



M26-11  
NYSA BOD Meeting Agenda  
March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2026

I. Call to Order – Meeting Chair

II. Attendance:

a. Board Member:

b. Commissioners:

c. Members:

V26-59 III. Minute approval – M26-10 Feb 18<sup>th</sup> (**APPROVED**)

IV. Treasurer’s Report –

*The Treasurer reported that total organizational funds currently reflect approximately \$101,000, with prior balances noted near \$429,000.*

*Program-specific balances remain consistent with previously reconciled figures as of January 31.*

*The Treasurer explained that financial reporting follows a structured delay due to reconciliation processes involving both a bookkeeper and CPA,*

*resulting in reporting typically lagging by approximately one month.*

*Financial assistance requests were discussed, including multiple pending scholarship requests across T-Ball and Football.*

*There was clarification that assistance approvals must align with program balances and registration status.*

*Transparency of financial data was emphasized, with reports available publicly, though currently delayed.*

*Sponsorship updates included contributions from Marine Max (\$500), United Bank, and a pending \$1,500 grant from FPL.*

*Discussion also addressed registration fee changes, including the addition of service and processing fees previously absorbed by the organization.*

*Concerns were raised regarding communication of these changes, particularly for families with multiple participants.*

*Leadership acknowledged the need for improved communication and clarified fee structure moving forward.*

V. Calendar Update (see reminders Section X for gym/election dates)

*The board reviewed the shared Google Calendar system currently used to manage field scheduling and facility usage.*

*It was acknowledged that while progress has been made, the system remains incomplete due to inconsistent input from commissioners.*

*The importance of centralized scheduling was emphasized to avoid field conflicts and ensure equitable access across sports.*

*Discussion highlighted ongoing challenges with overlapping schedules, lack of coordination between sports, and the need for better communication.*

*Plans include further integration with SportsConnect to allow automated scheduling and reduce manual input errors.*

*Commissioners were encouraged to submit schedules in advance to improve coordination.*

*Despite limitations, the current system represents progress compared to prior fragmented scheduling methods.*

VI. Commissioner Updates/Reports (as required for 2<sup>nd</sup> of month) (see sports specific break out attachment)

In Season Sports (required)	+/- 2 months Post/Preseason (required)	Out of Season Sports (as required)
Baseball	Tackle Football	
Travel Baseball	Cheer	
Softball	Travel Basketball	
TBall		
Rec/NUFC Soccer		
Lacrosse		
Basketball		
Flag Football		

\*Seasonal status based on start of registration through end of last event.

VII. Old Business:

- a. Transition to Google Product (Chat, calendar, drive, permissions, emails, etc)

*Ongoing transition to Google-based systems, including Drive, Calendar, and Chat, was discussed as a key initiative to improve coordination.*

- b. “Punch list” active on NYSA website for both maintenance requests and volunteer signup

*A website “punch list” remains active for maintenance and volunteer coordination.*

- c. Dumaka Gouch elected as incoming Flag Football Commissioner to take over at conclusion of current Flag Football season

*The transition of the Flag Football Commissioner role remains on track, with the incoming commissioner expected to assume responsibilities at season end.*

VIII. Committee Updates:

- a. Bylaws Committee: begun internal large concept discussions.

*The Bylaws Committee has begun high-level discussions regarding governance structure.*

*Topics include whether bylaws should be more detailed or remain general with supporting policies handling procedures.*

*No final decisions have been made, but further refinement is expected in future meetings.*

1. Better to have specific items written in and protected by bylaws, or be more general and rely on policies to set procedure.

IX. New Business

- a. Reduce Field usage Rate (VP-none)

*The board discussed that current field rental rates are significantly higher than nearby parks, which is driving potential renters elsewhere and leaving fields underused. A proposal was made to reduce daytime field rates to \$50 per hour and \$100 per hour when lights are used, with the argument that some income is better than none. Others raised financial concerns, noting that cutting rates by about half would require roughly double the*

bookings to break even. It was clarified that, at present, essentially no outside organizations (beyond core users) are renting the fields. Comparisons to nearby facilities highlighted that NYSA's dirt fields are priced above some competitors' turf fields, making the program uncompetitive. After debate, the board approved a general reduction in non-gym field rates and acknowledged the need to review contracts, apply the change fairly and legally, and monitor whether the new pricing actually increases usage and revenue.

1. 50% reduction in facility usage rate for outside field usage

1. \$50/field/hour daytime
2. \$100/field/hour nighttime

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**2. MOTION TO APPROVE (Passed, All-1 in favor, Tucker Opposed)**

**b. Baseball Budget funds transfer (VP-none)**

A financial action was proposed to transfer approximately \$3,300 from a "rec select" account to the primary baseball account to complete mound purchases. The motion was made, seconded, and approved unanimously. Additional updates included field preparation, equipment readiness, and general operational planning to ensure a smooth season launch.

