



PA District #15 Meeting of October 11, 2025

Leagues Represented: Allegheny Mountain, Athens, Choconut, Elk Lake, Elkland, Montrose, Northeast Bradford, Northern Tier, Sayre, Southern Tioga, Sullivan County, Tioga Lawrenceville, Towanda, Troy, Tunkhannock, Wellsboro

Leagues Not Represented: Blue Ridge, Canton, Endless Mountains, RTL, Susquehanna Area

The meeting was called to order by William H. Serfass, Jr., District Administrator for Pennsylvania District #15 on Saturday, October 11, 2025 at 11:05 a.m.

1. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

- Bill welcomed everyone, covered the usual amenities and introduced the District Staff.
- 2026 Age Charts & Little League Operating Policies were distributed.
- Little League patches are to be worn during regular season and are mandatory for tournament season. If a team shows up at a tournament game without patches, they will be allowed to play that game but they must have patches for the next game or they will not be allowed to play. Patches cannot be screen printed or sublimated.

2. 2025 DISTRICT UPDATE

- Tournaments went well and Bill thanked the staff.
- Bill congratulated Sayre for picking up the 7 & 8 yr old tournament when Athens decided to discontinue it. They did a great job with it.
- There was a complaint about the bleachers in Sayre at the 8-10 Baseball Tournament. Upon researching the complaint, it was found that the bleachers meet the standards of the state of Pennsylvania. The complex is owned by Sayre borough and would not allow unsafe equipment to be used.

3. 2025 REGISTRATION DATA & 2025 DISTRICT ALL STAR DATA

A. There were a total of 408 teams registered during regular season:

111 T-Ball teams

Minor Coach Pitch	Baseball – 66	Softball – 33
Minor Player Pitch	Baseball – 61	Softball – 36
Little League	Baseball – 48	Softball – 31
Junior League	Baseball – 9	Softball - 1
Senior League	Baseball - 10	Softball - 2

B. There were a total of 50 All Star Teams:

8-10 Baseball	- 12
9-11 Baseball	- 4
Little League Baseball	- 12
Junior Baseball	- 4
Senior Baseball	- 1
8-10 Softball	- 8
Little League Softball	- 8
Senior Softball	- 1

4. 2025 DISTRICT ALL STAR RECAP

- District Tournaments
 - ❖ 8-9-10 Baseball – RTL, Troy, S Tioga
 - ❖ 9-10-11 Baseball - Blue Ridge, Athens, Wellsboro, Sayre
 - ❖ Little League Baseball – Elk Lake, Athens, Wellsboro
 - ❖ Junior Baseball – S Tioga - Breon, Athens, S Tioga – Brant, Canton
 - ❖ Senior Baseball - Athens



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- ❖ 8-9-10 Softball – S Tioga, Athens, Towanda
- ❖ Little League Softball - Athens, Towanda, Troy
- ❖ Senior Softball – S Tioga
- Hosted District Tournaments
 - ❖ 8-10 Baseball in Sayre
 - ❖ 9-11 Baseball in Athens
 - ❖ Little League Baseball in Athens
 - ❖ Junior Baseball in Athens
 - ❖ 8-10 Softball in Athens
 - ❖ Little League Softball in Towanda @ Wysox
- Hosted Sectional Tournaments
 - ❖ Little League Baseball in Athens
 - ❖ Junior Baseball in Athens
 - ❖ Little League Softball in Troy

5. 2026 TOURNAMENT STRUCTURE

- Predetermined dugouts will continue as will pool play with 1 home game guaranteed. Pool play will determine seedings for double elimination.
- All home games will be predetermined.
- Elimination final and championship games will be at a predetermined site.
- Qualified umpires are always needed. District 15 & Little League International do NOT pay umpires. No team can be charged a fee for umpires. If you pay umpires, let me know and you will not get home games.

6. 2025 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

- The beginning balance of the District Checking Account as of 09/30/24 was \$4,165.76 with an ASAP Credit of \$1,172.11. The remaining checking balance as of 09/30/25 is \$5,333.52 with D13 owing \$383.42. The 2025 budget was \$3,725.00 with the actual expenses totaling \$3,426.75

7. 2026 BUDGET & ASSESSMENT – DISTRICT 15

- The projected budget for the District for 2026 is \$3,975.00. The assessment is \$50.00 per All Star Team (or the equivalent of 1 team) based on the 2025 season.

8. WEBSITE

- Minutes, attendance records, President and Game Directors' duties and Presidents information will continue to be posted on the website.
- All District 15 and Section 3 schedules were posted and updated daily.

9. OPERATING POLICIES

- Copies of the policies were distributed. Players can only do 1 fundraiser per year. Board Members and parents can do more as long as the children are not involved.

10. DATA CENTER

- Everything will come off the Data Center, so it is important to keep it updated.
- All registration and player information is on the Data Center
- Constitutions are under the file cabinet and need to be updated. Paper copies are not accepted.
- Combined teams & Inter-League Play forms are online only.



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11. CHARTER & INSURANCE

- All chartering is done online only. The portal is now open. So far, Sayre and Troy are the only ones in and approved.

12. ASAP

- The portal is now open. The ASAP plans must be done online.
- All background checks must be completed through JDP only. Each league is eligible for 125 free background checks using JDP. Backgrounds must be completed before new Board members take office. Background checks must be completed for all managers, coaches and any person who has contact with the children before it happens. Any checks done after 10/1 are good through September 30, 2026.
- Make sure to use the 2026 Volunteer Applications.

13. DIAMOND LEADER PROGRAM

- The Diamond Leader Program need only to be completed once by every volunteer prior to assuming their responsibilities. A copy of the completed certification must accompany all tournament affidavits for every manager and coach.

14. ABUSE AWARENESS TRAINING

- Abuse Awareness Training is required to be done annually. The portal resets every October 1st.
- Volunteers should not assume their responsibilities until completion of their JDP background check and Abuse Awareness course.

15. STATE RE-DISTRICTING

- It has taken 2 years to get this task done. 8 Section Coordinators made up the committee. The final plan is to remain at 8 sections minus District 24 in Section 3. District 15 will be splitting into 2 districts with Section 3 now consisting of Districts 12, 13, 15 and the new District 33. District 15 will consist of Allegheny Mountain, Athens, Canton, Elkland, Northern Tier, Sayre, Southern Tioga, Tioga Lawrenceville, Towanda, Troy and Wellsboro. District 33 will consist of Blue Ridge, Choconut, Elk Lake, Endless Mountains, Montrose, Northeast Bradford, Roosevelt Trail, Sullivan County, Susquehanna Area and Tunkhannock. Bill Serfass will be the District Administrator for both districts for the next 2 years, at which time a new District Administrator will take office for District 33.
- The projected budget for the District for 2026 is \$1,250.00. The assessment is \$25.00 per All Star Team (or the equivalent of 1 team) based on the 2025 season. The beginning balance as of 9/30/25 is \$1,600.75 with a \$600.00 ASAP Credit and 2026 assessments of \$450.00 minus the \$1,250.00 budget and an ending balance of \$1,400.75

16. OPEN DISCUSSION & ADJOURNMENT

- Play between Districts 15 & 33 can continue as in the past, as long as inter-league play forms and combined team forms are completed. Combined team forms for regular season and tournament season must be done separately.
- We only have 5 or 6 meetings a year. Any league that does not attend the majority of these meetings does not have a say in what goes on and could be giving up home games at tournament time.
- The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Beverly J. Serfass



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District Secretary / Treasurer