

OLL Executive Board Meeting
High Plains Community Center, Cafeteria
March 26, 2025

Attendees:

Adam Dinihanian
Joe Smeraglino
BJ Palumbo
Jay Jaffer
Jennifer Schempp

Matt Bruder
Jeremy Virgil
Kevin McCarthy
Anthony Ayala
Dino Guerra

Jeff Silverman
Justin Berlepsch
Bryan Terlizzi
Natasha McEwan

Start of Meeting: 7:06pm

PRESIDENT: Adam Dinihanian

1) Approve minutes from February meeting

Motion to approve

Seconded by Jeremy

All in Favor

2) Ongoing eboard meetings – Tues 4/22 (Plaskowitz), Wed 5/21, June (TBD)

3) Freebies:

- During charter process, Adam received:
 - Topps Baseball Cards
 - Every kid should get a pack and additional for raffles
 - Banana Boat Sunscreen
 - 400 single packs can be handed out
 - Red Sox donation
 - Connor Wong signed baseball for raffle. Have to report back how much we raised.

4) District updates

- Safety discussion
 - Concussion protocol
 - Emergency plan/contact numbers should be displayed
 - Injury/Incident reports (also report to Denis w/in 24hours)
 - Mandated reports – once you see it, report it
 - Abuse awareness training – no 1 on 1 training
 - First Aid kits/ice packs
 - Equipment Checks (by manager)
 - Not done by umpires
 - Player/manager ejections possible
 - Lightning and thunder
 - Clear fields and go to cars. 30 minute timeframe.
- 2025 No Rule against players wearing Jewelry

- Umpires can still request the removal of Jewelry if it poses a safety risk in their judgement
- Friendship bracelets will still need to be cut off of a pitcher's wrist therefore please encourage pitchers to wear them on their non-pitching arm.
- Next meeting
 - Thursday April 10th at 7pm
 - Location: Trinity Lutheran Church, 21 Robert Treat Parkway, Milford, 06460
 - League Rep and Umpire in Chiefs to attend
 - Other Meetings:
 - Thursday, May 15, 8pm – Hamden (address TBD)
 - Sunday, Jun 8, 1pm – Orange HPCC (umpires and coaches)
- Background checks (all); Abuse Awareness training (all); Diamond Leader Training Program (District/Seabreeze) – covered for 3 years, needs to be printed

SECRETARY: Alex Biro

- Schedule will be completed and posted by April 1st
- Practice schedule is complete for Old Tavern, will start March 31st in priority order (Majors/Minors/etc.)
- T-ball has their set days on Clementine Field for practice until games start on April 21st
- All divisions have been instructed to call Park & Rec starting April 1st for practice reservations
- Games will start at 8:45 and end at 5:30 on Saturday's (15 min break between games). T-ball will stay with the 9:00 start with 1 hour 30 minute games
- April 5th – Equipment swap day in front of Plaskowitz from 12-2pm. Whatever is donated and not swapped, I will drop off to Savors to donate. That way we don't have old equipment sitting in a box somewhere at Old Tavern
- Timing complete for evaluations, interviews, opening day
 - February 16 – reach out to potential Majors and Minors managers - **DONE**
 - Week of February 17 – Majors and Minors manager interviews if necessary - **DONE**
 - February 28 – Registration closes
 - By February 28 – Confirm Majors, Minors and Rookies managers - **DONE**
 - March 1 – Conduct Rookies draft - **DONE**
 - March 2 – Evaluations at The Grind, Minors – 5:30 Majors – 6:30 - **DONE**
 - March 3 – Softball evaluations at Softball U. - **DONE**
 - March 5 – Conduct Majors draft - **DONE**
 - March 6 – Conduct Minors draft - **DONE**
 - Week of March 9 – Post Majors/Minors rosters and have managers reach out to their teams - **DONE**
 - Week of March 16 – Put coach pitch and t-ball teams together - **DONE**
 - Post all teams and then schedule will be put together - **DONE**
 - March 22 – Clean up day – **DONE**
 - April 5 – Equipment swap day
 - April – Coaches meeting - TBD
 - Week of April 21 – Games start
 - April 26 – Opening Day ceremonies

- May 3 – Picture day

VP HARDBALL: Joe Smeraglino

- House Rules still a work in progress and should be done soon
- Rotary Club expressed interest in working snack stands on some Saturdays
- Installation of live stream monitor for games on OT-1 and Stankye in Plaskowitz tomorrow
- Opening Day
 - Chips, Dunkin have been contacted
 - Honorary members to be celebrated during ceremony
 - Put together giveaway packs

VP SOFTBALL: Adam Dinihanian:

- Softball opening day ceremony at 10am
- Honoring 2005 softball championship
- Managers selected for each level
 - Majors
 - Co-managers: Tara Grutkowski and Matt Rabuse
 - Minors
 - Matt Bruder, Carl Tonucci & Adam Dinihanian
 - Coach Pitch
 - Gary Zerella, Mike Dolan, Jeff Baird/Lauren Terentiuk, Scott Richards

Motion to approve softball managers for this season by Adam Dinihanian

Seconded by BJ Palumbo

All in favor

TREASURER: Jenn Schempp

- No OLL Scholarship applications have come through yet
- Will look to get Roche snack stand painted and with new logo
- Will look to purchase picnic tables near Roche snack stand

Motion to approve purchases by Jenn Schempp

Seconded by Jeremy

All in favor

- Campco recognition?
 - Will look for sign for scoreboard sign
- Coach's softball game?
 - Will figure out when posted. May 31st or June 7th?

HB EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR: Jeff Silverman

- Uniforms should be in by end of next week
- Started handing out equipment at clean up day

SB EQUIPMENT DIRECTOR: Matt Bruder

- Uniforms have been ordered, and hope is end of this week or next week
- Equipment distributed this weekend
- Cleaned out equipment shed on cleaning day

HB UMPIRE IN CHIEF: Kevin McCarthy

- Waiting on schedule to connect with umpires
 - 1 ump for majors and minors for regular season. 2 for playoffs.

SB UMPIRE IN CHIEF: Natasha McEwan

- Waiting on schedule to connect with umpires

HB PLAYER AGENT: BJ Palumbo

- T-ball up to 80 players

HB FUNDRAISING: Anthony Ayala

- Sponsorship updates
 - Just a few more checks to come in
 - Around 10 new sponsors
- Chips dinner Tues 4/1
 - 32 signed up. Another email/post will go out.
- Signs will be ordered by 4/1

COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR: Jay Jaffer

- Will send out any communication and another Chip's fundraiser email

IT DIRECTOR: Justin Berlepsch

- Request for Anthony to send sponsors so he can update the website
- Will look into printing on windscreen

VP COUNSEL: Jeremy Virgil

- Awaiting hardball rules amendments

FACILITIES/FIELDS DIRECTOR: Dino Guerra

- Projects update
 - Backstop can be painted or wind screen
- Re-keying the complex
 - Changed out mid next week
- Recap of field clean-up day
 - Went well

SAFETY OFFICER: Mike Marchetti

- Coaches safety meeting; Background checks

COACHING COORDINATOR: Bryan Terlizzi

- Planning for clinics for coach pitch and will have tomorrow
- Coaching resources continued

Motion to adjourn by Adam Dinihanian

Seconded by Jeremy Virgil

All in Favor

End of meeting: 8:22