



# September 9th 2025 Board Meeting

## Attendees

Gabe Bryan, Keith Adams, Nadine Knapp, Marcus Wolf, Joey Wannat, Erick Van Tuyl, Jim Whalen, , Steve Budko, Bryan Costa, Dan Cinotti, David Antigua, Tim Welsh, Alyssa Heede

Approve Treasurer's Report – Nadine Knapp , Jim Whalen

Approve Minutes Report – Nadine Knapp , Jim Whalen

\*This is for July meeting notes. No August meeting was held.

## Discussions & Decisions

### Treasurer Update

Working on end of year report, almost all bills accounted for except end of year clubhouse cleaning in Fall.

Operating Account in good standing, approximately \$15,000 more than at this point last year.

Over \$4,000 in donations to the league from individuals, corporations, including a number anonymous.

### Fields

We have a season permit for a field in Brookdale Park, coaches should take advantage.

Felton Clay needs work. Home plate is facing the wrong way and the mound is misaligned with home plate.

Report of a hole in the backstop at Vassar dirt.

Nadine will communicate issues to the recreation department and DPW.

### Proposed Dates for 2026 Season

- Dec 15<sup>th</sup> - early registration opens with discounted cost
- Jan 15<sup>th</sup> – early registration discount ends

- Feb 28<sup>th</sup> - close registration
  - Feb 28<sup>th</sup> – March 8<sup>th</sup> late registration will remain open for 5-8 year old teams with a late fee
- March 8<sup>th</sup> – Assessment day for 9-13 at the middle school
- April 11<sup>th</sup> - Opening day
- June 20<sup>th</sup> - End of year picnic
- June 8-19<sup>th</sup> - Playoffs

\*Block off the week of memorial day to use as a rainout makeup week.

Dates will be voted on at the next meeting.

## Equipment

Will collect donations of equipment at the end of fall ball and have a table at try outs for parents to take what they need.

One extra uniform will be ordered for each 5-8 year old team to have as backup.

One extra coach's hat will be ordered per team.

## Facilities

Vassar indoor batting cage – all framed out and has electricity, Rick from Your Handyman did a walk through, Steve needs to give him instructions on what the plan was for direction and garage door.

## 2026 Season Board Positions

Nominations are as follows:

- President – Gabe Bryan
- Player agent – Drew Pitynger
- Treasurer – Keith Adams (this is his last year, need to identify a replacement to train)
- Secretary/Website/Comms – Alyssa Belmonte
- Schedule – Nathalie Schairer
- Concessions – Herman Gonzales
- Umpire in Chief (paid position) – Joe Wannat
- Safety Officer – Andrew Basso
- Fields – Nadine Knapp
- Equipment -Jim Whalen & David Antigua
- 13U VP Marcus Wolf
- 11/12 VP Brian Costa
- 9/10 VP Steve Budko
- 8 VP Tim Welsh
- 7 VP Dan Cinotti
- 6 VP James Schairer
- 5 VP Erick Van Tuyl

Positions will be voted on at the next meeting.

## Fundraising

Discussed setting up a separate account to fundraise for travel teams going to Cooperstown.

- Fundraising will be done yearly for the team that is planning to go that summer.
- Must be specific about what the funds will go towards during any fundraising.
- All players need to be BGR players.

## 14U Level

Keith is still talking to the BBA League about 14U and whether having separate 14U LL or kids do BBA, limited field access one issue. Alyssa will ask more about the 60/90 field at Brookdale. Are there lights that we could rent?

## Team Accomplishments

Considering purchasing permanent signs to hang at Vassar turf to advertise the different little league and Travel team titles that we could add to each year. Cammie is looking into it.

## Travel Teams

Travel document – the only point of contention that is still being discussed is the mandatory travel try outs. A suggestion was made to compromise and mandate try-outs for teams up to 9U and then have them only at coach's discretion. Board members to review document again and provide any comments. Further discussion at next meeting and vote each section.

Considering adding a VP of travel position and travel player agent positions to the board.