B.A.S.S. BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 13, 2026

Board Members Present: Leonard Morgan (President), Robby Jannise (Vice-President), Rusty Barnhill (member), Lonnie Champagne (member)

REGISTRATION:

- Registration dinner will be at Luna's Restaurant. Tickets will cost $15 per person. Payment options will be cash, check, and credit card.
- Dues will be $80 and extra shirts will cost $10 each.

BY-LAWS UPDATES:

- Eligibility [Article I,Section 3] - Remove the sentence regarding 49 year olds joining to play in the fall.
- Dues [Article I,Section 4] - Remove the sentence regarding multiple payment options.
- Board of Directors [Article I, Section 5] - This by-law will remain as-is through this season. For now, a second Vice-President will be appointed by the President to establish a quorum (Article III, Section 2).
- Election Procedure [Article II, Section 2] - Remove combination of mail-in and e-mail ballots and leave only a hand distributed ballot.
- Field Manager [Article IV] - The position of Field Manager will remain listed as a duty, as needed.
- Rules [Article V, Section 3] - BASS will continue to observe ASA rules to govern senior softball.

RULE CHANGES:

- Pick-up Players [I. B. 3. (3)] - Remove the current wording regarding pick-up player selection. Add: "Pick-up players will be determined by random draw. Colored poker chips corresponding to each team will be placed in a bag. Each pick-up player will pull a poker chip and play for the team the color represents."
- Substitute Players [I. F.] - Remove the entire rule regarding substitute players. (See rule above.)
- Roster Rules [II. A.] - Revise the first sentence regarding dues and liability to say: "Players will not be allowed to start league play if the registration form is not submitted and/or the liability waiver is not signed."
- Baserunning [IV. G] - This rule will stay as-is.

- Pitching [V. B. 1.] - Revise the last sentence to say: “If not wearing a protective mask, the pitcher shall be behind the screen after the ball is released.”

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- B.A.S.S. will purchase women’s softballs to be used for female players.
- Spouse and Sibling Teammates - The rule regarding spouses and siblings will remain intact. At the draft when one spouse/sibling is picked, the other will be assigned to a later round of the draft at the same time. When that round is reached, that coach will skip making a selection since the spot has been pre-selected with the remaining spouse/sibling.”
- A registration cut-off date will be observed to enable the Vice-President to create the draft list. Any eligible players who wish to join after that date will be placed on a waitlist. These players will serve as pick-up players until they can be placed on a team as spots become available if A-league players must drop out.
- Umpires will be apprised of rules changes and revisions for the 2026 season. Shirts will be provided for umpires this year.

B- LEAGUE REORGANIZATION:

- A B-league Vice President will be named by the President.
- The BASS Facebook and website will be utilized to promote and communicate regarding B-league dates and activities.
- The B-league will play on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Times to be set later.

LEAGUE GROWTH ISSUES TO ADDRESS:

- Team size limits - This number may fluctuate depending on the number who register, but an approximate number of 13 was chosen as the goal number.
- Depending on the turn out for registration and the draft, the A-league could expand to a 7th or 8th team to maintain appropriate team sizes.
- Players will be ranked according to ability/experience ahead of the draft. These rankings will be used to ensure that teams will be balanced.