1. Transfer funds from "rec select" to "Rec Baseball" complete the purchase of the baseball mounds

1. Baseball Commissioner approves

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**2. MOTION TO APPROVE (Passed)**

**c. All NYSA finances are available starting April 3<sup>rd</sup> in front office.**

1. In accordance with State Mandates and transparency.
2. INFORMATIVE (NO VOTE)

**X. Reminders:**

**a. Facility (gym) Unavailable for usage for County Elections**

During closing remarks, the board highlighted that the gym will be unavailable for use during county elections, with specific blackout dates running from **July 27** and again from **October 12 through November 4**. No events, practices, or general access will be allowed in the building during these periods, as election activities take priority. Members and commissioners were asked to clearly communicate this restriction to their programs and plan schedules accordingly to avoid conflicts.

1. The facility will be unavailable from **July 27th through August 19th**, may be able to work around events from July 27th through the 31st if necessary (no weekend events).
2. The facility will be unavailable **October 12th through November 4th until 12 p.m.**, although staff may be able to work around events from October 12h through the 16th if necessary (no weekend events)
3. No one is allowed in the building except staff once the equipment is dropped off

**b. Crawfish Opening Day Presale Tickets on Sale through March 14<sup>th</sup>**

**c. Currently a single Board of Directors vacancy accepting nominations through March 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**XI. Member Concerns**

**XII.** Open Discussion

**XIII.** Adjournment

## Attachment 1 Sports Breakout:

Here is a **clean, unified sport-by-sport listing** with summarized information, formatted so you can **copy directly into a DOCX**:

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### Football

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Program Status:** Expanding and actively preparing for season
- **Key Operations:** Ongoing coach interviews; final selections expected shortly
- **Facilities/Equipment:** Plan to install three small sheds for shared gear; main shed to be repurposed into a film/break room
- **Growth:** Expanded from four to six teams (including NEP)
- **Key Events:** Skills camp, coaches' clinic, high school scrimmages, Raider Night, and NYSA Night scheduled
- **Development Focus:** Integration with high school program through player mentorship by age group

#### Summary:

Football is in a strong growth phase with expanded team participation and structured program development. Operational improvements include additional storage solutions and plans to enhance player experience through a dedicated film space. The program is also strengthening ties with the local high school through coordinated events and mentorship opportunities. Coach hiring is still underway but nearing completion, positioning the program well for the upcoming season.

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### Cheerleading

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Season Status:** Extended select season ongoing; first competition imminent; season ends late April
- **Registration:** Being published; pending final uniform package decisions
- **Key Issue:** Uniform provider conflict and policy compliance with bylaws
- **Policy Considerations:** Two-year uniform cycle vs. future compliance with non-sales bylaws
- **Board Direction:** Emphasis on transparency and advance communication to families

#### Summary:

Cheerleading is progressing operationally but is currently centered around governance and policy discussions related to uniforms. The program is nearing the end of its current competition cycle while preparing for upcoming registration. The board emphasized transparency and the need to clearly communicate that this is the final year of the current uniform cycle before policy changes take effect. No major operational concerns were raised beyond this governance issue.

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## Basketball (Travel)

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Program Status:** New/expanding travel program
- **Structure:** School-age teams only (8th grade boys, 6th grade girls, possible additional teams)
- **Season Timeline:** Short spring season running through May; tournaments began March 21
- **Teams:** “Team Armada” (boys) and “Hot Feet Hustle” (girls)
- **Financials:** Budgets established; partial funding from carryover and fundraising
- **Focus Areas:** Long-term team stability, coaching quality, balancing multi-sport participation
- **Governance:** Commissioner encouraged to formally apply through standard election process

### Summary:

The travel basketball program is being intentionally built as a sustainable, multi-year offering rather than a short-term effort. With defined teams, budgets, and tournament schedules already in place, the focus is on maintaining quality coaching and balancing participation with other sports. Governance alignment is underway to formalize leadership within the organization’s standard structure. The program shows strong planning but remains in an early growth phase.

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## Baseball (Recreation)

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Season Status:** Schedule published; opening day approaching
- **Operations:** Equipment ordered; additional pitching mounds being installed
- **Financials:** ~\$3,300 transferred for mound funding
- **Overall Condition:** Well-organized and on track

### Summary:

Recreational baseball is fully operational and well-prepared for the upcoming season. Scheduling, equipment procurement, and facility improvements are all in place, with minimal issues identified. Financial adjustments have been handled appropriately to support field upgrades. Overall, the program is stable and running efficiently.

