

RAH Meeting Minute

June 11, 2025

9:00 pm

LOCATION: Google Meets

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

CALL TO ORDER: Taylor Speier at 9:02 pm

Approve: May minutes - Taylor motioned to approve and Josh seconded. Minutes approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Lindsay Wright

1. RAH Account up 4.2% over previous year same time period
2. Taxes are still in the final review stage and with the signer
3. Just added another \$10k to the Arbiter account - \$25k to date
4. Zeffy account was updated with questions around donation/sponsorship
 - a. What is the donation/sponsorship for
 - b. If donation or sponsorship is for a team, please note the team

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

OFFICER REPORTS

President - Taylor Speier

1. Continue to promote the RAH 50th Celebration to the community.
2. Siding is going up at Kobak Concession and should be complete this week. I will reach out to HS Art students once siding is complete.
3. Request to fix potholes has been sent.
4. Venmo? PayPal (Looks like Mike started a Paypal Account)? Should we start to promote these? Yes.

5. I got approval to sell additional 50/50 raffle tickets at Blue Heron Brewery. Should we make that happen? Yes.
6. SE2 - Skin the whole infield would be \$10,584. Or less for cutouts for bases and lines. Do we have the funds for this and do we want to do it?
7. SE1 \$6K to renovate and another \$2700 to do SE2 just baseline and keep grass infield. Also, Nicki to discuss with John Bailey, AD HLS to be sure the school is okay with this and not planning to sell.
8. Metropark dugouts need to be sprayed for insects. Should be a repellent spray can in each dugout.

Vice President - Nicki Grambo

1. Still working on flag pole quotes
2. Researching cleaning options for catchers gear
3. Will put a call out for volunteers for the July 19th Hinckley Bicentennial. Parade in the morning and games in the afternoon

Secretary - Stephanie Whitling

1. Nothing to report

DIRECTOR REPORTS

Director of Rugby - Chris Wheaton

1. I need some assistance from Lindsay in getting a new debit card. My attempts have not worked.
2. Team finishes
 - a. HS Girls - knocked out in State Semi-finals
 - b. HS Boys - knocked out in State Quarter-finals
 - c. MS Boys - City and State Champions
 - i. Competing in Nationals on 6/13-6/14
3. Next Rugby Board meeting moved to 6/16/25
 - a. We should be off in July
 - b. Will mostly be talking about end of year and survey results
4. Fundraiser at Thirsty Cowboy raised \$18,668. (approximately \$3k more then last year)
 - a. Had approximately 175 people attend
 - b. Attendance was down, but direct donations were up.
5. Did a donation to the Highland Athletic Boosters Night at the Races of a Concert Tailgate package
 - a. 5 tickets to Luke Bryan and parking pass-Raise \$650 for the Athletic Boosters

6. Unfortunately we had to cancel our Rugby Camp on 6/16 due to low numbers
 - a. Planning to try again in the winter, post football season
 - b. Need to figure out how to refund the 12 people who signed up.
7. Annual Rugby Surveys completed
 - a. New-Coach Survey
 - i. Got good feedback on some things that our coaches are looking for help with
 1. Have started conversations with Rookie Rugby Ohio to build some coach training classes
 2. Also hoping to work on a "Rugby Resource Library" of training materials for our youth coaches in particular.
 - b. Parent Survey
 - i. 104 families complete it. Overall had great comments. We continue to have challenges with a single program
 1. Opportunity to grow club communication, after restarting our new facebook and instagram accounts. May need to add some email blasts for those that don't do social media.
 - c. New-Player survey for HS/MS levels
 - i. 43 players completed with the largest numbers from the HS Girls
 1. Mostly positive comments, however issues do show for a single team
 - ii. Would likely skip the MS level next year if doing this again as response were low.

Basketball - Joe Capotosta

HS Girls Flag Football- Rob Peterson

Director of Sponsorship/Public Relations - Ryan Corrao

1. 50/50 Collections are now underway. Please as you talk to the community remind them to sell and get the money in.
2. Ordered an RAH banner for the Hinckley Bicentennial parade. We will hopefully have for the 50th Anniversary

Director of Rec Baseball - Dan Stevanski

1. Danny & Taylor scheduled coaching etiquette huddle, 6/8 with G-League coaches.
2. A reminder to all leagues, the kids (their health & safety, fun, their love of baseball grows) are our number one priority.
3. Thank you Elaina for scheduling rec baseball & softball pickup times. Much easier to distribute this way moving forward.
4. Fields have been amazing.
5. Fall registration is now OPEN! Please spread the word.
 - a. Minors had a record year with 85 registrants in 2024, can we break this record?

6. Boggs to let us know if E League fall ball is happening. Mentioned a league at Victory Park.

Director of Rec Softball - Henry Koon

1. The fields have been awesome
2. Thank you for warm up circles Josh, they really help keep things safe with the younger players
3. Fall Registration is going well
4. The socks I ordered for spring came in late, Need to decide if they should still be passed out or held vs reimbursed.
5. 8U Championship I'll need an umpire to make sure everything is evenly decided, last year we had a couple calls and I don't want the coaches debating and possibly arguing it out in front of the families at that event

Director of Travel Baseball - Jason Huber

1. Food drive information sent out for travel baseball. Monday, June 16th (11U and older invited) Akron Church of Bernards.
2. Working with coaches to finalize their budget planning.
3. Working with Danny with the Rookie Program to find our next 8U travel baseball coach.
4. Working with coaches on selecting travel tryouts dates for the 2026 season.
5. Next week messaging will start going out for travel tryouts for registration. Teams are starting week of July 14th.

Director of Travel Softball – Alicia Mostellor

1. Working on travel tryout date
2. Have coaches, but need to make sure each coach is well qualified and great for development of players.

Director of T-Ball - Jason Ciocca

1. Season is going well. No complaints.
2. Registration July 15 for fall

Director of Facilities – Josh Budi

1. Kobak Batting cage working on some updates
2. Received message about safety bases. Taylor said will put down where we can. It is not necessary. Not all fields have the stanchion.

Director of Activities - Elaina Kenyon

1. Rec Baseball & Softball pictures are ready for pick up at Level Up Studios. Here are the two (2) pick-up times the studio gave: Thursday 6-7p & Friday 8:30-10a

2. Basherball & T-ball pictures will be ready for pick-up potentially the end of next week.
Will keep the group posted on a firm date from Level Up Studios
3. Please encourage community members to attend the 50th Anniversary Event! We still need more volunteers! We are going to turn on Venmo for the merch table (need laminated QR code)
4. Planning to use Level up for the fall - any concerns?
5. Need to send out permits for the Fall. Metroparks- yes Granger- no , do we need Buckeye Woods- no fall, yes keep in Spring

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn- Taylor Speier

2nd - Chris

Meeting adjourned at 10:23.