

DCEYB Meeting Minutes – August 23, 2026

Start time: 7:06 PM

ROLL CALL

Executive Board

- President: Jimmy Olafson - Present
- Vice President: Mike Wodalski - Present
- League Advisor: Mitch Zblewski - Present
- Treasurer: Katie Howard - Present
- Secretary: Rachel Niziolek - Present

Commissioners

- AA/A Commissioner: Brian Drolshagen - Present
- T-ball Commissioner: Sarah Olafson - Present
- Concession Stand Manager: Melissa Sigmund - Present

Key Positions

- Advertising Director/Fundraising: Jodi Teige - Absent
- Apparel/Uniform Lead: Nate Davidson - Present
- Equipment Manager: Mike Peterson - Absent
- Inventory Lead: Kelly Ziegelbauer - Absent
- Registration Coordinator: Brian Pensinger - Present
- Scheduling Lead: Kristin Maahs - Absent
- Volunteering Lead: Tom Coleman - Present

Additional Attendees: Keith Ziegelbauer, Patrick Rutten, and Brian Blumreich

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting Minutes

- Motion to approve the July meeting minutes:
 - Motioned by: Tom Coleman
 - Seconded by: Katie Howard
 - Status: The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report

- The current balance is \$82,657.83.
- A year-over-year comparison between August 2025 and August 2026 was conducted to determine profitability, confirming the account broke even.
- There are no outstanding checks.
- Provided a detailed breakdown of all the home tournaments:
 - Turf Tourney
 - Expenses: \$12,088.09
 - Proceeds: \$14,176.23
 - Total Profit: \$2,088.14
 - Splash 1 Tourney
 - Expenses: \$11,504.40
 - Proceeds: \$16,847.52
 - Total Profit: \$5,343.12
 - Splash 2 Tourney
 - Expenses: \$10,476.00
 - Proceeds: \$14,871.43
 - Total Profit: \$4,395.43

- Shared the total concession stand sales from the 2026 season:
 - Expenses: \$15,616.61
 - Proceeds: \$31,390.06
 - Total Profit: \$15,773.45
- The plan is to donate the softball concession earnings of \$3,742.13 to The Kennedy Foundation.
- Discussed possible donation amounts and items to purchase for shade.
- Motion by Nate Davidson to donate \$17,500 to The Kennedy Foundation, seconded by Tom Coleman. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Travel Evaluation Recap:

- 137 players tried out.
- We will have two teams in most age groups.

Coaches Appointed:

- All green coaches have been selected.
- There will be a coach's meeting this Wednesday, August 26th, to create teams.

Homecoming Parade:

- We need a volunteer lead to organize a float.
- We plan to send an email requesting a volunteer lead.
- Discussed that this person can fulfill their 10-hour volunteer requirement.

Glow Event:

- Following an inquiry from Sarah O. regarding our support and participation in this year's event, we discussed the opportunity and agreed to continue supporting the event.
- Motion by Brian Pensinger to donate \$2,000 to the Glow Games Fund for the upcoming year, seconded by Melissa Sigmund. The motion was approved.
- Discussed enforcement of established conduct rules for coaches, players, and fans, reaffirming that violations have consequences including disqualification from participation the following year.

Summer Tournaments 2027:

- Turf Tourney: March 13th for 10A and 11A
- Splash 1: June 19th for 8A, 8B, 9A, 11A
- Softball: June 26th
- Splash 2: July 10th for 9B, 10B, 11B, 12B, and 13A
- Splash 3: July 24th for 10A, 12A, 14A
- Discussed options for older age groups to join a tournament and possibly having more home tournaments.
- Discussed concession stand supplies and that truck vendors are interested in coming to our home tournaments.

REC for Next Year:

- The committee will be meeting to discuss changes.

End of Year Clean-Up Date:

- Possible dates are September 26th or 27th.

Positions for Next Year:

- The League Advisor position on the Executive Board needs to be filled along with several commissioner or key positions. Jimmy O. encouraged attendees to think of people who may be a good fit in filling those positions.
- Reviewed leadership position titles and are considering potential updates to improve clarity and encourage volunteer participation.

Open Topics:

- Brian P. reported that 26 families have participated in the RaiseRight program, with an expected increase in future participation. Proceeds from the program may be applied toward registration fees. We have requested legal clarification regarding the program guidelines and are waiting for a response.
- Discussed equipment regulations and insurance requirements regarding bat standards. Under Little League, Cal Ripken, and Babe Ruth guidelines, USSSA bats are prohibited. We would need to update our insurance policy by April to use USSSA bats for recreational play and home travel tournaments. Attendees shared that allowing USSSA bats could attract more visiting teams and help fill tournament rosters.
- Since the Little League World Series is underway, there was a conversation and clarification about the differences between Little League and Cal Ripken/Babe Ruth.

IMPORTANT DATES

- **Board Applications Due:** September 6th
- **Fall/Winter Camps:** October, November, December, January
- **Travel Parent Meeting:** January 17th, 2027
- **Glow:** February 20th, 2027
- **REC Evaluations:** March 8th and March 16th, 2027
- **Indoor Tournament:** March 12th-14th, 2027

NEXT MEETING

- **Date:** September 20, 2026, at 7:00 PM
- **Location:** Greenheck Turner Center
- Motion to adjourn the meeting:
 - Motioned by: Brian Drolshagen
 - Seconded by: Nate Davidson
 - Status: The motion was approved.

End time: 8:13 PM