

LYBSA Advisory Meeting – 03/25/2026

1. Commissioner Check In:
 - a. Commissioners were asked for an update about their age divisions
 - i. 8u Cory Birchfield – Will be checking in this week
 - ii. 6uM Collin Temple – Feels there’s a big lack of response and participation. Going to keep trying
 - iii. 14u Daniel Kanneg – Mentioned 14u questions about 8 runs/inning
 - iv. 6uSB & 10uSB Sam Fair – 6uSB is very participative with lots of questions. 10uSB is easy going and self-sufficient
 - v. 8uSB & 12uSB/14uSB Anthony Pena – Self-sufficient, little to no needs
 - vi. 6uT Star Bennack – Have mentioned concerns or observations of some 6uT teams not playing in actual positions but in blobs in the infield.
2. Halfway Point Coaches’ Meeting:
 - a. Advisory team asked for specific topics or drills that should be discussed at the meeting
 - b. Meeting is on April 11 – Benbrook Ranch Park
 - c. Drills:
 - i. Angles
 - ii. High-movement drills for infield and outfield
 - iii. Defensive drills for ground balls, line drives, pop ups
 - iv. Speed & agility
 - v. Sliding
 - d. Topics of coverage:
 - i. How to deal with difficult parents/athletes
 - ii. Rule reminders
 - iii. Safety for defensive players and baserunners
 - e. Commissioners will be sending out a questionnaire, or reaching out individually to coaches to determine specifically what they would like covered in the meeting
3. All Stars:
 - a. Written document has been uploaded to TeamSideline that highlights the process of All Star selection
 - b. “If a player commits and doesn’t show, can there be a reserves list to pull from?” No... CenTex & Diamond require a submission of rosters prior to competitive play. If the athlete is not listed on that roster, the team is disqualified from competing.
 - c. Coaches should include a special note for any particulars from athletes, i.e. will not play under a specific coach
 - d. Baseball: When determining division for argument to CenTex:
 - i. Ages of athletes on the team
 - ii. Realistic conversation with coaches after first couple of practices on what division they truly feel they can compete in
 - e. To bring excitement for All Stars this season or future ideas:
 - i. Promotional material (A-Frames, signs in the dugout, etc.) – Tara Yukawa (Secretary) to put together
 - ii. Shouting out previous years’ All Stars at Opening Ceremonies
4. Open Forum:
 - a. Question: Are 6u players allowed to play up in 8u as a pool player?
 - i. The head coach of the team would need to follow the protocol listed in the handbook. Verbiage below:

“If coaches are short players and need to pick up one or two max players they may, with the permission of the league president, communicate to the opposing coach.

If a pick-up player is granted, they must be chosen from the given pool of players:

- *Registered to play in the league.*
- *Play within the same age division—same subdivision first, then entire age division if no athletes are available.*
- *Was not a part of an All Star roster during the past one (1) calendar year.”*

b. Question: At what point can coaches request a schedule change?

- i. League to add a guideline to rulebook – to be discussed further in April Meeting.
- ii. Bri will be putting a draft of the rules together for next meeting for Advisory Team to read through and add any adjustments and have discussions.

c. Request: Have two (2) umpires for 8u divisions

- i. They would be able to see more plays and cover more ground
- ii. Currently, it is felt that the umpire listens to the loudest coach
- iii. Expenses: a \$30+ increase in player fees to cover all games
 1. This will be visited by Leander Athletics Team to decide

d. Concern: Coaches (specifically softball is noticed) that other coaches are poaching players of other teams during and after games, even when the families have said no multiple times

- i. Families becoming uncomfortable
- ii. Apparent in age divisions 8u-12u
- iii. Can Advisory Team add a clause to Handbook stating guidelines?
 1. To be discussed at next meeting regarding rule changes & additions

5. Adjournment: Next meeting scheduled for April 22nd at 6pm at the Leander Activity Center. Please check <https://teamsideline.com/sites/Leander/content/38355/BaseballSoftball-Advisory-Team> for any updates to meeting date and time.