

RAH Meeting Minute

July 9, 2025

9:00 pm

LOCATION: Google Meets

Attendees: Taylor Speier , Stephanie Whitling, Alicia Mostoller , Lindsay Wright ,
Elaina Kenyon , Jason Ciocca, Henry Koon, Ryan Corrao , Danny Stevanski , Josh Budi ,
Nicki Grambo

CALL TO ORDER: Taylor Speier at 9:03 pm

Approve: June minutes - Lindsay motioned to approve and Jason Ciocca seconded. Minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Lindsay Wright

Travel Budgets Update

Updated through 6/28 to include umpire fees. Final totals are expected by this weekend.

Please connect with all coaches and ask them to submit any outstanding expenses no later than two weeks after their season concludes. Collecting this information promptly will be helpful as we begin building the 2026 season budgets, especially with some rollover funds expected.

Spring 2026 Pricing and Budget Planning

We'll need final pricing details before we can finalize the new 2026 budgets.

- Half of Gary's retainer has been paid (\$2,000); the remaining \$2,000 will be paid shortly.
- Brian Mog has requested an additional \$2,700 in funding.
- Our taxes have been signed and are now in the final stages of submission.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Propose buying safety bases for all fields; starting a 8u travel softball team (discussed with Alicia and getting ball rolling). Will get a quote and likely order for all fields.

OFFICER REPORTS

President - Taylor Speier

1. RAH 50th Celebration was a big success. Thank you to all that played a part in making it so successful.
2. Siding is up at Kobak Concession and looks great. We will work with HS Art Students to put the H and/or Hornet on the sides.
3. Batting cage nets for Kobak cages have been ordered and will be installed this summer/fall.
4. Metro Parks dugouts were sprayed for wasps/bees. Repellent spray should still be in each Jobox.
5. Please complete 2 step verification in your RAH email account. Details are in the email I sent. Fill out the "timeline" spreadsheet under your position by September.
6. Directors- If you have not sent your end of year parent survey out yet, please do that ASAP. Reach out to myself or Nicki with any concerning results.
7. Mike Oyler Award- Results were shared with the Board. Jason Gebura had the most votes out of all the nominees. Any opposed. No. Taylor will get this award handed out and announced.

Vice President - Nicki Grambo

1. I emailed Jon Bailey, the Athletic Director at Highland. The district has no plans to ever sell the property at the Old Sharon Elementary location. He has given us the go-ahead to make any improvements to the fields that we want. I will need to follow up with him to share our decisions and the timeline for these improvements. If we decide to use both fields for Rookie games, we will need additional t-ball space. I also discussed with Jon the possibility of finding more t-ball space on school grounds in Sharon or Granger. He is willing to help us locate something. If we cannot find a suitable option on school property, we may explore possibilities at nearby churches or businesses. I aim to address this during the off-season.
2. I have begun drafting guidelines and expectations for all Directors. I shared a folder containing descriptions for each position. Between now and the August meeting, please review and make any necessary adjustments to these guidelines. I will reach out to each of you individually to discuss the drafts. The existing drafts serve as starting points for each position. You are encouraged to either start from scratch or use the existing content. Last year, Taylor developed timelines for each position that can be integrated as you see fit.
3. We currently have only five participants signed up to walk in the Hinckley Bicentennial parade, and no one has volunteered to help at the tent or with the games. If we do not

have at least 20 people signed up by the end of the weekend (July 13), we will need to withdraw from the event.

Secretary - Stephanie Whitling

1. Meeting minutes updated

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Director of Rugby - Chris Wheaton

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Basketball - Joe Capotosta

HS Girls Flag Football- Rob Peterson

Director of Sponsorship/Public Relations - Ryan Corrao

1. 2025 50/50 raffle profit ~ \$4200, a little less than last year
2. Seeking approval for fully electronic 50/50 raffle next week. Ryan will need to look into this further
3. Next year with 50/50 might do a % rather than gift cards and hand out cash
4. Needs head before ordering uniforms for sponsorships

Director of Rec Baseball - Dan Stevanski

1. Forming teams for fall
2. Getting equipment back by this weekend other than those keeping for fall
3. End of season went smooth

Director of Rec Softball - Henry Koon

1. Cleaning softball equipment from the rainy spring
 - a. I went through our softball equipment pretty thoroughly, I discarded anything that was unusable to free up space
 - b. The storage garage needs a good cleaning and some organization to make sure we are able to operate smoothly
2. Our fall clinic is this Sunday, July 13th
 - a. The high school coaches are helping us
 - b. They will run the batting and pitching form sections
 - c. Jamez Griffin will run the speed and form running clinic, I'll need one more coach to help or myself

