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AGENDA, May 7, 2019 - BCMBA Board of Directors Meeting

Sandman Signature Hotel - 8828 201 St, Langley City, BC V2Y 0C8

Call Meeting to Order: 5:45 pm

Interim Presidents Opening Remarks

- Notes: Email protocol

Adoption of Minutes Minutes of April 2, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting, as distributed by Val

Additions to the Agenda

Correspondence

- April 5 - Response to COMBA 15U AAA - Request for Variance to Rule 7.0, no relief given.
- April 8 - Letters to Vernon and Parent re May 2018 Incident
- April 11 - Wagner Appeal, Vancouver Minor decision upheld
- April 18 - Merger Request, 15U AA (Cowichan Valley Mustangs) Duncan, Chemainus, and Salt Spring
- April 23 – Fernandes Appeal, Ridge Meadows move up denial overturned
- April 30 - Sennott Appeal, South Burnaby release denial overturned
- **Executive Rosters:** Quesnel, Nanaimo
- **Affiliation Received:** Quesnel, Alberni Valley, Port Coquitlam, Salmon Arm, Sorrento, Vernon
- **League Registrations:** Port Coquitlam, Victoria, Sorrento, Salt Spring Island,
- Peter Lei, Co-Chair South Burnaby – thank you letter for the Coaches Caravan
- Shannon Gaboury, President Comox Valley – Letter of thanks for the Coaches Caravan – see minutes under Coaching and Development
- May 2 - Sean Sullivan, BCBUA, Comments on N Langley/Cloverdale Discipline findings
- May 5 – 18U AAA Protest, using ineligible player
- **Outgoing: G. Butler – Interim President BCMBA – Demand Letter to Stuart Drysdale**
- **Stuart Drysdale to G. Butler – response to Demand Letter**

Business Arising from Minutes

- Most CRC's retrieved from Sarai and Drysdale

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Executive Reports

- 1) Grant Butler, Interim President
- 2) Iain MacIntyre, Interim 1st Vice President
- 3) John Braaten, Interim 2nd Vice President
- 4) Anne Hayes, Treasurer, Financial Report
- 5) Val Greenwood, Secretary

Administrative Director – James Raymond

- Report
- Provincial Tournament Hosts and Director Assignments

Committee Reports

- 1) Governance (Rules/Discipline) (Nick Van Dyk)
 - a) Article XX Motion - 10U & 11U Bat Performance Factor Markings
- 2) Appeals Committee (Sanda King)
- 3) Finance Committee (Anne Hayes, Dave Garton)
- 4) Player Eligibility Committee (Pat Weatherill, Interim Chair)
 - a) Merger Approval Discussion
- 5) Girls Baseball Committee (Val Greenwood)
- 6) Umpire Liaison Committee (Pat Weatherill)
- 7) High Performance Committee (Marty Hall)
 - a) + Review of ID camps
- 8) Boundary and Affiliation Committee (Pat Weatherill)
- 9) Coaching and Development and Training Committee (Mike Kelly)
 - a) + Coaching Caravan report
- 10) Marketing Committee (Les Szabo)
- 11) Challenger Baseball Liaison (Sanda King)
- 12) Website Committee (John Braaten)
 - a) Web site - Sports Engine
- 13) Human Resources (Anne Hayes)
- 14) Awards Committee (Val Greenwood)
- 15) Scholarship Committee (Abigail Wong De-Wong)
- 16) Grassroots (Tom Katelnikoff)
- 17) Baseball BC Transition Committee (Butler)
 - a) Minutes from meeting with Baseball BC

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Divisional Reports

- 1) 25U – Jr Men's (Anne Hayes)
- 2) 18U - Chair (Grant Butler)
- 3) 18U - College Prep (Grant Butler)
- 4) 18U - AAA (Ray Wearing)
- 5) 18U - AA (Raj Puri)
- 6) 15U - Chair (Trevor McGuire)
- 7) 15U - AAA (Les Szabo)
- 8) 15U - AA (Trevor McGuire)
- 9) 15U - A (Abigail Wong-de Leon)
- 10) 13U - Chair (Marty Hall)
- 11) 13U - AAA Summer (Marty Hall)
- 12) 13U - AA (Nick Van Dyk)
- 13) 13U - A (Sanda King)
- 14) 13U John Main Tournament (Marty Hall)
- 15) 11U – Chair (John Braaten)
- 16) Island – 18U and 15U (Mike Holyk)
- 17) Island – 13U and 11U (Dave Garton)
- 18) Interior – 18U and 15U (Tom Katelnikoff)
- 19) Interior – 13U and 11U (Iain MacIntyre)
- 20) North – (Carmen Martin)

New Business

Meeting Adjournment

- Next Meeting, Tuesday, June 4th, 5:45pm Signature Sandman Langley

2019-05-06 BCMBA May Agenda – Final.doc

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Executive Report 1) Interim President Report - May 2019

As the 2019 Baseball Season is well underway, I would like to make special mention and congratulations for a job well done to the BCMBA Coaching Caravan Staff and High Performance Select Camp Coaching teams. I attended two of the events, in Nanaimo and Duncan, great work by all.

