



## MINUTES OF October 16, 2024, LTJBSA GENERAL MEETING

**In Attendance:** Andrea Alfieri, Paul Alfieri, John Brogle, Lisa Cox, Ken Dobkin, Ken Mitchell, Nicole Mottola, Danielle Nevius, Dave Shockey, Rory Sullivan, Carly Vichroski, Paul Vichroski, Sean Willever, Jake Zalaznick, Jason Zigarski, Zig Zigarski

**Review of Minutes:** Meeting called to order by LTJBSA President, Paul Vichroski. A motion was made to accept the September 2024, meeting minutes.

\*A motion was made to open the meeting minutes of September 2024 – unanimously approved

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Paul A. gave the Treasurer's Report.

We have a great balance and will be able to put a significant amount back into the program.

\*A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report – unanimously approved.

### **Babe Ruth:**

Carly V. gave the Babe Ruth Report.

We are in full swing with our Fall league. We have solid two teams. Babe Ruth inter-leaguings with WWP, Hamilton, Princeton and Plainsboro have been going well. Only 3 games left before playoffs! Big meeting coming up, to bring back a district 1 commissioner. We will follow up at November's meeting of the outcome. We will be rolling out Spring registration ASAP.

\*A motion was made to accept the Babe Ruth Report – unanimously approved.

## **Little League**

### **Baseball:**

Paul A. gave the report.

Fall Ball in full swing - 75 participants. Last two weeks for that.

Winter clinics just opened. Thanksgiving Hitting + Pitching, Winter Break Hitting + Pitching, Softball Pitching.

Centercourt Spring Training being offered. Thanks to Jim Maher for giving our kids a great deal. 4 sessions in March for very low price. Families register through LTJBSA, we cut Centercourt a check.

Website got a glow up in September to prepare for registration. We also have added a new LinkTree for quick parent access to info: <https://linktr.ee/ltjbsa>

Registration for 2025 opened Oct 9th. 103 registrations so far:

17 softball

63 baseball

23 tee ball

Opening Day Parade is April 26th. Boomer is scheduled.

We are in the queue for Trenton Thunder night.

Photo Night will be Monday May 12. Same company as last year (Bassetti Photo) as we had great feedback from their service.

Swap Day will be (tentatively)

Sponsorships for 2025 is open. New brochure is up and running. 3 sponsors in already + paid. We need to raise about \$30k this year.

We were asked by Steve Groger to support the LHS Hall of Fame induction. Made a \$100 donation from the association. Joe Bemby, Brian Murphy and Kelly Shillaber were inducted.

\*A motion was made to accept the Baseball Report – unanimously approved.

### **Softball:**

Rory S. gave the report.

The opt-in weekly practices for 8U are ending next week.

- Our scrimmage last weekend with West Windsor showed the results of training all fall. Many players' skill sets, and love of the game have grown significantly.
- Lawrence Storm roster is set in preparation for season end tournament on 11/2 in Hamilton, NJ.
  - This is first dedicated Lawrence travel softball team in a while (most girls play with neighboring towns).
  - This is a point of pride for us to be able to do it in town with LTJBSA with nearly all local girls. It shows how we have grown the program and continue to grow it at age groups below 8U as well.
- Offseason training is being brainstormed.
- Pitching clinic with Emma set for the end of the month into November. Registration is open right now.

\*A motion was made to accept the softball Report – unanimously approved

### **Travel:**

Paul gave the report.

- Softball will have a travel team for the first time in a while
- As of now, we have 5 baseball divisions for the upcoming travel season
- Our 12U team is looking into doing an away tournament either in North Carolina or Florida
- 11U was created this Fall and has been practicing and scrimmaging over the last month, They will be ready to go in the Spring

\*A motion was made to accept the Travel Report – unanimously approved.

### **Old Business**

Paul V gave the report.

Golf tournament has been moved to May 5, 2025. If you were already signed up you don't have to do anything.

### **Nominations for Upcoming Election:**

Travel President: Ken Dobkin  
Babe Ruth President: Carly Vichroski  
Trustee: John Brogle  
Trustee: Paul Vichroski

**New Business:**

We purchased 12 new sets of youth sized catchers' equipment from Baseball Savings. Huge sale, 50% off. We will have a new sign in/out process for 2025. I made a form - coached can scan on their phone and we will know who has what.

How can we help the family that lost the 12-year-old due to the tree? Wondering if it's appropriate to offer a scholarship to the sibling, or donate from the association?

Need help with sponsorships. Reach out if you want to get started.

Need help with Winter clean-up day. Nov 3rd. Can we reach out to some student volunteers.

Would like to do an inventory/cleanup day in the indoor facility. Smaller group, one or two evenings. Count what we need to order for next year (balls), clean out old equipment, inventory catchers gear + all.

**Closing:**

The next meeting will be held November 13, 2024, at Slackwood Firehouse.

\*\*\*A motion was made to adjourn the meeting - unanimously approved.