

Mosinee Youth Baseball Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details

Date: February 22nd, 2025

Call to Order: 6:01 pm

Location: Mosinee City Hall

Board Attendees

Brandon Schreiner (President)

Chris Savickis (Vice President)

Jerrod Gould (Treasurer) (P)

Melissa Vachowiak (Secretary) (A)

Ryan Talbert

Steve Cherek

Brian Zell

Brad Menning

Kyle Sabatke

Jodi Maguire (A)

Jim Henaman

Paul Haas

Brad Pochinski

Dallas Weiler

Ty Cook (A)

Jesse Francis (P)

(P) – Phone in (A) - Absent

Guest Attendees

Scott Chittum¹

Action Items

1. Brandon Schreiner

- Oversee registrations and send communications as necessary.
- Work on acquiring 1st, 2nd, 3rd place rings.
- Create Opener/Closer document for Board to sign up.

2. Steve Cherek

- Promote player signup for umpire training.
- Schedule umpires for the Multi-Town Youth Travel League when the schedule is finalized.
- Email Jerrod Gould additional scoreboard items for Tourism Grant information.

3. Jerrod Gould

- Work with Charlies Hardware on picking items and draft ticket before next meeting.

4. Jim Henaman

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

5. Jesse Francis

- Get Microsoft access and email hosting through Go Daddy.

6. Dallas Weiler

- Investigate and summarize options to get Game Changer for travel coaches.
- Work with Chris Savickis on getting training tools and/or catcher's gear.

7. Kyle Sabatke

- AED and first aid improvements.
- Brainstorm ideas on how to schedule the DIBS for the Multi-Town Youth Travel League.
- Work with Paul Haas on lean-to planning.
- Spend up to \$1,500 on a griddle.
- Purchase the buffet server being sold for \$100.

8. Brian Zell

- Oversee final sponsorship registrations, banner ordering, and FSI thank you banner research.
- Share the link for the sound system speakers and Brandon Schreiner to purchase.

9. Jodi Maguire

- Prep DIBS for the 2026 season.

¹ Voted onto board this meeting.

10. Brad Menning

- a. Order City League hats.
- b. Launch spectator apparel website with Team and communicate to the MYB community.

11. City League Tournament

- a. Steve Cherek and Brandon Schreiner to work on bracket draft for next meeting.

12. Junior League Combine

- a. Jerrod Gould to work with Steve Cherek on two dates and times.
- b. Ty Cook determine HS help and combine graders for Junior League combine.

13. Travel League Document

- a. Brad Pochinski and Brandon Schreiner to finalize a draft for board final review.

14. MYB 10U

- a. Brandon Schreiner, Brad Pochinski, and Chris Savickis to support this team.

15. Neighbor Fence

- a. Dallas Weiler to check on fence ordinance.
- b. Brandon Schreiner to talk about fence options with the owner.

16. Fundraising

- a. Jerrod Gould and Jodi Maguire to work on the Tourism Grant and Community Foundation opportunities.

17. Project Home-field Advantage

- a. Jerrod Gould to acquire land survey and layout the plan using REI.
- b. Brandon Schreiner to write a letter to the superintendent to get on the School Board agenda.

18. 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

- March 13th-15th: Dick's Sporting Goods Coupon Weekend
- March 17th: School Board meeting.
- Sunday, March 22nd at 6:00pm: MYB Board meeting at Mosinee City Hall
- March 2nd – April 3rd: MYB Spectator apparel store.
- Week of April 6th: Registration Pickup Dates (Specifics TBD)
- April 12th: Umpire training at 1:00pm & Coaches' meeting at 3:00pm.
- April 16th: Middle School Baseball's first game.
- Friday, May 22nd, at 5:00pm: MYB Youth Night (HS Baseball Field)
- Friday, 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
 - Checking \$14k.
 - Money Market \$75k.
 - 2025 taxes are in order and other filings are complete.
- 2026 Budget Update
 - Jerrod Gould created a template and then will fill this in for this last year.
 - 2026 budget is finished and ready for review under the 2026 financial folder on the Google Drive.
 - This was needed for getting future grants and funding.
- Organizations, Fundraising, & Grants
 - Mosinee Tourism grant update
 - Asking for \$8k.
 - Scoreboard and batting cage repairs.
 - Presenting to the tourism grant board in March.
 - There is some risk if they come back saying this isn't just for the travel tournament.
 - Steve Cherek to email Jerrod Gould additional scoreboard items to add to what Chris Savickis has provided.
 - Community Foundation of NC WI
 - MYB now has an account with them and met with Kelly.
 - She will be able to help with finding other groups to get donations from as well.
 - Potential for \$100k of funding quarterly.
 - This would be for breaking Project Home-field Advantage into phases.
 - Village of Rothschild
 - Not pursuing this since it is just for advertising.

