

Mosinee Youth Baseball Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details

Date: March 22nd, 2025

Call to Order: 6:02 pm

Location: Mosinee City Hall

Board Attendees

Brandon Schreiner (President)

Chris Savickis (Vice President)

Jerrod Gould (Treasurer)

Melissa Vachowiak (Secretary) (A)

Ryan Talbert

Steve Cherek (A)

Brian Zell

Brad Menning

Scott Chittum

Kyle Sabatke

Jodi Maguire

Jim Henaman

Paul Haas

Brad Pochinski

Dallas Weiler

Ty Cook

Jesse Francis (A)

(P) – Phone in (A) - Absent

Guest Attendees

N/A

Action Items

1. Brandon Schreiner

- a. Work on acquiring 1st, 2nd, 3rd place rings and custom rings for the tournaments.
- b. Create Opener/Closer document for Board to sign up.
- c. Finish City League Rookie/Minor teams, organize Senior league needs, and continue pre-season communications for the various league needs.
- d. MSD scholarships.
- e. Work on neighbor fence options.
- f. Work on the getting the dumpsters at the field before spring cleanup.

2. Chris Savickis

- a. Work on spending the Ad Star money.
- b. Work on turning the water on before spring cleanup and the sprinklers.

3. Steve Cherek

- a. Schedule umpires for the Multi-Town Youth Travel League when the schedule is finalized.

4. Jerrod Gould

- a. Work with Charlies Hardware on picking items and draft ticket before next meeting.
- b. Determine plan for handing out extra tickets.
- c. Continue leading Tourism Grant efforts (scoreboard).

5. Jim Henaman

- a. Raffle 2025 remaining items and provide updates.
- b. Continue work on batting cage fixes and provide quotes.

6. Jesse Francis

- a. Finish setting up Microsoft access and email hosting through Go Daddy.

7. Dallas Weiler

- a.

8. Kyle Sabatke

- a. Continue AED and first aid improvements.
- b. Work with Paul Haas on lean-to planning.
- c. Spend up to \$1,500 on a griddle.
- d. Complete purchase of the buffet server being sold for \$100.
- e. Finish purchase of the speakers Brian Zell linked.

- 9. Brian Zell**
 - a. Oversee secondary banner ordering, and FSI thank you banner.
 - b. Work with Brandon Schreiner to develop plan for extra team sponsors and communicate solution.
- 10. Jodi Maguire**
 - a. Prep DIBS for the 2026 season.
 - b. Work with Brandon Schreiner on DIBS credit for sponsorships and coaching.
- 11. Brad Menning**
 - a. Order City League hats and jerseys once teams are finalized.
- 12. Brad Pochinski**
 - a. Reach out to local areas to see if we can fill the remaining tournament spots.
- 13. City League Tournament**
 - a. Steve Cherek and Brandon Schreiner to work on final double elimination bracket schedule.
- 14. Junior League Combine**
 - a. Jerrod Gould to continue leading the combine planning and organization.
 - b. Ty Cook determine HS help and combine graders for Junior League combine.
 - c. Brandon Schreiner and Brad Pochinski to develop a 10U recruitment effort for at the combine.
- 15. Travel League Document**
 - a. Brad Pochinski and Brandon Schreiner to finalize a draft for board final review.
- 16. Neighbor Fence**
 - a. Brandon Schreiner to talk about fence options with the owner.
- 17. Fundraising**
 - a. Jerrod Gould, Jodi Maguire, and Brandon Schreiner to work on the Community Foundation opportunities.
- 18. Project Home-field Advantage**
 - a. Brandon Schreiner to finalize agreement with the Mosinee School District.
- 19. Photography**
 - a. Brandon Schreiner and Kyle Sabatke to work with Trending Visuals for City League.
 - b. Brandon Schreiner to work with Robyn Leigh Photography for Travel League.

Important Dates

- Sunday, April 12th at 6:00pm: MYB Board meeting at Mosinee City Hall.
- March 2nd – April 3rd: MYB Spectator apparel store.
- April 7th & April 9th at 5:30pm: Junior League Combine.
- April 12th: Umpire training at 1:00pm & Coaches' meeting at 3:00pm.
- April 11-12th: Travel League team and individual photos.
- April 15th: Select MSD scholarship recipients.
- April 16th: Middle School Baseball's first game.
- April 18th at 8:00am – 12:00pm: Spring Cleanup
- May 4th: Fundraising application deadline.
- May 13th at 6:30pm in the Creske Auditorium: Senior Recognition Night.
- May 22nd, at 5:00pm: MYB Youth Night (HS Baseball Field).
- June 19th at 6:35pm: Woodchucks Fundraiser Night.
- July 10-12th, 2026: 10U, 12U, and 14U "Battle for the Bling" Travel Tournament.
- July 24-26th, 2026: 9U, 11U, and 13U "Battle for the Bling" Travel Tournament.

