

California District 4





Meeting Called to Order: 8:05 pm, at UCCE 2380 Bisso Lane, Concord, CA 944520

Staff Attendance: Ted Boet, Liz Berg, Jim Rose, Candido Anicete, Michele Vierra, Don Waddell, Phil Raines, Carla Moore,

Stephen Mohammed, Geoff Shiu

League Attendance: Alameda, Albany, Concord American, Lafayette, Martinez, Pinole Hercules, Pittsburg National,

Richmond, Walnut Creek

Alameda: Rick Breslin; Lafayette: Adam Carmin – new president; Pittsburg National: Angeline Gosca – Vice President; Richmond: Sarah Salazar – Administrative Secretary

DA Ted Boet:

- Welcome to the final D4 meeting of the 2026 season; Everyone introduced themselves
- D4 Staff met Saturday, September 13th, to discuss the New Season
- International Congress: held every four years will be in Indianapolis in February 2026

Post Season Director, Don Waddell:

- Thank you leagues for hosting Post Season games, players, volunteers
 - a. Only one suspended game at Lafayette
 - b. Very few Protests that were easy to take care of
 - c. Great Post Season
- Post Season Survey: sent to those that attended the Post Season Meetings (Tournament Director, Umpires, TOC and All Stars):
 - a. 95 responded; numerical ratings were given; Comments were asked for
 - b. Summaries have been handed out to the presidents
 - c. Areas for Improvements
 - 1. Fields & Facilities received the lowest scores
 - 2. Scores overall were generally good, some improvements needed
 - 3. Scheduling changes needed
 - 4. I'll be working with you in the coming months on the needed improvements; one field had grass over the ankles.
 - 5. Better training of Staff at games
 - Schedules Brackets will be released at the April meeting; TOC starts the 1st weekend of June; Future Stars will be at the same time as Teenage Baseball All Stars, approximately June 13th.
 Ted will work with leagues that want to participate in TOC
 - 7. Game Time: moves from 5:30pm to 6:00pm
 - 8. Post Season Training: moves to On-line Self Training (open for two weeks to give time to everyone to complete)
 - a. All managers and coaches will complete the training
 - b. Q & A session to follow the On-line Training: Rules will be answered by Jim Rose. Procedures will be answered by Ted Boet
 - 9. Fields you have the dates, request for Post Season as well as for Regular Season

Assistant District Administrator and LL Baseball ADA, Liz Berg:

- Slack Channels:
 - a. **Presidents** for sending communications; will be updated with the new presidents
 - b. Interleague Play
 - 1. Rules Please play as close to Little League Rules as possible, it will make Post Season play easier
- Basic Rules that Teams need to follow at games will be sent out
 - a. ONLY three Coaches (manager and two coaches) are allowed on the field
 - b. No sitting on buckets or standing outside of the dugouts



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- c. No On Deck Batters
- d. No holding bats in the dugouts
- Contacts: please send me your Baseball Representatives email and phone numbers by the October meeting
- **November D4 meeting by Zoom**: Tuesday, November 18th, will be President's Round Table; I will be contacting you with topics to discuss at the Round Table.
- Spring Registration: send a link about your league's Sign-ups, she will post on the D4 website
- Board of Directors: everyone will be emailed the D4 meeting Minutes and Newsletter

DA Ted Boet: League Websites need updating, make current to provide information for your members.

UIC and Training Coordinator, Jim Rose:

- Post Season Games: 205
- Umpires at Post Season Games: all games had at least two umpires and majority had three or four umpires.
- Leagues providing Umpires: there were some leagues that provided almost none. Martinez provided the most, Pinole Hercules next
- Newsletter: please Read
 - a. Rules Clinics, Basic Rules Clinics, Teenage Baseball, and Softball Rules Clinics: Dates are Set
 - **b.** Coaches Clinics: Martinez and Richmond have set dates. We can set dates with other leagues, Clinics can be by Zoom or In-person. I will work with what leagues need. Interleague Rules can be covered.
 - c. Large Zoom Meeting is possible for every league that is in Interleague
 - d. **UICs:** are needed in every league. I need to know who to communicate with in each league.
 - e. Youth Umpires: good as long as they have the training and Game Coordinators. Start looking now for both.