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## Travel Baseball

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Season Status:** Active; first tournament March 21, second April 11
- **Preparation:** Scrimmage scheduled prior to tournament play
- **Uniforms:** Ordered; sizing issue being corrected
- **Financials:** \$550 transferred to rec baseball for shared equipment

## Summary:

Travel baseball is already in competitive play with tournaments and scrimmages scheduled. Minor logistical issues such as uniform sizing are being addressed. Financial coordination between travel and rec programs demonstrates resource sharing and efficiency. The program appears well-prepared and actively engaged in competition.

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## Softball

- **Commissioner Present:** No (resigned)
- **Leadership Status:** Vacancy; interim commissioner pending board approval
- **Operational Status:** Limited preparation completed
- **Risk Level:** High due to leadership gap close to season start

## Summary:

Softball is currently in a critical state following the recent resignation of its commissioner just prior to opening day. The board is working to appoint an interim leader to stabilize operations. Concerns were raised about lack of preparation, including missing equipment and uniforms. Immediate leadership and organizational intervention are required to ensure the season proceeds successfully.

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## T-Ball

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Season Status:** Practices underway; uniforms ordered
- **Participation:** ~130+ families; ~51 on waitlist
- **Constraints:** Field space and volunteer capacity

## Summary:

T-ball is highly successful with strong participation levels and active practices already underway. However, demand exceeds capacity, with a significant waitlist driven by limited field space and volunteer availability. The program is operationally sound but may require expansion planning to meet community demand in future seasons.

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## Soccer

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Season Status:** Practices starting; games beginning late March
- **Demand:** Extremely high; waitlist filled within hours
- **Financials:** ~\$8,000 annual costs; \$12,000 uniform bundle covering season
- **Future Consideration:** Possible fee increase to ~\$150 to rebuild reserves

## Summary:

Soccer continues to demonstrate strong demand and solid operational planning, with practices and games scheduled and leadership actively managing logistics. Financially, while current funding covers this season, reserves have been reduced, prompting consideration of future fee adjustments. The program remains stable but will require financial planning to sustain long-term operations.

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## Lacrosse

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Season Status:** Active; games underway
- **Registrations:** ~111 players (slightly down year-over-year)
- **Key Dates:** Tournament April 11; playoffs May 2
- **Operations:** Field rotation implemented to reduce wear

## Summary:

Lacrosse is in full operation with steady participation and a clear schedule of events. While registration is slightly lower than previous years, the program remains stable. Operational adjustments, such as rotating fields, demonstrate proactive management of facility conditions. No major concerns were identified.

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## Basketball (Recreation)

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Season Status:** Concluding; championship games in progress
- **Key Issue:** Playoff controversy involving eligibility and referee conflict of interest
- **Governance:** Ethics complaint filed; board review underway

## Summary:

The recreational basketball season is wrapping up but was significantly impacted by a controversial playoff incident involving player eligibility and referee impartiality. Concerns centered on fairness, transparency, and conflict of interest, leading to a formal ethics complaint. While the season overall progressed, the incident highlighted the need for stronger policies and oversight in officiating and eligibility enforcement.

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## Flag Football

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes (outgoing)

- **Season Status:** Final games and championships scheduled
- **Participation:** ~380 players; ~1,500 total participants
- **Operations:** Highly successful season with no major incidents
- **Transition:** New commissioner identified and in training
- **Revenue:** Concessions strong but staffing uncertain

**Summary:**

Flag football had a highly successful season with strong participation and minimal issues. Leadership transition is underway, with a new commissioner being trained. Operational highlights include strong concessions revenue, though staffing remains a concern. Overall, the program is stable and well-executed.

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## Tackle Football

- **Commissioner Present:** Yes
- **Focus Area:** Equipment upgrades
- **Purchases:** 53 pads, 20 helmets, 20 shoulder pads
- **Strategy:** Annual equipment cycling for safety and cost management

**Summary:**

Tackle football's update focused on long-term safety and equipment sustainability. Significant investments have been made in new gear, with a strategy to replace equipment incrementally each year. This approach improves player safety while avoiding large, one-time expenses. No operational issues were raised.

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## Summer Cheer

- **Commissioner Present:** Not identified
- **Status:** Budget pending approval
- **Risk:** Cannot proceed without board financial approval

**Summary:**

Summer cheer is currently in a holding pattern pending formal budget approval. No operational updates were provided, and the primary concern is administrative. Approval of the budget is required before the program can move forward.

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