JOPLIN
SPORTS AUTHORITY

Minutes of the open session of the Joplin Sports Authority Board of Directors held at 12:00p.m. at Mythos, 1306 S Rangeline Road, Joplin, MO 64801 Wednesday, December 10th, 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Jhan Hurn called the meeting to order at 12:07p.m.

Present: Jhan Hurn, JT Weber, Chuck Copple, Matt Hiatt, Rob Mallory, Patty Vavra, Darieus Adams, Dave Compton, Patrick Tuttle.

Absent: Mike Clark, Hunter Perry, Paul Bloomberg

Staff & Guests: Brittnie Earp, Steve Taylor, Lauren Johnson, Shaun Buck, Jared Bruggeman

Review of previous meeting minutes

JT Weber made a motion to approve the November 12th, 2025, board minutes as presented, seconded by Dave Compton. Motion carried on an 8-0 vote.

Reports

A) **Executive Directors Report**— Jared discussed the progress of the planned Indoor Sports Venue. Jim Rowland was in town for a presentation to the community regarding the World Cup. Shaun Buck has started the Sports Tourism Strategist program this past fall. The line of credit with Peoples bank is steadily being repaid, last month's check was good. JSA will be sitting in a decent financial position once the loan is paid. Summer baseball with Parkwood is good, JSA's financials will have to change regarding support for the summer baseball tournaments. An MOU has not been signed for those tournaments. JSA is expecting the Reserve Fund to be distributed in early to middle December. JSA is opening a savings account that will allow for transfers between savings and checking. Missouri Department of Economic Development Amateur Sporting Tax Credit Program is still being tweaked; JSA has applied for and expect to get payments in January. Ben Miller met with JSA on December 3rd to discuss the start of the audit. JSA expects the audit review to be sent before Christmas. Jared will present at the City Council meeting in February 2026; the focus will be of the audit. JSA Employee Compensation meeting was postponed due to waiting on the city tax checks. There will be a discussion for election of officers next calendar year (January 2027). Jared continues to meet with the city manager and JSA is continuing to grow the schedule of events for FY 2026.

B) Treasurers Report for September and October 2025 Financials (Presented by Steve Taylor)— The treasures report was presented and discussed; it was not voted on to approve.

C) Employee Compensation Committee Report—No report

D) Bylaws & Administration Policies Committee Report—No report

E) Budget & Audit Committee Report—No report

Event Report—

A) **NCCAA XC and Volleyball**—300+ athletes for XC, this group if excited to be back in Joplin. This was the final year of volleyball in the 3-year contract.

B) **Freeman Lady Eagles Classic**—This event is held at Joplin High School, December 11th-13th

C) **Kaminsky Classic**— This event will be held at Joplin High School, January 8th-10th

Old Business—No report

New Business—

A) **Peoples Bank of Seneca JSA reserve account documentation**—The board agreed after discussion that Steve should be able to transfer money into the same bank, from reserves to checking per budget and audit committee recommendations for financial processes.

B) **Conflict of interest forms and board packets**— Lauren requested for the board members to sign their conflict-of-interest forms and take any documentation from board boards from the past FY.

A motion was made by JT Weber to adjourn the meeting at 12:37p.m., seconded by Rob Mallory. Motion carried on an 8-0 vote.

Jared Bruggeman
Executive Director

Jhan Hurn
Board Chairman

Acting Board Chair
Patty Vavra