



Vista Girls Softball Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 7, 2026
6:00pm
VGS Boardroom

Meeting Run Time: 6:03 pm - 8:24 pm (Total Run Time: 2 hours, 21 minutes)

Joe Allen - President	Raul Hernandez - Director of Fields & Maintenance
Josh Richcreek - Vice President	Thomas Liddicoat - Director of Select & All Star
Karla Barton - Secretary	Shawn Matteson - Director of Sponsorship & Fundraising
Jeremy Keller - Treasurer	OPEN - Director of Uniforms - <i>now Korina Allen</i>
OPEN - Player Agent	Eddie Alfaro - Publicity
Korina Allen - Director of Activities - <i>now Christine Hubbard</i>	Anna Ibanez - Team Parent Director
Melissa Matteson - Director of Awards & Pictures	Sydney Roberts - Umpire in Charge
Megan McKinney - Director of Coaching	Ben Haines - Director of Junior Umpires
Matt Almond - Director of Concessions	Jose Fonseca- Webmaster
Javier Cardenas - Director of Equipment	Andy Cato & Christine Hubbard - Auxiliary

Agenda: *Meeting called to order at 6:03 pm by President, Joe Allen*

Members in attendance: *Joe Allen, Karla Barton, Jeremy Keller, Korina Allen, Melissa Matteson, Megan McKinney, Thomas Liddicoat, Anna Ibanez, Jose Fonseca, Andy Cato, Christine Hubbard, Matt Almond, Sydney Roberts, Eddie Alfaro (joined at 6:29)*

Members absent: *Raul Hernandez, Ben Haines, Shawn Matteson, Josh Richcreek, Javier Cardenas*

1. **Financials 6:03-6:09** - *Statement of Activity handout from Treasurer, Jeremy Keller, went over with board, Hit-a-Thon proceeds (around \$48k) have not hit the bank account yet, All-Star payments have started going out (tournament fees have gone up), USA Background check is still pending, lots of payments are going out this month*

2. **New Board Member Introduction 6:09-6:10 - Christine Hubbard & Andy Cato**
Joe introduced two new board members
Andy - "here to serve where needed" wants to be efficient as working as a team
Christine - excited to be here to help the league do the best they can and watch the girls be happy and grow

3. **All-Stars 6:10-7:53**
 - a. **Thomas had pins & signs sent out on chat to vote on** - *Thomas wants clarification on how many to order and approval for ordering, doesn't have the year printed on the pins, just says VGS and All-Stars, these are around 2". May do 1 1/2" since we did that size for Hit-a-Thon pins. He did a preliminary order to see how it would go, but needed to figure out the quantity to be ordered (each girl gets x amount of pins and it could average around 10 pins per girl on potentially 6 teams for every game) may need close to 1,500 pins. Pins looking to be around \$5 each, cost should be allocated through the All-Star fund since it only goes to those players, not the entire league. Pins are only for teams that go to States. Signs are around \$15 each, 7 potential teams, X amount of players, could be around \$1200 total cost for these.*
Need to know turnaround time for these items. Need to know total cost. If we don't have girls going to States, then they don't need to extra order the pins. Go with 2" and see what turn around time is. Look back to ordering closer to the first week of May.
If we don't have the year/date on the pin, then we can use them for more years to come, may wait until Mid May to order these - don't want to over order, but need to take into consideration the next years' teams that may be able to use them
Should only charge ahead of time for signs, not pins
Need to figure out registration to cover all funds
Star signs won on the chat vote, \$1,675 for 100 signs with tax, free shipping 20"x20" size sign @ \$15 each
Turn around time is around 7-10 days for signs to be done
Going to ask for the name write in section to be a bit larger so we can write them in easier

