

ARAA Baseball Board Meeting

Sunday, January 11, 2026 6PM

Meeting

BOARD MEMBERS			
PRESENT	Adam Byrd, Commissioner	PRESENT	Kevin Fournier, Junior House Coordinator
PRESENT	Mike Kinghorn, Assistant Commissioner	PRESENT	Mike Kinghorn, 7 th -9 th Grade Coordinator
PRESENT	Kris Collins, Treasurer	PRESENT	Julie Williams, Uniform Coordinator
PRESENT	Katie Steinbach, Secretary	PRESENT	Samantha Peterson, Volunteer Coordinator
ABSENT	TJ Lyon, Traveling Director	PRESENT	Amy Rusert, Registration Coordinator
PRESENT	Kelsie Buchanan, Junior House Director	PRESENT	Katie Hale, High School Liaison
PRESENT	Eric Roering, Coach/Player Development Director	PRESENT	Scott Corbin, Equipment Coordinator
PRESENT	Katlin Pieri, Sr House Director	PRESENT	Eric Eckman, Sr House Coordinator
ABSENT	Niki Olson, Tournament Director	PRESENT	Travis Grawey, Field/Facility Maintenance Coordinator
PRESENT	Leslie Roering, Marketing and Communications	PRESENT	Brandi Sharp, Concessions Coordinator
PRESENT	Eric Stuberg, Fundraising Director	PRESENT	Ben Pieri, At Large Member
		ABSENT	Angela Deal, At Large Member-Uniforms

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES:

Topic	Minutes	Attachment/ Actions
Meeting began		
Call to Order	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adam calls to order at 602pm 	
Approval of Agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adam motions to approve Stuberg 2nd Motion approved 	
Secretary's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adam motions to approve Eric Eckman 2nd Motion approved 	
Parents concerns/Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 coaches brought forward concern they didn't get open gym spots at the HS weekly training. Tried to get these teams in but unable to do so. Looking at how we can change signups for next year so all teams can get time slots as all teams should get the opportunity to train at the HS. 	
2026 Hosted Tournaments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Midsummer Classic--June 20-21st House Tournament-- Gopher State 13A----- July 24-26th All Star Series----Aug 1st 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concessions ready? Will be running concessions out of the building at Central for tournaments. We will be grilling and everything out of there. Will keep food trucks at Alpine to get more revenue from the main concessions building. Need to work closely with Sam to manage volunteers to make sure they have correct coverage. • Will sell the tumblers to sell at parent meeting—will get them from the shed or trailer 	
Board Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open positions and board member 2026 term year • Commissioner—Not reupping(someone interested in this position) • Secretary—yes • Tournament Director—undecided • Coach/Player Development Director—reupping but wants to take over travel director for a year and vacate coach and player development spot • Equipment Coordinator—yes • Traveling Director (**March Election**)—not re upping • Junior House Director—yes looking into different position • Senior House Coordinator—yes • Concessions Coordinator—not reupping • High School Liaison—yes • At-Large Members—yes • Registration Coordinator (Off-Cycle)—not reupping 	
House Reg/Updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mounds needed for 12U again? Did not use them last year. Need to talk to Andover about this to make sure everything is uniform throughout the league. • Evals February 28th 12pm-7pm—Katie H will reach out to some of the HS boys to help • Might need to assist the other associations to get scheduling done due to a lot of board turnover on those boards. • Rules looked good • Banners and signs—Kingham and Pieris will put up signs—meet with Scott to get signs—put on Anoka walking bridge, face by Anoka fairgrounds, and over by Coborns. Also make sure to get some in Anoka. 	
Equipment Needs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Game balls will come in March • Been dropping bags at houses to traveling coaches • Will need base plugs have no extras and need clips • Look at having a drop off event of old equipment at parent meeting to donate to charities(Scott will take this on)—send out communication on it and need to bring totes to put the used equipment in. • Need to purchase more cold packs for the first aid bags • Nets at Enloe? Need nets at Enloe, Travis will measure to see what size and need clips and zipties for those 	
Off season training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update • Communication was sent out about all training opportunities 	
MYAS Commish Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updates • There are some boundary issues in other associations they are working through • Other associations only do one team for 9s and it varies on what level they are placed 	

