

A's Extend Contracts of Beane and Crowley

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Oakland Athletics Owner and Managing Partner [Lew Wolff](#) announced today he has extended the contracts of team president **Michael Crowley** and Vice President and General Manager **Billy Beane** through the 2014 season.

“Mike and Billy were my first free agent signings and both continue to demonstrate their talents as two of the finest executives in the sports industry today,” said Wolff. “I am very pleased their relationship with the A’s will continue during one of the most exciting and important times in our team’s history.”

The 2007 season marks Crowley’s 10th year with the Athletics organization and his ninth as president after being named to the position on September 28, 1998. His tenure is the second longest among those who have served in the same capacity since 1968. A limited partner in the Athletics ownership group, Crowley is responsible for the overall day-to-day functioning of the Athletics’ organization both on the business and baseball sides of the operation.

Beane has molded the A’s into a perennial postseason contender since taking over the general manager’s duties on October 17, 1997. Under Beane’s watch, the A’s have compiled 859-661 (.565) record in nine-plus seasons, which is the third best record in the American League and fourth best in all of baseball during that time frame. The A’s have earned a spot in postseason five times in the last seven seasons, winning four American League West titles (2000; 2002-03; 2006) and securing one AL Wild Card spot (2001). Starting with the 2000 season, the A’s have compiled a 698-498 (.584) record, which is the second-best record in the Majors next to the New York Yankees 710-482 (.596) mark.