

PBSA February 2025 Board Meeting

February 13, 2025

Full Board

8:30 – 10:10

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

Non-Exec Board Attendees:

Jeremy Erkel – Tball Rep	
Kyle Craig – BR Rep	X
Nick Iorio – Rookie Ball Rep	X
Jim Godula – Minor Ball Rep	
Anthony Iorio – Jr Ball Rep	
Shawn Lafferty – Pony Rep	X
<i>Vacant</i> – Legion Rep	

Jeremy Mills – FP SB Rep	
Jennifer Dintini – 8u Coach Pitch	X
Justin Pifer – Dir of Equip	
Vacant – Dir of Player Development	
Matthew Clark – Webmaster	X
Erica Gribbin - Concessions	X

Agenda

Agenda Item: Treasurer Report

Presenter: Joe Beresford

Discussion:

- Balance \$121,000
 - Is Financial aid available for those in need? Yes
 - Buffalo Wild Wings – fund raiser every year; \$2,100 donation; Presenting the donation as a Big check on opening day with wing handouts (Gold Sponsor)
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Agenda Item: Baseball

Presenter: Shawn Lafferty

Discussion:

- Sept 20 - 21, 2025 Wood Bat Tournament
 - 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)
 - Plum has it's own page on the AC website affiliate page; Planning to post all Plum tournaments there in addition to McCandless
 - Own dedicated tournament site and teams signing up
 - Season to start 4/21 with 4 weeks of practice preceding (3/24-4/18)
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Agenda Item: Fast Pitch Softball

Presenter: David Biondo

Discussion:

- Pitching clinic (Penn St. New Ken) – 12-13 signed up currently
 - Tournament dates for 2025 August 8-10 due to conflicting tournaments in the area
 - Tryout dates TBD (target March)
 - Uniforms: same as last season
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Agenda Item: Slow Pitch Softball

Presenter: David Biondo

Discussion:

- No additional updates.
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Agenda Item: Equipment**Presenter: Justin Pifer****Discussion:**

- Not in Attendance
 - Needing to make sure that all equipment returned; consider sign in/sign out process; charge coaches if not turned in
 - Collected gear 11/2/24
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Agenda Item: Field Maintenance**Presenter: Paul Bondarenka****Discussion:**

- Boro requesting us move opening day to avoid conflict with opening day; moving to Sunday 5/4/25
 - Boro: Dugouts field 8 – adding roof and concrete; railroad ties on field 3; missing dirt to be replaced; building 10x20 area near field 8
 - Batting cage – Andy working on final drawing; aiming to have construction start this 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
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Agenda Item: Concessions**Presenter: Erica Gribbon****Discussion:**

- Will start ordering about 3 weeks prior to opening day
 - Keep concessions check at \$100 for Spring until parent volunteers
 - Pop-machines; Anthony Iorio has contacts at Pepsi; machines will all be operating in the Spring
 - Considering switch to Pepsi in concession stands by end of season – will allow extra to be sold to other boosters in Plum that are contracted with Pepsi; Anthony to get rep contact to Erica; need to confirm cost for Pepsi to service vs. ourselves
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Agenda Item: Enrollment**Presenter: John Lipchick****Discussion:**

- 166 signed up thus far;
 - Embed the link in the email reminders
 - Jen to blast it at St Johns
 - Newspaper (Advance Leader) add to launch next week; currently on electronic scroller
 - Contact at Boro to get into the Boro scroller for enrollment
 - Registration open through 2/28/25
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Agenda Item: Player Development**Presenter: Vacant Position****Discussion:**

- Speed and agility – should NOT be during seasons... only off season/before spring moving forward
 - Billed per kid that shows up
 - Matt to post on-line about opportunity / interest
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Agenda Item: League Rep Updates

Presenter: Multiple

Discussion:

- Junior baseball staying in Allegheny League
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Agenda Item: General Business

Presenter: John Lipchick

Discussion

- Mustang Foundation – want to buy a sign in the outfield; will have donation can at concession stands
- Fundraising (Lafferty) – need policy in writing for teams who can fundraise and when
 - Consider Cap amount of fundraising for Ripken team
 - Need exists to ask for donations
 - Consider sponsors at base of fences
 - Sponsorship options
 - Consider Director of Marketing position at PBSA
- Open positions: (considering)
 - Director of Player Development:
 - Slow-Pitch Softball (Rep):
 - Legion:
- Picture Day
 - Dan Moriarty; consider opening day for actual team photos; one makeup day
- AEDs at fields – Mike Devine reaching out to Boro for status

Approved Motions:

- Budget – motion to accept, Dave, second Mike – passed 11-0