And so while it seems that things might be quieting down many issues have come across my desk, 3 appeals, was threatened with legal action, got caught in an end around by a coach on an automatic suspension, got a protest for an ineligible player, sent a demand letter to recent past-president (got an answer), collected CRC's, dealt with issues regarding; chin straps, bats, move ups, move downs and mergers, and to top it off I declined to accept a Director wanting to resign from his Committee.

Nonetheless, thank you to all those Directors that stepped up when asked to deal with said appeals in addition to their own Director responsibilities and to everyone else on the BoD for your work this year.

Regarding the appeals, I will be directing the BCMBA Board of Directors to establish "Policy Statements" published as Circular Letters (or some other name) to assist not only BCMBA Directors but players, parents, coaches and member Associations as we move forward.

Of concern to BCMBA and our member Association, I have been made aware of a rumour highlighting the lack of commitment to BC Baseball's Provincials. It seems that a team or teams may be planning to follow the Baseball BC Provincial pathway to the Westerns and Nationals while not participating in our traditional BCMBA Provincial pathway. BCMBA will also ask that the member Association(s) to act on their fiduciary obligation to BCMBA to prevent these actions. Please note, discussions are underway with Baseball BC in this regard.

Also concerning is the fact that many member Associations have yet to register and pay their affiliation fees so are not in good standing currently.

Accompanying this report are the minutes to a meeting that John Braaten, Interim 2nd VP, myself and John Berry, President Baseball BC covering off much of the transition back to Baseball BC.

Looking forward we have our own BCMBA John Main Tournament in Richmond as well as getting ready for the traditional BCMBA Provincial Championships.

Grant Butler,
Interim President BCMBA

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Executive Report 2), Interim 1st. Vice President

- Dealt with multiple appeals
 - Thank you to all those involved in the appeals process, handled professionally and promptly
- South Okanagan Minor Baseball Association hosted the Coaches Caravan on April 12, well attended and received excellent feedback
- South Okanagan Minor Baseball Association also hosted Team BC Player ID camps on April 12 for the 13U, 15U & 16U divisions, again very well attended, players from all over the interior, thank you so much to all the coaches and volunteers

Iain MacIntyre, BCMBA Interim 1VP



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Executive Report 3. Interim 2nd Vice President Report- May 2019

- Chaired one appeal committee – player release request
- attended meeting along with Grant Butler with Baseball BC President John Berry (see Grant's report for minutes)
- Have assisted with 13U Selects ID and evaluation process
- Have assisted High Performance Committee and John Main tournament preparation

John Braaten

Interim 2nd Vice President

11U Division Chair

Boundary & Affiliation Committee member

Grassroots Committee member

High Performance Committee member

Marketing Committee member

Website Chair



Grant Butler <gbutlerbcls@gmail.com>

April 2019 financials

Grant & Anne <grantandanne@shaw.ca>

Mon, May 6, 2019 at 1:56 PM

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Attached are the financials for April 2019.

The following associations are not in good standing as of today:

Aldergrove, Campbell River, Chase, Chilliwack, Coquitlam-Moody, Comox Valley, Ladner, Powell River, SOMBA, Summerland, Sunshine Coast & Tri-Port.


Anne Hayes, Treasurer

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3 attachments

 **2019-04-30 income statement.pdf**
190K

 **2019-04-30 balance sheet.pdf**
180K

 **2018-2019 Cash Flow.xlsx**
28K



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Administrative Director's Report

May 2019

Website and Social Media

- Caravan Features complete, 2019 Images added to Album on Coaching Page
- HP Development Camps announcements and posts for 13U, 15U, and 16U
- HP Events dates and locations updated
- All BoD members have access to the Directors Area (Not visible to Public) continuing to add resources and reference materials
- Single Season team logos collected and uploaded, updating as supplied by our membership
- Preparing survey to current team admins for navigation feedback and will submit to SE for support
- Daily focus on Social media presence and following to help build the BC Minor brand
- Also, see the Website Chair report

BC Travel Teams

- 13U Triple Crown Sports Fathers Day Slugfest Tri-Cities WA (Room blocks requested)
- 15U USA Premier Baseball 2019 Firecracker Classic So-Cal (Room bookings in progress) (Flights booked)
- 16U GSL Tournaments 4th of July Bash, Lacey WA (Rooms booked)
- Next Steps: Confirm Van Rentals
- Room lists
- Air travel forms

High Performance

- ID Camps 350+ athlete attendees
- Development Camp promotional materials distributed and ongoing
- Reggie Smith booked for 15U
- Ernie Young booked for 16U
- Team BC Coaches
 - 13U - John Braaten, Randy McKinnon, Rob Burnett
 - 15U - Jason Boldt
 - 16U - JJ Hyde
- All communications to players, parents, and coaches. Templates created and archived.

