

# Spring Grove Baseball Association

February 25, 2025

6:00pm



**Welcome:** Meeting called to order at 6:01PM at St. Paul's Lutheran Church

**Attendees:** Jon Kilmer, Jen Sipe, April Gruver, Damian Sipe, Mike Frey, Amber Roth, Jenn Bankert, Tim Hunter, Amanda Rivera, Kris Phagan

**Guests:** Josh Kampes, Eric Tracy, Ashley Ort, Jenn Kessler, James Senft, Dan Strausbaugh, Tiff Hunter, Jake Landry, Mandy Ness, Jace Landry, Janette Smith, Ken Wood, Joe McLucas, Jasmine Caskey

## **President's Report, submitted by Jon Kilmer:**

- January meeting minutes approved by all.
- Treasurer's Report approved by all.

## **Vice-President's Report, submitted by Mike Frey:**

- There is a late registration for 8UC. Mike will reach out to the family.
- There is an organizational gamechanger account that can be setup for 8UA and up.

## **Treasurer's Report, submitted by April Gruver:**

February 2025	
Beginning Balance	\$64,890.30
Credits	\$2,581.54
Debits	\$8,907.61
Ending Balance	\$ 58,564.23

- Checks are ordered. Cost is \$32 + \$20 shipping
- 8UA -12U jerseys are ordered. ETA end of March
  - Should 8UA be charged for new jerseys? Yes by all. Jon will contact the coach.
  - This should be mentioned during registration next year.
- Sponsors received are
  - CS Davidson
  - Yorktown Pools
  - Hanover Foods
- Will be taking inventory of all shirts
- Pictures were scheduled with Reggie in the past. Orendorff is used for other SG Sports. Suggest using Orendorff this year. Date for pictures is May 3 (need to verify time with photographer).
  - Another date will be chosen for 14U+
- HS batting cage is in rough shape. Would SGBA be willing to donate to replace it. Yes, by all.
  - SGBA would like to know more information before submitting a donation like what is the timeline? Is softball donating and if so, how much? SGBA will decide at the end of the year on a dollar amount.

## **Secretary's Report, submitted by Jennifer Sipe:**

- Banking information still needs to be updated. Waiting to hear back from Wanda with paperwork to sign.
- Scholarship applications should be given to coaches of seniors once teams are formed.
- Winter workouts signup sheets for March need to be redone with the date/time changes.
- A form will be sent out to all head coaches 8U-12U for assistant coach, scorekeeper, shirt/hat sizes.
- Working on getting all necessary paperwork completed for small games of chance renewal.

**Equipment Director, submitted by Tim Hunter:**

- Tim is still evaluating the catcher's gear
- Not all of Kris's order has been received yet. Kris is checking on an ETA.
  - The baseballs needed to be substituted as the Champ Pros were not available. Tee balls were substituted as well.
- Because of the cost of baseballs and the rule change to supply two game balls per game, we will need to instruct coaches to take care of baseballs & clean/reuse for games.
- Bands and bags are ordered. They will be given to coaches for pregame/pre-practice stretches.
- Equipment handout and choosing fields/practice nights will be 3/10 from 6pm – 7pm

**Technology Director, submitted by Michael Nicholas:**

- Need to add game and practice schedules to the calendar
- Registration numbers were discussed.
- Registration closes 2/28 but website is still saying 3/15 & 3/22. Mike Frey adjusted the close dates.

**League Liaison, submitted by Amanda Rivera:**

- Meeting 2 – 12U 3/23/25 6p and 13-19 4/13/25 6p. Organization waiver due with COI and fees (incl preseason tournaments). Verify all team information with the League scheduler.
- Legion
  - Currently working on completing the required paperwork
  - Next meeting is 3/23/25. Doug A and Mike Frey will be attending.
  - 4/27 the schedule will be released
  - Paperwork and roster due 5/18/25
- Irelyn's huddle t-shirt fundraiser ready to go. Link will be emailed to all. \$5 per item will be donated to the Sprengle family.