Minutes

Financial Review

General Overview & Budget

- Current Financial Status
 - No significant updates.
 - Apparel will be the next large invoice to pay.
 - Money Market at \$75k.
 - Checking at \$19k.
- Organizations, Fundraising, & Grants
 - Mosinee Tourism grant update
 - Scoreboard on Field #2 and Game Changer
 - Approved for \$9k.
 - For the scoreboard, MYB will have to recognize the City of Mosinee for the life of the scoreboard.
 - MYB can offer the old scoreboard to softball or another organization.
 - Community Foundation of NC WI
 - Waiting on Mosinee School District (MSD) approval before moving forward.
 - May 4th is the date MYB needs to apply by.

2025 & 2026 Raffle

- 2026 Raffle
 - Jerrod Gould to work with Charlies Hardware on picking items.
 - A meeting was held last week and will finalize this week with Alex on Tuesday.
 - Jerrod Gould to work on a draft ticket and will present this to the board before the next meeting.
- 2025 Raffle Items Update
 - Additional raffles in process – two.
 - 5-rifles in storage to raffle.

2026 Sponsors

- We have 22 team sponsors with 14 having kids.
 - There will likely be 17 teams based on discussions later leaving (5) team sponsors without teams.
 - Final sponsors picked during the meeting.
 - Brandon Schreiner and Brian Zell to work on remaining sponsors that won't get teams.
- Banners have been picked up and are in the Field 1 shed.
- Someone to review the smaller Pit Stop banners.
 - Save this for spring cleanup.
- FSI can do the sponsor thank you banner.
 - Brian Zell to start finalizing this.
- Story Book Kids needs to provide logo for website and thank you banner.

2026 Scholarships

- Awaiting scholarship candidates from the school. MSD will send this no later than March 27th.
- Deadline to pick our recipients is April 15th.
- Senior Recognition Night is Wednesday, May 13th at 6:30pm in the Creske Auditorium.

2026 Attire

- Travel Attire
 - Everything is received that was ordered so far.
 - 11U played last weekend and they looked good.
 - 9U and Middle School jerseys are on order and to arrive the week of April 13th.
- City Attire
 - Need two weeks minimum to get jerseys.
 - Sticking with athletic shirts again and the hats are already on order.

- Spectator Apparel Through Team
 - Communications have been sent out and people can order.
 - April 3rd is the end date for ordering.
 - Brad Menning will keep sending out reminders.

Registration Pickup

- We need to schedule days for Travel and City League registration pickup. This includes handing out raffle tickets, collecting donations, and answering questions parents may have.
 - MYB to change up this year and not do a registration pick up since we don't do the candy bars.
- Once coaches are picked, Brandon Schreiner to send out an email about raffle tickets for coaches to hand out and payment request to those who decided to donate.
- Jerrod Gould to think of the plan on how to distribute the extra tickets.

Awards - Rings

- Brandon Schreiner to get the count needed for City and Travel league.
 - For the Travel Tournaments, MYB to look into a custom design.
 - MYB will keep City League the stock ring design.

City League Items

2026 City League Registration

- Registration ended with 171 players (1 shy from last season)
 - Rookie = 49
 - Minor = 43
 - Junior = 46
 - Senior = 33
 - 6th grade had ~1/2 of the numbers of the other grades
- Teams
 - Rookie can have (6) teams if team size is (8) with one team of (9).
 - Minor can have (4) teams if team size is (10) with three teams of (11).
 - Junior can have (4) teams if team size is (11) with two teams of (12).
 - Senior can have (3) teams if team size is (11).
 - This makes (17) teams total.
- Coaches
 - Rookie has (1) head coach and (9) assistant coach volunteers.
 - Brandon Schreiner to reach out and get some converted to head coach.
 - Minor has (4) head coach and (16) assistant coach volunteers.
 - Confirmed names are good.
 - Junior has (5) head coach and (12) assistant coach volunteers.
 - Confirmed names and picked top (4).
 - Senior has (5) head coach and (15) assistant coach volunteers.
 - Confirmed names and pick top (3).
 - MYB Board to vote on the Senior League head coaches.
- Brandon Schreiner to work on finalizing Rookie and Minor league rosters.
 - Ryan Talbert and Brad Menning to help review.
- Who will take Senior league kid rankings and get the draft going ASAP?
 - Brandon Schreiner to create document and have Rob Kohnert, Paul Haas, Steve Cherek, Jerrod Gould, and Dallas Weiler complete confidential rankings.
 - Draft to likely be the week of April 6th.