3. The free clinic is a test to gauge interest. Next year I will plan on charging for participation.
4. Fall registration numbers are much lower than last year
5. The fall clinic registration is at 32

Director of Travel Baseball - Jason Huber

1. We are in the last month of the travel baseball season.
2. Antonio Carriero was selected as the new upcoming 8U coach.
3. Travel registration is set up and sent out to the community. I have currently sent 5 emails to remind everyone. Closes on July 10th.
4. Tryouts are scheduled for the week of the 14th. 11U started this week.
5. Goal is to have all teams finalized and adjudicated in the system by the end of July.
6. Will be asking teams to finalize team budgets in August to close out the season.
7. We have over 220 players registered for Highland Travel Baseball tryouts!

Director of Travel Softball – Alicia Mostellor

1. Registration for travel is looking good with numbers. Could have 2 teams for some levels.
2. Tryouts start at the end of July
3. Reached out to Jamez Griffin for more skills.
4. Jamez Griffin will also be the new 10 u coach
5. 10 finished. 12u and 14u winding down.

Director of T-Ball - Jason Ciocca

1. 1 week left of Tball/Basherball season
2. Ordered Medals for each team
3. Registration opened and closes for Fall Tball/Basherball July 20th
4. Numbers are down but hopefully should have more by time registration closes
5. Contacted by a parent about field setup at MPE, displeased about it, I contacted and asked about how many foul balls. No response back, over 2 weeks ago
6. Pictures passed out compliments to Elaina and Jason Gebura for helping distribute
7. Props to Grambo for director roles being put into writing.
8. Discussed considering 8u travel/tournament team with a scaled down tryout. Just pick a few tournaments to enter. Coach pitch.

Other notes:

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Director of Facilities – Josh Budi

1. Looking to keep field crew a little longer for clean up, field maintenance, etc.

2. Need to look at metal field boxes
3. Field 3 feedback given from other members
4. Likely have field crew cover weekends more next year
5. YF 2 has a dip/ravine. Need to talk to the twp and Wilson's to fix drainage
6. Planning to start washing catchers gear, etc.

Director of Activities - Elaina Kenyon

1. Level-Up update
 - a. All Spring pictures have been distributed. Confirmed **\$3246.65** donation amount with Level-Up for Spring. Level-up asked if this would move them into the "\$3k" donation category on our website as a field sponsor. Need to respond to them on this after board meeting discussion.
 - i. *Donation Breakdown: Rugby 20%, Travel Softball 2% (banners deducted), Travel Baseball 6% (banners deducted), Rec Baseball 32%, Tball/Basherball 22%, Rec Softball 18%.*
 - b. Future picture setup: 2 Cameras & 2 Background set-ups moving forward, no envelopes, all electronic
 - c. Confirmation on sponsorship - Board meeting discussion
2. Fall Ball (including T-ball and Basherball) Picture Date is 8/23(9am-12pm - see details below) with a make-up date of 8/27 (6-7pm). Directors, no more envelopes, just rosters needed ASAP with parent-emails. Shipping directly to athlete's house or picked up at the studio
 - i. Tball 9-9:30
 - ii. Baseball 9:30-11am
 - iii. Softball 11-12pm
3. Need to Review Boys Basketball Picture Timing - November? When do we have teams formed with uniforms?
4. Submitted for Fall Ball permits to the Metroparks (MPN/MPS Mon-Sat & MPE Mon-Fri)
5. Thanks to everyone who attended the 50th Anniversary.
 - a. Boosters are willing to help support our concessions stand again next summer after school is over.
 - b. We should plan at least 2 or 3 Saturdays with back-to back-to-back games at K1 and K2 over the course of June/July and make this happen. Should we also keep pushing for Pepsi to loan us a fridge on a permanent basis? We should also put in a few boards in the concession stand ceiling to further "block" off the area from the storage area.
6. Review how we can use concession stand for fall ball - cash only!
7. I updated the RAH director responsibility file and sent a few responsibility questions over to Taylor and Nikki for clarification.

8. Kona Ice kick-back was \$216.40. Need to give them an address and info on who to fill the check out to. Confirm with Lindsay details.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn- Taylor Speier

2nd - Elaina Kenyon

Meeting adjourned at 10:14 pm