



## **British Columbia Minor Baseball Association**

*BC's Largest Youth Baseball Organization Since 1963*

Rally Cap - 9U - 11U - 13U - 15U - 18U - Junior Mens

Girls Baseball - Challenger Baseball

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### **October 4th, 2022 - BCMBA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

Meeting hosted via Google Meet

**Meeting Called to Order:** 6:06

**Attendance:** G. Butler, J. Braaten, A. Hayes, V. Greenwood, A. Forman, D. Cabalfin, M. Van Der Loos, H. Gurney, N. Dhaliwal, M. Kelly, D. Michaud, R. Puri, N. Van Dyk, R. Hall, J. Raymond

**Absent:** M. Hall, Dave Garton, S. Coleman, Tina Baker-Cornet

**Presidents Opening Remarks:** Grant Butler

- AGM is coming quickly
- Nominating Committee - John Braaten, Raj Puri - putting feelers out - if you know someone who may be interested in running, send their name in
- Safe Sport - how to adopt
- Chris Balison, President of Baseball Canada due to Safe Sport has resigned as President due to promotion in his job with the Provincial Law Offices - cannot volunteer
- some volunteers could be in conflict
- We will adopt Safe Sport as much as possible
- Document is still under review Ryan Hall has taken charge
- We will adopt in principle to Baseball BC

#### **Adoption of Minutes :**

- August 27th, 2022 BoD Meeting
  - Motioned: N. Dhaliwal
  - Seconded: A. Forman
  - Correction White Rock was fined \$1000 not \$1500
  - M/S/C
- June 07, 2022 BoD Meeting
  - Motioned: V. Greenwood
  - Seconded: A. Hayes
  - M/S/C

#### **Additions to the Agenda:**

- Tina Baker-Cornett - Son Simon is in hospital - fundraising happening with the Cowichan Mustangs - will post on social media only
- Marty Van Der Loos - moving zone playoffs - see new business

## **Correspondence: Val Greenwood**

- Kyle Pennock - coaching fine - forwarded to Anne
- Dave Robinson - re Kyle Pennock - forwarded to Anne
- Rob McGorman - President Oceanside - re Kyle Pennock - coaching fine - forwarded to Anne
- Kyle Pennock - email of apology - forwarded to Anne
- Ryan McGrath - Crossbar - forwarded to James
- Greyson Leo - "paid guest" item for website - forwarded to James
- Interior Workshop - Michael Sanfilippo - President Vernon - RSVP to workshop + 3
- Interior Workshop - Chad Geisbrecht - President Salmon Arm - RSVP to workshop
- Interior Workshop - Frank Peebles - President Prince George - RSVP to workshop
- Interior Workshop - Jennifer Lopez - President Kamloops - RSVP to workshop + 3
- Interior Workshop - Colin Mitzel - President West Kelowna - RSVP to workshop
- Island Workshop - Ehren Madill - President Nanaimo - RSVP to workshop
- Island Workshop - Shannon Gaboury - President Comox - RSVP to workshop
- Island Workshop - Vicky Seredick - President Alberni - RSVP to workshop
- Island Workshop - Rachel Zalinko - President Lakers Baseball (Lake Cowichan) - decline
- Island Workshop - JonAaron HopWo - President Chemainus - RSVP to workshop
- Lower Mainland - Beverly Hudym - 2nd VP Newton RSVP to workshop + 1
- Lower mainland - Jeremy Hall - President Chilliwack - RSVP to workshop
- Peter Lei - President South Burnaby - thanks for attending 70th Anniversary Festival
- Kyle Williams - Safe Sport Coordinator Baseball BC - Air Quality Advisory
- Ron McGorman - President Oceanside - Harris appeal follow up memo
- Executive Rosters 2022-2023: Chemainus
- Laura Ingleson - Vancouver Community - requesting to have jobs posted to website
- Beverly Hudym - missed workshop - looking for minutes
- BC Registries - Recovery and Resiliency Fund
- viaSport - Rally Together - retaining players
- NWBCA - conference information and registration
- David Laing - Executive Director Baseball BC - 2022 Baseball Canada Awards
- Casey Jantz - NCCP what is need for 13U /how to qualify for 13U BC team - forwarded to J Braaten

## **Outgoing:**

- James Raymond - to Presidents - reminder of Workshops
- John Braaten - to Presidents - College Prep applications now open
- James Raymond - to Presidents - College Prep applications due September 30th
- James Raymond -to Presidents 2nd reminder of workshops
- John Braaten - to Nanaimo - re players Luke and Troy Harris and boundaries
- John Braaten - to Oceanside - re players Luke and Troy Harris and boundaries
- John Braaten - to Casey Jantz - 13U NCCP qualifications needed

## **Business Arising from Minutes:**

- Safe Sport - Addressed in President's remarks

## **Executive Reports:**

**President** - Grant Butler - no report

**First VP** - John Braaten - see written report

**Second VP** - Dave Garton - no report

**Treasurer** - Anne Hayes

- Financials - preliminary draft
- financials are with the auditors, may have changes
- to be voted on at the AGM by the presidents

