

WHGSL

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

16 December 2025 / 7:00 PM / Elmwood Community Center

ATTENDEES

Attendees: Mike Talbott, Mike Moran, Sarah Winiarski, and Amy Bienek

Start Time: 7:07pm

Board Updates:

- **Election** (Election Committee: Mike Talbott-VP, Josh Brier-Head Coach, Lindsey Leung-Webmaster)
 - 2 year term from January 1, 2027 - December 31, 2028
 - Four nominations received - committee confirmed each.
 - Ballots sent to all 37 eligible board members (Head Coaches, Div Dir, EBO, Webmaster) on 12/9; voting closed 12/15
 - Results: 20 Ballots received - 100% voted yes for the new EBO
 - **President: Mike Moran**
 - **Vice President: Tara Rafferty**
 - **Treasurer: Julie Cutler**
 - **Secretary: Sarah Winiarski**

Special Thank you to Danielle Weiss (WHLL) for monitoring the election results

Registration Update

- Early Bird Registration 12/1/2025 - 12/31/2025(\$10 Discount)
 - Banner hanging in WH Center this week and again on 2/9/26
- Regular Registration 1/1/2026 - 2/28/2026
- Late Registration 3/1/2026 - 3/7/2026 or assessment dates (\$20 Fee)

Year	Total	Rookies	Training	Minors	Majors	Juniors
2026	65	5	19	20	13	8
2025	33	1	9	10	11	2
2024	52	6	8	16	16	6

Treasurer Report

Total Funds (as of 12/16/2025): \$77,794.17

- Checking Account: Bank of America: \$20,077.70
- CD: Bank of America: \$51,411.80
- Cash: \$1,172.00
- Venmo: \$4,466.45
- PayPal: -
- Online Registration/StackPay: \$666.14

Money Market Account

- Moved \$50,000 from BOA Checking to high yield CD; 7-month term, interest rate of 3.74% APR (3.80% APY). Interest earned to date: \$1,411.88
- CD extended by 7 months through 4/26/26
 - Explore potential endowment funding

Significant Expenses Since Last Meeting:

- \$400.00 – Banner Ads in WH Center
- \$500.00 - Paid to Bay Path for clinic

Pending Expenses:

- Portolet noted on prior agenda

Reports/Updates: By Committee

- **Food & Entertainment:**
 - No Update
- **Scholarship:**
 - No update
- **Fundraising & Sponsorship (Amanda Moras Chair):**
 - Hartford Stage Christmas Carol
 - Purchased 80 tickets @ \$56/ticket - \$4,480 total cost.
 - Sold 65 @ \$70/ticket - \$4,550 revenue = \$70 profit
 - Event was great and well received, Hartford Stage was a great partner. Despite not making more money for the league, it was a great event and will drive further community and fundraising interest
 - Received a \$500 donation from a family that started with the initial email marketing
 - An attendee reached out and offered to host a fundraiser night at a local restaurant where a portion of the proceeds go to the league
 - Review 2026 Sponsorship pricing - start selling
 - Joslyn to reach out to this past year's sponsors for renewal.
 - Discuss Savannah Bananas tickets and how to raffle off or give away.

- **Fields & Facilities: (Mike Talbott Chair - John Colonese Chair in Training)**
 - Yard Signs need to be delivered to schools.
 - Norfeldt Shed/scoreboard project - Moran
 - Discussed installation with Justin/DPW. They are looking into the logistics and the infrastructure needed given the cut sheets from the vendors.
 - Can likely run power from Trout Brook and would prefer it wired.
 - DPW would really want to do it but timing and capacity depend on other jobs they have and the regular day-to-day maintenance on the schedule
 - Will have to go through WH planning & zoning committee
- **Communications (Mike Moran - Chair):**
 - Continuing to do more social media
 - Updated the website with a new registration banner
 - Pushing registration follow up messages via all socials and email
 - Monthly newsletter during the season highlighting events and also doing player profiles
 - A-frame signs for Sterling & Norfeldt with league sponsors, other league information and maybe feedback QR code
- **Equipment & Uniforms (Jess Bula/Beth Hamilton Co-Chairs):**
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- **Player & Coach Development (Open Chair):**
 - Rent space at KO for in-house run clinics Friday nights
 - 2 ½ hrs for $\frac{2}{3}$ of the fieldhouse
 - Saint Joe's Clinic, Monday, March 2 from 6-9pm (training through Juniors)
 - Update on potential league run clinics to be held at KO (have a meeting with Assessments at KO
KO fieldhouse is usually not booked on Friday nights and later Sundays
KO fieldhouse costs:
\$285.00 per hour full facility
\$190.00 per hour $\frac{2}{3}$ of facility
\$95.00 per hour $\frac{1}{3}$ of facility
- **Rules & Competition (Matt Danziger Chair):**
 - Juniors Division - 2026 LL All Star Team will enter tournament PLUS 8th grade team featuring 4-5 travel games in-season
- **Travel Committee (Joslyn Austin NCGSL Chair/Matt Danziger Little League Chair)**
 - No update

2026 Important Dates/Information

- Next Meeting: January 20, 2026 (Zoom); Feb 10 (zoom), Mar 10 (zoom)
- Assessments: March 13th and/or 15th - TBD
- Opening Day: April 25th or 26th - TBD

Meeting Adjourned: 8:23 pm