2019 BC Baseball Coaching Conference

- Survey to presenters distributed, collecting responses. Second request email scheduled
- Survey to attendees distributed, also posted on BC Minor Website under Coaching collecting responses. 35 received to date.

2019 BC Baseball Traveling Caravan

- Complete
- Follow up survey to participating associations scheduled for Sunday May 5th
- Social media efforts resulted in a significant impact on Facebook, Twitter, and website activity

- Will open registration for 2020
- Recommendation that we cap at 25 unless we wish to extend the tour.

Coach Development

See Report from Mike Kelly

Administrative Support

- Registration, communication, and logistical support for Team BC Selects programming
- Post-event summary data collection for 2019 Caravan Report
- Provincial Champions Keeper Banners proofs received, reviewed, and changes requested
- Provincial medal design artwork submitted, proofs requested.
- John Main MVP shirts in progress (new logo design)
- **Need to secure hosts for 11U AA/15U AAA Qualifiers/18U AA**
- Coming Events Newsflyer scheduled for May distribution

Marketing

- Promotional materials for Team BC Selects - distributed and ongoing
- Need to secure remaining Provincial Host locations so that Traveling Teams can secure lodging
- Provincial Championship FAQ complete with dates, locations and links to accommodations ready for distribution. Currently missing hosts for aforementioned divisions. See pre-release draft attached.
- Will continue the effort to secure key sponsors for Coaches Conference - Marketing committee will be working to the development of a formal sponsorship package (Tom and James)
- Requested BC Minor Baseball 2019 Provincial Championships Logo - Received and distributed to relevant vendors
- Continuing efforts to add, modify, Directors Area of BC Minor Website. Purpose to be as a "One Stop" resource area.
- Would like to create an "Association of the Week" element on our website
- An ongoing effort to collect media and content from Member Associations
- Request to Association Presidents to provide Association Logo for our Sponsorship Banner sent.
- Photo shoot for Caravan and HP ID Sessions was a success. Gallery posted in Directors Area of www.bcminorbaseball.org
- Recommend we commission a photographer for a Selected event.



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2019 BC MINOR BASEBALL PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS KEY DATES AND LINKS

Division	Date	Location	Accommodations
11U AAA - Tier I	August 1 to 5	Nanaimo	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=YA8
11U AAA - Tier II	August 1 to 5	North Delta	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=II0
11U AA	August 1 to 5	TBD	
11U A	August 1 to 5	Kamloops	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=SY5
13U AAA	August 1 to 5	Victoria	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=FOZ
13U AA	August 1 to 5	Comox	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=BH8
13U A	August 8 to 11	Mission	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=EO8
15U AAA Qualifier	July 19 to 21	TBD	
15U AAA Final 4	July 26 to 28	Tsawwassen	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=235
15U AA	August 1 to 5	Prince George	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=N1T
15U A	August 8 to 11	Mission	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=NW7
18U AA	August 1 to 5	TBD	
18U AAA	August 8 to 11	Victoria	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=OUA
18U College Prep	August 3 to 4	Richmond	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=9Z4
Junior Men's Tier I	August 8 to 11	Tsawwassen	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=WEU
Junior Men's-Tier II	August 8 to 11	Tsawwassen	https://ttievent.com/eventmanager/online/registration.asp?D=d&EventCode=WEU

NEW THIS SEASON!!

In order to help make the Provincial weekend a better experience, BC Minor Baseball has partnered with TRAVELING TEAMS® to secure discounted room blocks at a variety of tournament approved hotels close to our venues. This is a Stay and Play event with ***guaranteed lowest online rates*** at the hotel. All teams travelling to this event are encouraged to reserve their hotel accommodations through this simple process with TRAVELING TEAMS®.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!



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Committee Report 1) Rules / Governance / Discipline

Nick Van Dyk <nick.vandyk@gmail.com>

Tue, May 7, 2019 at 11:07 AM

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Rules:

- Discussion with 11U director, president, rules chair regarding bat rule for 11U. Conclusion was that we should propose an amendment to the bat rule for 2019 under article XX to allow for BPF 1.15 bats in 11U as well as 13U as there is not a significant difference in the "trampoline effect" of the two bat standards.
- Request from Rhonda Pauls (BCBUA) regarding rule clarification in respect of intentional walks. Previous BC Minor policy was that walks had to be thrown. MLB, Baseball Canada and most other leagues have moved to signalled intentional walks. PBL has not. Rules committee to meet later this week and will be an agenda item to address whether we accept Baseball Canada rule for 2019 or modify using Article XX.
- Several inbound emails requesting clarification of various rules.

Governance:

- Nothing to report this month

Discipline:

- 35 ejections reported since the first one was received on April 7, 2019
- Most ejections resulted in only the automatic suspension however there have been a total of 8 which we opted to take a closer look at. These are infractions which involve more than incidental physical contact or more than routine abusive conduct towards umpires or other participants. Of the 8, one resulted in an apology + team review of Rule 13, one resulted in no additional suspension, and 6 are pending and will be decided at a meeting later this week. Going forward we may not look as closely at certain categories of offenses but as I am new to the role I wanted to err on the conservative side. There is also an enforcement benefit as the act of having to respond to / own up to a potentially serious suspension is its own penalty for youth.

