



**Introductions:**

**Attendance:**

Courtney Baker (N)	Branson Dunlop (Y)	Ryan Mulligan (Y)
Steve Crawford (N)	Rob Frayer (Y)	Scott Oestreicher (Y)
Daniel Colpi (Y)_	Daren Keenan- N)	Jason Slayton (Y)
Tom Dozier (Y)	Mark Lewandowski (Y)	Jim Webster (N)

**Staff:**

Angie Schmidt, RDC & Volleyball DOC (N)	Bruce Rhodes, EA (Y)
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**Guest:**

**Open Forum Public Comments**

**Approval of Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

2023 January - Board Annual Meeting Minutes

Sent out on 2/13/23

Reviewed live during the meeting

Motion to approve minutes by Daniel, Second by Jayson

Approved as submitted by all present.

**Individual Reports / Old Business (Updates)**

**Executive Committee Reports**

**President – Mark Lewandowski**

- Report
- Getting closer to starting to pay back our SBA loan

**Vice-President – Ryan Mulligan**

- Report
- Will be reaching out to Rob Vogelmann, interim Superintendent of Lakota Schools on behalf of LSO

**Treasurer – Tom Dozier**

- Financial Report
- 2022 – 2023 Budget
- In the transition to GE Credit Union, Tom will continue drawing down on the First Financial accounts, using previously purchased paper checks while letting new income begin accumulating in the GE accounts.
- Moved \$150,000 into the GECU long-term savings account. I've paid a couple of invoices with bill pay from GECU and

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will try to use it more since paper checks and stamps have gone up in price.

- I've also attached the budget again. Did we officially approve it?
- I've also attached the spring and winter sports numbers so far.
  - The winter volleyball facility rental looks too high. The upcoming Spooky Nook charges include some spring rentals. I'll need help to break the spring numbers out.
  - All bills are paid that I'm aware of and the 1<sup>st</sup> installment (\$15.6k) of the F&M contract has been paid as well.

**Secretary – Robert Frayer**

- No Report
- January Minutes sent out this evening

**Sport Commissioners and Member at Large Reports**

**Baseball – Daniel Colpi**

- Lakota Little League has officially been extended south to OH-126 (Cross County Highway). This was approved late last week.
- Western Border of Route 4, Eastern Border of 71 (basically directly south of our current width)
- I do not expect a significant increase to our volume, but this does mean the 1-5 players that play with us each season can participate in All Stars
  - We also sometimes have a Rookie team that wants to play with us.
  - This means that the LL website will point people who live or go to school in that area to us
  - On that note, I am also working on a small boundary correction on our eastern border (there are two subdivisions in West Chester, on the west side of Butler-Warren, which are Lakota School zoned but for some reason belong to Mason. I am having this corrected.
  - We held Majors/Minors evaluations the Sunday before last, it went well. Decision was made in the future to do this with Board Member volunteers (augmented by coaches). This should save us money each year to pay the evaluators.
  - Draft is scheduled for this Thursday – however we need coaches. We might need to delay the draft a week.
  - LL Interleague Scheduling meeting Wednesday.
  - Firehawk Teams starting indoor on Sunday, Feb 26 @Gametime
  - All divisions need coaches. We are putting out requests. Most critical is Majors/Minors.

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• Division info:

Division	#Players Registered today	#Teams projected	#Coaches in hand
Blastball	34	4-6	4
Tball	94	12-16	8
Rookie	136	16-18	5
1 <sup>ST</sup> Pitch	67	6-8	6
Minors	49	5-6	2
Majors	34	3-4	1
Firehawk (Minors/Majors/Int)	62	6	6
Intermediate	8	1	0
Juniors	3	0	N/A
Seniors	9	1	0 (lead on 1)

