



The big news announced yesterday from the first day of the Owners Meetings in New York was the sale approval of the Atlanta Braves from Time Warner to Liberty Media. [The Biz of Baseball has updated yesterday's announcement with some other details](#) on the sale, but there was other news out of the meeting, as well.

MLB to Send Delegation to China

MLB president and COO **Bob DuPuy**, executive vice presidents **Tim Brosnan**, **Jimmie Lee Solomon**, and senior vice president **Paul Archey**, along with Padres CEO **Sandy Alderson**, Red Sox president **Larry Lucchino** and Pirates CEO **Kevin McClatchy** will travel to China to inspect stadiums with the idea that shortly thereafter, an exhibition game might be played. As reported by the AP:

"It's the proverbial fact-finding trip," Lucchino said. "The Red Sox are in favor of international play and have been for a long time."

Baseball has discussed the possibility of playing exhibition games in China next March. DuPuy said it also is possible those games could be tied to opening the regular season in Tokyo.

No Changes on League-wide Alcohol Policy

MLB Owners Meetings: China Trip & Alcohol Policy

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In the wake of Josh Hancock's alcohol related fatality accident, MLB will not be altering its league-wide policy on alcohol. As further reported by the AP:

"I think the commissioner has made it clear that he views that as a club policy, and that he has left it to the clubs to determine their policy," [MLB COO Bob] DuPuy said.