

MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD FOR COLUMBIA LITTLE LEAGUE

July 7, 2025

An in-person meeting of the board members of Columbia Little League was held in the clubhouse July 7, 2025, at 6:00 PM pacific time.

Board Members present: Chris DiPalma, Lauren DiPalma, Kirstyn Griswold, Celina Thompson, Brittany Christ, Joella Neubauer, Kindra Christian, Celine Negrete

Board Members absent: Dale Robertson, Machel DeLeon (excused), Dan Piovesan, Tim Melcher, Wynne Hurly, Tanya Cardoza (excused), Joe Huffman, Justin Cvitkovitch, Doug Single (excused)

Guest Present: None

Call to Order

Chris DiPalma President of Columbia Little League called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM Pacific Time. Lauren DiPalma Secretary of Columbia Little League recorded the minutes.

Reports from Board Members

- Reading of the July 16th meeting minutes were waived. Motion to approve minutes as written by Kirstyn, Kindra 2nd. All in favor.
- State softball tournaments (7/12-7/17) – went over sign-ups and assignments for state tournament
- President's report was skipped
- Vice President's reports
 - Softball report was provided by Joella. Hoping for good turnout for fall ball.
 - Baseball report was skipped
 - Tee ball and coach pitch report was skipped
- Treasurers report provided by Celine
 - As of July 6, 2025, the bank balance is \$71,425.02
 - Recent expenses:
 - Softball dirt - \$4,500
 - New mound on big field - \$3,000
 - Screens for dugouts - \$1,000
 - Sprinkler repairs - \$1,500
 - Upcoming expenses: (previously approved)
 - All star uniforms - \$3,900
 - Bench covers - \$3,500-\$4,000
 - Trash can lids - TBD
- Concessions report was provided by Celina – \$5,800 gross from district tournament. Some of the Rich's ice cream were recalled due to possible walnut exposure. Will have a breakfast special for all star tournament.
- Sponsorship report was provided by Chris in Wynne's absence. Bless your heart and Chipotle nights were both successful. Made about \$700 from Mariners Little League day.
- Safety report was provided by Kindra. No updates. Will review incident reports for patterns/actionable items
- Player Agent report was provided by Kirstyn. Fall ball registration is open. Will target October for spring registration.
- Coaching report was provided by Chris. Still need a coaching coordinator.
- Umpiring report was provided by Kirstyn in Tim's absence. All gift cards were purchased and shirts ordered.

Planning on having umpire training in August.

- Equipment & Uniforms report was provided by Chris. May use existing Alcoa all star uniform and Columbia t-shirts for fall ball teams. Will try to keep it consistent among division.

Old Business

- Tee ball and coach pitch bench covers – construction date TBD
- Backstop pads and supports – Complete on softball, big and minors. Need to finish majors.
- Major field and big field sprinkler manifold replacement – mostly complete
- New dirt for softball – Completed
- Signs for fields – Completed
- New fence fabric for minors field – Delivered. Temporary screening added for district tournament will be replaced with new fabric this week (prior to state tournament).
- Coach pitch 2nd base – not started. Need to complete prior to fall ball.
- Coach pitch & Tee ball bench/bleacher paint - not started. Hope to complete prior to fall ball.

New Business

- Items to complete prior to state tournament (will send out separate email this week)
 - Weed infields on big and minor
 - Screening on minor field
 - Weed/string trimmer around fences
- New alarm system, see Chris for personal codes
- Next meeting will be annual meeting (officer elections) followed by monthly meeting.
- New electrical system needed on big field to replace damaged score tower. Dan got a quote for \$8,000 to include scoreboard & 220V power and future expansion to minor field. Kirstyn motioned to approve \$8,000. Joella 2nd. All in favor.
- Field / Clubhouse projects (proposed)
 - New dirt for big field
 - Overhaul of majors field
- Kirstyn motioned to skip August meeting. Celine 2nd. All in favor.
- Kirstyn motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:03 pm. Joella 2nd. All in favor. Next meeting is Sunday, September 14, 2025 at 6 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lauren DiPalma

Columbia Little League Secretary