

SFBSA 2025 December Board Meeting Summary

Scott Crimone, President of the South Fayette Baseball & Softball Association (SFBSA), welcomed new and returning Board members and provided updates on recent community events, including *Joy Through Fairview* and *Stuff the Dugout*. Registration totals were reported at 123 players (98 baseball, 25 softball). The Board also received updates on the All-Star selection process, fundraising initiatives, committee progress, and Fairview Field developments.

1. Call to Order and Board Introductions

Scott Crimone called the meeting to order during the Holiday Social/Meeting, welcomed attendees, and introduced new and returning Board members. He noted that refreshments were available and stated the intention to keep the meeting concise.

2. Review of Old Business and Community Events

Scott Crimone reviewed events completed since the Board transition in November:

- **Joy Through Fairview (December 5):** The Association participated in an event serving hundreds of children, distributed treat bags, and promoted registration via QR code. Positive feedback was received from Paula, Township Parks & Recreation Manager.
 - **Stuff the Dugout:** Scott thanked Raquel for coordinating donations and Dan Riggio for leading the event.
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3. Registration Update

Scott Crimone provided an overview of the registration campaign conducted through the website, email, and social media, and thanked Jamie for managing this effort. Jamie reported:

- **Total Registrations:** 123 players (98 baseball, 25 softball)
- **Early Bird Discount:** Available through December 31
- **Registration Closes:** January 31

Scott also recognized Jamie, Stephanie Orlando, Kaitlin Maggio, and Gretchen Connelly for their assistance with registration support, social media, and event preparation.

4. All-Star Selection Process

The Board held its first All-Star Selection Process Committee meeting, identified as a top priority. Garrett Moon reported that the 22-member committee agreed on an overall framework, including:

- Maintaining a **mid-May timeline**
- Implementing **tryouts at all levels**
- Operating All-Stars as a **six-week summer program** (June through late July)
- No plans to pursue a year-round AAU program at this time

Scott Crimone confirmed that proposed revisions and evaluation forms were distributed to the committee. The next meeting is scheduled for January 3, with the goal of presenting a finalized proposal at the January 15 Board meeting and holding a vote in February.

5. New Business: Fundraising Initiatives

Scott Crimone outlined upcoming fundraising efforts:

- **Five Below Fundraiser:** December 15–19 (20% of sales with provided form)
- **Chipotle:** January 17
- **31 Bar & Grill:** February 16
- **Mezzeh:** February 22
- **OTB:** March 30

John Maggio added that the Fundraising Committee, meeting in January, will explore additional opportunities such as a Night at the Races or Topgolf.

John Maggio also reported that Dick's Sporting Goods provided a **\$2,000 bulk store credit** for equipment and confirmed continuation of:

- 20% off in-store events at Robinson and South Hills (March and August)
- Additional 10% off online discounts (April–July)

Efforts are underway with the Township to secure sponsorships for naming rights for fields, dugouts, and scoreboards at Fairview.

6. Committee Progress and Community Outreach

Scott Crimone reported that 36 community members volunteered across subcommittees, with strong participation in the All-Star Committee.

Jason Butkus shared updates from the Apparel & Uniforms Committee, noting that Vanessa Keller and Amy Moon met with Keystone and other vendors to secure competitive pricing and proper sizing, leveraging access to vendor pricing.

Scott also noted improved communication with South Fayette High School Baseball Coach Mark Snider and outreach to the NHS Coordinator to recruit student volunteers for:

- Photography
 - Field maintenance (lining fields)
 - Concession stand support
 - Event support (“Fun Brigade”) at Morgan and Fairview
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7. Fairview Field Update

Brandon provided an update on Fairview Field developments:

- Turf installation is complete, with fencing partially installed
- Two fields have been fully seeded
- A budget has been approved for scoreboards
- Potential for **fall season use**, pending grass growth

The Township is considering use of the turf area for T-Ball and Pre Tee players in the spring, with temporary fencing to protect the grass. Dugouts will include roofs and fencing, and the Township plans to purchase windscreens featuring SFBSA branding.

8. Concession Stand and Closing Remarks

Ashley, Concession Stand Manager, reported that the Association is evaluating updates to the merchandise system and is likely to retain the current platform rather than transition to Clover.

Kaelon Egan shared positive feedback on attending the meeting virtually via Google Meet and offered to donate microphones to support future meetings.

Scott Crimone concluded the business portion of the meeting and invited attendees to remain for food, drinks, and informal discussion.