



# TOWNSEND ASHBY YOUTH BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL

JANUARY 10, 2019, 7PM  
TOWNSEND LIBRARY, TRUSTEES ROOM  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES



Person	Position	Attended	Person	Position	Attended
Keith Turgeon (KT)	President	X	Jessica Donia (JD)	Concessions	-
Gary Donia (GD)	Vice President	-	Brian Tesini (BT)	Softball Director	X
Beth Arsenaault (BA)	Treasurer	-	Mark Arsenaault (MA)	Player Advocate	-
Jess Fellows (JF)	Community & Safety	X	Josh Chapman (JC)	Facilities Manager	X
Jason Vettese (JV)	Umpire in Chief	-	Lisa Neal (LN)	Fundraising	X

## OPEN ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- Volunteer Applications / CORI Forms Completion
  - Gary Donia, Jess Donia, & Josh Chapman still incomplete.
- Board Update
  - Jen Callahan has resigned as Secretary.
  - Keith will send out an email announcing the open positions
- Financial Update
  - PayPal \$3,895.30, WCU \$12,828.94 – Total \$16,724.24
- Registration Update
  - Baseball – (15) T-Ball, (25) Rookie, (15+1) Minors, (15) Major 60, (3) Major 70, (8+1) Seniors
  - Softball – (2) Rookie, (7) Minors, (4) Majors, (10) Seniors
  - Handout – 2019 Players List
- Sponsorship Update
  - Physical mailings went out on Monday 1/7 to 107 businesses
  - \$12,406 committed/paid so far
  - Working with Kevin from Pelletier Electric on a 3-5-year sponsorship deal
  - 2019 anticipated is \$14,140 (\$1,734 to go)
  - 2018 actual was \$11,165
  - Team Sponsorships – completely sold out
- Field & School Use Fees
  - North Middlesex district has moved forward with enforcing an old policy that charges for gym and field use.
  - There was a meeting with the Superintendent Brad Morgan and Athletic Director Cam Fisk to provide the details about the upcoming change.
  - After speaking with Brad and Cam, we have decided that based on our large investment into the property we will put together a contract that would continue to give us field and gym access at no additional costs. We will start put together this contract after February vacation.
- Special Events, Ownership Assignment & Schedule
  - We need owners for these events....
- MAC League & NCMS League Updates
  - No updates from MAC League for this month
  - NCMS will hold a board meeting on the first week in February
- Winter Clinics Update
  - 64 players signed up for January (up from 40 last January – when it was a free clinic!)
    - Baseball (14) 7-9 Clinic, (21) 10-14 Clinic, (14) 3-6 Clinic

- Softball (15) 6-16 Clinic
  - Raised \$320 in fees for January clinics
  - Sold 11 shirts, raising an additional \$44
  - Registration opened today for February (Softball moved to Tuesday)
  - 10 February registrations have already come in today
  - In our 2019 forecast, I anticipated only 100 registrations, and only selling 10 shirts over the 3 months.
  - Purchased popup net, whiffle balls (baseball and softball), SwingAway Trainer, cones & feet placement mats – all will all be available for coaches to use during the seasons.
- North Middlesex Athletic Banquet 2019 Update
  - Event will be held on Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6pm – 30-minute reception to start
  - Due by the end of March, they are collecting student resume & short responses to questions about their youth and HS athletics
  - Would like us to say a few words, and then present the scholarships to the players.
  - Potential candidates:
    - Baseball:
      - Joshua Borneman (Townsend)
      - Patrick Aubuchon (Townsend)
      - Seth Farley (Townsend)
      - Robert Gaskins (Townsend)
      - John (Joe) Murphy (Townsend)
      - Alex Nutile (Townsend)
    - Softball:
      - Elisabeth Borneman (Townsend)
      - Rachel Brouillette (Ashby)
      - Julia DiLoreto (Townsend)
      - Seala Matthias (Ashby)
- Golf Tournament Update
  - Scheduled for Friday, June 7th
  - Have not received a contract from Townsend Ridge yet.
  - Need to determine ticket price – last year was \$135/golfer and \$50/dinner only
  - Goal remains to generate \$3,000 in profit from the event
  - Decisions held off as Beth could not attend tonight.
- Preseason Dinner Update
  - Scheduled for Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at the Townsend Library Meeting Hall
  - Sophia's Pizza is confirmed to provide the pasta dinner
  - Cleta's Creations is confirmed to provide the dessert/Cake
  - Pricing is planned for \$8/person, \$1 discount per ticket for 3 or more, spring registered players get a free ticket.
  - Room can hold 120 people, and we anticipate selling out.
  - Jess is going to organization a group of volunteers to help put together the hall.
  - Any costs that are incurred to put the event on will be covered by the league, and not the volunteers.
- Information Night & Game Night Update
  - Scheduled for next Thursday night, January 17<sup>th</sup>
  - Keith, Lisa, Lydia Booth, & Leslie Maher to help with the night.
  - Will have a table setup with information and ability to register.
  - Have about a dozen baseball themed games that will be available for people to play.
- T-Ball Schedule Update
  - 2 of our T-Ball coaches cannot do Sundays, so we will be keeping T-Ball on Tue/Thu for 2019. We will reevaluate again next year.
- Babe Ruth Background Screenings & Training Update