2025 & 2026 Raffle

- 2026 Raffle
 - Jerrod Gould to work with Charlies Hardware on picking items.
 - Meeting with Alex from Charlies late next week.
 - Jerrod Gould to work on a draft ticket and will present this to the board before the next meeting.
 - Jerrod Gould to determine what we can fit on the ticket and what should be on a flier, pamphlet, or other accessible location.
- 2025 Raffle Items Update
 - Additional raffles in process – two.
 - 5-rifles in storage to raffle.

2026 Sponsors

- 23+2 sponsors since MYB reach out.
 - Three are banner only.
- Banner order is into FSI.
 - Proof is back in and we had to make an update to one of the banners.
- Website is updated with sponsor logos.
- Brandon Schreiner posted Brian Zell's Snap-On grand slam sponsor shout out.
- Someone to review the smaller Pit Stop banners.
- Thank you banner with all the sponsors for near the concession stand?
 - Brian Zell to ask FSI about doing this.

2026 Scholarships

- Awaiting scholarship candidates from the school.

2026 Attire

- Travel Attire
 - Hats shipped last week.
 - Jerseys will ship this week.
- City Attire
 - Awaiting City League registration before doing these shirts.
 - Brad Menning to work on ordering the hats early.
- Spectator Apparel Through Team
 - This will start the first week of March with delivery to home addresses.
 - April 3rd will be the cut off.
 - Brad Menning to send out Crossbar communication for this.

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 schedule this the week of April 6th.
 - Specific dates and times TBD.

Awards - Rings

- Brandon Schreiner to get the count needed for City and Travel league.

City League Items

2026 City League Registration

- 101+ signups and slowly increasing. Brandon Schreiner will continue to monitor and send out communications as necessary.
- To ensure gym time, we should get the Junior league combine date and time determined.
 - Jerrod Gould to review the end of March for this.
 - MYB to coordinate with Ty Cook to get HS help and graders.
 - Steve Cherek has the gym for Middle School Baseball, so we could take some of this time.

City League Tournament

- Do we want to move forward on the last four weeks before the tournament week being seed weeks for the tournament?
 - Games can still end in a tie.
 - Rainouts to count as ties where each team scores 10 points.
 - Would allow one game vs each team and one practice day for leagues up to 8 teams.
 - Would we still use kid umpires during this since everyone still gets into the tournament?
 - We would still want to allow teams to play more than one game if they've been eliminated right away.
- MYB agreed to move forward with a bracket style tournament week without seeding and just randomize.
 - Steve Cherek and Brandon Schreiner to work on bracket draft for next meeting.

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 to promote player signup for this event so we have a good number of umpires.

DIBS & Opening/Closing

- Jodi Maguire to start prepping DIBS opportunities.
- 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

- Most have signed up for City League.
- Tracker is ready for when we have the registration pickup.
- 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
 - 12U: 2-teams needed
- One check in the mail from one of the teams.
- Steve Cherek umpire coverage:
 - Good, just need to fill one spot.
- Make sure there is a porta potty by Field 3.

Multi-Town Youth Travel League

- Drew Spaeth of Stratford is organizing a league between Stratford, Auburndale, Marathon, Sandlot, and Mosinee.
- MYB has stated that we are interested in joining this league and are figuring out how to host.
- Drew Spaeth sent draft schedules to the teams for review.
 - Season: June 2nd – July 30th
 - 10U is Tuesdays, 9U is Wednesdays, 11U & 12U on Thursdays
 - Brandon Schreiner reviewed the schedules and provided some feedback. Coaches were included in the reply for additional review.
 - 9U is scheduled for Wednesdays, so this won't work in June.
 - Avoid scheduling any games during MYB's City Tournament week.
 - MYB can only host one 7:45pm game since we only have lights for one field.
- MYB would have to pay for the umpires.
 - This would act as the league fee since there is none.
 - Steve Cherek will setup certified umpires if possible and then fill with non-certified who would have a different pay rate.
- 13U is opting out of this league.
- 14U is participating in this league.
- Kyle Sabatke will brainstorm ideas on how to schedule the DIBS.

Travel League Program Document

- Brad Pochinski and Brandon Schreiner to work on this document and finalize with the board.

Photography - Travel League

- 11U has a tournament in March, so we will get rolling on 11U right away once jerseys are in.
- 12U and 13U has first tournaments the end of May, so apparel will likely come in the end of April (latest)
- Snap-On logo to go on banners as part of the grand slam sponsorship.

Game Changer for Coaches

- Do we get Game Changer for coaches? – Saved for next meeting.
 - Dallas Weiler to investigate.

Middle School Baseball Items

2026 Middle School Registration

- Registration to close 02/28/2026.
- 19 signups so far with more likely to happen with the end of registration communications.
- April 16th is the Middle School's first game
- All home games have field reserved and umpire coverage except 1st game. Only need to find one more for this game.