Asst. UIC Baseball, Candido Anicete:

- Umpires are needed.
- Not too early to start training
- We want to help you

Softball ADA, Phil Raines:

- Softball Scheduling Meeting: Thursday, February 12^h, 6:30pm -?, Location: 2380 Bisso Ln, Concord
- Softball Rules Meeting: Monday, February 23rd, 6:30pm 8:30pm, Location: 2380 Bisso Ln, Concord
- League Contact Info: please send your Softball Rep's email and cell phone info to me
- District Games: there were some issues with outside District teams cancelling regular season games. We will work
 on this.
- Lafayette Little League will have Softball this year

DA Ted Boet:

- Albany LL Softball Territory will be given to Richmond LL
- Concord American LL Softball Territory will be given to Clayton Valley LL

Challengers ADA, Stephen Mohammed, Sr.:

- Challenger Jamboree 25th Anniversary this season
- **Jamboree:** will be Sunday, April 26th, 2026
- There are two leagues that do not have teams, please work on this
- Senior Teams: more are needed.



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Safety Officer, Michele Vierra:

- **ASAP:** there are a few minor changes this year.
- Change for the Winner: Other Grants Will be available in place of a set of lights.

DA Ted Boet:

- Taxes Complete and submit to IRS, then send to Becky Bassett at Little League headquarters
- Board of Directors Information: Send to Secretary Carla Moore, she will send to the rest of the District Staff.
- Data Center: Update with your Board's information.
- Financial Report: send to Becky Bassett
- Data Center File Cabinet: Upload the following ítems:
 - a. Constitution needs to be approved for your league to participate in TOC Headquarters will notify you if changes need to be made and/or approved. Concord American is the only league with an approved Constitution.
 - b. Rules & Regulations
 - c. Budget
- Folders handed out to presidents contain the following:
 - a. Charter: information since 2007
 - b. **Pie Chart**: District 4 money in and money out
 - c. District 4 Budget
 - d. League Dues paid by March 2026 D4 meeting; 2 pages explain what is being charged
 - e. **Lewis Cup**: How a league gets points
 - f. **Vendor Night:** Tuesday, October 21st, at John Muir Elementary, Martinez Dinner and Vendors: 7:30pm 8:30pm; Dinner: New Mecca Café of Pittsburg. 8:30-9pm: short meeting. Please invite others from your league to come meet the Vendors.
 - g. Volunteer Dinner: Saturday, October 25th
 - 1. Volunteer of the Year: five leagues have given me their volunteer's name Concord American, Clayton Valley, Martinez, Pinole Hercules, and Martinez. Please send me your league's volunteer's name by October 1st.
 - 2. Invitees: Presidents recognize you r efforts, Top 15 Umpires, and the Volunteers of the Year
 - 3. New Award: Brendan Barker Good Sport Award
 - h. **New Event**: Last Sunday in March 2026. 7 teams; a league's team is made up of any 9 or 10 kids 12 years old or under in the league. Fee: \$200, kids get a Shirt, a Pin and Lunch. More information next month.
 - i. Verification Day: Saturday, June 13th. Completion Night: Monday, June 15th
- Manila Envelopes: contain your league's All Stars paperwork. If there is a sticky note on it, the paperwork will need to be redone for the 2026 All Star season.

Adjourned: 9:20pm

Next meeting: October 21, 2025 Vendors Night at John Muir Elementary School, in the Cafeteria;

Dinner and Vendors: 7:30pm – 8:30pm; Dinner: New Mecca Café of Pittsburg

8:30-9pm: short meeting

Invite your Board Members to come with you to meet the Vendors and the other league's Board Members