



Mechanicsville Little League Community,

I would like to introduce myself. My name is Chris Chappell and I am the new MLL President for the 2019-2020 board year. I have two sons in the baseball program and have been on the MLL board for the past 4 years. I am looking forward to the 2019-2020 board year and would like to take this time to share with you a few league updates.

Firstly, I would like to thank Brian Keeler, outgoing president, for his tenure on the MLL board, five years of which were served as President. I would also like to thank all of last year's board members who served and those who have offered to serve this year. Your commitment is greatly appreciated.

We have already started to plan for the spring 2020 season and I am very excited for the season to begin. A few changes are highlighted below. Please keep checking mlball.org, [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for updates and information. We will continue to enhance MLL communications to keep our community/league informed of all MLL happenings.

One constant feedback heard over the past few years is the need for more transparency at MLL. Going forward, we will post copies of the MLL 2019/2020 budget and monthly MLL Board Meeting Minutes on our website. The budget will be updated quarterly to correspond with actual receipts and the minutes posted monthly upon board approval. Both can be found at mlball.org under *About Us - MLL Board and League Documents*.

I have two goals that I have already started working on this season:

1. Increase enrollment as compared to last year. Times have changed a lot over the years, as kids have many more options in sports and other activities. I am hopeful that this year we can reach more of our community and turn that downward trend of registrations to a positive trend.
2. Build a bigger volunteer base. MLL is run by volunteers who put in hundreds of hours doing things behind the scenes to offer the best program we can. We also rely on volunteers to manage and coach teams. Please be on the lookout for opportunities to help this year.

I am looking forward to the upcoming spring 2020 season and hope to see you and your kids at MLL. If there is anything I can do, please feel free to email me at chrischappell06@gmail.com.

Thanks,

Chris Chappell
MLL President