

SVLL Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February 16, 2026

Location: Virtual/Zoom

Time: 7:00pm

Board Members Present: Mark Paulsen, Chris Kramer, Ed McNamara, April Vignato, Jason Robideaux, Heather Rossignol, Matt Rossignol, Jaclyn Downing, Greg Lukina, Kirstin McElrea, Carlos Hunt, Jody Smith, Tim Ulen, Maggie Torres, Matt Solis, Dani Paulsen, Dent Earl, Liz Kramer, Josh Gilbert, Omar Moreno, Stephanie Nygaard, Shannon Van Every

Board Members Absent: Devon Obert, Marnie Call, Mike McKinney, Brie Robideaux, Robert Kluba, Steve Vignato, Travis Miller

1. Call to Order & Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order by Chris Kramer. A quorum was present. Informal opening remarks were made prior to the start of formal business.

2. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve the January meeting minutes. Approved by general consent.

3. Registration & League Status Report

Presenter: Dani Paulsen

- Registration is officially closed.
- All lower-division teams are completely full.
- Team breakdown:
 - T-Ball: 7 teams
 - Single A: 7 teams
 - AA: 4 teams
 - AAA: 6 teams
 - Majors: 5 teams
 - Total: 29 teams
- Lower-division teams consist of 10–11 players per team.

4. Treasurer's Report

Presenter: Maggie Torres

- Cash on hand: \$148,000
- Registration revenue: \$62,500, approximately 5% increase year-over-year
- Sponsorship cash received to date: \$22,800 (additional checks pending)
- Major expenses:
 - Two infield dirt purchases (~\$4,000 each)
 - Field improvement work (~\$3,000, not yet paid)
- Tax filing for last season was completed by Reynolds Group.
- No taxes owed due to nonprofit status.

5. Player Agent Reports

Lower Division: Presented by Jaclyn Downing

- Teams are formed and balanced.
- One remaining roster adjustment is being finalized.
- Overall process was successful despite complexity.

Upper Division: Presented by Ed McNamara

- Practices are underway.
- Player pool process will be communicated to managers.
- Sign-ups will be tracked sequentially as players opt in.

6. Umpire-in-Chief (UIC) Report

Presenter: Greg Lukina

- Two umpire clinics were held with strong attendance.
- Approximately 17 new umpires signed up (primarily youth).
- Adult umpire coverage for Majors remains a focus area.
- Youth umpires must complete all required safety trainings.
- Workers' compensation insurance quote pending (~\$2,500).
- District rules clinic scheduled for March 4-5.
- Double first base rules distributed to commissioners and pending website posting.

7. Fundraising & Events

Presenter: Liz Kramer

- Total sponsorship commitments: \$47,600
- Fundraising events posted to social media.
- Ticket-based fundraisers include:
 - Santa Cruz Warriors
 - San Jose Giants
 - San Francisco Giants
- Opening Day planning:
 - Exhibition games
 - Photos
 - Opening ceremonies
 - Joint BBQ with softball (\$10 per meal)
- Unused water bottles will be sticker-branded and distributed or donated.

8. Snack Shack Operations

Presenter: Liz Kramer

- Snack Shack operations will be managed by teams collectively.
- Teams will be assigned specific game dates/shifts.
- Playoffs and All-Star coverage may require board participation.

9. Hit-a-Thon Update

Presenter: Shannon Van Every

- Funds raised to date: ~\$9,000
- Progress aligns with prior year at this stage.
- Per-player fundraising target approximately \$150.
- Shirts have been ordered and distribution planning is underway.

10. Opening Day & Ceremonies

- Anthem, flag salute, announcer, and first pitch participants confirmed.

- Speaker/PA system reliability discussed.
- Potential future investment in a new PA system noted.
- Opening Day livestreaming considerations reviewed.

11. Fields & Facilities

Presenters: Jody Smith, Carlos Hunt, Matthew Solis

- Fields are holding up reasonably well despite rain.
- Recent improvements completed; appreciation expressed for volunteer labor.
- Batting cage repairs are pending scheduling with the school district.
- Double first bases installed; storage and handling guidance discussed.
- Use of outside vendors on city fields remains restricted.

12. Technology & Communications

Google Workspace for Nonprofits

Presenter: Dent Earl

- Google Workspace has been established for the league.
 - Role-based and individual email accounts will be issued.
 - Shared drives and mailing lists will improve continuity and recordkeeping.
 - Account rollout will begin shortly.
- GameChanger Organization Pilot
 - AA division selected for pilot implementation this season.
 - Results will be evaluated before broader rollout.

13. Old & New Business

- Field status updates on the website require more consistent monitoring.
- T-Ball practice scheduling and field priority guidelines reviewed.
- Majors teams approved to use gym space during inclement weather.

14. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made. Meeting adjourned by Chris Kramer.