



# Dover Youth Softball League (DYSL)

March 9, 2025  
 Strafford Farms Dover, NH

## Minutes – February 19, 2025

### Board of Directors

<u>X</u>	President	Jamie Stevens	<u>X</u>	6u Director	Cheryl Desrochers
<u>X</u>	Vice President	Ashley Cherry	<u>X</u>	8u Director	Kaitlyn Dale
<u>X</u>	Treasurer	Lindsay Callaghan	<u>X</u>	10u Director	Ashley Cherry
<u>X</u>	Secretary	Lindsay Callaghan	<u>X</u>	12u Director	Lance Keelty
<u>X</u>	Director of Sponsorship	Patty Kinnicutt	<u>X</u>	Director of Coaches	Keith Fortier
<u>X</u>	Director of Concessions	Anna Schaefer	<u>X</u>	Registrar	Keith Fortier
<u>X</u>	Director of Equipment	Todd Lafond	<u>6:00</u>	Community Laison	Melissa Leblanc
<u>X</u>	Director of Facilities	Lance Keelty	<u>X</u>	Scheduler	Jamie Stevens
<u>x</u>	Director of Media	Cassandra Stickles			

Open Positions – Past President, 16u Director,

**17 Positions Filled, 12 Members, 2 Positions Available = Quorum is 8 votes**

### Call to Order

5:40 -pm

### Citizen’s Forum

### Regular Business

#### *Meeting Minutes*

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Motion: Lance 2<sup>nd</sup>: Patty

Approved    16            Rejected            Abstain



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### Treasurer's Report

- Main Checking Account – \$89,438.02
- Concessions – \$590.00
- Special Revenue Account – \$1,943.49

### Old Business

#### Registration Numbers

- **Winter Clinics:** Winter clinics had low participation and did not bring in enough revenue to continue through Session 3. It also overlaps with the start of indoor sessions and there is concern the girls will have too much softball.  
*Action:* Cancel Session 3 for pitching clinics and issue refunds. Jamie will reach out to the City and cancel the rental space.
- **Spring Numbers:** We have low registration numbers however we will need to work with schools to get flyers need to be home to students earlier. Dover sent them out almost a month after they were provided to them.  
*Action:* It is requested that the directors to send reminders registrations will be closing soon.
- **Uniforms:** Pants were a long topic of discussion as many of the girls the sizing was inaccurate and the quality of the pants was not the best. We had 3 kids with broken zippers and many parents complained the pants did not fit right. It was recognized that the sizing kit did not contain the right pants last year however we will make note to consider changing pants brand for 2026.

Lance – left 6.24

- Coaching Update
- 28 coach applications: 10 approved, 18 pending approval. 4 previous coaches have not responded.
- There was a coach that has been accepted in the fall however due to ongoing concerns with attendance and field etiquette the board feels it is best if the coach does not coach a team this year. The coach is welcome to apply again next year.
- **6U Help:** Several girls who aged out of DYSL are offering to assist. This is okay and they do not have to go through the background checks as they are under 18.
- **First Aid:** Need certified trainers for liability reasons.
- **Background Checks:** We are getting background checks processed quickly however, Keith to move to email votes for coaches that sign up to begin the process so we are ready for indoor clinics.
- **Team Parent:** It is unclear the requirements for team parent however they do need to pass a background check. Keith will review the Babe Ruth rules to work through what defines a Team parent.



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- Rebranding – Logo
  - Keith will send revised logo. The new logo will be used for opening day t-shirts.
- Sponsorships
  - Sponsorships are paused until more registration numbers are confirmed. Attack coaches to reach out to Patty to avoid overlap. Cinco's event set for May 13th
- Engagement
  - Registration numbers are not great and there was discussion on how we might be able to improve the numbers. Melissa would like help with flyer distribution, however it was noted that this close to registration closing fliers are not the best option.
  - Soft closing of registration by March 14th. Final decisions on teams and sponsors by March 23rd.
- Field Maintenance
  - The shed was delivered on the 5<sup>th</sup>. Jamie and Lance had to plow out.

### New Business

- Key Dates
  - Assessments
    - Team formations by Thursday / Friday
    - Todd will lead assessments as he has done in the past. Jamie has worked out to have several third parties come to do the evaluations as we have directors both with kids assessing up. This will give an unbiased review that the board can then discuss at the next meeting.
  - Todd will look at lead time on ordering uniforms.
- Schedule
  - Indoor practices running as division for the first three weeks and then break the following two weeks into teams.
- Rec field schedule has not been completed yet either.

Adjourn – 7:44

Motion by Keith; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kaitlyn

Approved    15            Rejected            Abstain



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Meeting Schedule

March 23