



MINUTES OF September 10, 2025, LTJBSA GENERAL MEETING

In Attendance: Andrea Alfieri, Paul Alfieri, John Brogle, Lisa Cox, Pat Cox, Tom DeFillipo, Ken Dobkin Matt Heady, Gene McGuire, Randy Potter, Dave Shockey, Paul Vichroski, Sean Willever, Jake Zalaznick, Jason Zegarski, Zig Zegarski

Review of Minutes: Meeting called to order by LTJBSA President, Paul Vichroski. A motion was made to accept the May 2025 meeting minutes.

*A motion was made to open the meeting minutes of May 2025 – unanimously approved

Treasurer's Report:

Dave S. gave the Treasurer's Report.

- The treasurer reviewed the financial statements and discussed how much money was left in the account.
- Fundraising was successful.
- Umpire expenses were managed.
- The treasurer plans to reconcile travel team accounts monthly to provide up-to-date balances for each team

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

Babe Ruth:

Paul V. gave the Babe Ruth Report.

- The league is not participating in fall play due to a lack of opponents and interest.
- It was noted that AJ and Paul V are officially retired as Babe Ruth coach.
- More coaches are needed for the upcoming season.

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

Little League

Baseball:

Paul A. gave the report.

- A highlight of the season was the 50-70 team winning a District Banner for the first time since 2018. The team, coached by Matt Heady, Fred Ewig and Sal Agosto, advanced to the sectionals.
- The end-of-year barbecue was a success and is planned to be a recurring event.
- LTJBSA successfully hosted the District 12 and District 10 tournaments, with special thanks to all volunteers for coordinating.
- Fall programs are focused on clinics due to a lack of volunteer coaches for a full league season. Ken Dobkin is leading four clinics, while Centercourt is running indoor sessions.
- Registration for the 2026 season for baseball, softball, and t-ball will open on October 8th. The proposal is to cap t-ball at 96 players (eight teams) with a waitlist to ensure enough coaches.
- Photo Day is scheduled for Monday, May 4th.
- The Lawrence Historical Society has invited LTJBSA to co-sponsor an 1864 baseball game on Friday, May 13th, as part of the township's 250th anniversary. This event would feature an old-time team and opportunities for youth player participation. More details next month.
- **Volunteers are needed** for fundraising, sponsorships, the Opening Day parade, Photo Day, and Thunder Night. A VP of Baseball is also needed. This is where we need parents to get involved, especially younger players as we don't have representation of those family's needs.
- A final total of 508 participants was recorded for the year, down slightly from the previous year.

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

Softball:

Jake gave the report.

- The summer softball program had a strong turnout with a wide range of ages.
- The program was successfully run by Dan and Roy, with assistance from junior coaches.
- There are no plans for the fall recreational softball season.

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

Travel:

Dave. gave the report.

- Six baseball teams and three new softball teams are participating in fall leagues and tournaments.
- The 17U team had a successful season, with players attending college showcases and receiving positive attention from college coaches.
- The program's success reinforces that players do not need to spend thousands of dollars on elite travel teams to get noticed.
- The 9U team won their first USABL spring league, and the 12's won their third.

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

Snack Shack Report

- Despite the rainy season and shortened, the Snack Shack maintained profitability.
- Weekday sales were strong all season
- The Snack Shack's reputation for great food and service has grown, with teams from other towns making a point to eat there.
- Lisa Cox was thanked for her work in recruiting volunteers.
- Paul V, Jake Z, Dave S, and Paul A. all pitched in and cooked to support the District Tournament as well as the Softball Tournament.

New Business

- The board voted to purchase an Owl video conferencing system.
- The board discussed changing the meeting day to accommodate more attendees.
- The board discussed asking travel coaches to participate in cleanup day.

Closing:

The next meeting will be held October 8, 2025, at Slackwood Firehouse.

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