

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

19 August 2025 / 7:00 PM / Zoom

Attendees: Joslyn Austin, Mike Talbott, Mike Moran, Tara Rafferty, Aaron Lyles, Amy Bieniek

Start Time: 7:00

Board Updates: Since Spring Season

- Received a \$500.00 grant from The Red Sox Foundation
- [Coaches' Post Season Survey Results](#)
- [Parents' Post Season Survey Results](#)

Election for the next EBO

Mike Talbott working with Lindsey Leung (former elections attorney)

- 2 year term from Jan 2027 - Dec 2028 (Pres, VP, Treas, Sec)
- 10/1: announcement with descriptions of roles, submissions open
- 11/30: submissions close
- 12/1: list of candidates released to candidates and voting members
- 12/10: Polls open
- 12/15: Polls close
- 12/16: Results announced at Annual Board Meeting
- Elected EBO will learn the job over the next year from existing EBO

Fall Ball Registration Update:

- Registration Closed as of 8/15
- Permitted to use Norfeldt and Hall HS V field
- Teams being finalized, need to confirm head coach for Juniors as well as one more minors coach
- Minors to have 3 teams (10/9/9) and majors to have 2 teams of 13 each, Juniors 1 team

Year	Total	Training	Minors	Majors	Juniors
2025	75	10	28	26	11

Treasurer Report

Total Funds (as of 8/18/2025): \$79,156.23

- Checking Account: Bank of America: \$24,683.20
- CD: Bank of America: \$50,773.23
- Cash: \$852.00
- Venmo: \$1,159.00
- PayPal: -
- Online Registration: StackPay: \$1,688.80

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: \$773.23
- CD expires 9/26/25, recommend renewing for an additional 7-month term

Significant Expenses Since Last Meeting:

- \$23,059.80 - Fresh Ink - Spring, All-Stars & Summer Uniforms + '25 Sponsor Banners
- \$1,600.00 - NCGSL - Summer Fury Registration Fees

Pending Expenses:

- \$1,630.00 - Aleilce Santos - Bathroom & Snack Shack Cleaning 2025
- \$514.08 - New Britain Police Department - Security 12U AS Game vs Rocky Hill
- \$373.00 - Wethersfield Little League - 10U & 12U All-Star District Fees
- \$1,500 - Scholarships

Reports/Updates: By Committee

Aaron Lyles has volunteered to explore how best to recruit new volunteers via communications - will meet with Mike Moran to discuss

- **Food & Entertainment:**
 - Mike and Joslyn cleaned out the snack shack and moved everything to the back storage area.
 - Football to buy remaining food/drink inventory
- **Scholarship:**
 - Tres to cut \$750 checks for Mattingly and Samantha

- **Fundraising & Sponsorship (Amanda Moras Chair):**
 - MM - Banners along the fence at Norfeldt field-Town Doesn't allow
 - Wall signs at the snack shack at Sterling during our season with sponsor logos
 - Connecticut Sun game - Sept 6th?
- **Fields & Facilities: (Mike Talbott Chair - Seeking replacement)**
 - Tara Rafferty - requested sun shades, scoreboards, mister, dry erase boards
 - On Deck Circles Spraypainted - MT
 - Flag Pole at Norfeldt - MT will Ask DPW
 - Hang District 7 Banners - find metal ones
 - Get throwdown bases and a Z Screen to HALL HS for fall ball
 - Parent signs at fields: "No Scholarships will be awarded tonight"
- **Communications (Mike Moran - Chair):**
 - Continuing to do more social media for programs and accomplishments; i.e. all-star district champions and 15U Fury NCGSL champions
 - Followers are up to 155, +25 net new in the last 90 days
 - Facebook Group has 264 members, +19 in the last 90 days
 - Discuss other ideas for growth or improved communication. Feedback from surveys?
 - Added new banners to the website for accomplishments, programs and seeking volunteers
 - Will do a campaign for the pending elections in October to promote interest
- **Equipment & Uniforms (Jess Bula/Beth Hamilton Co-Chairs):**
 - Most team bags in storage space behind Snack Shack
 - Fall Coaches need equipment (Amy B still has hers) - MT to coordinate
- **Player & Coach Development (Donna Fish Chair):**
 - U-Hartford clinics; MM to reach out to revisit with coach
 - Earlier team structure, indoor training
 - USJ
 - Amy looking into coach manuals - Chat GPT
 - Female Coaches on every team

- 24 hour rules - parent expectations to sign/click agree pre-season.
- Canned email for coaches to send out to parents by coaches at the start of the season
- Scheduling - More practices, less games for younger divisions.
- Weekly Division based practice (ex: Wed at Norfeldt is "Minors Night")
- Training: 1 game a week, 2 practices - do we have a minimum number of games to be a LL affiliate
- **Best Practices & EDC (Open Chair):**
 - No Update
- **Rules & Competition (Matt Danziger Chair):**
 - No Update
 - Realignment of the Divisions and ages a possible open item for this fall
- **Travel Committee (Joslyn Austin NCGSL Chair/Matt Danziger Little League Chair)**
 - Summer season (Approx 75 players)
 - 10U and 12U All Stars (10U All Stars D7 Champs)
10U and 12U D7
12U Fury 2 teams
 - 15U Fury- NCGSL Tournament Champs
 - 18U Fury

2025 Important Dates/Information

- Next Meeting - 9/16/25 @ Elmwood Community Center (7pm)

Meeting Adjourned: 8:35pm