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#### Minutes April 6, 2021 - BCMBA Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting held by Google Meet

#### **Board of Directors:**

**Meet Video**: G. Butler, J. Braaten, D. Garton, A. Hayes, A. Wong-de Leon, V. Greenwood, R. Puri, M. Kelly, M. hall, N. Dhaliwal, T. Baker-Cornett, A. Forman, B. Robinson, C. Martin, R. Carpenter, R. Miciuk, S. Coleman

**Absent:** Hugh Gurney, Marty Van-der Loos Administration: J. Raymond

Call Meeting to Order: 8:02 pm

#### **President's Opening Remarks:**

Good job on the convention

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

March 2nd Minutes of Board of Directors

Motion: M. Kelly/N. Dhaliwal

Discussion: February Minutes – Coaching Convention shortfall Motion to remove that item and amend the February Minutes

Motion: C. Martin/A. Hayes

M/S/C

#### Additions to the Agenda:

- Rules Committee extend the deadline for Player Movement form for house level ball
- Adopting the workshop condensed minutes
- Vancouver Canadian Tickets
- More Mergers

#### **Correspondence:**

- Tina rescinded Ladysmith, Duncan, and SSI's approved merge at the 13UAA level for the 2021 Season.
- Rec'd email from AMBA Risk Management Director re: out of province travel clarification. Email forwarded to John.
- Rec'd two emails from Pat Weatherill regarding player movement. Emails forwarded to Neil.
- North Shuswap they do not have the numbers to create a full team. Asking if BCMBA will allow them to take small numbers per division and still participate.
  - o Anne dealt with it.
- COMBA has a new president.

**Business Arising from Minutes: None** 



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#### **Executive Reports:**

- 1) Grant Butler President
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 2) John Braaten 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 3) Dave Garton 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President NO REPORT
- 4) Anne Hayes Treasurer
  - Approval of the March 2021 Financials Motion: A. Foreman/C. Martin Motion to approve the March 2021 Financials M/S/C
  - Cloverdale has paid their affiliation fee.
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 5) Abigail Wong-de Leon Secretary
  - See Report in the Addendum Report

#### **Administrative Director - James Raymond**

• See Report in the Addendum Report

#### **Committee Reports**

- Rules Committee: Dave Garton (Chair)
   (Neal Dhaliwal-Hugh Gurney-Marty van-der Loos Carmen Martin)
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 2) Player Eligibility Committee: Neal Dhaliwal (Chair)

(Tina Baker-Cornett - John Braaten)

- See Report in the Addendum Report
- 3) Discipline Committee: Ron Miciuk (Chair)

(Hugh Gurney - Carmen Martin)\

- Only one issue out of West Kelowna
- 4) Girls Baseball Committee: Val Greenwood (Chair) NO REPORT
- 5) <u>Umpire Liaison Committee:</u> Dave Garton (Chair) **NO REPORT**

(Hugh Gurney - Al Forman - Raj Puri)

- Has not reviewed the documents
- Committee will have a meeting soon
- 6) High-Performance Committee: Ron Miciuk (Chair)

(Mike Kelly - Al Forman - Marty Hall- Brad Robinson - Anne Hayes - John Braaten - James Raymond) — **NO REPORT** 



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- 7) <u>Boundary and Affiliation Committee:</u> Abigail Wong-de Leon (Chair)
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 8) <u>Coaching Development/ NCCP Committee:</u> Mike Kelly (Co-Chair) John Braaten (Co-Chair) (Al Forman Raj Puri Brad Robinson Marty Hall)
  - NCCP
    - o checking all coaches if they are registered
    - o coaches need to request CPD points
  - Coaching Convention
    - Lots of positive feedback
    - Lots of complements from both the speakers and attendees
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 9) Marketing Committee: James Raymond (Chair / Admin) (Marty Hall Ron Miciuk Hugh Gurney Tina Baker-Cornett)
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 10) <u>Grassroots Committee:</u> John Braaten (Chair) **NO REPORT** (Al Forman)
- 11) Risk Management / Insurance Committee: John Braaten (Chair)

(Anne Hayes - Dave Garton)

- Players over the age of 22, max 10 includes the coaches
- CGL insurance for all the associations
- D&O insurance only covers BCMBA BoD only
- E&O ....
- See Report in the Addendum Report
- 12) Challenger Baseball Liaison: Grant Butler (Chair) NO REPORT
  - Sent out the challenger super camp
- 13) <u>Website Committee:</u> James Raymond (Chair) (Anne Hayes)
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 14) <u>Human Resources Committee:</u> Anne Hayes (Chair) (Val Greenwood Raj Puri Tina Baker-Cornett)
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- 15) <u>Awards Committee:</u> Val Greenwood (Chair) **NO REPORT** (Mike Kelly Raj Puri Marty van-der Loos)
- 16) Scholarship Committee Raj Puri (Chair) NO REPORT



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(Mike Kelly - Hugh Gurney - Al Forman)

- 17) <u>Baseball BC Committee</u> (Grant Butler, VP Baseball BC) (Chair) (John Braaten, Risk Committee Baseball BC, Grant Butler Strategic Plan Committee)
  - Baseball Canada cancelled the 2021 National Championships
  - See Report in the Addendum Report

