

Minutes

8.20.25

6:55 PM at Patterson's. Attendance: Dave and Becky Patterson, Phillip Humphrey, Amanda Hardy, Matt Hartmann. Visitor: Tom Barouth

Prayer

Minutes – July 9, 2025 - posted on website.

Sponsorships - McAlister's ~ \$150 compliments of April Pfannenstiel - Laurel Hills Elementary PE teacher

Painter's Union will not sponsor this year.

Doughboys is considering level of sponsorship.

No response on Bobby's touch with Markley.

Patterson's will contact Westhues (children played sports together.)

We will touch this year's sponsors according to their donation cycle.

Each director needs to secure a minimum of 3 sponsorships personally or with the assistance of parents, etc.

Finances – Bank Account \$26,883

Expenses upcoming: Payments to clinicians.

Grants - Players Alliance - \$18,000 for registration fees. Will request status in Oct.

Royals Foundation general grant now open, due Sept. 15.

Will receive \$7,500 in November from Bobby Witt Jr Heart and Hustle award.

Target is 300 players this season - to provide a \$60 discount would require \$18,000. We would also like \$2,000 for clinics for a total of \$20,000. Currently we have \$7,500 promised so we need \$12,500 more in sponsorships. This does not include the \$5,500 we get from our faithful sponsors each year. We use that money for the maintenance, supplies and administrative items.

Business –

-MLB Legends for Youth Aug 8 – 45 attendees, mostly older players! 8 major leaguers. Well-received.

-Upcoming clinics:

Pitching/Catching Aug 28 - Dennis Leonard/Breck Dickey will be paid.

Throwing Sep 11

Fielding Sep 25

Hitting Oct 2

Pitching/Catching Oct 9

-Sep 3 Royals game - 200 tickets via Royals Community Dept - 176 claimed.

-Matt linked us to the Aug 16 Back to School carnival at Raytown High School.

Went very well; 30 new e-mail contacts and received some very positive feedback.

-Met with Raytown Elementary PE teachers on Aug 14 to start planning for in-school clinics - expand to middle schools. They are all in. We will use \$4,000 of the grants for MLB instructors.

-Aug 23 organization work day - tasks include:

Paint Concession stand counters, fill holes in wood posts

Spray wasps in shed

Replace wood slats on the fencing between fields

Remove weeds on fields and between fields 2&3

Deep clean concession stand and bathrooms

Take down windscreens from field dugouts

Raise up home plate on field 3

Take down swallow nests

-Refrigerator update: Jason Stender and Amanda shopping Marketplace. Guidelines: \$200 or less; need is refrigerator, not freezer space.

-Personnel potential:

Concession stand manager - Julie Hamilton is considering.

Softball director - large need

Maintenance manager – Montana Forrest already active

Transition of Phillip to President of league

-Tom Barouth: Proposing improvements between fields 2&3. Potential-2 pitching mounds, sliding pit, and batting cages. Action steps-Tom's friends present architectural drawing; investigate cost – purchase 2 mounds for \$5250, but perhaps repair and build our own; fundraise through community building, adult, slow-pitch, softball tournament Oct. 23-25. Tom will have outline including divisions, field needs, and cost by Sunday 8/24. Begin publicity by the first of Sept. Potential team sources-local churches, Parks and Rec (P&R) league, Steven's contacts.

-Banner potential for LBT. Matt met with the P&R board to consider banners as a potential revenue source. Proposal-\$500/banner for P&R displayed at Raytown parks and for special event sponsorships. RYBSA would have 'exclusive' rights to procurement and display of LBT field banners. See below for potential 2026 Sponsorship Agreement.

P&R will decide at next board meeting (9/15). We will pursue LBT display rules with Dave and Tony.

- Meeting with Luke Hohlt of Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) on August 27 at 2:30. We will discuss potential 'partnership'. FCA wants to expand into recreational leagues - brand new and unsure how to do it. RYBSA has a good structure to be used as trial, and we could use help with personnel and training.

- 8/19 Aspen Institute Conference on KC wide collaboration to improve exercise in youth. State of Play -extensive research on current status. Resulted in The Kansas City Physical Activity Plan. By our purpose, RYBSA fits into Project Play and will continue to collaborate with the KC community as we can enhance the vision of more healthy youth.

-Meetings with RBI. 8/11 – Fortright discussion with Kary Kankey about difficulties of past season and our desire to be as independent as possible. Still probably need help with 14U boys and softball. 9/9 – Meeting with Kary, Phillip, and Dave for introductions.

-9/7 Royals Youth Baseball Event. We will offer our contacts the link to enroll for discounted tickets. Potential activities: Pregame parade around the field, workout shorts for players, Sluggerr's birthday party after the game.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.



Raytown Youth Baseball–Softball Association

Sponsorship Agreement

This agreement between the Raytown Youth Baseball–Softball Association (hereinafter, “RYBSA”) and

_____ (hereinafter, “Sponsor”) is for a
League Sponsorship.

Sponsorship of RYBSA must be, for the Sponsor, out of a sense of duty to help the community. While Sponsorship does afford some benefits (detailed below), the higher purpose is to help the RYBSA impart the values of teamwork, sportsmanship, and fair play to the children of the community, so that they may someday use these values in becoming good citizens.

Sponsorship of the RYBSA does not permit the Sponsor to have any rights or responsibilities in the operation of the RYBSA or any team in the RYBSA, nor does the Sponsor have any rights or responsibilities in the selection of managers, coaches or players for any team in the RYBSA. Nothing herein shall make us partners or joint ventures. The Sponsor and the RYBSA are independent contractors with respect to one another, and neither shall have any authority to represent or bind the other in any manner or to any extent whatsoever, except as specified herein.

Any reference to the Sponsorship under this agreement must make it clear that the Sponsorship is with RYBSA ONLY. Use of the league logos of RYBSA by any local sponsor is prohibited, unless permission is expressly granted in writing by RYBSA.

RYBSA is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization and your donation may be tax deductible.

The Raytown Youth Baseball–Softball Association agrees to provide the following benefits in exchange for the sponsorship commitment:

By: _____

Sponsor Representative Signature

Date

Printed or Typed Name	Title
By:	
Raytown Youth Baseball–Softball Association	Date
Authorized Signature	
Printed or Typed Name	Title