



2026 Season General Meeting

Minutes are at end of doc.

Date: 12/08/2025

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Warren High School

1. Call to Order – President Carlos Ourique

- Pledge of Allegiance
 - Moment of Silence – Recognizing members and family who have passed
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2. Welcome to the 2025 Baseball Season

- Opening Remarks and President's Address – Carlos Ourique
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3. Introduction of the Board

- Carlos Ourique – President
 - Andrew Thomas – Vice President
 - Scott Onken – Past President
 - Stephen Lane – Board Member
 - Chris McDaniel – Board Member
 - Chris Lopez – Board Member
 - Jose Mendez – Board Member
 - Cal Berdahl – Assignor
 - Leonard Fernandez – Secretary / Treasurer
 - John Young – Instructional Chairman
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4. New Member Recognition

- All new members please stand for acknowledgement
 - Meet & Greet
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5. Recognition of 2025 Finals Umpires (Blair Field / CSUF)

- Division 2 – Scott Onken (2nd Base)

- Division 4 – John Young (Plate)
 - Division 7 – Eddie Bernal (3rd Base)
 - Division 9 – Brandon Warrenfeltz (1st Base)
 - Division 9 – Chris Lopez (3rd Base)
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6. Warren High School / Housekeeping Items

- Appreciation to Russ Heicke & AD Samantha Miyhara for hosting
 - Respect campus expectations (no trash, no seeds, etc.)
 - Parking lot caution – high activity and low lighting; drive safely
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7. CBUA–LB Bylaws & Standing Rules

- Updated and available on the CBUA-LB website
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8. CBUA–LB Website Upgrade

- Website remains: *socalofficials.org*
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9. CBUA Updates

Uniform & Requirements

- Default Umpire Uniform: Black with Grey Panel
- No patches required for season/playoffs (CIF hat mandatory)
- Mandatory Background Checks begin 2026
- Double First Base required on all HS fields by 2027

Points of Emphasis

1. Discipline
2. Sportsmanship (Bench Jockeying & Props)
3. Proper Pitching Positions (Wind-Up / Set)
4. Running Lane Awareness

Rule Changes

- Effective 01/2027 – School name, logo, mascot allowed on uniforms
- No player may wear audio/video devices during games

- Player-to-player defensive meeting = 2+ players
 - Each team allowed one defensive player-to-player meeting per inning
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10. Game Fees (2025–2028)

Regular Season

- Varsity (2–4 Officials): \$111 → \$114 → \$117
- Non-Varsity (2 Officials): \$91 → \$94 → \$96
- Non-Varsity (1 Official): \$99 → \$101.75 → \$104.50
- Varsity (1 Official): \$167 → \$171 → \$176

CIF-SS Playoff Fees

- 1st Round–Semifinals: \$117 → \$120 → \$123
 - CIF Finals: \$122 → \$125 → \$129
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11. Arbiter Reminders

- Accept Arbiter Invitations
 - Set Status to **“Ready to Assign”**
 - How to Accept Assigned Games
 - Ensure profile photo is professional
 - Update emergency contacts – critical after past medical incident
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12. CBUA–LB Apparel Store

- Website: *cali-baseball-umpires-association.checkoutstores.com*
 - LB-branded shirts, sweatshirts, hats
 - Free shipping (ships to Board Member)
 - Store closes **January 31, 2026**
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Assignor Update – Cal Berdahl

- Arbiter membership approx. 100–110 for season
 - Fall Ball scheduling underway, games available
 - Contact Cal for availability (must be registered)
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Secretary / Treasurer Report – Leonard Fernandez

- Umpire registration & dues
 - Payment processing
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Instructional Chairman Report – John Young

Important Dates

- **Study Guide:** Opens 12/03/2025 → Closes 01/28/2026
 - **Classification Exam:** Opens 01/29/2026 → Closes 02/08/2026
 - **Mandatory Clinic:** Weekday evening @ Valley Christian
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Special Guest (via Zoom)

- Q&A with MLB Umpire **Malachi Moore**
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Notes / Announcements

- **CBUA–LB End of Season Banquet**
 - **Location:** Steven's Steakhouse
 - **Date:** Friday, April 10th
- The Long Beach Unit Board meeting took place in-person at Warren High School prior to our 1st General Meeting

Board Meeting called to order at 6:07PM

Attendees: Scott Onken, Chris McDaniel, Cal Bergdahl, John Young, Andrew Thomas, Leonard Fernandez, Jose Mendez, Carlos Orique, Stephen Lane

Absent: Chris Lopez(work)

- Minutes & financial's - Approved

- BANQUET

Board approved to charge \$15.00 per person

- Board approved to pick up the cost for POLO SHIRTS (BLACK), for all Board Members and Instructors, 11 total.
- Board Approved donation for Scott Onken's cousin who came up with designs for logo, a \$200 visa card..
- Set up RATINGS MEETING

Monday DEC 22ND - 6PM - FRANTONES

- Malachi Moore requested we share his website and app information with our membership. Board approval TBA