Background Checks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emails were sent out from player safety big board they are due ASAP—Jamie Super is the new Player Safety big board member 	
Sponsorship Dinner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 13th Need to get baskets--Jamie Byrd will take this on(email Byrd ideas) Would like to buy 2 tables Adam motions to buy 2 tables 800\$ total Leslie 2nd Motion approved 13 yays Invite-Erik Rum River Umpires, Shannon Blansette, FBC Concepts, Northland fence, Mauer Main, M&G, Concrete Images, Golden Eye transportation, Timberline Lawncare, Freedom Wealth management, Miss Iz—Stuberg will take care of this. 	
Open Dialogue	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Look into having a few food trucks on game days at central Once season starts, within 2 weeks, directors need to communicate with coaches and what 2 coaches they are selecting to have their DIBS covered. So they have time to fulfill them. Head coach plus 2 assistants are covered. 	
Board Business		
Open Positions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 	
Upcoming Board Tournaments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Midsummer Classic---June 20-21st House Tournament-- Gopher State 13A---July 24-26th All Star Series---Aug 1st 	
Reports		
Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2026 Meeting Dates 01/11/26 6:00PM 02/15/26 6:00PM 03/08/26 6:00PM 04/12/26 6:00PM 05/17/26 6:00PM 06/14/26 6:00PM 07/12/26 6:00PM 08/09/26 6:00PM 09/13/26 6:00PM 10/11/26 6:00PM 11/15/26 6:00PM 	Katie Steinbach
Treasurer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Falcon Bank balance: \$69,800 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minus: \$11k outstanding check to Tornado Alley for 500 hats Receivables: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2025 season: \$4,233. I'll work on attempting to collect these this month. 2024 season: \$7,443. I've made multiple attempts at collecting on these, and will make a final attempt this month. There's not much in the way of financials for December as that is deep offseason for baseball, but we did collect \$5,960 for the 2026 Hitting & Pitching Clinic and \$6,413 for the 2026 Traveling Baseball Season. 	Kris Collins

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget: I'll work with you all to create 2026 Baseball Season Budget this month as well. Create a list of repeat families that 	
Marketing and Communications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Website has been updated with registrations. Directors - please review your site to ensure all information is up to date and accurate. Email me with any changes. Registration has been posted to Facebook and Community pages Banners need to go up. Confirm who will be putting those out from the shed at George Green. Emails will go out to all previously registered players. Will work with Big Board to send out communication to their listserv. Communication went out about off season training opportunities. Put out a thank you to Anoka HS Baseball for putting on the clinics for our program. Put out a communication about evals 	Leslie Roering
Registration Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All house registrations have been created and access given, they should be getting posted soon All registrations except travel will require the \$500 bond to BE CHARGED by the board, instead of it being part of the registration fee. This is not an invoice like past years but rather a feature in sports engine that allows the registration to be charged the fee on Oct 1. 	Amy Rusert
Uniform Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All Travel player and coach uniforms orders have been finalized and uniform orders are being submitted to vendors House player and coach try-ons will be 2/28 at evaluations and 3/18 at the House parent meeting. 15U travel player and coach try-ons will be at the parent meeting 3/18. Items will also be available at Tornado Alley following the parent meeting. Uniform orders will need to be finalized by 4/1. All House player and coach uniforms orders will need to be finalized by 3/25. Travel uniform sorting and assembly will be late Feb or early March. I'll email a sign up as soon as the date is finalized. 	Julie Williams
Equipment Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Needs teams/coaches lists so he can get equipment ready 	Scott Corbin
Tournament Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Midsummer Classic--- June 20-21st Gopher State 13A----- July 24-26th will start at 4pm Friday All Star Series---Aug 1st Need House date—working on this 	Niki Olson
Fundraising Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will reach out to sponsors for sponsorship dinner 	Eric Stuberg
High School Liaison	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parent meeting--Wednesday, March 18th - 6-7:30pm for house, 7:30-9pm for traveling. Eric R will run meeting. 	Katie Hale
Coach and Player Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All information on off season opportunities have been sent out 	Eric Roering
Traveling Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Updates 	TJ Lyon
7 th -9 th Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed with the HS the usage of the Sophomore field for 15s Anticipate June 1 start, coordinate in April for schedule 	Mike Kinghorn

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I have some tournament details ready to enter for the 15s, just need to coordinate with someone who has payment information to register for 2 of them Wondering when the roster will be finalized? TJ? Need a coach for the 15AA(Katie H and Katlin reaching out to contacts for a paid coach) Will chat will TJ for rosters. 	
Senior House Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 28th House Evals 12pm-7pm(will send out signups for help) Met with Andover to review and update league rules Possible 8U tournament to be hosted by ARAA Baseball in June More to come on change of dates for season 	Katlin Pieri
Junior House Director	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates 	Kelsie Buchanan
Field Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need nets at Enloe, Travis will measure to see what size and need clips and zipties for those Need base plugs 	Travis Grawey
Concessions Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates 	Brandi Sharp
Volunteer Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No updates 	Samantha Peterson
Next Meeting Date:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 15th, 2026 6pm 	
	Meeting Adjourned at 818pm-, Amy Motioned, Mike 2nd	