

# PBSA February 2026 Executive Board Meeting

February 12, 2026

Full Board

9:07 – 11:03

Renton Italian Club

<b>Meeting called by:</b>	John Lipchick	<b>Type of meeting:</b>	Board Meeting
<b>Facilitator:</b>	John Lipchick	<b>Note taker:</b>	John Lipchick

## Attendees:

### Exec Board:

Mike Devine - President	
Joel Kline – Vice President	X
<b>Vacant (Matt Sauter) - Treasurer</b>	
John Lipchick - Secretary	X
Paul Bondarenka – Dir of Field Maintenance	X

Matt DeSantis – Dir of Operations	
Kyle Craig – Dir of Baseball	X
David Biondo – Dir of Pitch SB	X
Liz Nemanic – Dir of Slow Pitch SB	X

### Non-Exec Board Attendees:

Jeremy Erkel – Tball Rep/LTP	
Joe Seward – BR Rep	
Jon Pasquinelli – Rookie Ball Rep	
Nick Iorio – Minor Ball Rep	
Matt Clark – Jr / Pony Ball Rep	
Dean Linderman – Dir of Community Relations	
Shawn Lafferty – Director of Umpires	

Jeremy Mills – FP SB Rep	
Jennifer Dintini – 8u Coach Pitch	
Justin Pifer – Dir of Equip	
Anthony Iorio – Dir of Player Development	
<b>Vacant (Matthew Clark) – Webmaster</b>	
Erica Gribbin - Concessions	

# Agenda

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## Agenda Item: Treasurer Report

Presenter: Vacant (Matt Sauter)

### Discussion:

- Matt resigned secondary to a new job and corresponding travel requirements.
  - Budget.
  - *\$80,100 S&T; \$22,815 First Commonwealth (continuing transition).*
  - *Need to move Venmo account from previous treasurer to future treasurer.*
  - *Consider keeping a separate account at the old bank for the Ripken team joint shared with PBSA.*
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## Agenda Item: Baseball / Umpire

Presenter: Kyle Craig

### Discussion:

- Fees for 2025 Spring? LTP:\$40; tball: \$80; BR: \$80; Rookie: \$90; Minor: \$150; JR: \$150; Pony: \$160; Legion: TBD; Jr Legion: TBD
    - Early bird prices above (on or before 2/27); will have a higher fee after the date (\$15 more expensive); **drop dead date to register of 3/13 (absolute last date)**
  - Junior Legion – considering options to field a team; coach for team; field to use (need lights)
  - Open up registration to tryout for an 8u B baseball tournament team
  - Uniforms: TBD
  - Targeted dates for tourneys 2026
    - 4/24-4/26 AC B/C Series: Diamond Duel
    - 5/2 PBSA IN HOUSE OPENING WEEKEND
    - 5/9-5/10 Mother's Day
    - 5/23-5/25 Memorial Day
    - 6/6-6/7 B/C Series In house tourney
    - 6/13-6/14 All ages B
    - 6/18-6/21 CAP Classic
    - 6/25-6/28 CAP 2
    - 7/18-7/19 Plum C Series
    - 8/6-8/9: Youth National World Series for the 12u team
  - Looking to add numbers and "baseball" / "softball" on Fall ball uniforms this season.
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## Agenda Item: Fast Pitch Softball

Presenter: David Biondo

### Discussion:

- Fees for 2025 Spring? 8u FP: \$85; 10u FP: \$145; 12u FP: \$145; 15u FP: \$145
  - Early bird prices above (on or before 2/27); will have a higher fee after the date (\$15 more expensive); **drop dead date to register of 3/13 (absolute last date)**

- Eastern Area fastpitch will have a team fee to participate
- Uniforms: same approach as last season

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**Agenda Item: Slow Pitch Softball**

**Presenter: Liz Nemanic**

**Discussion:**

- Fees for 2025 Spring? 10u SP: \$100; 13u SP: \$110; 18u SP: \$110
- Uniforms: TBD
- Games starting early-mid April; scheduling meeting in March
- \$100 per team to participate in league

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**Agenda Item: VP**

**Presenter: Joel Kline**

**Discussion:**

- Need to reconsider meeting changes – non-exec board members are needed.

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**Agenda Item: Equipment**

**Presenter: (Vacant)**

**Discussion:**

- Softball: Will need more balls ordered for Spring.

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**Agenda Item: Field Maintenance**

**Presenter: Paul Bondarenka**

**Discussion:**

- Dugout at 5 – repaint? Would volunteer to paint no cost. Paul to ask Boro if this is possible.
- Boro replacing sun screen on field 3.
- Boro will dig up field 4 (tball field) – will need volunteers to help with the dirt (Boro will not spread dirt).
- Boro wants to inspect outlets, right fixtures, roofs.
- Boro will not fix the fences on fields 7/8 that were not raised to the intended height at installation or replace the missing netting at the top near first base line on field 8.
- 4/11 – youth fishing derby.
- PBSA will have to pay for Extra Dumpster and Extra port-a-John.
- Plum Boro – needs updated list of PBSA board members.
- 4/25 8am: Boro Clean-Up Day.
- 7/26: Pavillion 1 is rented out.
- Date to open fields TBD (weather).
- Batting cage: Finalizing plans to initiate. Jeremy Mills and Jeff Galia on board for project. Grant money needs spent by end of June.
  - Engineer has to get back to Jeremy
  - Need exact distance off walking patch/field 1/field 3 ... consider moving location next to playground/rest rooms as cost would be substantially cheaper