Nicholas Van Dyk, CFA

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Notice of Motion to be presented at the Board of Director's Meeting – May 6, 2019

Date	May 7, 2019
Motion	<p>To invoke Article XX, as set out in the 2019 BCMBA Association Rule Book, and set aside Rule 19.04, which states</p> <p><i>“10U & 11U (Mosquito) 32 inch, 2 5/8 inch max diameter, unlimited length/weight drop - bats with greater than 2 ¼ in. barrel diameter must be marked “USABB” and amend wording to “10U & 11U (Mosquito) 32 inch, 2 5/8 inch max diameter, unlimited length/weight drop - bats with greater than 2 ¼ in. barrel diameter must be marked “USABB” or stamped with “BPF 1.15” (Bat Performance Factor)”</i></p> <p>Amendment to above Motion: <i>To add:</i></p> <p><i>7U (T Ball/Rally Cap) 30 inch, 2 5/8 inch bat maximum, unlimited length/weight drop – bats with greater than 2 ¼ inch barrel diameter must be marked “USABB” or stamped with “BPF 1.15”</i></p> <p><i>9U (Tadpole) 30 inch, 2 5/8 inch bat maximum, unlimited length/weight drop – bats with greater than 2 ¼ inch barrel diameter must be marked “USABB” or stamped with “BPF 1.15”</i></p>
Reasoning	<p>Baseball bats stamped with either USABB and/or BPF 1.15 are both the same measurement of the Bat Performance Factor (trampoline effect). Given the change in the Baseball Canada's rule in 2017 there are still baseball bats being used with the BPF 1.15 that are not stamped USABB.</p> <p>This allows players at this time to still use a safer approved baseball bat even though not specified “USABB”.</p> <p>If this motion passes, by a 2/3 majority, a resolution setting out the setting aside of Rule 19.04 will be issued and presented for approval by way of a majority vote (50% + 1) at the 2019 AGM. If passed at the AGM, Rule 19.04 will be repealed from the Rule Book.</p>
Moved	John Braaten – Director
Seconded	Nick Van Dyk – Director



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(2) Appeals Committee Report – for May 7, 2019 meeting

There were three appeals dealt with in April two regarding release of players and one regarding player move up. Panels of 3 directors were put together to deal with each appeal, with an executive member sitting as chair. One release was denied, one was approved, and the player move up was granted. Thank you to all directors who assisted in the appeals. For each appeal, all documents were reviewed by the committee members, a conference call was held to discuss the appeal, a decision was made, and the chair of each appeal drafted the response.

Submitted by Sanda King
Director, BC Minor Baseball



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HPC Report

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Mon, May 6, 2019 at 9:44 PM

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High Performance Committee Report
May 7th, 2019

The BC Minor Selects ID Camps have been successfully held in the North, the interior, Island, and lower mainland. We had large numbers at the 13U camps and are looking at having close to 60 players attend this weekends 3 day development camp in Richmond.

The 15/16U ID Camps went well but fewer numbers attended than the 13U division. The coaches have been named for the 3 age divisions. Ernie Young will be the guest Instructor for 16U and Reggie Smith will be the 15U guest Instructor.

Currently we have no one to run the college prep all star game. We will need to ask for help. Grant Rimer is busy with other commitments and when I was talking with him, he said the process takes time to put together and he does not have the time this year.
Is this age (college prep) best ran by the 18U chair/committee, and if needed, the HPC might be able to assist.

The overall process of the BC Selects will be reviewed at all stages of operation. The HPC will engage it's membership and others to have recommendations to present to the board after the last trip of the program and before next years AGM.

Thanks,
Marty Hall
BC Minor
High Performance Chair



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Grant Butler <gbutlerbcls@gmail.com>

13U John Main / 13U - 16U BC Selects summary

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Fri, May 3, 2019 at 9:07 PM

John Main

- 16 teams confirmed.
 - LM & Interior Interlock standings provided for Pool team allocation
- Blank tournament schedule provided
- Tourney schedule provided to BCBUA, Pat W. & RCBA UIC
- Tournament trophies updated
- Tournament MVP shirt (logo revamping) – has gone to Tom K for review (Marketing Committee Chair)
- RCBA has been provided schedule for volunteering allocation (field and concession)
- RCBA will provide tourney standing and tourney boards
- There will be two BC Baseball tents and tables & skirts at the site for Directors

13U BC Selects

- Preliminary list of 54 players have been named to the 3 day Development Camp

(Waiting to review some players who ranked very high but were not included in the 54)
Al Foreman is to provide the evaluation forms

- 3 coaches have been selected for the team - head coach to be named this week

John Braaten (bench coach, chef de mission, business manager) Randy McKinnon and

16U BC Selects

- Ernie Young will attend (former MLB player) specialty instructor - Hitting and Outfield
- Grant Rimer will work with JJ Hyde (Head coach 16U team) for practice plans for the 3 days and for the Instructors
- North Delta (Mackie Field) is the venue for the 3 day camp

Marty



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Coaching Development and Training Report

The caravan was another successful tour with about 6000 Coaches, Players, and Parents. The caravan travelled over 6000 KM. We visited 10 associations in the lower mainland, 6 associations Interior and the North, and 9 associations on the island. It was well received at all venues.

