

Munster Little League
Minutes of the Meeting of Board of Directors
Wednesday, April 9, 2025

The Munster Little League met in regular session on Wednesday, April 8, 2026 via Zoom. The meeting opened at 7:04 pm. The purpose of the meeting was to conduct regular business.

Attendees: J. Castellano, K. Jurcik, J. Braatz, T. Kamin, J. Hollendoner, R. Bishop, G. Gouveia, V. Portillo, A. Rubio, D. Panaggio, B. Bryner

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President J. Castellano at 7:04 pm. A quorum was present.
- II. **Approval of Agenda** – J. Castellano presented the meeting agenda. K. Jurcik motions to approve. J. Hollendoner 2nds. Motion approved.
- III. **Approval of Meeting Minutes** – J. Castellano presented the March minutes. M. Bruni motions to approve. R. Bishop 2nds. Motion approved.

IV. Reports –

President Report – J. Castellano

-New Concession company, Deez Eats, will be taking over the food at the fields and pool
-440 kids registered

Treasurer Report - D. Panaggio –

- \$139k in the bank
- Already seeing dividends, received \$208 in our first month
- Exceedng on budget for almost everything
- \$8500 for turf for the one field (C & B both need it-C gets the most play), J Hollendoner makes a motion to approve C field, B. Bryner approves. Motion passes.
- 3 sponsors- still waiting on checks to come in

District 1 Report – J. Castellano

- Did not make the last District meeting
- April meeting on the 16th will be discussing district tournaments

V. Challenger League Update- B. Matthews

- The exciting news is we have four new players this year.
- Manager meeting is tonight
- Practices begin in May

VI. Special Events Update – M. Bruni–

- Coffee truck was unavailable for opening day
- Snowy reached out and said they can come without a minimum guarantee
- Corndogs event potentially planned, contact info being shared
- Albert's is throwing out first pitch on opening day
- Chicago Cubs, May 3 little league day

VII. Little League International Update – J. Castellano

- Dates were released mid-May
- District 1 facility meeting April 16 at 7:00

VIII. All Stars

- **VOTING PROCESS**
-Will clarify during May meeting
- **AGE REQUIREMENTS**
Offering 7,8,9 year old All Star teams
Secondary 12 year old All-Star teams- beyond the District teams; to be voted on at the same time as the District teams; would have a separate ballot for 10, 11 and 12 year olds- 1 for District, 1 for All-Star. A secondary combination team of 10's and 11's after a full team of 10's and 11's has been selected. Motion to keep the same age compositions by K. Jurcik, motion is 2nd by G. Gouveia, with the caveat to field second teams based on vote distribution and volunteer availability.
-Motion to remove language of having waivers for age exceptions made for players wanting to play down for all star teams. D. Panaggio puts the motion forward, K. Jurcik 2nds. Motion passes.

IX. Substitution List Discussion

- A player can only be a substitute 1 time within their division

X. Schedules- A. Rubio

- All schedules are in and released
- Schedules sent to grounds, concessions, town manager, umpires.
- Picture day schedule has been created also

XI. Uniform Update-

- Uniforms are in. Some hats are on back order. They are in the press box

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XII. Registration Update –

- Registration is closed and final, but we did have a couple of tball and prep requests that have trickled in. we try to accept all they want to play.
- Pretty much matched our registration numbers from last season

XIII. Grounds Update/Field Setup Day – K. Cherry

- Spring cleanup is Saturday. Reach out to commissioners to have them inform their managers to attend and pick up uniforms.
- Grounds Crew will get most of the signs in place but will need guidance

XIV. Fundraising Update– J. Braatz –

- All but 3 sponsors have paid their invoices, we have many new.
- Merch link is live and we haven't seen a ton of action yet, please send the link out to teams again

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XV. New Business – J. Castellano

- B. Bryner, we received the \$1,000 from Dick's
- Need assistant managers to complete background checks
- Need official coaches and assistants to be communicated to commissioners

XVI. Adjournment – B. Bryner motions to adjourn at 9:40 pm; M. Bruni 2nds. Motion approved.

Next regular meeting to be held on Wednesday, May 13, 2026 at A Field Press Box

MLL Meetings are open to the membership and held on the second Wednesday of every month.

MLL financials are available upon written request to the Treasurer.