



May 14th 2025 Board Meeting

Attendees

Gabe Bryan, Nathalie Schairer, James Schairer, Steve Budko, Drew Pitynger, Keith Adams, Alyssa Belmonte, Marcus Wolf, Tim Welsh, Nadine Knapp, Erick VanTuyl, Mike Yip, Joey Wannat, Herm Gonzalez, Jim Whalen

Approve Treasurer's Report – Tim Welsh, Jim Whalen

Approve Minutes Report – Nadine Knapp, James Schairer

Discussions & Decisions

End of Year Awards

Gabe ordered small trophies for 5U-8U and medium trophies for 9–12-year-olds. Everyone will get a custom 2025 BGR trading pin. Also, Gabe ordered championship rings for each level's team winners instead of a second trophy.

Field updates

Gabe will send a reminder to coaches to have their players clean up all garbage in dugouts after every game

Paint the dugouts - Cammy has the paint, will find a nice day to do it together

Vassar Turf is flooding. DPW is going to try to fix it next week

Vassar dirt pitcher's mound. Nadine will talk to Mike about extending Vassar dirt to be able to use it for 50/70 as well as 45/60. We would need to buy a small portable mound or move the one from Clark's.

Buy some BGR hats for the concession stand. Buy a few extra to give to the DPW guys to say thank you for their hard work.

Concession Stand

Will be open for all star games. Will be open for travel games and manned by players and parents and split for tournament costs if you have people man the stand.

RULE CLARIFICATIONS

- 9/10 division
 - There was a situation with a call of the infield fly rule in the 9/10 division. From now on there will be no infield fly rule called for 9/10. It is not allowed.
 - If a player on 3rd is leading towards home and the catcher tries to throw him out at third and it goes past the third baseman, the play is live. The catcher throws it at his own risk.
- 8U can start stealing third as we are more than halfway through the season
- On deck swings are a liability issue and are not allowed.
- Wooden Bats are ok

All Stars

All-Stars nominations and selections will happen this Sunday.

New Business

Keith proposed we extend our league to include a 14U Juniors division next year to bridge the gap between LL and high school.

- Rec department expressed concern that it will take participation away from the Babe Ruth league. That league missed their spring season this year and is having a summer league, but we don't know what numbers they will have.
- There are some surrounding towns that have teams although we may have to travel a bit further.
- That level plays on 60/90 sized fields so we need the recreation department to approve the use of Wright's Field.
- The question of if we will still require LL participation in that age group to play on travel teams was raised.