Also, we conducted tryouts in Prince George, Penticton, and Ladysmith. I would like to thank the coaching staff, Board Members that checked out the caravan when we visited the venues.

This program is well received in every place we visit, and we need to do this event every year.

The committee is in the process of meeting with Baseball B C re certification, caravan, and the convention. Raj Puri and I will be meeting with David Laing in the next few weeks, we will report next board meeting.

Mike Kelly



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Marketing Report – May 7th 2019

The Marketing Department created 3 Provincial Logos for the Boards recommendations. The Provincial Logo, The Provincial Logo with Divisions and a Single Black & White Version to be used on Shirts & other applications where print costs are a concern. The 3 logos are attached to this email, for board approval and input.

We also worked on a John Main Logo which John will present to the board.

I am unable to be on the conference call so I will look for other members (John, James & Abigail) to answer any questions board members may have.

We have had discussions with respect to the banners, which Jamie has, and the John Main Tournament, which John has.

Thanks,

Tom Katelnikoff
Marketing Chair



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(11) Challenger Report

Kamloops will be hosting the Challenger Baseball Jamboree this year on June 15. I have reached out and advised that I would attend as the BC Minor rep for Challenger Baseball.

Submitted by Sanda King
Director, BC Minor Baseball



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Committee Report 12. Website Report – May 2019

- Travelling Caravan social media postings saw increased user traffic as always this time of year.
- Received correspondence from SportsEngine regarding MOU and promoting of company within the BC Minor Baseball membership.
- Online registrations for various Selects programs saw 349 entries
- more detailed website information provided in Administrative Director report

John Braaten

Interim 2nd Vice President

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Grassroots Report – May 7th 2019

On Saturday, April 6th, I attended the Grassroots Workshop for 7U put on by Kamloops Minor Baseball Association. Central Okanagan Minor Baseball also sent a representative to the workshop. It was open to other associations by invitation. The Workshop was well run, each of the participants was given or emailed a copy of the Grassroots manual prior to the orientation so they could review the materials. Shawn Schaefer, Baseball BC Director of Grassroots program, ran the workshop/orientation. I think that it is outstanding running this type of meeting prior to the season to give coaches the tools they need to have a successful season. I believe the manual is still under revision, and I will forward it to the coaching development once it is finished.

Thanks,

Tom Katelnikoff
Grassroots Chair



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April 26, 2019

Minutes BCMBA - Baseball BC Meeting Minutes of April 26, 2019

Re: Transition, Pathways, Member Consideration and Moving Forward

In attendance: Grant Butler, BCMBA Interim President

John Braaten, BCMBA Interim 2nd VP, 11U Chair

John Berry, Baseball BC President

Time and Place: 10am, Ricky's Restaurant Boundary Road Burnaby

Grant Butler (Butler) and John Berry (Berry) arranged this meeting to bring discussions between BCMBA and Baseball BC (PSO) up to date including but not limited to the following topics; previous agreements, Provincial pathways, Member Consideration.

Preamble

All agreed that a level of transparency is required and agreed that both parties have a fiduciary obligation to each of their Associations to conduct themselves in a manner respecting both parties' wants, desires, goals and programming moving forward. Berry reiterated Baseball BC's management mandate and program delivery as the PSO, noting the federated structure of Baseball BC, including the fact that the self-governing structure of its members limits Baseball BC's ability to take decisions that bind its members. Butler indicated that BC Minor recognizes that. Berry also expressed appreciation to Butler and BC Minor for the constructive approach they've taken to transition, including the return to using BC Minor nomenclature in labeling and communication.

Communication

Some discussion on how to best communicate between the parties, President to President and/or between the affected BCMBA Directors and Baseball BC Staff. Butler noted he wanted to limit end arounds going forward. Berry agreed, while suggesting that there is at times too much traffic to channel everything between the two Presidents. Both agreed that it may be best to see where this goes with time, but for now both Presidents should be copied on substantive communication between the organizations.

Question of previous Actions by Past Resigned President

Berry confirmed that, as far as he knows, there are no agreements in place that were arranged by Stuart Drysdale, recently resigned BCMBA President, and/or any other BCMBA Director with any of the Baseball BC staff or himself. The question by Butler was intended to make sure both parties do not suffer frustration in the future. Berry made note that he had described the main known understandings in his email dated Mar 30 to Butler.