- Currently at almost 500 players.
- Minors and Majors will play with Monroe (has 3 Minors, 1 Majors). Might have some individual players to also place on our teams.
  - For Juniors (and perhaps Intermediate), we are going to try to merge with other LL leagues to form a team. More to come on this at the end of this month.
- **DATES:**
  - Feb 26 – Firehawks start indoor
  - March 15 – Start of season for Intermediate and up
  - **LAKOTA SPRING BREAK** – Saturday, March 18 – Sunday, March 26
  - Equipment pass out March 25
  - April 1 – start of season for Tball – Majors
  - **EASTER WEEKEND** – April 7-9
  - April 29<sup>th</sup> is Opening Weekend, Start of season for Blastball
  - Saturday, May 20 – Picture Day
  - Memorial Day weekend (May 26-29) blocked for DE Tournament
  - June 24 – end of season for Blastball – First Pitch, Start of Majors/Minors tournament (Monroe to be invited)
    - June 24-25 – Liberty R and S blocked for 13U SWOL Tournament
    - June 30<sup>th</sup> – end of season for all teams
    - July 5 – TBA start for All Stars Minors / Majors (Intermediate TBD but might be a week earlier)
  - (NOTE: Fall Picture day is Sunday Sept 17)

**Flag Football – Jim Webster**

1. Forming Teams Now
2. Practices will begin mid-March. Games the beginning of April.
3. Putting together a plan to have a preseason flag football camp. Attendees will receive a tshirt and NFL Flag Football football. 3- 4 evenings, first week of August. Will be run by myself and with volunteers (flag coaches) Need to set a cost for the program. Would like to have a similar program in the future for spring, also.
4. Fall 2023 starts with a new regular season, playoff format. 6 regular season games, 2 playoff games for each team Teams will be seeded into playoff brackets

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against teams with like records. Does not increase # of games played/referee costs.

Registration numbers as of 2/13 @ 5 PM

Pro Division = 65  
Varsity Division = 60  
JV Division = 71  
Rookie Division = 83

**Spring 2023 Total:: 279**

Spring 2022 Total was: 258

**Diamond Elite Select Baseball- Jim Webster**

- Teams have submitted schedules to Jean.

Diamond Elite Memorial Tournament being planned now.

Plan to also host the SWOL 13U tournament at the end of June as we have done in the past.

Offer a summer baseball camp? Something to discuss further.

**Soccer – Courtney Baker**

- Report
- Held the draw yesterday
- Start March 6<sup>th</sup>
- Registrations currently at 757, Hope is to get to 850

**Softball – Steve Crawford**

- Registrations currently at 214
- Clinic to be set up with Lakota West HS

**Diamond Elite Fast Pitch – Steve Crawford**

- Report

**Volleyball – Angie Schmidt (DOC)**

- Report
- 3 more weeks in Winter
- Reserved LE Freshman M-TH, Endeavor, Cherokee and Spooky Nook for facilities
- Seeking a commissioner

**Member at Large- Lakota FC- Jason Slayton**

- Report
- Current enrollment of 796
- Spooky Nook has an outdoor turf
  - Renting at \$100/night for a couple nights a week
- March 24<sup>th</sup> drawing for FC Cincinnati Tickets

**Member at Large- Scott Oestreich**

- Report

**Member at Large- Branson Dunlop**

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- Certified letter sent to owner of boat
- 10 day wait after official receipt of certified letter of owner
- After 10 days we can move on to do whatever we want to do with it

**Member at Large- Daren Keenan**

- No Report

**Committee Reports:**

**Resource Development Committee**

- West Chester/Liberty Lifestyles Magazine – Update
- \$5,000 GECU Corporate Sponsorship Package – WJL Field Y
- Rally-up discussion this week (Wednesday) to do raffle online and print
- Texas Roadhouse Dine & Donate to get set up
- Will seek out Rumpke and Skyline as sponsor

**Staff Reports:**

**Executive Administrator**

- Spring Registration Summary
- F&M Contract
  - Adding Ridge Diamonds
- Liberty Park, sod vendors need to let us know when they will be cutting sod
- Lakota Local Schools – Not ready to entertain development offer near admin building
- Butler County owns 13 acres of land they are trying to sell to developers with no buyers

**Old Business**

- Sudden Cardiac Arrest
- CPR Class

**New Business**

- Organization Emails

**Upcoming Meeting / Event Schedule**  
**Board of Directors Meeting –**

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Monday, March 13, 2023, 7:30 PM

**2023 Lakota Local Schools Summer Fun Fair -**  
Monday, February 27, 6-8 p.m. (Lakota East) & Wednesday, March 1, 6-8 p.m. (Lakota West)

**Fall Registration Opens-**  
Monday, April 10, 2023

**LSO Board Reports:**

- QR Codes:



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LSO Registration Site QR Code