

# Golden Heart Softball Association

## Board Meeting Agenda



**Date:** December 9, 2025 @ 6:00pm

**Location:**

- In Person: Gallos - 60 College Rd, Fairbanks, AK 99701
- Participate by phone

X – Present, E – Excused, A – Absent, T - Telephone, / - Partial Attendance

Title	Member	Attendance Status
<b>President</b>	Kat Copeland	
<b>Vice President</b>	Jake Theurich	
<b>Treasurer</b>	Clint Kerns	
<b>Secretary</b>	Allie Plachinski	
<b>Business Manager</b>	JB Ahlstrom	
<b>Chair</b>	Timothy Armbruster Jr.	
<b>Chair</b>	Roscoe Britton	
<b>Chair</b>	Jamie Darby	
<b>Chair</b>	Lance Fires	
<b>Chair</b>	Open Position	

**A. Preliminaries**

- a. **Call to Order**
- b. **Roll Call**

**B. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Recommend approval of the meeting minutes from November 18, 2025

**C. Approval of Agenda**

- a. Recommend approval of the meeting agenda for December 9, 2025

**D. Officer Reports**

- a. **President Report**
  - i. State Board Meeting Recap
- b. **Vice President Report**
- c. **Treasurer Report**
- d. **Secretary Report**
- e. **Player Rep Report**

**E. Old Business**

- a. Contracts for review
  - i. Janitorial
  - ii. Concessions
  - iii. Field Maintenance
  - iv. Game Scheduler
  - v. Field Rental Agreement
- b. Gaming
- c. Late season
- d. Bat funding for 2026 tournaments
- e. End of season duties
- f. Tournaments
- g. Reclassification for 2026 season
- h. Capital improvements

**F. New Business**

- a. Ashlee Spann memorial ideas
- b. 2026 Anchorage national umpire clinic
- c. Game Changer
- d. Wounded Warrior Project
- e. Senior league

# Golden Heart Softball Association Board Committee

Minutes of December 9, 2025



K. Copeland called the meeting to order at 6:17 p.m. at Gallos - 60 College Rd. Fairbanks, AK. Committee members attended in person.

**X – Present, E – Excused, A – Absent, T - Telephone, / - Partial Attendance**

		1/14/25	2/18/25	3/11/25	4/8/25	5/20/25	6/10/25	7/8/25	8/12/25	9/16/25	10/14/25	11/18/25	12/9/25
President	Kat Copeland	X	E	X	X	E	T	X	X	X	X	X	X
Vice President	Jake Theurich	X	X	X	E	E	X	X	X	X	X	E	X
Treasurer	Clint Kerns	E	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	X	X	X
Secretary	Roxie Johnson	X	X	X	X	E	/	/	Allie	X	X	X	X
Business Manager	Greg Paul Jan-April	E	A	X	X	JB Ahlstrom	/	/	/	X	X	E	X
Chair	Roscoe Britton	X	X	E	X	X	/	A	/	A	X	E	E
Chair	Julie Chavez Jan-July	E	A	X	E	X	X	X	/	Open	-	Nicole	E
Chair	Jamie Darby	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	A	A	X	X	X
Chair	Lance Fires	Open position	A	X	X	X	A	A	X	X	E	X	X
Chair	Allie Plachinski Jan-July	X	X	X	X	E	X	X	Tim	X	X	E	X

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

*L. Fires moved to accept the minutes from the November 2025 meeting; T. Armbruster seconded. Hearing no objection or comment, the minutes were approved.*

## **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

*L. Fires moved to accept the agenda for the December 2025 meeting; T. Armbruster seconded. Hearing no objection or comment, the agenda was approved.*

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

### President Report

The state board meeting took place on December 6th, Kat, Jake, Allie, Lance, and Clint were in attendance. 2026 code changes were discussed.

### Vice President Report

Nothing to report at this time.

### Treasurer Report

The balances in our accounts are as follows:

General Account: \$7,145.11

Gaming Account: \$16,477.51

### Secretary Report

Nothing to report at this time.

## **CONTRACTS FOR REVIEW**

It was discussed that there also needs to be an umpire scheduler contract. L. Fires to collaborate with J. Ahlstrom and provide the board with final drafts of all contracts at the January meeting.

## **GAMING**

Our gaming license was renewed on 12/9/25. T. Armbruster and J. Ahlstrom to meet and figure out where we can put new boxes to increase revenue in the new year.

## **LATE SEASON**

Tabled

## **BAT FUNDING FOR 2026 TOURNAMENTS**

L. Fires has a contact affiliated with Miken that has offered us 9, potentially 10, bats for \$1500.

*J. Theurich motioned to approve a \$2200 budget for bats for the 2026 season, C. Kerns seconded. Motion passed with no objection.*

## **END OF SEASON DUTIES**

J. Ahlstrom provided information regarding end of season duties, L. Fires to compile it into one document.

## **TOURNAMENTS**

J. Ahlstrom has requested a document for each tournament outlining its specific standards, such as format, prizes, and other key details, so that new tournament organizers have a clear reference to guide them.

Board members will work together to create these documents.

## **RECLASSIFICATION**

2026 reclassification was voted on at the state board meeting. GHSA reclassification is as follows:

Lady Warriors - Women's E to Women's D

Royal Sluggers - Coed E to Coed D

Wild Ones - Coed E to Coed D

## **CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS**

J. Darby proposed partnering with the NPHS program to rebuild our wellhouses. She will contact them and report back to the board with any updates. It was also noted that several holes on Hez 2 need to be filled.

## **ASHLEE SPANN MEMORIAL IDEAS**

The board discussed several ideas for hosting a memorial tournament for Ashlee and supporting her family. It was proposed that the blind draft tournament be dedicated to Ashlee, with new rules created to honor her memory. J. Darby will coordinate with DJ Spann to finalize details and help bring this vision to life.

## **2026 ANCHORAGE NATIONAL UMPIRING CLINIC**

C. Kerns shared information about the National Umpiring Clinic scheduled to take place in Anchorage on April 17–19. This clinic is a step toward umpires becoming eligible for nomination to officiate at national events. The board discussed potential options for providing financial assistance to interested umpires. The topic was tabled for now; C. Kerns will speak with the umpires and gather additional information so the board can determine what level of support can be offered.

## **GAME CHANGER**

The board discussed the possibility of purchasing iPads to use GameChanger for scorekeeping at tournaments. The primary benefit is that digital scorekeeping allows for easier, more accurate stat tracking compared to paper, allowing us to award players based on real statistics. T. Armbruster and J. Darby, who are familiar with GameChanger, will look into its scorekeeping features to determine whether it would be a good fit for our association.

## **WOUNDED WARRIORS**

The USA Patriots (Wounded Warriors Amputee Softball) team will be returning to Alaska in 2026. They will be visiting Anchorage and either Juneau or Fairbanks. We have always donated to their program when they visit Alaska and would like to continue that.

*K. Copeland motioned that we make a donation of \$2000 to the Wounded Warriors, J. Darby seconded, motion passed with no objection.*

## **SENIOR LEAGUE**

In the new year, we plan to reach out to members to gauge interest in forming a senior team that could compete in tournaments in Anchorage or out of state.

## **OTHER BUSINESS/GENERAL COMMENTS**

None

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*K. Copeland moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.. Hearing no objection or comment, the meeting was adjourned.*

*The regularly scheduled January board meeting was cancelled due to lack of quorum/availability.*