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Provincial Pathway Discussion

Regarding Provincial Pathways, both parties understand the reason why we each have our own, BCMBA's is traditional and Baseball BC's began when BCMBA left the PSO in 2015. For 2019 BCMBA has departed from its previous policy of not encouraging Member Associations to participate in Baseball BC Provincials and has opened all pathways for its Member Associations. This was one of the core issues for the BCMBA Member Associations to vote to rejoin Baseball BC with no negotiations, access to Westerns and Nationals. The most significant conflict was dealt with earlier this year within the BCMBA College Prep division leaving all the other Baseball BC Provincial pathways open to members of BCMBA and members of Little League, Senior LL, PBL, etc.

Recently, and since BCMBA's Provincial dates and locations were set, a rumour has been found to be circulating due to the BCMBA 15U AA Provincial Tournament being held in Prince George and it is suspected that one or more teams may be readying themselves to pay the BCMBA fine for not attending the PG Provincial and instead, register to play in the Baseball BC Provincial.

This would be contrary to the spirit of the BCMBA Provincials. Butler noted that those teams may be deemed as "Rogue" teams by BC Minor. Berry noted that Baseball BC may need to treat these teams as acceptable as Baseball BC's Provincials are open to all qualified applicants. If affiliation were an issue, teams could be registered with a different Member of Baseball BC to gain access.

Member Support Regarding Provincial Pathways

In support of its' traditional Provincials the BCMBA Board of Directors (BoD) will be seeking Member support from Baseball BC, as the PSO, in asking that Baseball BC only admit BCMBA teams that compete in the BCMBA traditional Provincials pathway programming thus adhering to their Member Association's fiduciary duty to abide by the BCMBA Rules as set out.

Berry indicated that he wouldn't want to respond definitively on that suggestion without consulting others involved in Baseball BC. It seemed to him that we will need to look at the implications, including the situations at different ages/levels. Some tournaments are taking place earlier, and we might need to define issues with entry, and drop-out for instance. That said, a positive decision by Baseball BC would likely need to include the caveats that it was addressing 2019 only, and that it was transparent that any BC Minor team being denied entry was excluded at the request of BC Minor.

Moving Forward on Provincial Pathways

As June 1st is the deadline for the Baseball BC Provincials, Berry noted that Baseball BC should be able to let BCMBA know which of its' Associations have entered teams prior to its' June 4th BoD meeting, and with the BCMBA deadline date of June 15 for written intention to enter the BCMBA Provincials all parties should know how many and who is doing what at that time. This information will be the building blocks of the 2019 Provincial landscape between the parties and allow BC Minor to identify any "Rogue" teams.



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Preliminary discussion on dates and events for 2020 are planned to be begin in late Aug 2019 or earlier so dates can be available well ahead of the Nov AGM and BCMBA Associations can entertain hosting if they see fit.

Grassroots

Butler also referenced recent minutes from a Baseball BC Grassroots Committee Meeting which seemed to be searching for answers that BCMBA already uses in its programming. Further discussion settled on the point it would be in the best interest of both parties to work together on strengthening Baseball BC's presence in BCMBA's Coaching Caravan and Annual Convention.

Coaching Development and NCCP

Both parties agreed that the Coaching Development streams for the lower divisions, 11U and below, would be best served if a consolidated effort was made. The upper levels are reasonably addressed by the NCCP certification.

BCBUA and Carded Umpires

There is a current issue between Powell River and the BCBUA regarding "Carded" umpires. John Braaten (Braaten) noted that Pat Weatherill, BCMBA Umpire Liaison is working with the BCBUA. Berry noted that Baseball BC, both directly and through its support of its member BCBUA, strongly supports the use of qualified, carded umpires throughout the sport. It is recognized that small organizations, especially those geographically isolated, present challenges in terms of clinics, mentoring, etc. They tend to be more expensive for BCBUA to service, but that organization is attentive to finding solutions. And all involved are part of province-wide organizations. Berry also noted that Baseball BC provides a rebate program that helps local associations who pay for their umpires to participate in membership/clinics.

Positions on the Baseball BC Board

Berry described the process for electing members to the Baseball BC BoD. That will happen at the AGM June 24. The approach that has been taken for some years has been to consult with the member organizations with a view to seeing if there is a consensus on the make-up of the board. This informal process has in the past resulted in a consensus, something that the members have found consistent with the federated structure and the accepted desire that every member be able to suggest at least one person to be a Director. The current board of 12 members is comprised of some individuals who are associated with a member organization, and other individuals with little of no other provincial-level organization involvement. As the consensus has existed each year, the member organizations have jointly nominated the individuals involved, who have then been acclaimed. Berry emphasized that this approach works only with unanimity. Should that not exist, individual nominations and then an election if necessary, would be the order of the day.



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Berry noted that 2 spots on the Baseball BC BoD were discussed with Stuart. Grant Butler and Ray Wearing, BCMBA 18U AAA Director were identified by BCMBA for those positions. Will be confirmed at the BoD meeting of BCMBA.

Meeting ended at 11:40am, Butler to produce minutes and distribute to Berry and Braaten for review.

These minutes were prepared by Grant Butler and reviewed by John Braaten and John Berry.



