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May 12, 2025 - General Meeting Agenda - 7:00 PM / Abundant Life Church

Call to Order: 7:03 pm

Attendance: Seth Breitmaier, John Naples, Hazen Sturtevant, Danielle Bossie, Angela Hruska, Kyle Calash, Arnold Ewings, Amy Pfaffenbach, Mark Simone, Tim Crowell , John Carroll

Minutes of Last Meeting: Provided by league secretary on website

Meeting Topics

- President's Report
 - Town Training on June 5th
 - Thursday, June 5th there will be professional maintenance training for our league on the maintenance of the fields
 - Seth will send an email to Coaches and Assistant Coaches and will be looking to get a head count of who would like to participate in the training
 - June General Meeting possible move to June 11th- will continue this discussion
- Treasurer Report
 - Account Balances (Checking, Money Market and CD) - Danielle
 - CDs \$41,465.66
 - Money Market \$25,758.31
 - Checking \$35,470.13
 - Financial Aid is available for Tournament Team
 - Rakes and Tamp for Cody Camp- Seth will send invoice to Danielle for purchase of some rakes and tamp
- Governance Document Update Committee
 - Constitution Submitted on February 28th - Waiting on approval
- Memorial Day
 - Parade
 - The application has been sent to the town. There is a meeting tomorrow to decide the order for the parade. Once we have final guidance we will send this out to parents.
 - Reminder for kids to bring water
 - There are extra waters in R1, get some coolers and bring them to the parade.
 - We have a banner for the parade.
 - Baseball Minor and Majors Skills Competition



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- Will have a final schedule and time for the Sunday event May 25, 2025 once we get final information for parade
- Trophies- looking to place order on Wednesday May 14, 2025
- Food and Drinks
 - Not determined as of right now
- Softball Side- Seth will reach out to John Carroll about this.
- We have a banner for the parade.
- Tournament Team Stuff
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 - Team Costs (\$300 Majors and up, \$150 Minors, waiting to hear back on rookies)
 - Costs per player: Minors and Majors \$100 per player. Rookies \$75 per player.
 - \$3380 would come from the league to offset the tournament team costs. Any cost savings would come from the league. We would use the team sponsorship money from 5 extra teams for tournament team- this would be \$2000.
 - Motion to use the \$3380 from the league and uniform cost as proposed by Seth for the tournament was made by Arnold Ewings and seconded by Mark Simone.
 - Unanimously approved. Motion carried as presented.
 - Registration - Amy/Matt will work on building the registration. Will go live after May 15
 - Uniform Cost - Hazen
 - Has patch, flag
 - Softball has about 4 players. John Carroll is going to reach out to the girls.
 - Players and Coaches will be discussed- Follow Up EOB Meeting.
 - Announcement Process for Tournament Team (7:30 p.m. on May 15th)
 - Team Managers will call families who did not make the team prior
 - The Movie night will be on Saturday, May 31, 2025
 - Seth will purchase the movie rights to Sandlot (\$475)
 - Seth has the screen and sound all set and this will be viewed on R1
 - Popcorn get from the Movie Theater (4 bags)
 - 75th Anniversary Celebration will also happen on this night.
 - Schedule
 - Have national anthem singer at 4:30
 - Starts with the featured game at 5:00
 - There will be music in between the featured game and Movie while it is being set up.
 - During the featured game - have the batting cage net up off and put the dunk tank there



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- Food
 - Mels will be open
 - Pizza and popcorn (during the movie from the Movie Theater-4 bags)
 - Hazen will talk to Mel about the pizza
- Speech - Seth
- Arnold will share the history of CBSL
- Representative from the Lions Club- thank you note (Mr. Trophy will get a plaque made)
- C3 Collaborative for Families
 - Would set up a table with arts and crafts for the kids
 - Glow sticks
 - Would hand out their informational cards too
- Arnold and Seth- sequence of the night
- Hazen- pizza (plan for 300), popcorn, drinks
- Arnold point of contact for Lions as well as reaching out to the press.
- Kyle point of contact C3
- Hazen dunk tank (\$325 for the day)
- Photo
 - Get a nice photo of anyone who has ever played baseball in the 75 years- Alumni photo
- At BOD meeting on May 19, 2025 this will be an area of focus.
- Merchandise
 - Online Merch Store Update - Hazen
 - Any orders before May 7th that are in were be delivered by Zach and Hazen the rest will be delivered (deliver to coach option is now gone)
 - The deliver to coach option is now gone. Now it will go directly to the consumer
 - Will have free shipping over \$100
 - Merchandise store is being updated with camouflage and Under Armour as well as tournament merchandise
- Equipment
 - Pitching Mounds Arrives and will be delivered
 - John Naples is going to order a catchers glove repair kit and some weighted balls (will be a small order)
 - John will send a copy of the order to Seth
- Raffle Program Update
 - Update - Amy
 - \$5320 as of May 12, 2025
 - Reminders need to be sent to families from Coach



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- Coaches can give reminders to the kids
- Incentives- send out who is currently in the lead for the top selling players as well as the top selling teams
- There are signs up at all of our fields with the QR code for ordering the tickets
- CBSL Yard Goats Game July 19th
 - 200 tickets
 - We will sell the tickets online. It is set to 200 tickets. All the information will be then sent to Yard Goats, and will be sent out to the families who purchased
 - Email will go out to families this week
 - Yard Goats- hit/run/throw competition was last weekend. Pictures were posted to Facebook. The kids that won were very happy!
- Committees Reports
 - Feature Game Committee
- Forward Thinking
 - Infield Machine -would be an investment for the league (new machine is between \$20,00-30,00), Seth has met with the town to discuss this.
 - The town is ok with us using this on the field, and having a training program for the trained people using it.
 - The town will let us keep it with their equipment behind the locked gate.
 - Will need to look into to see if our insurance covers this type of equipment.
 - This type of machine would increase the quality of our in fields
 - The machine could also be put on a trailer and brought down to Cody Camp
- Other topics:
 - Looking into playoffs at end of season for Minors - this discussion will continue
 - Would need to order trophies for this
 - Also order the 12 year old trophies for both Baseball and Softball players
 - Board of Directors Shirts - need sizes for BOD

2025 Meeting schedule: (2nd and 4th Mondays in most months)

EOB Meeting - May 19, 2025 - 7:00 PM Virtually

General Meeting - June 9, 2025 - 7:00 PM Abundant Life Church (**possible move**)**Adjourn Meeting: 8:34 pm to go into EOB meeting**

League Website - www.cbsl.org

Respectfully Submitted, *Angela Hruska*