Junior League Combine

- No later than the first week of April, closely followed by the coaches' draft.
- Jerrod Gould is working on the coordination of this.
- This will be the week of April 6th
 - April 7th from 5:30pm to 6:30pm at the gyms.
 - April 9th from 5:30pm to 6:30pm at the gyms.
 - Worst case is we get pushed back to an 8:00pm start.
- Brandon Schreiner to work on communication out to parents right away.

City League Tournament

- Brandon Schreiner confirmed that a double elimination bracket will work for the City Tournament.
- Who can come up with some final schedule ideas for next meeting?
 - Brandon Schreiner and Steve Cherek to work on final schedule details.
 - Share this with the board before final scheduling is complete.
 - Try to have the championship games on Thursday to avoid Friday/Saturday missing players.
- Fun to have kid's introductions for the championship game.

Photography - City League

- Trending Visuals contract has been signed.
 - Hype video services and sponsorships invoiced.
 - Planned photography dates are May 5th – May 8th. Individual and Team.
 - Physical items will be delivered by May 31st, 2026 assuming photo dates remain.
 - Three packages presented in the contract.
- Trending Visuals is still pricing out the end of season coach and sponsor plaques.

Umpire Training and Coaches' Meeting

- Steve Cherek scheduled this with Bill Cook for April 12th, 2026 at 1:00pm.
 - Coaches training to be scheduled with coaches at 3:00pm after the training.
 - 2-hour ump training.
- Steve Cherek promoted player signup for this event so we have a good number of umpires.

DIBS & Opening/Closing

- Jodi Maguire to start prepping DIBS opportunities.
 - Move openers to 15-minutes earlier for setup needs.
- Jodi Maguire to work with Brandon Schreiner to get a list of DIBS credit for sponsorship and coaching.
- Brandon Schreiner to make Opener/Closer document for Board to sign up.
 - This will include the home travel tournaments.

Travel League Items

2026 Travel League Registration

- All have signed up for City League.
- Gained two 14U players to now have a team of 12.
- Tracker is ready for when we have the registration pickup.
- 9U Updates
 - Brandon Schreiner and Brad Pochinski are working with the head coach to sign up for more tournaments.
- 10U Updates
 - 9-players in the 10U currently.
 - Brandon Schreiner, Brad Pochinski, and Chris Savickis to monitor and promote getting more players.

2026 Tournaments

- MYB tournaments are posted on InfoSports.
- As of 02/17/26 we need the following number of teams:
 - 9U: 1-team needed
 - 10U: 3-teams needed
- How do we get more teams to sign up?
 - Brad Pochinski to reach out to local head coaches for openings.
 - FB post with tagging other groups.

Multi-Town Youth Travel League

- Drew Spaeth of Stratford is organizing a league between Stratford, Auburndale, Marathon, Sandlot, and Mosinee.
 - Mosinee is officially a part of the 9U-12U schedule and will host some weekdays in July.
- Kyle Sabatke will brainstorm ideas on how to schedule the DIBS.
 - Brandon Schreiner to draft a message to the travel parents requesting help with explanation.
 - We can offer this as more DIBS opportunities for those needing them after the season.
- Brandon Schreiner to ask Greg Doverspike about the alcohol sales wording in the agreement.

Travel League Program Document

- Brad Pochinski and Brandon Schreiner to work on this document and finalize with the board.
 - Additional section or document around coach expectations.

Photography - Travel League

- In order to not rush photos, 11U agreed the banner wasn't needed for the March tournament.
- 12U and 13U has first tournaments the end of May.
- Snap-On logo to go on banners as part of the grand slam sponsorship.
- Robyn is looking to schedule photos on April 11th-12th weekend.

Game Changer for Coaches

- This was purchased for coaches using the Tourism Grant.
- Future years MYB could potentially provide a tablet and video device for the teams.
- Future to add this into the Travel League DIBS.

Middle School Baseball Items

2026 Middle School Registration

- 32 total signups!
- April 16th is the Middle School's first game.

Old Business

Website Cleanup & MYB Document Handling

- Jesse Francis purchased the email package and is working on the configuration changes on GoDaddy's end.
 - He is waiting to hear back from them.

Dick's Sporting Goods

- With the poor weather this weekend is there anything people can do?
 - They extended it another week due to the weather.
- Chris Savickis will talk about having more cleat options for next year.
- MYB has the \$500 Ad Star money to spend from this.
 - Chris Savickis and Dallas Weiler to work on how to spend this.
 - Two 9-hole pitching net.

