Monthly player development in consideration:
 - Depending on field availability, I would like to offer player development monthly to all age groups. I understand once in-house season is over, we can offer more time slots, until then, once every couple of weeks might be our best option. I spoke with Coach Rayburn, the Associate Head Coach at Point Park University, to help instruct the kids.
- Recommendation from the board to have kids sign-up and pay ahead of time

Agenda Item: Community Relations**Presenter: Dean Linderman****Discussion:**

- Reviewing current list of sponsors up for renewal; starting soon
- Reaching out to new sponsors soon
- Vendor /Sponsor village for Opening day; encourage to bring own table
- Bounce house planned for Opening day – volunteer
- Three DJs
- Pirate Parrot – Dean to help move Parrot around (to see every field) 12-1

Agenda Item: League Rep Updates**Presenter: Multiple****Discussion:**

- TBD

Agenda Item: General Business (Old and New)**Presenter: John Lipchick**

Discussion

- Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
- Buffalo Wild Wings: donation
- Coach vetting process – amendments needed?
 - Head Coach: continue background check, Child Abuse, FBI clearance
 - Consider background check for all assistant coaches
 - Assure that there is ALWAYS someone on the field that has had all clearances
 - Looking into SafeSport
- Draft Standards – consider a trial in Fall

Approved Motions:

- Approve Previous Meeting Minutes? Motion to pass: Paul; second: David. All in favor (12-0)