**Secretary** - Val Greenwood

- **New President - Jon Aaron HopWo - Chemainus**

**Administrative Director** - James Raymond:

- See written report
- AGM Report
- 2023 Provincial Championships Host applications report
- Virtual AGM is set - November 20th (Sunday)

## **Committee Reports:**

1) **Rules Committee** - Daniel Michaud / Ryan Hall / Hugh Gurney

- 2022 AGM Rules package review - Moved to New Business

2) **Player Eligibility Committee** - Neal Dhaliwal / Steve Coleman / Dino Cabalfin

- AGM report

3) **Discipline Committee** - Dave Garton / Raj Puri / Hugh Gurney / Neal Dhaliwal

- two (2) outstanding issues - John provided information to committee - send to Raj, Hugh and Neal - this needs to be completed by the AGM

4) **Girls Baseball Committee** - Marty Van Der Loos / Al Forman / Val Greenwood

- 16U Girls won the Silver medal at the Baseball Canada 16U Invitational Tournament
- See written report

5) **Umpire Liaison Committee** - Grant Butler / Raj Puri / Nick Van Dyk

- Baseball BC is planning to have umpires under Baseball BC as per their Strategic Plan
- BCMBA along with local Associations and UICs to do our own tournaments

6) **High-Performance Committee** - Mike Kelly / Daniel Michaud / Marty Hall / Al Forman  
18U Rep - John Braaten / 15U Rep - Anne Hayes / 13U Rep - John Braaten)

- John -Not too much to report at this time given lack of follow up internally from single season leagues as requested from the end of the summer season. Will have to address with the new incoming board for 2023 and respective committee members
- Team BC 13U/15U Summary report

7) **Boundary and Affiliation Committee** - Steve Coleman

- There is much work to be done with regards to Boundaries and Affiliation. Presidents are encouraged to completely review the BCMBA Rule 3.01 to make sure they start 2023 in good standing in particular sections (E) and (F), a clear definition must be submitted and referencing “same as last year” or “as per BCMBA map” will NOT be accepted.
- I am happy to work directly with any President who needs help or guidance through this process
- Send out to Presidents so they are aware of policy on boundaries

8) **Coaching Development/ NCCP Committee** - Mike Kelly / John Braaten / Al Forman / Raj Puri / Nick Van Dyk

- John - Will defer to co-chair Mike Kelly’s report. Have met with LEC regarding 2023 booking and estimates. Traveling Caravan planning loosely being planned for 2023. As per Fall Workshops conversations respective association support of Coaches Conference and NCCP associated clinics will assist in determining successful applicants
- Lengthy discussion took place on the future of NCCP
- 2023 Coaches Conference Dates - working with LEC for luncheon
- 2023 NCCP Training dates - Why does BCMBA support training
- Updates to coach certification requirements (if applicable)
- Traveling Caravan will defer to Mike Kelly’s report, but guidelines have been communicated via Fall Workshops regarding some factors that will determine successful associations

9) **Marketing Committee** - James Raymond / Raj Puri / Ryan Hall/Dino Cabalfin

- Ryan and Jamie to oversee Provincials
- Raj and Jamie to oversee coaches conference
- Dino and Jamie to oversee caravan

See written report

10) **Grassroots Committee** - John Braaten / Steve Coleman

- Grassroots survey from the three (3) groups of participants (coaches, parents, and players) with summary along with recommendations to the board and member associations to be presented shortly.

11) **Risk Management / Insurance Committee** - John Braaten / Anne Hayes

John - Have two (2) outstanding Discipline reviews from summer that fall under Baseball BC Safe Sport Guidelines (though not approved yet by BCMBA) and are awaiting follow-up findings from the committee.

Anne - turning over Insurance to Jamie, transition will be done by March 31

Nick - Presidents to know that if fines are not paid by the AGM the Association will NOT be in good standing and will NOT be able to vote

**12) Challenger Baseball Liaison - Steve Coleman**

- This year we had many reasons to celebrate with our Challenger Baseball program. We returned to a mostly normal season and there were smiles to be found in every corner of our Challenger Diamonds
- Highlights included:  
BC Challenger Provincial Jamboree was hosted by Mission Minor Baseball on June 11th. We saw over 500 athletes participating in this event.
- BCMBA sponsored and participated in the 2022 Rogers Jays Care Celebrity Golf Classic in Support of Challenger Baseball on July 20th. The tournament raised over \$85,000 for Jays Care Challenger Baseball in BC..a record.

