



NJGSL COACHES MEETING MINUTES

Date:03/05/2026 Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Unidos Library

Start Time: 7:03pm

Attendees:

Executive Committee:

- **Debbie Anderson** –Co-President
- **Amber Sepulveda**– Vice President
- **Jenna Pace**– Treasurer
- **Kelly Bettencourt** – Secretary
- **Sara Tavizon**– Member at Large
- **Theresa Robles** –Snack Shack Coordinator

Subcommittee:

- **Becky Willems**- 6U division Rep
- **Kris Lowe-Hobbs**- 8U division Rep | Umpire Coordinator
- **Megan Valdez**- Opening Day Coordinator
- **Cierra Codron**- Opening Day Coordinator
- **Ryan Fennie** – Equipment Coordinator
- **Caroline Johnson**- Sponsor, Fundraising, and Spirit Wear

Other Attendees:

- **Jeff Quinn, Matthew Bresee, Sam Hopkins, Dan Moore, Jordan Hernandez, Kristen Gutierrez, Heather Oja, Megan Valdez, Gasper Tavizon, Kris Lowe, Kelsi Snyder, Becky Williams, Carolyn Woods,**
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Board Meeting Minutes

2. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order.

Meeting Norms

Meeting norms were read by Debbie:

- Honor the start time.
- Set a timekeeper and adjust the agenda as needed.
- Listen respectfully; one person speaks at a time.
- Follow the agenda and stay on track.
- Silence cell phones and remain present.
- The Board will seek input from attendees.
- Unrelated topics will be placed in a “parking lot” for later discussion or future agenda inclusion.

Agenda Adjustment:

- Added jersey discussion (Coach Alex).
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3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

- January 14, 2026- No Objects, Minutes approved
 - January 31, 2026- No Objects, Minutes approved
 - February 18, 2026- No Objects, Minutes approved
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4. Reports of the Board

Board Update:

Kelly reported for the record that Nicki Pocaco has stepped down from her position.

President’s Report – Debbie Anderson

- Kiwanis representative Dan Operman confirmed a soccer program will use the field until 2:00 PM (communication received February 23).
- Game start times: 5:00 PM for 10U and 13U divisions; adjustments will be made accordingly.
- Received a \$250 Dick’s Sporting Goods contribution.

- **Field Coordination position remains open; interested individuals should contact Debbie.**
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Vice President's Report – Amber Sepulveda

- **SafeSport certification must be completed prior to Opening Day.**
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Treasurer's Report – Jenna Pace

- **Motion to approve report: Amber**
 - **Second: Theresa**
 - **Motion approved**
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Snack Shack Report – Theresa

- **Pepsi prices have increased.**
 - **A bun warmer is needed; Jenna will place the order.**
 - **Sam will coordinate with Theresa regarding the sandwich board.**
 - **A \$200 donation was received. Motion by Debbie to allocate funds (general use), second by Amber. Motion passed.**
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Special Recognition

Debbie recognized Caroline for her hard work and contributions.

Sponsorships & Fundraising Updates

- **Jerseys are expected by Wednesday; possible pickup Thursday or Friday.**
 - **All banners are in, and all sponsors have paid.**
 - **The dine-and-donate event is performing well.**
 - **Giants game ticket sales: 123 tickets sold.**
 - **Sweatshirts will be available on Opening Day; pickup will be organized for pre-orders.**
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Opening Day Planning – Megan

- **The program must be approved by Monday afternoon.**

- The board reviewed and approved the Program printing to be completed.
 - Volunteer shifts needed for swag distribution; currently covered from 8:00–10:00 AM, additional coverage required.
 - Walk-up songs: deadlines needed along with team names.
 - Reserved parking signs needed for 8 honorary guests.
 - Raffle prizes: bike secured; additional items (bags, beanies, cookies).
 - Opening ceremony speeches required:
 - Debbie: Board introduction
 - Megan & Sierra: Event hosts
 - First game at 11:00 AM; ceremony must conclude by 10:15 AM.
 - Parking reminder email to be sent (no parking near outlet dumpster area).
 - QR code will not be used.
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Umpire Report – Kris Lowe

- Date discussed: Saturday, March 21
 - 8U umpires are difficult to secure.
 - Northern Umpire Association rate: \$60/hour; current rate is \$50/game.
 - Current structure: \$40 base / \$50 plate.
 - Amber suggested hosting an umpire clinic.
 - Kris noted a minimum of 5 participants is required for a USA Softball clinic.
 - Amber recommended broader outreach beyond flyers.
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Equipment Update – Ryan

- Pitching machines are repaired and operational.
 - Additional 8U balls acquired; 12U balls may be needed.
 - Two sets of bases stored in a container (secured with code).
 - Batting cage power is functional; the switch must be turned on inside the container.
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New Business

Umpire Pay

- Pay remains \$50 per game for all divisions.
- Umpires will be paid monthly (pickup or mail options available).

Transaction Fees

- Tabled for future discussion.

Website Update

- **Amber has completed updates to the website.**

T-Ball Schedule Adjustment

- **Motion: Change start time to 9:00 AM – 10:00 AM (Sara)**
- **Second: Amber**
- **Motion passed**

Venmo Account

- **Motion: Approve \$10/month eSIM for Venmo (Amber)**
- **Second: Sara**
- **Motion passed**

Added jersey discussion (Coach Alex).

- **Jersey question was covered in Sponsorships & Fundraising Updates**

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 PM.