Old Business

Indoor Training Facility

- Remove from meeting? – Yes
- Discussed replacing the damaged basketball backboard.

Website Cleanup & MYB Document Handling

- Jesse Francis reviewed getting emails for MYB.
 - There is a charge for email hosting through Go Daddy.
 - Top tier allows access to cloud and Microsoft online tools.
 - \$143 for the first year and renews at \$240 for future years.
 - 50G of storage for emails.
 - Can cancel at any time in the account settings.

MOTION 1: Jesse Francis to get Microsoft access and email hosting through Go Daddy.

Moved by: Jerrod Gould

Seconded by: Steve Cherek

Unanimously approved

Dick's Sporting Goods

- Chris Savickis setup the Dick's Sporting Goods weekend for March 13-15th and this has been communicated to the community.
 - There is still the annual coupon as well.
- MYB has the \$500 Ad Star money to spend from this.
 - Dallas Weiler to work with Chris Savickis on getting training tools and/or catchers gear.

Building Committee

- Fence option opinions
 - Brandon Schreiner talked with the home owner and he believes if we work together we can come up with a better solution.
 - He mentioned moving the fence to be on the property line and they he would help pay and move it.
 - Does anyone know the property codes to know if this can be done?
 - Dallas Weiler to check on fence ordinance and Brandon Schreiner to talk about fence options with the owner.
 - Agreement to be able to get foul balls and etc. over the fence.
- Fixing up the batting cages
 - Two companies quoting the fixes.
 - Take cages down by Field 2, widen, and recarpet.
 - Take Field 3 down, pad, carpet, and put back up.
 - Jim Henaman to continue this work.

- Concession equipment
 - Fenced in lean-to request.
 - Kyle Sabatke to lead this project.
 - Paul Haas to review what we need.
 - Softball did their own, so we will do the same.
 - Blackstone griddle.
 - Quoted around \$350-\$550.
 - Bigger one with an air frier is \$1,100-\$1,300.

MOTION 2: Kyle Sabatke to spend up to \$1,500 on a griddle.

Moved by: Jim Henaman

Seconded by: Paul Haas

Unanimously approved

- 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.
 - They are additionally working on parking for next season.
 - Other interesting ideas were a warm up field and playground.
- Sound system needs
 - Brian Zell to share link and Brandon Schreiner to purchase the speakers.
 - \$740 for one and \$1,480 for two.

MOTION 3: Brian Zell to spend up to \$1,500 on two speakers.

Moved by: Brian Zell

Seconded by: Kyle Sabatke

Unanimously approved

- Project Home-field Advantage
 - Brandon Schreiner, Jerrod Gould, and Jodi Maguire met to discuss the viability of the large-scale project presented at the last board meeting.
 - It was concluded that this is feasible and this team will be moving forward with Phase 1
 - Phase 1:
 - Jerrod Gould to acquire land survey and layout the plan using REI.
 - Meet with the School Board to update the current Field Use Agreement contract.
 - Next meeting is on March 17th. Likely 6:00pm, but will confirm.
 - Brandon Schreiner to write a letter to the superintendent to get on the agenda.
 - Steve Cherek provided some information on Marathon's field project to reference for MYB's project.

First Aid

- Kyle Sabatke to talk to Scotty Witkus about getting an AED from the Schriners. We also need to look at and improve our first aid kits and what is in them.
 - This has been put to a future vote to get the matching funds.
 - Going "all in"
- Kyle Sabatke is looking into first aid kit needs.

Woodchucks Fundraiser Night

- The Woodchuck's date has been finalized.
 - Friday, June 19th at 6:35pm

New Business

New Board Member

- Scott Chittum is interested in joining the board.

MOTION 4: Scott Chittum to become a board member of MYB.

Moved by: Ryan Talbert

Seconded by: Jim Henaman

Unanimously approved

- Scott Chittum to take on umpire coordinator apprentice position.

Pizza Fundraiser Option

- Organized by Matt Selvig
- Bernatello's Foods, producer of Brew Pub Lotzza Motzza Pizza, has launched their Brew Pub Lotzza Motzza Pizza Fundraiser.
- They work with local grocery stores in the community to serve as the pick-up location.
- MYB would sell coupons that customers use at the store. MYB could choose what to sell them for.
- This is a decent idea for next season or if we have something we are looking to raise money for.

Wiffle Glow Fundraiser

- MYB is sponsoring one team for \$300 for the event.

Next Meeting

- Next meeting: Sunday, March 22nd at 6:00pm at Mosinee City Hall
- Future Items:
 - Spring: Chris Savickis to sell / remove old mowers.

Adjourn

Time: 7:50 pm

MOTION 5: Adjourn meeting

Moved by: Kyle Sabatke

Seconded by: Dallas Weiler

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