Minutes

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**LVSSA dba Las Vegas Senior Softball Association, Inc.**

Wednesday, August 20, 2025

Skinny Dugans, 4127 West Charleston Blvd., Las Vegas, NV

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**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 12:33 pm by President Rod Adams with the following Board members in attendance:

President Rod Adams, Vice President Louise Freiheit\*, 64 and Under Representative Lou Bellino\*, 65 and Over Representative Butch Kocher\*, and Recording Secretary Jo Smith\*.

Ladies’ Representative Pinky Rogers\* and Treasurer Rudy Escamilla\* each had an excused absence.

The asterisk indicates a voting member. This roll call showed four votes which constituted a quorum.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Representative Lou Bellino and seconded by Vice President Freiheit that the agenda be approved as written. The motion was approved unanimously.

**MEMBER PARTICIPATION:** . **(Members are allowed two minutes to address the Board with a thirty-second recap. Board members may ask direct questions.)**

There were no members in attendance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Minutes of July 16, 2025, regular meeting (previously emailed to the Board):**

A motion was made by Vice President Freiheit and was seconded by Representative Bellino to approve the minutes of July 16, 2025 at this time as presented. The motion was approved unanimously, and the minutes were approved. President Adams will post the minutes to our website.

**OFFICERS’ REPORTS:**

**President:** President Adams has completed the Permit for August 1, 2025 – February 28, 2026. The only blackout date is Saturday, October 11, Columbus Day, when there are no fields available. For the guys after October 5, most guys take some time off.

-More videos from Representative Kocher loaded (Flag Day). President Adams paid $108 for Vimeo to use more videos on our website.

 -Continued Daily Work with LVSSA.Vegas Website and Facebook Updates, Membership, Goodwill, and Tournament Teams.

* **Vice President:** Vice President Freiheit sent another request to Big 5 for another coupon we may be able to use and spoke about items going to the homeless (water and electrolite packets). President Adams dropped off some clothes to the homeless. They also need socks.
* **64 and Under Representative:** No report.
* **65 and Over Representative:** A new member didn’t show up to practice.
* **Ladies’ Representative Pinky Rogers:** No report. (excused absense)
* **Treasurer:** Treasurer Escamilla had an excused absense. President Adams stated we currently have approximately $52,499.50, plus the Pay Pal account of $200.00, which totals $52,699.50 in all our accounts. Mr. Escamilla’s report is attached to the official copy of these minutes.
* **Secretary:** Jo Smith stated she will not be available for our next board meeting.

**GENERAL TOPICS/COMMITTEES:**

* **Shed:** A small smell but it seems to be getting better. President Adams will ask about more chalk and balls. We need wheels for the ball caddy but they don’t just sell the individual parts. We might be able to repair it with duct tape and/or sealer called locktite.

**-**Group of members, usually two members per group (11 keys total), possess a key

(Monday/Thursday, Tuesday/Friday, Ladies, Men’s BP and Tournament Teams) that open the

shed and prepare for the group’s daily practice/games.

No major changes.

REMINDERS: The membership list is in a folder beside the First Aid Box. More blank waiver forms have been added.

* **Website:** Visitors

September 2024 2,498 – All Time Record

April 2025 1,773

May 2025 1,719

June 2025 1,504

July 2025 1,179

August 2025 (8/20/2025) 737

-96 Rating Score from GoDaddy – A Rating.

If you can, go visit the website so we get more hits.

-Added: September Birthdays, Bat Tester Notice and Updates (there will be more bat testing

 before the Worlds tournament).

– Goodwill List Updated – Field Commissioner Messages Added – New Members Welcome List – August Board Meeting Agenda and June Minutes Added

- Calendar is Updated Weekly on Sunday morning for the following week and regularly (Based on Field Commissioner Input).

Our LVSSA Facebook page is updated on a regular basis.

* **Publicity:** MLK was handling this in the past. Posted to the LVSSA.Vegas website for a volunteer.

 President Adams placed brochures in his new apartment complex gym facility.

* **Goodwill/Welfare:** We wish all of the following the best of luck and hope they are feeling better soon: Don Sobieray, Marcia Sobieray, Norm Shue, Star Golia, Todd Killian, Gary Carfagno, Jim Bichsel, Train (Bob Lane), Mike Walter, Wylie Geter, Bill (Spyder) Combs, Rick Funkhouser, Mike Kaczer and Colleen Shuey. Please contact President Adams about any member that is hurt or ill and he will post to the LVSSA.Vegas Goodwill segment.
* **Membership:** Effective July 1, 2025 new members are $25 for 2025. We had 4 new members in July and August. 272 members to date. Membership List is in the shed.
* **Tournament Teams:** President Adams said that Teams request a Saturday time slot through him, and he updates the LVSSA.Vegas calendar for that Saturday. So far, we have (12): (1) Ladies With Balls 40’s; (2) Custom Truck 60’s\*; (3) The Drifters 60’; (4) Las Vegas OutKast’s 65’s\*; (5) Vegas Elite 65’s\*; (6) The Family 70’s; (7) Desert Heat 70’s; (8) Ryan’s Way 70’s\*\*; (9) Vegas Stronger 75’s; (10) Rezults 75’s\*; (11) Neons 75’s; and (12) EIS 80’s.

\*=Are Out Most Saturday’s \*\*=Are Out Most Tuesdays

The same process used during the regular pick-up games for the defibrillator is used on Saturday between the AED Teams for the men and the women. Most of the time the leading AED Team for Saturday is Rod Adams, Pinky Rogers, Louise Freiheit and Renn Hjellum-Lim.

* **Banquet/Annual Meeting:** Vice President Freiheit stated that there will be a meeting in late August or September and a report will be given at the September 11 board meeting. The money given to representatives for the banquet fee will be discussed at that time.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **Updating on the Bat Testing process.** The Worlds tournament is taking place from September 18 to October 5. President Adams stated that we will continue with the bat testing.
2. **Summerline Advertising.** The board will review this matter after the first of the year.
3. **Defibrillator Training - Pinky to report on CPR course.** Vice President Freiheit stated that the

lists have been received of those who want to participate in this training and their training will be scheduled.

1. **August 1, 2025 - February 28, 2026 Permit.** President Adams stated the only blackout date for

this time period is October 11, 2025, Columbus Day.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **2025 Hall of Fame.** This process usually starts on August 1st. Rudy will be the chair. Other members of this committee may be Lou Bellino, Laurie Buchman, Louise Freiheit, George Kuehnell, James Brown, or Jerry Kraus. We will get forms out to the representatives. You must be in the club for 7 years to be considered for this honor. President Adams will post this on our website.
2. **2026 Elections.** The positions that will be up for election are Vice President, Secretary, and 65 and Over Representative. The election will be held in October and the results will be announced at the banquet. Several members were suggested to be on the committee.

**ADJOURNMENT AND NEXT MEETING:** A motion was made by Secretary Smith, seconded by Representative Bellino, and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 1:27 p.m., with the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 12:30 pm.