- b. Interest forms were sent out by Anna to Team Parents via GroupMe Chat and e-mails 6:33-6:46** *Needs clarification on if a player is playing up in Rec that they can tryout for the upper level All-Stars (8u eligible, playing 10u Rec, wants to play 10u All-Stars) - bylaws state it needs to be voted on!*
Manager interviews will go through list of girls who are making those requests to be voted on
Formal requests need to be made or age eligibility isn't going to work
Need to have managers and team parents remind parents to have a Yes/No response and make sure they understand the request for the playing up/down for age level
Ages and who's who will be pulled and reviewed - Korina will do the birthday checks
- c. Team parent is responsible for ensuring all of their player's parents from their team completes the form prior to Monday 4/27. Anna to follow up with Team Parents on 4/16 to be sure remaining responses are gathered** *Anna will reach out again on the 20th to be sure they've done their interest form*
- d. Megan to send out e-mail to all managers (week of 4/6) about getting All-Star manager applications filled out** *Megan went over this at the 4/6 managers meeting so everyone would understand what's going on come tryouts and interviews*
- e. Manager interviews to be held on Wednesday, April 29th at 6:00pm**
- **Assessment notifications to all managers** *they are all aware they need to be here for all assessments*
- f. Acknowledgements & approvals** *Discussed above with Thomas*
- g. All Star Uniforms** *Korina passed around a sample jersey for board to look at in person (we had voted on chat for this) will be slightly changing and it'll go back on the chat to vote upon once changed*
- *Helmets can be done for \$50, in matte navy blue, built into the cost of uniforms - sticker price is built in as well to be added to helmets for previous All-Star players that are playing again - going in as "spirit wear" option so girls from older seasons have the option to get a new helmet. Discussed helmets being part of the uniform, not the equipment bag*
- *Will need to put on board chat to vote on anonymously*
- *Helmets are gifted to new players by the board, it is an issue to do it for All-Stars only and not the entire league, unless it comes from the All-Stars funds!*
- *Each team can fundraise money for helmets*
- *We need come back to this once we figure out how many new players we are getting this season for All Stars - TBD during next meeting*

- h. All Star Tournament Schedule - 8U & 10U Gold are missing a tournament May 29-31 - no longer relevant**
- i. All Star Cost \$185 for 3 jerseys, 2 pants, 2 belts, 2 socks**
B District Teams - \$587.08, \$422.08 per girl, \$185 uniform
C District Teams - \$468.75 \$303.75, Uniform \$185
14u - \$529.17, \$364.17 Per Girl, \$185 Uniform
Can pull from the Escondido tournament until end of C districts - not including for Escondido in total cost - can fundraise if they do make it to pay for that tournament
**Board voted to remove Escondido costs from total amount due for All-Stars just in case they don't get to play there and don't have to worry about a reimbursement issue*
- *Do they need to at least pay half up front? - Only if they ask to make payments, then we can allow it, but we are not to offer this option*
 - *Everyone comes in as a B team this year*
 - *Jeremy to go through Team Sideline to see if anyone has an outstanding balance from Rec who may not be All-Star eligible if fees aren't closed out prior to tryouts*
- j. Co-Hosting 'B' Districts with San Marcos - How do we guarantee parents help? Korina mentioned that we possibly have them pay a deposit?**
**Board to vote on how much of a deposit - \$75 sounded like a reasonable amount (buyout or work shift to get deposit back) - Zelle Jeremy the deposits so he can do reimbursements when snack bar shift is worked - buyouts would go into All-Star funds for next season*
- k. Player tryouts & draft to be held on Friday, May 1st**
- **Format for Assessments** *all 3 fields at once, can we stagger about a half hour for check-in purposes, can we have a check in table at each field? Ask assistant coaches to help with assessments? Shagging balls and running drills so managers can watch*
~Ideas for day of Assessments:
 - *No assessment needed for Pitchers & Catchers*
 - *Registration check in to ask if they are wanting to be a pitcher or catcher for All-Stars*
 - *10u at 5:30 check in for 6:00 assessment*
 - *Next group at 6:30*
 - *Coaches here at 4:45*
 - *Board members here at 4:30 to start helping with check in/set up*
 - *We will do 2 groups, splitting the total numbers of girls into each group evenly, 45 min assessments*
 - *Maybe have 10u go first so the big group goes and gets done first*