- I confirmed with Babe Ruth that we do not need to use them for the National Background screening, but we are still required to have it completed.
- The Abuse Prevention training is required from Babe Ruth and is \$10/coach.
- Pepperell uses First Advantage national background checks at \$2.50/coach.
- I spoke with Massachusetts DCJS, and we still need to do our own CORI checks on all our coaches.
- I spoke with Townsend Rec, and we believe it would be a good idea to have all our coaches have a CORI check thru the Town as well thru TAYBS. This will allow rec to have their programs outside at the same time as our field usage. As it stands today, since our coaches are not CORI'd thru the town, they need to take the kids inside if one of our teams shows up the fields.
- Joint Charter/All Stars with Pepperell Update
  - Pepperell will be voting on this, next Monday, January 14th
- Professional Training for Baseball & Softball Coaches Update
  - Coaches Training Clinic will be held on March 23, 9a-12pm at the Nashoba Regional High School
    - All of our coaches (baseball & softball) are invited to attend
    - \$225 charge to TAYBS for all coaches to attend
  - Dugout Captain
    - All of our coaches have been invited to join
    - Has a massive selection of drills and very cool ability to build practice “clipboards”
    - Free service provided thru our Babe Ruth partnership
- Summer Sandlot League Discussion – Take 2
  - Previous update from October 10<sup>th</sup> on approved changed
    - Last year, there were in season issues with rules and teams “trying to win” to get a better playoff seeding; during the playoffs, no volunteers stepped up to help. We agreed to continue with the following changes.
      - There will be no records during the summer season – this should ensure that the league is more focused on development than winning at all costs
      - We will continue with a playoff tournament, but instead of a weeklong series of games, it will be a one-day event at Craven, seeding to be randomized well in advance. Format will be double elimination; each game is 3 innings/1-hour max and have them back to back all in one day.
  - Gary was not in attendance tonight, so we delayed this discussion again.
- Project Updates
  - I have been told by Nashoba Tech that they expect to complete the Concession stand this week.
  - I spoke with Kevin Pelletier and Vinny Kazanjian, and they are going to try to get the power at the dugout at Craven powered up at a lower cost that we got thru CBF. This is still work in progress.. stay tuned.
  - Josh is going to take care of the trench at Craven and work with Kevin to lay the conduit.

