

Tea Baseball Association
Board of Directors Meeting
June 11, 2025 • 7 p.m. • Tea City Hall

MINUTES

Board Members:

Rob Schramm, Amy Smolik, Kevin McIntyre, Chris Vasecka, Mark Jelen, Mitch Smith

Administrative Assistant Mike Greco

Not in attendance: Rick Willemsen, Cory Olson

1) CALL TO ORDER 7:11 p.m.

2) APPROVE THE AGENDA, with the addition of Letter D
Motion by Mark, seconded by Mitch. Unanimously approved.

3) APPROVE THE TEA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD MINUTES
Motion by Chris, seconded by Kevin. Unanimously approved.

4) PUBLIC SPEAKING (5-minute limit per speaker)
Smith, 10u team

5) REPORTS

A. Chase the Ace: The Ace of Diamonds drawn on Friday, \$175 from night's take plus \$7,050; the winner is donating \$2,055 back to TBA with no stipulation on what to do. The Ace of Hearts and a Joker are left. There was lots of discussion about how much to make the new pot and when to start up again. Rob made a motion to start the pot at \$9,100 and run CTA through Teapot Days and then take a break until after State tournaments are done. Kevin seconded; unanimously approved.

B. 2026 Tryout dates and times are set. Amy will promote on FB, Aug. 6, 3rd-6th (2nd if they want to tryout); Aug. 10 for 13u and 14u.

C. 10u State Tournament: Mike has been talking with Chad (State A) about details. Some of the things he's worked on — volunteer shirts (yellow), umpire shirts (navy), State shirts; an estimated 15-20 teams will participate

with upper and lower divisions. The gate fee is \$10/day for adults. TBA will provide two umpires for every game with at least one ump being certified; the second ump will be filled by high school age or older Tea baseball players. July 18 will be opening day with games taking place every two hours and staggered start times between B/C and F/G. TBA will need championship trophies for both divisions as well as individual awards for the top two teams in both divisions.

Rob talked about adding patriotic bunting to the outfield fences. They will help decorate the complex and eliminate anyone choosing to sit in the outfield for free. Chris made a motion to for TBA to spend up to \$500 on bunting; Mitch seconded. Unanimous approval.

- D. Player conduct: There was discussion about a situation with a player on one of the competitive teams. Next season TBA will have a player code of conduct that will need to be signed by players and parents. Because there are no policies in place for this season, Mike will send an email from the association that bad behavior will not be tolerated. If issues are brought forward to TBA it will be reviewed on case-by-case basis as far as any situations this season. After this season, the Board will also define consequences for offenses.

6) OTHER BUSINESS/FUTURE OUTLOOK

- Player Fundraising: "Give Butter" is a program Mike has used before.

7) NEXT MEETING DATE July 9, 7 p.m. at City

8) ADJOURNMENT 8:39 p.m.

Motion by Mark, seconded by Mitch. Unanimously approved.