

**D3 Board Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2025 Pimlico Rec Center**

Attendees: All Board Members present.

Meeting called to order by Jack Finn at 2:08pm immediately after pizza delivery.

New Business:

Approval of Minutes

Upon motion by Jim Duckworth and seconded by Jack Finn the Minutes of the May 29, 2025 meeting were approved 8-0 with Gil Kettelhut abstaining due to his absence at the last meeting.

Treasurer Report

Balance 5/29/2025	\$2,136.55
Deposit-	.00
Expenses	.00
Balance 7/10/2025	<u>\$2,136.55</u>

Upon motion by Jerry McDonald and seconded by Bob Seeber the Treasurer's Report was approved 9-0.

Seasonal field rotation

Following discussion, it was confirmed that the field rotations posted on the website for the upcoming seasons are correct.

Purchase of hats for seasonal league and tournament champion

Jerry McDonald presented the costs he had obtained with regard to purchasing hats indicating the seasonal league and tournament champions. The annual cost of the hats would be approximately \$950.00. This amount would represent more than 30% of the estimated annual player donations the league receives for league expenses. The Board felt that this cost would be too excessive.

D3 Golf Outing

Following the update from Lindell Grigg, Jim Duckworth and Tom Bortle it was confirmed that there is sufficient interest in holding a golf outing for D3, hopefully during the fall of 2025. Lindell, Jim and Tom will finalize details for the outing and present them to the Board at a future meeting.

Volunteers to attend evaluations and represent D3

Following discussion, it was noted that some D3 players have volunteered to attend the evaluations. Jack Finn will organize a schedule for the volunteers and certain board members to attend the weekly evaluations. Initially, a six week commitment to attend the evaluations every Tuesday morning would be required.

Changing the times of the games for the remainder of the summer season

Herb Lauer requested that the Board revisit the start times of the games. The Board decided that since we are more than halfway through the season the game times will not be changed. For the upcoming seasons, the Board will reconsider the start times of the games.

Gratuities for field maintenance crew

Following discussion, certain gratuities were approved for the field maintenance crew at Buffalo Glen.

Manager challenges of a play during a game

Mike Nikitas suggested a limitation be placed on managers with regard to the number of challenges they can make during a game. The suggestion was made in the hope of speeding up the games. Following discussion, the Board decided not to implement a new rule with regard to manager challenges.

Limiting warm up pitches during a game

Ron LeBeuf suggested limiting the number of warm-up pitches between innings after the first inning. Following discussion, it was decided that Lindell Grigg will inform the umpires that if, in the umpire's opinion, a pitcher is delaying the game while putting on his equipment and taking warm-up pitches, the umpire will be authorized to inform the pitcher that he will not take warm up pitches and the game will immediately continue. This procedure shall only be in effect following the first inning of the game.

Effectiveness of new rules

Protected player walk rule

The Board feels this rule has been working and shall remain in place as is. The Board noted that under this rule few, if any, penalties have occurred during the season whereby a player was awarded second base.

Pitching screen

Following discussion, the Board felt that the pitching screen has resulted in more safety for the pitchers and will remain mandatory.

Modify recruitment of A rated players

Numerous individuals have suggested the A rated players be rated A1, A2 and A3 for purposes of recruiting an A rated player. For example, if a team is missing an A2 player you can only recruit an A2 or A3 player, not an A1 player.

Following discussion it was decided that Bob Seeber and Lou Narciso shall discuss this issue and make recommendations to the Board at a later meeting. If this rule is changed, the Board will attempt to implement the modified rule for the upcoming season.

Recruiting A subs for the end of season tournament

Following discussion, it was decided that the rule with regard to the recruitment of A rated players shall extend into the end of season tournament. For example, if you chose a certain roster A rated player during the regular season you cannot choose that said player again for the tournament.

Upcoming meetings

August 3 – manager selection and player rating meeting

August 5 – managers meeting

August 9- draft of players

Upon motion by Jack Finn and seconded by Gil Kettelhut the meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.