## TAYBS 2019 Sponsorships

Arrow Septic	Craven Field Scoreboard <i>(committed)</i>	\$1,000
CARSTAR Collision Center – Lowell	Field Banner	\$225
CARSTAR Collision Center – Fitchburg	Field Banner	\$225
Certified Hydro Applications	Field Banner <i>(committed)</i>	\$250
DICKS's Sporting Goods	Donation (\$500 Gift Card, 4 x \$50 Gift Certificates)	\$700
Echo Knoll Construction	Field Banner <i>(committed)</i>	\$250
Elite Construction & Design	Team Sponsorship	\$293
Haffner's	Field Banner & Team Sponsor (Seniors Baseball)	\$600
Hannaford's	Field Banner & Donation (Pallet of Water) <i>(committed)</i>	\$250
Hannaford's	Bags 4 My Cause Donation	\$16
J&S Business Products	Field Banner <i>(committed)</i>	\$250
Jeffrey's Antiques	Field Banner <i>(committed)</i>	\$250
JDM Home Improvement	Field Banner & Team Sponsor (Major 70) <i>(committed)</i>	\$500
Law Office of John B. Barrett	Website Sponsor	\$100
L.F. Robbins Insurance Agency	Field Banner	\$250
McNabbs Pharmacy	Team Sponsor (Seniors Softball)	\$300
Michael Brothers Photography	Field Banner & Team Sponsorship <i>(committed)</i>	\$500
Mitrano Removal Service	Field Banner	\$250
Mosquito Squad	Field Banner & Team Sponsor	\$550
Nashoba Valley Chamber of Commerce	Website Sponsor	\$97
North End Mazda	Team Sponsorship	\$300
North End Subaru	Team Sponsorship	\$300
Pelletier Electric	2xField Banner, 2xTeam Sponsor, Scoreboard Sponsor <i>(committed)</i>	\$1,800
Powell Stone & Gravel	Team Sponsorship	\$300
Rollstone Bank & Trust	Team Sponsorship	\$300
Ron Bouchard's Auto Stores	Field Banner & Team Sponsor	\$500
Santander	Team Sponsorship <i>(committed)</i>	\$300
Sterilite	Field Banner <i>(committed)</i>	\$250
Top Notch Plumbing & Heating	Craven Field Snack Shack	\$1,000
Worker's Credit Union	Field Banner & Team Sponsor	\$500
		<b>\$12,406</b>

## TAYBS 2019 Improvement Projects

Craven Field	Batting Cage Stone Dust	Kazanjian	Completed	\$690
Craven Field	Batting Cage Light & Power – Electrical	Pelletier Electric	On Hold / Cancelled	\$500
Craven Field	Batting Cage Light & Power - Trenching	Kazanjian	On Hold / Cancelled	\$300
Craven Field	Dugout Repairs & Improvements	Nashoba Tech	On Hold / Cancelled	\$950
Craven Field	Infield Recut & New Clay	Kazanjian	Recut Done / Clay in Spring	\$1265
Craven Field	Permanent Foul Lines	LineTurf	Completed	\$535
Craven Field	Permanent Foul Lines Installation	Kazanjian	Spring Start	\$500
Craven Field	Tree Removal	Kym Craven	On Hold	\$2500
Craven Field	Parking Lot Regraded	Kazanjian	Completed	\$1500
Craven Field	Snack Shack Windows & Cabinets	Nashoba Tech	On Hold / Cancelled	\$850
Craven Field	Picnic Tables	Nashoba Tech	On Hold	\$375
Craven Field	Scoreboard Repairs (antenna Install)	TAYBS / Josh	Spring Start	\$0
Craven Field	Sprinkler Repairs (move heads out of Infield)	TAYBS / Josh	Spring Start	\$100
Spaulding Fields	Baseball Field Safety Covers	TAYBS / Keith	Spring Start	\$500
Spaulding Fields	Softball Field Bleachers	TAYBS / Keith	Spring Start	\$750
Spaulding Fields	Snack Shack – Materials	MAKI Building	Completed	\$4017
Spaulding Fields	Snack Shack – Windows	Fimbel Doors	Completed	\$1380
Spaulding Fields	Snack Shack – Construction	Nashoba Tech	WORK IN PROGRESS	\$1080
Spaulding Fields	Snack Shack – Appliances	TAYBS	Spring Start	\$1250
Spaulding Fields	Snack Shack – Electrical	Pelletier Electric	Spring Start	\$2500
Spaulding Fields	Snack Shack – Trenching	CBF Landworks	Spring Start	\$2385
Spaulding Fields	Field Turnover & New Clay	Kazanjian	Spring Start	\$2550
Spaulding Fields	Scoreboards	Nevco	Completed	\$6602
Spaulding Fields	Scoreboards – Materials	MAKI Building	Completed	\$507
Spaulding Fields	Scoreboards – Construction	Nashoba Tech	Spring Start	\$102
Spaulding Fields	Picnic Tables	Nashoba Tech	On Hold	\$375
Spaulding Fields	T-Ball Player Benches	Nashoba Tech	On Hold	\$750
Spaulding Fields	T-Ball Pitching Rubbers & Home Plates	TAYBS / Josh	Spring Start	\$0
Spaulding Fields	Softball Permanent Pitching Rubbers	TAYBS / Josh	Spring Start	\$150
Spaulding Fields	Rigid Steel Mat Drag 6'x18"	TAYBS	Spring Order	\$250
Spaulding Fields	Softball Field Home Bench Moved	TAYBS / Josh	Spring Start	\$0
				<b>\$35,213</b>

