

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

CHANHASSEN ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



Mar 9th, 2025		7:05 pm	Legion & Zoom
Meeting called by	Jerry Orcutt		
Type of meeting	CAA Diamond Sports Annual Board Meeting		
Note taker	Kelli Hallstrom		
Members present/online	Kim Flottmier, Kelli Hallstrom, Ryan Herdrich, Nick Hansgen, Jeff Kraemer, Kelli Strauss, Todd Johnson, Nate Hanson Alicia Kockler, Tom O'Neill, Julie Vastka, Shane Wasserman, Amanda McGibbon		
Members absent	Pat Kasid, Matt Birkenholtz, Brett Sween, Ryan Check, Dwayne Archuleta		
AGENDA ITEMS			
Previous Month Meeting Minutes			
Presenter	Kelli Hallstrom		
Discussion	February Minutes Approved		
President Report			
Presenter	Jerry Orcutt		
	Big board meeting in February at the Rec Center. Light showing. It was recorded and is on the website. Possibly move the annual meeting to December/January/February with the open forum. At some point, there may be a potential to split the finances for basketball and Diamond sports.		
Treasurer Report			
Presenter	Alicia Kockler		
	Financials through the end of January are out. Baseball uniforms are not part of those financials, but we are hopeful for February. Softball uniform costs will come at the end of April, but we should be able to get the number sooner than that. Mound costs were submitted for \$13k with another \$25k planned. Also looking at tryout equipment to purchase.		
BOC Report			
Presenter	Nick Hansgen		
	Had a parent meeting for 5-8 and in-house 9 and 10-18. Registration numbers are a little shy of past years. Try PeachJar again. Meeting with HS program on 3/12 to discuss partnership. Need to think of other programs in the area for HS support. Legion program renewed effort. How does CAA work with HS and Legion to support each other? Age vs grade policy for registration coming out. Travel coaches meeting coming up soon for the season. Scheduling will be coming early April for the season. Planning for 2026 travel registrations. Targeting early July. More volunteer opportunities to help pick up the fields at the beginning of the spring and possibly opening up others throughout the year. Determining what our lane is with the city for helping clean up the fields. Additionally, we will be discussing how to maintain the fields appropriately for our needs and what our expectations are. On the hosted tournament side, we are full with teams! Working on planning for expenses now. St Cloud State is looking to host a baseball camp here. We would rather have the Chan HS do it, but we are willing to offer it. Looking at HS day for CAA. April 28th and May 12th pictures. May 12th is the Chanhasen youth day.		
SOC Report			
Presenter	Kelli Strauss		
	All teams for 8U, 10U and 12U are done. All volunteer checks are collected. Four 8U teams were formed and two of the teams are tournament teams. K/1/2 registration extended to March 20th. We have enough for three teams now, but we'd like to see four. Had the parent meeting this week in person and had a great meeting. Officially announced the 14U program between Chaska & Chanhasen. Tryouts are tentatively the end of July. Coaches meeting March 23rd. Meeting with schedulers to start the process. Season starts April 9th if all goes as planned.		
Other Topics			
	Is there any appetite to have a float in the 4th of July parade? Should be enough kids to participate. Do we have enough resources to do it? Entrance is low fee plus candy or freezies. No meetings in season. Safety training and background checks for board members. If you are on the field, you will need at least a background check. The person that was kind of interested in filling the volunteer position is not interested.		

Shed project is officially on the agenda tomorrow. Once it's formally improved, we can move forward. They will do the compacted class 5 bases for them. The way it's written, we are donating the sheds to the city. Should be about \$7,000 for two. Jeff will work to get sheds built. Several different expenses are still pending for shingles, the build, shelves, etc, so it should come in \$10-11k total. Looking at an early to mid-May project, but tbd. Frost needs to stay out of the ground.
Need to finalize our field day date. April 19th was the date landed on. New mounds will be delivered to the locations. 5,000 swings ends April 15th.

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	Adjourned 8:02pm