

# TRAA March Board Meeting

Meeting date: March 10, 2025, 08:00 pm

## Overview

- The TRAA March Board Meeting commenced with the approval of minutes from the January board meeting and the introduction of both existing and prospective members, leading to the official appointments of Adam Crepeau as President, Tom Stevens as VP of Admin, and various commissioners for softball, baseball, girls lacrosse, while also reinstating John Masica as Executive Director. The discussion then shifted to future growth opportunities, including the exploration of new sports such as pickleball and girls flag football, with an emphasis on improving administrative processes and transparency in budgeting. Updates on basketball and girls lacrosse highlighted the need for coach recruitment and strategies for increasing participation, followed by further discussions on succession planning across football, soccer, and baseball programs. Action items were assigned to various board members to follow up on succession plans, registration outreach, and encourage new leadership candidates, ensuring a collaborative approach to the organization's continued growth and development.

## Notes

- **Board Appointments and Resignations (00:00 - 15:26)**
  - Motion to approve minutes from January board meeting and March agenda
  - Introduction of existing and prospective board members
  - Official appointment of new board positions: Adam Crepeau as President, Tom Stevens as VP of Admin, Justin Gutzman as Softball Commissioner, Dan Sherer as Baseball Commissioner, Mike Kennedy as Member at Large, Erik Iverson as Girls Lacrosse Commissioner
  - Reinstatement of John Masica as Executive Director
  - Discussion on Dan Novak's resignation and transition
- **Future Vision and Growth (15:28 - 26:44)**
  - Exploration of new sports opportunities: Pickleball, Girls flag football, Track program, Wrestling program partnership
  - Discussion on improving administrative processes
  - Emphasis on transparency in budgeting and accounting
  - Need for clear transition plans for commissioners

- **Sports Updates: Basketball and Lacrosse (26:44 - 39:12)**
  - Basketball season wrap-up and future plans
  - Girls lacrosse registration update and growth strategies
  - Challenges in recruiting coaches for girls lacrosse
  - Volleyball succession planning
- **Sports Updates: Football, Soccer, and Baseball (39:12 - 50:48)**
  - Football succession planning and program growth
  - Soccer in off-season period
  - Baseball updates on clinics, practices, and team formations
  - Discussion on high school involvement in 15U baseball

#### **Action items**

- **Adam Crepeau**
  - Follow up with Tracy on volleyball succession plan (37:22)
  - Bring Dan into the fold for baseball transition (49:26)
- **Tom Stevens**
  - Send out email blasts to generate more interest in preschool/kindergarten softball registration (42:05)
- **Justin Gutzman**
  - Take over softball commissioner responsibilities (13:48)
- **Kaan Cercioglu**
  - Continue working on football succession plan with Jenny and Bruce Carpenter (43:48)
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  - Focus on designating specific roles and responsibilities within the football program to ensure smooth operations and accountability.
  - Engage with experienced individuals like Boyd Christensen and Mike O'Hair to provide guidance and support during the transition.
  - Plan to incorporate girls flag football into the program as it continues to grow, enhancing

opportunities for female athletes.

- Assist with football registration and season kick-off (44:14)
- **Miquela Hernandez**
  - Send out final basketball season update email (27:39)
  - Continue encouraging someone to step forward for basketball commissioner role (28:39)
- **Erik**
  - Continue efforts to recruit coaches for girls lacrosse (36:14)