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May 7, 2019

British Columbia Amateur Baseball Association

310 – 15225 104th Avenue

Surrey, BC V3R 6Y8

Attention: Mr. John Berry, President

Via email: theberrys@shaw.ca

Re: Request for Member Support for BCMBA Traditional Provincial Championship Pathway

Recently, and since BCMBA's Provincial dates and locations were set, a rumour has been found to be circulating due to the BCMBA 15U AA Provincial Tournament being held in Prince George. It is suspected that one or more teams may be readying themselves to pay the BCMBA fine for not attending the PG Provincial and instead, register to compete in the Baseball BC Provincial pathway to the Nationals and Westerns, as the case may be.

As this would be contrary to the spirit of BCMBA's traditional Provincial Championship pathway, I and the BCMBA Board of Directors request Member support from Baseball BC, as the PSO, in asking that Baseball BC allow only those BCMBA teams that compete in the BCMBA traditional Provincial Championship pathways to register in the Baseball BC Provincial pathway to the Nationals and Westerns, as the case may be.

Your prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated.

Yours Truly,

British Columbia Minor Baseball Association

Grant Butler, BCLS

BCMBA Interim President

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cc: BCMBA Board of Directors

2019-05-06 Member Support Request to Baseball BC.docx



Grant Butler <gbutlerbcls@gmail.com>

Divisional Report 3) College Prep May 2019

Grant Butler <gbutlerbcls@gmail.com>

Tue, May 7, 2019 at 3:00 PM

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Cc: James Raymond <james.l.raymond@gmail.com>

Divisional Report 3) College Prep May 2019

The College Prep Division is well underway, scores are being entered promptly and limited ejections have been recorded.

The New Jersey tournament, airlines and, hotels are booked.

A call out to the team managers for recommendations for players was made giving a deadline of May 15th but seeing as I've had only one response, for information only, so far it may be best to cancel and try to set up something for the fall.

I would have to say I've been too busy as President to beat the drum any louder and it has been a difficult transition without Grant Rimer on board.

Grant Butler, BCLS*BCMBA Interim President, College Prep Director*C: 250-510-9886



May 7, 2019

Midget AA Report

Interlock Spring Season is proceeding well with the usual rainouts to deal with.

Some concern over number cancellations due to inability to field a team but coaches are working on that issue.

We have had 5 ejections for various incidents to deal with so far this year. Abusive language towards umpires a concern.

Will coordinate phone meeting shortly to plan for summer season.

Provincial host not yet confirmed but COMBA may be interested.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Raj Puri

Midget AA Director



May 5, 2019

15UAAA SINGLE SEASON – MAY REPORT

The season started smoothly. The league used the schedule prepared by Cam Frick.
Some rainout games are still to be rescheduled by teams.
Few ejection reports received.

Qualifier

July 19 - 21, 2019

6 teams double elimination

No host yet.

Final 4

July 26 - 31, 2019 in Tsawwassen

15UAAA Pathway (after Provincial)

Teams will have to register themselves with Baseball BC to go Westerns or Nationals

15U Division

15UA - Abigail Wong-de Leon, 15UAA - Trevor McGuire and 15UAAA - Les Szabo



May 5, 2019

15UAA SINGLE SEASON – MAY REPORT

West Kelowna paid their Single Season fee.

The season started smoothly. Rainout games were rescheduled in a timely manner.

All rosters were received and forwarded to the Eligibility Chair for review.

Teams were reminded about Rule 25.06

Attended few games in the Lower Mainland and witnessed 2 ejections from Burnaby.

Few pictures were uploaded on Burnaby's 15UAA site.

<https://www.bcminorbaseball.org/gallery/photo/index/4896462?subseason=572517>

Some teams have started booking their hotel in Prince George

Wild Card

July 20 and 21, 2019 in Burnaby

\$500.00 per team is payable to the hosting association.

Format: 8 teams, 2 berths to provincials

Provincial Championship

August 1 - 5, 2019 in Prince George

\$500.00 per team is payable to the hosting association

Format: 12 teams, 5 games guaranteed.

12 berths: 1 host, 2 Vancouver Island, 2 Wildcards and 7 from the top of season standings

15UAA Pathway (after Provincial)

Grant had a meeting with John Berry.

Grant will discuss the outcome at the May Board Meeting.

15U Division

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15UA – MAY REPORT

15UA INTERLOCK

Over the past weeks, I have attended a few WLM interlock games.

I noticed the following:

- A lot of callups are being done (the commitment level is poor)
- Coaches are not wearing the proper uniform (per Rule 19.06)
 - o Rec'd a copy of an email from an umpire addressed to 2 Burnaby UICs about coaches wearing shorts (see attached) This was forwarded to the association involved as an FYI as well as to BCMBA Rules Chair.
- Coaches are forgetting about "developmental". They want to be competitive but lack of commitment level from players/parents.
- Roster/team form. Associations are refusing to disclose the complete home address of players due to the Privacy Act. (There is nothing written in the rule book that stated to provide a complete address, only complete name. See Rule 9.08(A)(i))

15UA PRE-SUMMER

The pre-summer meeting is scheduled on Sunday, May 26 at Cloverdale Fieldhouse.

