

LYB Board Meeting – 11/18/2025

1. Opening Weekends Follow-Up:

- a. There was some confusion regarding jersey colors for home/away. Some teams' jerseys "home" style would be the same color as another teams' "away" style.
 - i. Commissioners encouraged to help foster collaboration between teams to establish a "uniform schedule" for the season so teams don't show up matching.
- b. There is not a lot of warm up time in between games for teams or when they have double headers.
 - i. No solution at this time—bound by LISD's schedule in what we are paying for. At their mercy for games to stay on time.
- c. Commissioners have also received their coach rosters as of 11/17 and will be reaching out by the end of the week. Commissioners are expected to include the following in their intro message:
 - i. Introduce themselves and what their role is
 - ii. Encourage the coaches to introduce themselves
 - iii. Announcements about camps coming up
 - iv. Ask what they need—meaning clarifications, help with practices, or how to invest into one player specifically, etc.

2. Draft Rule Change Follow-Up – Applicable for 26/27 season.

- a. Proposal: Trades happen in the open in front of the group, mediated by the host of the draft.
 - i. Each team would get one (1) trade chip at the beginning of the draft—Coaches may NOT ask someone for their trade chip in order to gain another, each chip is assigned to a coach.
 - ii. The host will go by draft order: Draft pick #1 will go first, presenting a trade proposal to another coach.
 1. If the other coach accepts, both coaches forfeit their trade chip and they may not trade or be traded with from there.
 2. If the other coach denies, Draft pick #1 will have one more opportunity to trade with another coach. If accepted, refer to #1, if denied, the host moves on to Draft pick #2.
 3. Coaches may not ask for a 3-way trade—the trade is between 2 coaches, with one athlete each.
 4. Only one athlete per team may be considered during the trade.
 - iii. The goal: Maintain the recreation ideology of the league: encourage athletes to make new friends within teams, to learn from new voices with coaching staffs, and to help level the talent within the teams.
 - iv. ACCEPTED. To be implemented into 26/27 Youth Basketball Season.
- b. Another rule that was discussed: Player Saves
 - i. No decision made—Board is to develop and adopt the mission we have for the league. Neighborhood Sports allows for a full roster save for a competitive league, do we want to compete with that, or would we like to be the league that gives the other athletes a chance to learn, grow, and develop in a safe place that is more accepting, and talent evenly distributed amongst the teams?
 - ii. To be rediscussed at future meetings with a final decision to be made at the June 2026 meeting.

3. Winter Event:

- a. Board members were given the task of developing ideas for a winter/new year event for the league.
- b. Ideas due to Bri by Monday, November 24, 2025.
- c. Ideas include, but not limited to:
 - i. Games to be played
 - ii. Prizes (if needed)
 - iii. Activities

- iv. Take-Homes
 - v. Date options
- d. Goal: Bring the league together for a fun, bonding event.
- e. Details to be sent to the coaches and families in the league during the week of December 1.
- 4. Open Forum:
 - a. Upcoming Dates/Events:
 - i. January 22 – League Night with Austin Spurs
 - 1. Bri to touch base with coaches that practice on Thursdays for alternatives
 - 2. Send out messages to coaches and families regarding details
 - 3. Coaches will need to maintain a running roster of which athletes will be attending for a chance to participate in pre- and during-game activities. Athletes to be chosen by random draw.
 - ii. Banquets:
 - 1. 7u – January 29
 - 2. 5u & 9u – February 3
 - 3. 11u & 13u – February 5
 - b. Mini-Tournament for 7u – top 4 teams?
 - i. There is no way to establish the top 4 due to no score being documented on TeamSideline.
 - ii. Time/Space a concerning factor with LISD.
 - iii. To be re-discussed for possible future seasons
 - c. How can we continue to see better basketball?
 - i. Beneficial to have a halfway point coach’s meeting?
 - 1. Offer it as optional with some incentive!
 - ii. Decided: give the league a chance now that we have a board to invest in the athletes and coaches. Ben is a new and great resource to help bridge the gap for coaches that get stuck
 - iii. Shoot360 has been a very successful tool for the older age divisions! Continue the partnership for more seasons to come.
 - 1. John with Shoot360 will reach out to coaches regarding what they want his staff to work on; commissioner (Lindsey Bellinger) to let those coaches know to ensure they are honest with what they need and have a plan.
- 5. Adjournment: Next meeting scheduled for December 16th at 6:30pm in the Monarch Room at the Leander Activity Center.