**Fundraising and Sponsorship Director, submitted by Amber Roth:**

- Genovas fundraiser night flyer is made up and will be sent out.
- Superbowl blocks fundraiser raised about \$1600

**Player Agent/Player Development Director, submitted by Kris Phagan:**

- Jon K sent all info to 8U coaches.
- Kris will be sending out 10U and 12U info to coaches by Wednesday or Thursday of this week.
  - Still working on one final coach – Josh Kampes
- Coach's clinic is scheduled for April 6 from 1pm – 3pm. We will be focusing on
  - Philosophy and Q&A
  - Handbook and expectations
  - Bands and any new equipment (like the pitching pockets)
  - Rule changes
- 14U+ evals scheduled for 3/23 with a rain date of 3/30. Hoping to use the HS field but will use Stoverstown as a backup.
  - Using men's league players to judge evals as a neutral party. We will need clearances on file before evals for all evaluators.
- Still working on a tournament list

**Communications Director, submitted by Jenn Bankert:**

- With lots of events in the coming weeks and months, we are planning to send out a weekly newsletter with all important information.

### **Fields and Grounds Director, submitted by Damian Sipe:**

- Summit (with York Revs)
  - All rec teams present – no travel ball teams
  - York county is rated 3.5/10. How do we improve?
  - 5 year plan and committee to work with organizations and schools
- Tractors will be dropped off for service tomorrow (batteries, tires flat, trouble starting, etc.)
- All permits have been submitted. There is no fee for River Rock per our agreement.
- SG Parks and Rec will change to YMCA of the Roses. This will need to be changed with our insurance.
- Spirit wear – so far 23 orders in
  - SGBA will order some items to feature at opening day and can use those items as giveaways at the golf tournament.
- North Codorus lower – plugs are coming out of dirt – need anchors.
  - NC township is having diamond tex delivered for both fields.
- St Rose – need to sit down in person to discuss plan – we would like to propose to put our money into the large field instead of the small field.
- Heidelberg – SG Parks and Rec had proposed to take over managing this field. We will consider using the field again but the field is in very poor condition.
- River Rock – needs a lime machine for 8U. Kate King is still working on getting a shed.
- SG high school field – might need a hand drag
- SGBA will be purchasing diamond tex for SG boro field and River Rock. Work days will be scheduled.
- A skid of lime is being donated to SGBA once again this year.
- First aid kits are being restocked and will be handed out to all coaches.

### **Open Forum**

- Guests had questions regarding communications for 14U. It was explained that registration is still open and information will be coming in the future.
- Guests asked about information regarding clearances. Questions were answered and the process was explained.
- A suggestion was made to add our certificate of insurance to the coach's binder. All agreed this should be available upon request instead of in all binders.


### **Old Business:**

- Opening day is planned for April 12 at the HS field.
  - HS Field is reserved for us
  - Suggestion for having a gym available for a rain out location
  - Suggestion for wrist bands or squishy balls as a gift to all participants
  - National Anthem singers – Tiff Hunter checking for some
  - Plan a timed run around the bases for tee ball
  - Suggestion to have Lowes have a stand with giveaways
  - Uniform handout will take place before the ceremony – plan to have coaches check in around 11:30am
  - Plan for food trucks at 11am and the ceremony to start at 12p or 12:30pm – everyone to reach out to food trucks
  - Suggestions to hold a homerun derby or longest throw contest
- Golf Tournament
  - Continue to ask for sponsors and gifts from local companies
  - Reaching out to last year's teams and will be pushing registration
  - Plan to post signs about the golf tournament at all fields.
  - Possibly use Briarwood for future events. Looking for possible dates in 2026. 2025 is booked.

- Concessions – we will continue to hold concessions at Jefferson and will begin to use Boro.
  - We plan to have food trucks at North Codorus. Who will be coordinating this?
  - Jenn B – reaching to Fritolay for donations
  - April G – reaching out to Martins for donations
  - Amanda R – reaching out to Snyders for donations
  - We plan to assign all head coaches (8U-12U) a date for manning the concession stand at Jefferson for the men's games.
  - We will need a sign up sheet and date for drop off for donations from our families.
- Cupcakes by Jenn will be holding a fundraiser weekend like last year. Thank you!

*Announcements:* The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday March 25, 2025, at 7:00 PM at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Spring Grove (across from the paper mill).

*Adjournment:* Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 PM.

Respectfully submitted,   
Jennifer Sipe, Secretary