Agenda is being finalized and will be emailed to association presidents and 15U coordinators.

An email was sent out to all interior associations to cast their vote to either being interlocked with Fraser Valley teams or Zoning amongst the interior teams. Deadline is on May 18.

15UA SPRING

Received a copy of an ejection report from Discipline Chair.

15U Division

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Grant Butler <gbutlerbcls@gmail.com>

13U John Main**summary**

Marty Hall <martyhall@shaw.ca>

Fri, May 3, 2019 at 9:07 PM

To: Grant Butler <gbutlerbcls@gmail.com>

John Main

- 16 teams confirmed.
 - LM & Interior Interlock standings provided for Pool team allocation
- Blank tournament schedule provided
- Tourney schedule provided to BCBUA, Pat W. & RCBA UIC
- Tournament trophies updated
- Tournament MVP shirt (logo revamping) – has gone to Tom K for review (Marketing Committee Chair)
- RCBA has been provided schedule for volunteering allocation (field and concession)
- RCBA will provide tourney standing and tourney boards
- There will be two BC Baseball tents and tables & skirts at the site for Directors

Marty



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Divisional Report 15. 11U Division – May 2019

- Had multiple inquiries/communications regarding Rule 19.04 “Bats” regarding stamping and BPF 1.15 rating now that the spring season is underway. I have passed along to the Rules Chair for follow-up and possible clarification if needed.
- Recently sent out a “host” request from 11U AA Provincial Championship (August 1-5) to association presidents now that affiliation information has been submitted and divisional registration numbers should be better known.
 - Current confirmed hosts:
 - 11U AAA T1 Nanaimo
 - 11U AAA T2 North Delta
 - 11U AA ***open***
 - 11U A Kamloops
- Looking at end-of May beginning of June for pre-summer divisional meeting/conference call (reached out to BCMBA 11U Directors for availability)

John Braaten

Interim 2nd Vice President

11U Division Chair

Boundary & Affiliation Committee member

Grassroots Committee member

High Performance Committee member

Marketing Committee member

Website Chair



Grant Butler <gbutlerbcls@gmail.com>

May 7, 2019 #16+17 Island update

Dave Garton <gartondave@gmail.com>

Tue, May 7, 2019 at 4:08 PM

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Sorry for the delay in getting this out,

Here is a brief Island update

Divisional Reports**16+17) Island Report**

As with the rest of the province, Baseball is underway and a number of April Rainouts have caused some games being unable to be rescheduled.

Island meeting coming up May 26th 11AM in Nanaimo – will book hosts for island zones and discuss summer play on the island.

The Island is hosting 4 Provincials this year

11U AAA tier 1 – Nanaimo Aug 1 - 4

13U AA – Comox Aug 1 - 4

13U AAA – Victoria (Carnarvon) Aug 1 - 4

18U AAA – Victoria (Lambrick) Aug 8 – 11

Would like clarification on host responsibilities with regards to hotel blocks – is this on the teams attending and using the Travelling Teams arrangement as per James?

Girls Baseball

Well attended in Victoria (Carnarvon Park) – players per week 25 and 29. Thanks to everyone that has made this possible, happy to support it.

Coaching Caravan – made a number of stops on the island, thanks to all the people involved from the communities that took part. I was able to attend the Duncan session and despite small numbers it was a great event. Victoria would like to be on the list for next year.

Until the Island meeting later this month that is all I have to report.

Dave Garton

Island Rep, BCMBA

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Interior Report (15U & 18U) – May 7th 2019

The Season is off and running on a good foot in the interior. Weekends are extremely busy with games booked. We are experiencing a shortage of umpires, and attempts are being made to move as many games as possible to weeknights.

I have followed up with Anne's list of associations who had outstanding fees and were able to get some caught up with still a few more to go. Overall, I think the interior is having an excellent year with relatively few incidents or issues that I am aware of.

Thanks,

Tom Katelnikoff
Interior Director



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Divisional Reports 19) - Interior 11U & 13U

- Opening Days and baseball games happening all throughout the Interior, finally
- Clarified pitching rules for Vernon as UIC provided Baseball Canada's rules to the President in error
- 13U Team BC Player ID camp held in Penticton

Iain MacIntyre, BCMBA Interim 1VP



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North Report

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Our season is finally under way and registration numbers are on par to what they were last year. I contacted Quesnel about their outstanding fees, which have now been submitted, and we are working together to have some PG teams head their way for some fun exhibition games for the Canada Day weekend.

The Select ID camps and Coaching Caravan was another great success when they came through PG in early April – Thank you again to Mike Kelly and crew, who always put together an amazing event.

Prince George is working together with the City of PG and Tourism BC and is well underway with their list of tasks for hosting the 15U AA Provincials.

Looking forward to a great season!

Carmen Martin
North Director