## TAYBS 2019 Calendar of Events

09/01/18	TAYBS 2019 Spring Season Registration Opens	Keith
09/14/18	TAYBS Comedy Show Fundraiser	Lisa & Keith
10/18/18	NCMS End of Season Board Meeting	Brian
11/13/18	Townsend Volunteer Information Night	Lisa & Lydia Booth
12/01/18	TAYBS 2019 Winter Season Registration Opens	Keith
12/04/18	DICKS's Sporting Goods Annual Sponsorship Night	-
12/18/18	Annual Cal Ripken Western Massachusetts Offseason Meeting	Keith & Jason
12/11/18	MAC League Winter Board Meeting	Keith, Mark & Jason
01/07/19	TAYBS Winter Clinics – Monday & Tuesday at AES, Wednesday at HBMS	Jess F & Keith
01/17/19	TAYBS Registration Information & Game Night	Keith & <b>TBD</b>
02/04/19	TAYBS Winter Clinics – Monday & Tuesday at AES, Wednesday at HBMS	Jess F & Keith
02/28/19	TAYBS 2019 Spring Season Registration Closes	Keith
03/04/19	TAYBS Winter Clinics – Monday & Tuesday at AES, Wednesday at HBMS	Jess F & Keith
03/16/19	DICK's Sporting Goods TAYBS 20% Discount Weekend	<b>TBD</b>
03/21/19	TAYBS Preseason Celebration Dinner	Jess F & Keith
04/02/19	TAYBS Mandatory Coaches & Assistants Training (Team Management & Safety)	Keith & Jess F
04/04/19	TAYBS Paint Night	Jess F & <b>TBD</b>
04/08/19	NCMS League Mandatory Softball Coaches Training	Brian
04/11/19	MAC League Mandatory Baseball Coaches Training	Keith
04/13/19	TAYBS Craven Field Cleanup	<b>TBD</b>
04/14/19	TAYBS Spaulding Field Cleanup	<b>TBD</b>
04/20/19	TAYBS Snack Shack & Field Maintenance Volunteer Training	Keith & <b>TBD</b>
04/21/19	TAYBS Season Kickoff Party at Patriot Pizza	Keith & Jess F
04/22/19	Opening Day of the 2019 Spring Season!	-
05/02/19	Cub Scout Night at the Ball Park (Craven Field)	Brian & <b>TBD</b>
05/04/19	TAYBS Picture Day	<b>TBD</b>
05/04/19	TAYBS Hit a Thon Fundraiser	Keith & <b>TBD</b>
05/17/19	TAYBS FREE Movie Night on Craven Field	<b>TBD</b>
05/26/19	TAYBS Participation in the Annual Townsend Memorial Day Parade	<b>TBD</b>
06/07/19	TAYBS 11 <sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser	Beth & Jen
07/08/19	Opening Day of the 2019 Summer Season!	-
07/12/19	TAYBS Night at the Ball Park (Nashua Silver Nights)	<b>TBD</b>
08/05/19	TAYBS Week Long, Full Day Summer Camp	Keith & <b>TBD</b>
08/13/19	TAYBS Coach & Sponsor Appreciation Dinner	Keith & <b>TBD</b>
08/15/19	TAYBS Hosts the Townsend Band Concert & Lawn Party	Jess F & <b>TBD</b>
09/01/19	TAYBS 2020 Spring Season Registration Opens	Keith
09/13/19	TAYBS Comedy Show Fundraiser	Lisa & Keith
09/21/19	TAYBS Player Evaluations	Keith & <b>TBD</b>
11/13/19	Townsend Volunteer Information Night	<b>TBD</b>
12/01/19	TAYBS 2020 Winter Season Registration Opens	Keith

## TAYBS 2019 Board of Director Meetings

Thursday, January 10	Wednesday, April 10	Wednesday, July 10	Thursday, October 10
Thursday, February 21	Wednesday, May 8	Wednesday, August 14	Wednesday, November 13
Thursday, March 14	Wednesday, June 12	Wednesday, September 11	Wednesday, December 11