



**SSBL Board of Directors Meeting  
October 3, 8:30pm  
Knights of Columbus**

Present: Pat McGovern, Eric Volker, Laura Buccola, Alison MacMillan, Drew Spitzer, Danny Roselle, Tim Yarnall, Kevin Haggard

Missing: Mike Evangelist, Jason Filiberti, Chris Moon, Matt Schwark

Present (General Board): Remy Bianco, Michelle DeMuth

Present (Nominating Committee): Dave Rosoff, Elizabeth Ryan

Present (Others): Many Community Members

- I. Elections for 2023-24 Board
  - a. Voting – Slate presented by the Nominations Committee (Laura Lameo, Dave Rosoff, Elizabeth Ryan) and vote, in person, took place:
    - i. Director – Personnel: Mike Evangelist
    - ii. Director – Softball Operations: Philip Koss and Richard Sosa\* \*Richard Sosa elected
    - iii. Director - Baseball Travel Teams: Seth Goren
    - iv. Outside Director – Maroon: Jimmy DaSilva
- II. Presidents Report – Laura Buccola
  - a. Outgoing Board Members – A huge thank you to outgoing Board Members: Tim Yarnall, Director of Softball Operations, Matt Schwark, Travel Baseball Director and Danny Roselle, Outside Director-Maroon
  - b. Incoming Board Members – Welcome to Richard Sosa, Director of Softball Operations; Seth Goren, Baseball Travel and Jimmy DaSilva, Outside Director-Maroon; and welcome back to Mike Evangelist, Personnel
  - c. Thank you to the Nominating Committee!
  - d. Laura Buccola nominated Kevin Haggard as VP; vote occurred; and motion carried
- III. Spring Rec Discussion – Initiated by Laura Buccola
  - a. Registration typically opens 12/1

- b. Baseball and Softball Operations working together on efficiency of field use, especially younger ages and with regards to any constructions
  - c. Call for coaches
  - d. League Directors – hoping some will return and please nominate new ones if you have any ideas
  - e. Buddy requests – SSBL would like to move to ensure only one buddy is included for each registrant; multiple buddy requests provide difficult to manager and accommodate.
- IV. Field Use Protocols – Led by Laura Buccola
- a. Field Use - Often teams/coaches are using fields that they aren't used to using, please be mindful of:
    - i. Lights being left on
    - ii. Keys being left in a tractor
    - iii. Looking to have overview of each fields rules/procedures to have at hand
- V. Fall field closures for construction – working on what this will look like
- VI. Bond project fields update:
- a. Will be gaining an additional field at the middle school for T- Ball
  - b. Not sure when the lower high school field will be looked at; working with BOE to trying to figure out what that field will look like and how we can use it
- VII. Questions/Comments/Concerns
- a. Treasurer –Drew Spitzer is hoping that Executive Board members spend an hour with him, especially new members in order to understand process in place; will make things more efficient and he would appreciate that time
  - b. Pat McGovern - Jefferson field update is a great success – thank you to Laura for pushing that along; there has not as much progress at Lincoln-Hubbard but we are staying on it and hope for progress at Franklin as well
  - c. Middle School Field Status- the field is going to be a bit of a staging area but there will be 3 true fields by the end of spring 2024 (new softball and 2 T- ball)
  - d. Reminder, that we pay per registrant to the BOE/City for field maintenance; projects working on right now also include:
    - i. New scoreboard at Long field
    - ii. Backstop at memorial baseball field
  - e. Tryouts
    - i. 7u – 12u tryouts baseball will be October 16th
    - ii. 7<sup>th</sup> grade tryouts will be over a few dates
    - iii. 8<sup>th</sup> grade tryouts are typically end of winter – it's a middle school team, in the spring; no winter baseball
    - iv. Jason Filiberti is working on softball tryouts for Spring/Summer which is new this season
  - f. Question: is there a place to donate equipment and ability to volunteer with SSBL?
    - i. Yes, in the past there have been sneakers/shoes drive

- ii. Fields clean-up this fall, intend to have a drive
- iii. Community service hours opportunities are available during clinics on Sundays or try-outs and at other times throughout the year

VIII. Upcoming Board of Director Meetings: November 14, 2023, 8:30pm

IX. Upcoming Executive Board Meeting: October 16, 8:30pm TBC with New Board