- *Another meeting will be held after numbers come in for interest and by next Wednesday, a time slot meeting will be done noting that 10s need to go earlier than others*
- **Order for draft** - *we need someone to step in as Player Agent vote (currently an open position which is also an executive board position). Executive members voted for Sydney Roberts to take on this voting spot, she can do this for the draft as well, can't do it for 12s, Thomas or Javier could do it for 12s, most likely Javier since Elianna is in 12s and has seen all the girls play in this*

l. Announcements & signs to go out on Saturday, May 2nd

Last meeting notes regarding All-Stars:

- *During tryouts, there will be a list with what team they are currently on, they'll go by jersey color & number - have to identify if they are playing down - cannot tryout for 2 different divisions (either 10u OR 12u, not both)*
- *Megan to send out (at end of April) that all managers need to be at the All-Star tryouts - have a talk about how picking players works*

m. Uniform fittings and All Star Signing Day, May 3

- *Begin at 10am, teams will go in one hour increments*
- *Managers to be present for "signing"*
- *Players must be present for uniform fittings, orders go in May 4 at 8am*
- *Approval for 3 sets of uniforms*

5. Rec Tournaments Coming Up 7:54-8:06

- a. Manager Meeting on 4/6 picked seeds for tournament**
- b. Tournament Schedule/bracket posted on VGS website with teams**
- c. Managers/Team Parents to notify teams of expected dates for games with brackets to help understand how games will play out with W vs L in 2 loss elimination style play**

**Board voted to keep the games and numbers and standings and everything else the same with the bracket since there was only a number pull, not a standing way of doing this*

- *Next year might need to do a pool play rather than seeding to avoid these issues with the bracket so it can be address the right way with numbering system - we did bracket placement, not really a seed way of doing this this season*

6. Closing Ceremonies - Saturday, April 25th (time to be posted on website teams can arrive at 9am to set up) 8:06-8:10 - Korina to share info with Team Parents on chat about activities and timing for the day

- a. BMOD shifts will be added for these nights**
- b. Melissa had T-Ball trophies voted on in chat**
- c. Expectations from Board Members on the day of**
 - 8:30am set up with board members & 9am Team Parents can arrive
 - 10am future stars game
 - 11am awards & announcements
 - 12-4 party with your team
- d. Activities during ceremonies** *balloon guy, bounce house w/obstacle course, slip & slide, dunk tank*

Sydney added umpire talks 8:11-8:15

- *Sydney can't do BMOD shifts during tournament weeks since she needs to umpire or be coaching her team on any given day*
- *Do we need Jr Umps during tournaments (Syd sticking with her 4 mains)*
 - *Board voted by raise of hands to have Jr Umps*
 - (Sydney to place more experienced in 10s and 12s, less experienced in 8u)*
 - *Andy is needed for the more intense games, rather than Kabrina*
 - *Sydney to umpire any 12u game that is not her own team's game*
 - *Eli can do 8u umpire if needed*

- 7. Fall Registration Opening opens on... 8:15-8:17** *April 20th registration to open*
 - a. Set pricing** - *Last Fall was \$190 early, \$200 something regular, and more for late*
 - *Copy last Fall Pricing and registration timeline*
 - b. Vote on intra- or inter- league play** - *can't decide until later (maybe July)*

8. 2026-2027 - Board Elections 8:18-8:22

- a. Who is staying, keeping current positions or changing positions?**
 - Changing positions:*
 - Korina to Director of Uniforms*
 - Christine to Director of Activities*
 - Ben Haines to Director of Junior Umpires*
- b. What is open?** *Send e-mails to secretary@vistags.org to let her know if you are leaving, keeping, or changing your position*
 - Need a Player Agent! Executive role that needs to be filled sooner than later!*
 - Talking to USA Softball without a player agent, but may be easier without one during All-Stars*

Last topic 8:22-8:24- random people hanging out around park, it is public, but need to call Park Ranger if seeing suspicious activity (suspicious individuals looking in cars and truck beds, using parking lot/park for inappropriate reason, etc)

Meeting Ended 8:24pm