



Berlin Little League

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Meeting of the Berlin Little League Executive Board

April 6, 2026

Petit Field Office Complex

7:00 PM

Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order – 7:00 PM – Brian Jehning, President. Reminder to sign into the meeting using QR Code.
2. Approval of Minutes - Brian Jehning **Approved.**
3. Treasurer's Report – Sara Lopofsky **balance on par with last year at this time.**
 - **P** Treasurer Report - April 2026 Meeting.pptx
4. District 5 Updates - Brian Jehning
 - Softball Schedules have been released for all levels. Good luck to the girls this season during interleague play.
 - Tournament site for state finals should be determined soon. Berlin will half host the 9-11 District tournament as we did last year.
5. Discussion of Old Business
 - Renovation of Garrity and Pulcini. **Sarah/Tony presented 4 options for Pulcini dugout. Proposal to accept Option 4-Fixing up the storage space, up to \$15,000. APPROVED.**
6. Discussion of New Business, may require Board Action
 - Spring Registration - Ryan Haley
 - Sponsorship for 2026 - Pete Kern **115 Signs. 11 new. \$24,000 for the league this year.**
 - Concessions Report - Betty Mayer **Petit will open with hot food after April break. Garrity/Pulcini will be dry snacks. Dennehy: slushie machine and keurig machine. Centurelli: keurig machine. Sara to order 2 slushie machines from Home Depot, Wayne will pick them up.**
 - Safety Officer - Brian Lopofsky
 - All Board Members and Coaches Background Checks will begin now
 - Little League Abuse Awareness Training required for all coaches-
<https://www.littleleague.org/university/articles/abuse-awareness-training-course/>
 - The 45 minute first aid refresher course is recommended.

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- We will be reaching out to league coordinators to send out to coaches and to families on GameChanger the medical release Google Form. Those should go out to families this week.
 - Requested League Donations
 - Tcop Annual Golf Tournament -  Tcop2026rev1.pdf
 - Coleton's Champs - Raising awareness to cure NF - <https://secure.qgiv.com/event/steps2curenf-hartford2026/team/1017762/>
 - BHS Baseball Fundraiser -  2026 Golf Tourney Appeal Letter.pdf
 -  BHS Golf Flyer 2026.pdf
- \$250 each for the golf tournaments**
\$500 to Coleton's Champs
\$500 to Nora's family
\$250 for BHS Softball equipment
\$200 for Berlin Grounds Crew
APPROVED
- Amendment to BLL bylaws for this season:
 - Manager of each team is responsible for fielding a 9-player team even if it is necessary to bring a player up from the Major League player pool from another team that is not a Tournament Team Player.
 - Statement to read: "Begin with non Tournament team players, but in the event all non-tournament players have been asked to play, 10U tournament players (and there on after) may be asked to play if necessary. Any replacement players must bat lowest in the order and play in the outfield."
Temporary for this Spring 2026-APPROVED

7. League Officer and Board of Directors Reports

- President's Report – Brian Jehning
 - Opening Day Majors/Minors Baseball - Saturday April 25, 2026. The 1986 State Championship team will be invited to throw out the first pitch.
 -  2026 Hit Run Throw Flyer.pdf

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Opening day will run as follows. Minors game at 11:00, 2 Minors games at 2:00. Minor's opening day ceremony to be held between games. Yard Goats Hit, Run, Throw to follow 2nd Minor's game. Major's opening ceremony to follow, with games beginning between 5-5:30.

- Opening Day Softball (All Divisions) - Sunday April 26, 2026.
- BLL Scholarship Committee - Looking for as many Board members to be on our committee again this year. Please see me after the meeting and I will get materials for you this week to review.
- Yardgoats BLL Night - Friday May 1. League email will go out tomorrow with how to purchase tickets for the game.
- Vice President's Report – Wayne Wright **Send any repairs (facilities) to Wayne. The town will be fixing the door to Petit building. Garrity/Pulcini-refreshing buildings (lights, paint) so that buildings can be put to better use. Proposing to buy some sort of screen that can block sun from being in batters eyes in outdoor cages, if we do not have anything on hand. \$400 to purchase 2 speakers for Garrity and Pulcini. APPROVED.**
- Secretary's Report – Billy Nowitzke
- Player Agent's Report – Kelly Steck
- Safety Officer's Report – Brian Lopofsky
- Coaching Coordinator's Report – Brian Mayer **Will send out Umpire sheet from last year and then the update once officially posted.**
- Challenger League Coordinator's Report – Chris Pelosi
- Concessions Coordinator's Report – Betty Mayer
- Equipment Manager's Report – Bill Steck
- Facilities Manager's Report – Tony Trigila
- League Information Coordinator – Ryan Haley
- Sponsor and Fundraising Manager's Report – Peter Kern
- Baseball Umpire in Chief - Open
- Baseball/Softball Uniform Coordinator - Open
- Marketing / Public Relations Manager's Report – Chris Thomas
- Baseball / Softball League Reports
 - Major's - Brian Jehning
 - Minor's Coordinator – Rocco Buccheri

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- Farm Coordinator – Danielle Angelillo
- T-Ball Coordinator – Clifton Forbes
- Softball Coordinator – Danielle Gorneault **Would like to hang new signs. Will send info for where to hang and what to take down, for Brian to send to town.**
 1. John Szymanski (Majors/Minors)
 2. George Primich (Softies/Instructional) **For future meetings, discuss how to handle minors player's jerseys, if they can choose numbers or not.**

Board member Comments (Open Floor)

Announcement of Future Meeting Dates

Dates for 2026 Meetings - Monday at 7PM on the following dates:

- **Update: May Meeting moved to Sunday May 3, 2026 after the Majors games. Monday May 4, 2026 – 7:30 PM**
- Monday June 1, 2026 - 7:30 PM
- Monday August 3, 2026 - 7:00 PM
- Monday September 7, 2026 - 7:00 PM
- Monday October 5, 2026 - 7:00 PM - Annual Meeting electing new board members and presenting the 2027 BLL Year
- Annual League Banquet - Wednesday October 14, 2026 (tentative)
- Monday November 2, 2026 - 7:00 PM

Adjourn **8:32**

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