



Tri-Lakes Little League Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: January 18, 2026

Time: 7:30PM

Location: Google Meet

Members Present

- Chuck Menke
- Bruce Desautels
- Marc Walrath
- Megan Bies
- Chuck Bies
- Megan Wheatley
- Steve Butler
- Heidi Roche
- Dustin Tupper
- Kelsey Lenzmeier

Members Absent

- Kristen Lockhart
- Nicole Simmons
- Jesse Leiker

Call to Order

- C. Menke called the meeting to order at 7:33pm MT.

January 11th Minutes Approval

- Action: C. Menke motioned and M. Walrath seconded to approve the January 11th minutes. Motion approved.

President's Report

- District 5 sent preliminary all-stars schedule.
- C. Menke continues discussion with Goose Gossage regarding field usage for the 2026 season.
- The Board continued discussion of waivers for the regular season and all-star participation requirements.
- C. Menke highlighted the potential to combine teams across LLs for baseball juniors and softball.
 - The Board will continue discussion as TLLL and Academy LL obtain final registration numbers.
- C. Menke provided up-to-date registration numbers and ongoing Board priorities.

Opening Day Logistics

- Action: H. Roche motioned to create an opening day committee to plan and facilitate the opening day event in conjunction with the Board. M. Walrath seconded. Motion passed.
- The Board discussed committee responsibilities, including scheduling, concessions, programming, sponsorship, and publicity in coordination with the Board.
- K. Lenzmeier will include a call to solicit committee members on the website and will work with N. Simmons to publicize on TLLL social channels.

Field Usage & Agreements

- C. Menke will connect with N. Simmons regarding a scheduling meeting.
- M. Wheatley highlighted the potential for additional field maintenance needs based on COS Parks & Rec staffing and resources.
 - Colorado Springs LL is planning to obtain keys to assist with maintenance. Discussions are ongoing with the city.
- Use of Goose Gossage fields may incur additional costs for 2026 season.

Golf Tournament Logistics and Next Steps

- M. Walrath provided an update on golf tournament logistics.
 - K. Lenzmeier will evaluate potential payment platforms (Zeffy) for registration and payment processing, including on site.
 - B. Desautels highlighted USAFA facility requirements and benefits.
- M. Walrath will set up a call with interested Board and community members to iron out logistics and ongoing needs.

Safety Plan

- S. Butler provided an update on the LL Safe to Play Plan updates and timeline for completing an updated safety plan.
 - The Board must complete required training, which S. Butler will circulate once finalized.
 - The safety plan will include criteria for game modification or cancelation due to lighting.
 - The Board provided additional feedback for consideration.
 - M. Wheatley recommended advising coaches to privatize streaming of Game Changer videos to ensure participants' safety and privacy.

Roundtable

- Equipment & Fields Coordinator:
 - D. Tupper provided an update on equipment inventory.
 - D. Tupper will continue to determine available inventory and dispose of any expired uniforms or unusable items.
 - B. Desautels recommended maintaining a list of available inventories and communicating available resources to team managers, as applicable.
 - D. Tupper expects to provide a more comprehensive update by 2/15.
 - D. Tupper updated equipment storage locks.
- VP Softball:
 - The Board discussed the opportunity for participants to provide coach feedback in the registration form for consideration in team assignments and coach pre-evaluations.
 - Purple Up Day (April 25th): Honor player and parents of service members.
 - M. Wheatley proposed advertising league registration to Douglas County schools, if not already advertised.
- Sponsorship:
 - M. Walrath previewed a list of participating sponsors and deliverables for tracking and next steps.
 - Scheels and Dick's Sport Goods agreements were recently finalized.

- M. Walrath made a call to action for Board members to continue to solicit potential sponsors.
- VP Baseball:
 - B. Desautels made a call to action for the Board to review the draft Bylaws.

Meeting Adjournment

- B. Desautels motioned to adjourn the meeting. K. Lenzmeier seconded. The meeting concluded at 8:59pm MT.

Next Meeting

Date: Sunday, January 25th

Time: 7:30 - 9 PM

Location: Google Meet