- Targeting late Feb to start
  - FC bank submitting first half of donation to PBSA today which helps cover the bank
  - Will have a date to review with tournament coaches and board members how to drag fields – Spring 2026;
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**Agenda Item: Operations**

**Presenter: Matt DeSantis**

**Discussion:**

- Not in attendance.
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**Agenda Item: Umpires**

**Presenter: Shawn Lafferty**

**Discussion:**

- Add \$1,250 for bb/softball each (\$2,500) for new umpire signing fee in 2026 budgeting.
  - Clinic to be held at HS to recruit more umpires.
  - Advanced clinic for seasoned HS umpires for additional training in WV.
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**Agenda Item: Concessions**

**Presenter: Erica Gribbon**

**Discussion:**

- Not in attendance.
  - *Pop machines – planning to launch in 2026.*
  - *Will need to look for extra help with concessions in future (particularly Fall); consider school volunteers? Dean Linderman to possibly help with tracking checks.*
  - *Consider tournament weekends for tourney teams first*
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**Agenda Item: Secretary**

**Presenter: John Lipchick**

**Discussion:**

- Insurance Policy renewal submitted.
  - Consider church bulletins for advertisements/ yard signs; Holy Family
  - Open Roles?
    - Webmaster – considering merge with Director of Community Relations
    - Equipment: TBD (not confirmed) – consider Ralph Festa
  - Will be starting background checks for board members. Please complete asap if you receive an email.
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## Agenda Item: Player Development

Presenter: Anthony Iorio

### Discussion:

- Living Word Fridays/some weekends over winter for targeted training sessions at minimal costs.
  - Speed / Agility
  - Fielding Mechanics
  - Dates/Plans:
    - Week 1 - Speed and agility
    - January 16th - 6pm-7pm - 5 & 6 yrs old
    - January 16th - 7pm-8pm - 7 & 8 yrs old
    - January 30th - 6pm - 7pm - 9 & 10yrs old
    - January 30th - 7pm - 8pm - 11 & 12yrs old
  
    - Week 2 - Throwing mechanics (how to warm up properly)
    - February 13th - 6pm - 7pm - 5 & 6yrs old
    - February 13th - 7pm - 8pm - 7 & 8 yrs old
    - February 20th - 6pm - 7pm - 9 & 10 yrs old
    - February 20th - 7pm - 8pm - 11 & 12 yrs old
  
    - Week 3 - Fielding mechanics
    - February 27th - 6pm - 7pm - 5 & 6yrs old
    - February 27th - 7pm - 8pm - 7 & 8 yrs old

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## Agenda Item: Community Relations

Presenter: Dean Linderman

### Discussion:

- Banners from field 3 – all down. Will need to review which are renewing and get hung back up.
- Marketing via yard signs
- Beginning opening day planning
- Looking into a survey for all parents, targeting LTP parents; possibly expanding survey to other leagues

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## Agenda Item: League Rep Updates

Presenter: Multiple

### Discussion:

- Targeting in-house regular season drop dead of 6/5

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## Agenda Item: General Business (Old and New)

Presenter: John Lipchick

## Discussion

- General Assembly: Volunteer program to track? Standardized certificate for XX hours.
- Start earlier with pitching for younger kids – volunteer? Possibility with Phil DiLinardo to do a softball clinic (pitching?) – had been in years past.
- Jose Monroy – fundraising proposal; would like to include corporate matching with a 501C3 non-profit. Many companies match up to \$10,000. Each company match is unique. Typically a match per employee with their company. With Benevity to sign up.
- Opening Day – consider a Home Run Derby; targets; catch of the day; relays around the horn; racing around the horn; consider as a joint fund-raiser
  
- Review all by-law proposals
  - 1. Fundraising Policy for 12u Baseball Team – Amended version passed as outlined below to move to vote.
- Standards for suspension penalties – to review at future Meeting
  - Lafferty proposal – any severe activity resulting in a suspension results in suspension until next board meeting; each involved individual can plead their case to the board
- Consideration that Baseball and Softball align wherever possible –
  - Director of Baseball/FP Softball/SP Softball to meet and review opportunity – review draft, tryouts, call-ups
  - Align where possible
- Future Spot for dirt - Near field 8 parking lot
  - Boro will set and pave once we have bricks
  - Will be 3 ft tall and 10 ft wide
- Batting Cages
  - Grant Money expires 6/30/26
  - New estimates needed due to inflation;
- Scoreboards – Mike Devine
  - Scoping out possibility to update scoreboards
  - Fields 1/3 already have scoreboards; Fields 5/6/7/8 would need electric run
  - Would be putting in for a grant to replace and create new scoreboards (cost estimation came in at ~\$85,000); Mike working on final proposal to try and get a grant
  - Adding expected costs and submitting for grant

## Approved Motions:

- Policy
  - Changes to article V paragraph 2. meeting of the bylaws regarding the meeting structure of the Board. Pass 9-3 – will move to vote by voting members. **Don't put a cap for fundraising but what money is spent on has to be approved. Fund raising can only be for kids and coaches. Anything over would go back to PBSA to be used for the next team.**

## Place holders for future updates:

- *Draft Standards – consider a trial in Spring*