**13) Website Committee - James Raymond / Anne Hayes / John Braaten / Nick Van Dyk**

John - have started posting for 2023 tournaments (usually post beginning of January) as 2022 was a down year for promotion of such

see written report

**14) Human Resources Committee - Anne Hayes / Val Greenwood / Raj Puri**

No report

**15) Awards Committee - Val Greenwood / Mike Kelly / Raj Puri / Marty Van Der Loos**

- Association of the Year: (to be handed out at AGM)
- Awards Committee has recommended that Ridge Meadow receives the Association of the Year award  
There were issues with the committees recommendation for Association of the Year. There was a conference call held after the meeting between Mike Kelly, Marty Van Der Loos and myself with new information being brought to light and speculations discounted as we are dealing with 2022 not the future speculations. After much discussion the recommendation for Ridge Meadows to be the Association of the Year for 2022 is upheld - Raj emailed his vote, Mike abstained Marty and Val stayed with their vote for Ridge Meadows
- In recognition of his 10 years of service to the BC Minor Board of Directors  
Grant Butler has been awarded the Lifetime Member award
- Recommendation for Female Athletes:  
14U Female MVP - Payton O'Brien  
16U Female MVP - Kailyn Guenther  
21U Wayne Bampton Memorial Rookie of the Year - Mercedes Johnson  
21U Elizabeth Bampton Memorial Un-Sung Hero - Maggie McDonald  
21U Female MVP - Emi Saiki
- All selections were made by the coaches

- Deadline for all other awards December 15th, 2022
- All awards will be handed out at the Coaches Convention in February

16) **Scholarship Committee** - Raj Puri / Al Forman / High Gurney / Dino Cabalfin

17) **Baseball BC Committee** - Grant Butler / John Braaten

John will defer to Grant's report

looking at continuing a 15U program much like the summer games on the off year

18) **Nominations Committee** - John Braaten / Tina Baker-Cornett / Neal Dhaliwal

Following directors standing:

Dino Cabalfin  
Al Forman  
Ryan Hall  
Daniel Michaud  
Raj Puri  
Nick Van Dyk  
Anne Hayes  
Marty Hall

- One (1) - North
- One (1) - Island
- Three (3) Provincial Directors

19) **AGM Committee** - James Raymond - Sunday, November 20th, 2022 - Virtual meeting

#### **Divisional Reports:**

a) **26U - Jr. Men's** - Anne Hayes / Al Forman - see written report

b) **18U** - Chair - CP Applications report - John Braaten

A total of twelve (12) 2023 College Prep applications received via the website form. Currently reviewing though not in time for the final decision that was hoped for at the time to present to the at BoD October meeting. Cannot be done given the detailed nature, questions from the 2022 applications that were presented to successful teams to follow-up as part of this process and ask questions from teams given recent applications if necessary. Announcement should come shortly

- 18U Fall Classic Tournament summary report  
John - BCMBA Fall Classic was run at the end of September with weather cooperating throughout to allow gull completion
- 18U College Prep Director - Mike Kelly

League play's only concern was the playoff format and provincial host. We need to review this. After all applications are received from applicants to play for 2023 season we will review and announce teams playing in the 2023 season

See written report

- 18U AAA Director - Dave Garton
- 18U AA Director - Raj Puri

c) **15U** - Chair - Anne Hayes

- 15U AAA Director - Steve Coleman / Anne Hayes
- 15U AA Director -Hugh Gurney
- 15U A Director - Neal Dhaliwal
- No Report

d) **13U** - Chair - John Braaten

13U AAA will defer to the director's report and recommendations from director and coaches re: pilot season and Article XX rules (as voted upon or additional from year-end post mortem) associated with this.

- 13U AAA Director -Marty Hall
- 13U AA Director - Al Forman - see written report
- 13U- A Director - Marty Van Der Loos
  - 13U A year end report

Moving zones - see New Business

- John Main Tournament  
Tournament to be hosted as traditional dates May 25-28. Tournament being hosted by Cowichan Valley. Registration Now open online through BCMBA website. Host association to provide accommodation information for the sixteen (16) teams.

e) **11U** - Chair - Dave Garton - No report

- Daniel Michaud
- Tina Baker-Cornett
- Nick Van Dyk

f) **9U** - Chair - John Braaten

- Still reminding associations of the 9U specific rules as per BCMBA rule 31

g) **Island 1** - Tina Baker-Cornett

- Hugh Gurnet temporary director

No Report

- 18U and 15U

h) **Island 2** - Dave Garton

No Report

- 13U and 11U

i) **Interior 1** - Neal Dhaliwal

- 18U and 15U

No Report

j) **Interior 2** - Dino Cabalfin

- 13U and 11U

No Report

k) **North** - Neal Dhaliwal

- No Report

**New Business:**

- Rules Review, ask Directors to review on their own and send in corrections, James to send out revised package for review
- Marty Van der Loos
  - would like to look at moving Island zones two (2) weeks ahead of Provincials especially at 13U Hosts need to be announced early - to prepare for sponsors - block booking hotels Push Provincials one (1) week back Families can book rooms early - always can cancel if not needed Try to stay away from travel to the Island and/or The Interior on long weekends
- Grant seems to me the biggest issue is hotels - the "late" hosts - no time to block hotel
- Dino, I agree with the 13U and the 11U is asking the same thing along with pushing the Provincials back a week Travel on the long weekend is difficult especially to the Island, ferries and Hotels are expensive

**Next Meeting:**

- November 1st, 2022 - 6:00 pm - Virtually

**Meeting Adjournment at: 8:04**

- Motioned: Neal Dhaliwal