Building Committee

- Fence option opinions
 - Brandon Schreiner is working with the home owner and he plans to do fence work in April.
 - He had his land surveyed and reached out again about fence options.
 - The South boundary fence is right on the line, so we should be able to move the West fence to the line. The owner proposed just moving the corner post to the corner and he would build the West line fence. We would then recycle our current fence somewhere else.
 - Agreement to be able to get foul balls and etc. over the fence.
- Fixing up the batting cages
 - Jim Henaman to continue this work and is getting quotes.
- Concession equipment
 - Fenced in lean-to request.
 - Kyle Sabatke to lead this project.
 - Paul Haas to review what we need.
 - Blackstone griddle.
 - Kyle Sabatke to spend up to \$1,500 on a griddle.
 - Kyle Sabatke to get the buffet server being sold for \$100.
- Next MCAA meeting has not been scheduled yet.
 - MCAA's #1 item is to get a concession stand and bathrooms in the area by the softball fields.
- Sound system needs
 - Kyle Sabatke to purchase the speakers using the link Brian Zell sent Brandon Schreiner.
 - Last motion: Brian Zell to spend up to \$1,500 on two speakers.

Project Home-field Advantage

- \$2,500 was spent to have REI provide updated concepts of MYB's future.
 - Provided the project moves forward, REI will provide a \$2,500 in-kind credit to continuing design and developing plan fees.
- Brandon Schreiner and Jerrod Gould presented Project Home-field Advantage and the updated draft agreement to the MSD Board on March 17th with very positive feedback.
 - A final vote has not been had, but they are interested in providing us with the requested additional acres and 99-year agreement length.
 - Brandon Schreiner will be meeting with the MSD, Bruce Jamroz, and Zach Newton (football) the week of March 23rd to see if there can be one single lease for the property rather than multiple separate ones.

First Aid

- Free Masons of Wausau has agreed to donate an AED for the field and warming box.
- Kyle Sabatke is waiting for them to get it and they would like a few board members present for acceptance.
- Kyle Sabatke to reach out to the school nurse and show us how to use it.

New Business

Spring Cleanup

- We need to pick a date, how many volunteers we will be requesting, and how many hours each volunteer gets.
 - April 18th is the planned spring cleanup.
 - 8:00am – 12:00pm time.
 - MYB to mow prior to cleanup.
 - MYB will offer 20-people for signup.
 - Brandon Schreiner to make a list for sharing spring cleanup needs.
- Make sure we have dumpsters available and water is on.
 - Chris Savickis to make sure the water is turned on for the cleanup.
 - Brandon Schreiner to make sure the dumpsters are at the fields.

DIBS Buyout & Fundraising Review

- There was a discussion that started to occur in the group text chat. Do we want to continue that now?
- MYB is saving this for a future meeting.

Next Meeting

- Next meeting: Sunday, April 12th at 6:00pm at Mosinee City Hall
- Future Items:
 - Spring: Chris Savickis to sell / remove old mowers.

Adjourn

Time: 8:08 pm

MOTION 1: Adjourn meeting

Moved by: Kyle Sabatke

Seconded by: Jim Henaman

Unanimously approved

Items Not Currently Resourced

Board Organizational Items

- Board ID
- Website headshots
- Tournament app
 - Does Crossbar do this?
 - <https://exposureevents.com>
- End of Year Survey

Season Potential Updates

- All Star Team Research / second season
- Research weather makeup games for season (low priority based on survey)
- Research additional practice opportunities within the season
 - Mini camps
 - HS baseball players to help
 - Youth Clinic
- Look into more events with the Wausau Woodchucks
 - "Bob Stephens" stephenscgcs@gmail.com – for a Mosinee game night exhibition game.
- Exhibition game where kids who move up a league play with those staying in that league
- Schedule update with Jr on one field and Sr on other
- Travel League: Add more opportunities to draw people in – off season skills training, use HS players; make sure tryouts align with club teams.

Grounds Changes/Updates

- Board parking
- One way only signs for by concession roads
- Emergency vehicle parking by dumpsters
- Rules posted around the field
- Review fields and determine plan
 - Overseeding, top dressed, etc.
 - Play material
- Field tarps
- Scoreboard tower buildings
- Pitching machine
 - Remove/fix rubber guides
 - Rules/SOP for use
 - Ways to stop from “creeping”
- Changing of locks on buildings?
 - Needed or not?
- Updated benches/seating (covered?)
- Sound system updates
- Playground

Concession Stand

- N/A