

**KNOCH YOUTH BASEBALL**  
**March 12, 2026 BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

Name	Position	Present	Absent	Name	Position	Present	Absent
Justin Thompson (JT)	President/ TWP Rep		X	Josh Harbison (JH)	Twp. Liaison		X
Steve Tuzikow (ST)	V. P.	X		Jamie McSwaney (JM)	Colt/Legion		X
Melissa Stobert (MS)	Secretary	X		Alex Hager (AH)	Pony	X	
Tom McDougall (TM)	Treasurer	X		John VanLenten (JVL)	Bronco	X	
Josh Harbison (JH)	Field Maint.		X	Mike Hedglin (MH)	Minor	X	
Jennifer Brose (JB)	Concessions	X		Cory Tucek (CT)	Farm	X	
Zak Sobotka (ZS)	IT/Web	X		Dave Eldridge (DE)	T-Ball	X	
Angie Shoop (AS)	Sponsorship		X		Tax Preparer		

**ST opened meeting at 6:03 PM – Minutes from 2/19/26 meeting reviewed and approved.**

**MONTHLY UPDATE –Justin Thompson (JT) reported:**

\*Field clean up March 21 with makeup March 28

**TREASURER’S REPORT – Tom McDougall (TM) reported:**

Slow time of year for transactions.

\$39,000 in general account.

A few kids have cashed their scholarship checks.

Received a nice letter from one of the recipients.

**CONCESSIONS – Jen Brose (JB) reported:**

Finalized concession menu and pricing.

Trial run for tournament teams:

regularly stocked concession items: 30% of total sales to team and 70% of total sales to KYB

donated BREAKFAST items: 70% of total sales to team and 30% of total sales to KYB

New fryer will be purchased for lower stand – looking at table top

May need to look at electrical capabilities

Clover has been streamlined

**FIELD MAINTENANCE – Josh Harbison (JH) reported:**

Leak at lower concession stand/new addition: inside spigot was running with water streaming across floor and coming out of concession stand. Jen and Joe put hose back on tightly which seems to have solved the problem....may be a freeze/thaw issue. Steve will look at it tomorrow.

**TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVE – Justin Thompson (JT) reported:**

Received proposal for bathroom maintenance

**WEB/IT/SOCIAL MEDIA – Zak Sobotka (ZS) reported:**

Clearance needs were given to commissioners.

We have one more player than last year; Several late registrants.

**Sponsorship/Fundraising**

**\*BAR BINGO**

Tom ordered bingo cards – 8 colors for 10 games (will reuse first 2 colors)

Will sell 2 for \$3 and 3 for \$5

Mike Kay will be calling Bingo and bringing equipment

Difficult to estimate number of people that will attend, but will set up for 75

KYB banners made

Table cloths, aprons (for sellers) and balloons ordered (balloon delivery 5:00)

VFW will provide bartender – all drinks to go through VFW

Got 50/50 tickets

Need to keep bingo money separate from 50/50

Discussed jackpot options: Bigger jackpot for last 2 games?

Discussed jackpot options for first 8 games. Set amount, vs 50/50, vs percentage

Discussed alternate card pricing

Jen getting food items at Sam's Club tomorrow – plan to sell food cheaply

Volunteers to arrive at 5:00

**\*Sponsorship**

Final team sponsors to be sent to JT for uniforms

Still able to accept field sponsors and sponsors for golf outing

**LEGION/SENIOR COMMISSIONER – Jamie McSwaney (JM) reported:**

No update

**COLT COMMISSIONER – Jamie McSwaney (JM) reported:**

No update

**PONY COMMISSIONER – Alex Hager (AH) reported:**

\$125 check for ARL is needed

**BRONCO COMMISSIONER – John VanLenten (JVL) reported:**

Bronco will be in the ARL – couldn't find anyone to justify going out on own

Teams are entered into website and practice schedules are posted

Regrading of field will start ASAP

**MINOR COMMISSIONER – Mike Hedglin (MH) reported:**

5 teams established.

Practices have been entered into Game Changer;

We will be playing Freeport, Mars, CT (possibly East Butler): 4 games against all teams except 5 against CT; this is more games than usual (17-18), so on Opening Day, we will play 2 games (4 inning games) WITH a time limit

Location of play will vary – mars will likely always come to us; others will be 50/50

Could plan to get playoff/championship done in 1 week.

Season to likely end by June 19.

**FARM COMMISSIONER – Cory Tucek (CT) reported:**

51 kids; 5 teams

All Knoch teams – will play each team 3 times. Season to end the second week of June.

Field cleanup with farm coaches to be determined

One issue: Cory was alerted to investigate a player's father's history due to being a sex offender of minors. Grandparents have custody of the child. Discussion incurred about rules, limits, permissions. All coaches need to be alerted to this situation. Discussion needs to occur with the Township regarding this individual's potential appearance on park grounds; Board would like to set the precedent that he is not permitted in the park, but we need to look into legalities of this. Need to be proactive in alerting the father of determined rules/park ban.

**T-BALL COMMISSIONER – Dave Eldridge (DE) reported:**

.Jersey info needs to get to JT no later than tomorrow – needs sponsorship info

Clinic had a good turnout with 40 players – 10 signed up to play after the clinic

Moving forward, may want to address wording on clinic emails

New shed purchased for St. Lukes

54 players registered to play: 8 teams; have 16 coaches

Practices start March 30

St. Luke's could use a new chalk box and bases

**VICE PRESIDENT – Steve Tuzikow (ST) reported:**

All home tournaments are scheduled and have been sent to Jen for concession purposes

7U will not be having a tourney

13/14 has 10 kids signed up – will not host a tourney

11U has 10 kids signed up but 1 needs removed due to being wrong age (should be 10U)

7U, 11U and 13/14 all-stars registration will be kept open

10U Gold and 8U teams are going to the Winter Blast tourney in West Virginia

Site is open to schedule field usage

Middle school – 21 players on the roster out of 30 that tried out.

Fox chapel canceled scrimmage today.

Medics and busses are scheduled – bus rides to games only (not back)

18-20 games – all home games will be at Sebco (no NO OFF SEASON games this year)

**New Business Not Noted Elsewhere & Open Forum:**

Public: one attendee to hear about concession stand plans

Stobert Travel Team proposal: \$600 per team for field usage; in-house practices and games will take precedent on field usage

**ST ended meeting at 7:55 PM**

**Next meeting (Open): April 16 @ 7:30 PM @ Jefferson Twp. Building**