



# MN Vortex/A's Board Meeting

**Vision:** Most admired girls fastpitch club in the upper Midwest.

**Mission:** We provide an uncompromising commitment to developing players on and off the field and knowing that the quality of our coaches and the satisfaction of our teams and families is paramount.

## Minutes

**August 10, 2025**

**I. Call to Order: 8:05 pm**

**II. Roll Call:** Rich Gross, Mike Carter, Jon Volling, Scott Peterson, Reuben Singer

**III. Agenda Items**

- **July Board Minutes: Mike asked for a vote, Scott - 2nd. All approved.**
- **Tryouts Recap**
  - 13 teams (up 2 from last year)
  - Have folks capture what went well and had some challenges. Dev night had a great attendance. Next year, let's have the Dev tryout at a different night.
  - Year Change - had a few issues who wanted to try out at a different age.
  - Looking for a total of 3 players between 2 teams, otherwise went very smoothly.
  - Let's have a tryout debrief meeting.
  - Whiteboard to see entire schedule that includes Pin#'s, coming and going.
  - Largest turn downs we have seen. 9 "returning" players turned down offers.
- **Morgan Garbrecht Resignation**
  - Would like to fill this at some point.
  - Mike spent an hour on the phone with her, debriefing, etc.
  - Thankful for her contributions to the organization
  - Mike would ask the board to recognize her contributions at some point (not necessarily all at one)
  - Would like to send something to her (thank you, gift card, flowers, etc.) - Mike will take the lead on this.
- **Finances**

### **Account Balances:**

· Checking Balance: \$151,905

· Savings Balance: \$23,315

· Credit Card Rewards Balance: \$2,492

FYE 2025 Tax Return - will engage with Ellingson & Ellingson to prepare/file Federal & State tax returns; same as previous years

### **Summer Tryouts**

312 registrations (136 returners; 176 new)

Revenue \$10,000; Net Income = \$3,200

Offers emailed and recorded

Teams mostly formed

Winter Dev Team Tryouts - Thu., 8/7

Free registrations

Need to finalize hours/payments for tryout helpers

10U - 24 offers sent out; 11 accepts

12U - 29 offers sent out; 24 accepts

2025/2026 Player Registrations

157 players accepted our offers

Registration links for LeagueApps email send Wed., 8/6; 72 players have registered

Summer Development Trainings - 59 participants; Izzy G and Ella L lead practices

## **2026 Expenses**

**Training Facility** - currently \$6K/mth; increase for 2026?

**Director Salary**

**Player Dev/Operations Salary**

**Statement of Activity Reviews (attached):**

08/10/2025 Club Statement of Activity - YOY

08/10/2025 Teams Statement of Activity

Motion: Mike to make the motion. Jon to 2nd. Finance is approved unanimously.

- **25/26 Salaries - Director & Player Dev and Operations Mgr**
- **Monthly Facility Payment**
  - Current rate is \$6000/month
  - The new ask is \$7000/month
  - Motion: Rich asked to increase our Monthly payment from \$6000 to \$7000/month. 2nd: Mike 2nd. Motion passes unanimously.
- **Allocate Funds for Financial Aid**
  - Look to be 4 families to be in discussion with Mike. Motion: Is for Mike to have \$7000 to supplement families who have a financial need. These are strictly financial need based. 2nd by Reuben. Motion is passed.
- **Coaches Meeting on Aug 12, 2025**
  - The meeting is Google Meet (virtual).
  - Mike would like for the board to be present.
  - Mtg is from 6-8 pm
- **Team Naming Structure**
  - More to come down the pipeline.
- **TCOS Project Work Approval**
  - Conceptual needs, repairs, clean ups, Would like to make the 2nd level more usable.
  - Will need some sweat equity and bodies to help out and get something on the calendar.
  - Can ask for help organization-wise
- **Fall Kick Off Needs**
  - Plan for meeting later this week.
  - Will need Food, Deserts, Drinks, etc.
  - Practice Jerseys (just in case)
  - Registrations
  - QR codes for the decks
  - Logistics
- **Apparel Updates - Fan Gear and Store**
  - Prices are going up and could be a bigger hit than might be expected.
- **Next Meeting - September, Monday, 15th**

## **IV. Close of Meeting**