#### **Divisional Reports -**

- a) 26U Jr. Men's Anne Hayes NO REPORT
  - Extended the declaration deadline to May 1
  - Lots of interest
  - Will make a decision mid-May
- b) 18U Chair Mike Kelly
  - 18U College Prep Mike Kelly
    - See Report in the Addendum Report
  - 18U AAA Hugh Gurney
    - See Report in the Addendum Report
  - 18U AA Raj Puri NO REPORT
- c) 15U Chair Anne Hayes
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
  - 15U AAA Ron Miciuk
    - Merger Salmon Arm and Revelstoke
       Motion to accept the merge A. Hayes/C. Martin
       M/S/C
  - 15U AA Dave Garton
    - Merger Salt Spring, Ladysmith and to include Duncan Motion to accept the merge – A. Hayes/R. Puri M/S/C Abstain: T. Baker-Cornett
      - See Report in the Addendum Report
  - 15U A Neal Dhaliwal NO REPORT
- d) 13U Chair John Braaten
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
  - 13U AAA Summer Marty Hall NO REPORT
  - 13U AA Al Forman NO REPORT
  - 13U- A Marty van-der Loos NO REPORT
  - 13U John Main Tournament John Braaten See Report in the Addendum Report
- e) 11U Chair Tina Baker-Cornett NO REPORT
- f) 9U Chair John Braaten NO REPORT



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- g) Island 18U and 15U Dave Garton NO REPORT
- h) Island 13U and 11U Tina Baker-Cornett NO REPORT
- i) Interior 18U and 15U Ron Miciuk NO REPORT
- i) Interior 13U and 11U Neal Dhaliwal NO REPORT
- k) North Carmen Martin NO REPORT

Steve Coleman, Lower Mainland - NO REPORT

#### **New Business**

- Vancouver Canadian Tickets refund or role over Role -over and John will be in charge
- Spring Workshop Minutes, a consolidated the 3 virtual workshops
  - Motion to Accept the Workshop Minutes: Carmen MArtin,
  - Seconder: Neal Dhaliwal,
  - Discussion/ Carried

**Next Meeting:** Google Meet, 8pm, May 4, 2021 June and July meetings will be at 8pm

Meeting Adjournment: 9:14pm Motion to adjourn: John Braaten

Addendum: Reports to follow



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#### **BCMBA - Presidents Report, Grant Butler**

March as usual has been very busy with many questions on rule interpetations, eligibility issues, RTP guidelines, single season division issues and our virtual 2021 Coaches Conference.

For those of you who participated in the Coaches Convention I trust you were able to take some new ideas and thought processes for your own baseball program and/or coaching endevours, I did. While it was different, it sure looks like the future has arrived as it allowed so many of our coaches and baseball fratrernity to "attend" from distant locations and to be in the comfort of their home while staying safe during this unique time of Covid-19. Congratulations go out to our Convention Committee.

I want to thank John Braaten for supporting anyone who has had questions or just needed help with the RTP guidelines and the bouncing ball they have become from the PHO. Please be diligent in keeping up to date on the RTP guidelines and help the baseball world stay safe.

#### Other business this month

- Virtual Spring Workshops held Mar 3, 4 and 8th all went smoothly but for the most part were poorly attended. I've complied the minutes instead of doing separate ones so when they're sent out to the Presidents they can see the Q&A from the other workshops.
- One of our member Associations requested help with a Dispute Resolution Process. John and Ron both stepped up to help and I've recommended that BCMBA develop a template for this.
- Many discussions with Neal around Eligibility issues. It's obvious that not only Coaches but
  Presidents do not know enough about tryout release and player movement. More messaging is
  needed or maybe a move to 100% online forms.
- James and I have set up an Appeals email and I've transferred 2019, 2020 and some recent ones into the Appeals "Drive" to support the Discipline and Eligilibilty Committee going forward.
- NCCP certification needs to be sorted out as I discovered that Baseball Canada and NCCP did an update in January on the NCCP certification terms and definitions while I was trying to sort out my own certification. We need to put together a comprehensive message to our coaches.
- I corresponded with Greg Bodnarchuk regarding his resignation and informed Steve Coleman of his new position as a BMCBA Director.
- We received the Insurance Certificate at the last minute, which put not only ourselves in a potentially difficult spot but some of our member Associations were at risk, and maybe still are, for not getting their field permit applications/permits in a timely manner. Needs to be sooner.
- We received the Trophy for the Baseball Canada Event Recognition Award for the 2020 Coaches Convention, I'll get some pictures together for the Web page.



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#### **BCMBA Board Meeting April 6, 2021**

#### **Executive Report 2 - 1st Vice President**

Continue to have many inquiries and discussions with association members regarding what 2021 may look like and programming questions.

Sent out requests to BCMBA associations for "approximate" team declarations for divisions 11U – 18U in advance of any possible game play. This information will assist in potential cohort formations if/when able to get to that stage of Return to Play (RTP) to ensure member safety as per the guidelines and safety protocols. BCMBA will not schedule games for non-single season divisions and such, but is there to assist in communications.

Committee Report 2 - Eligibility Member Will defer to the Chair

**Committee Report 6 - High Performance Member** Will defer to the Chair.

Committee Report 8 - Coaches Development Committee Co-Chair BC Coaches Conference Post-Mortem

BC Minor Baseball has just completed a very successful three day virtual Coaches Conference on the HQ Enterprises online platform March  $26^{th} - 28^{th}$ .

There were 189 registrants for the virtual platform.

Much of the updates have previously been reported in the monthly committee reports leading up to the Coaches Conference in meetings, preparations, Google Meet conferencing calls, e-mails, etc., etc., etc.

We would like to acknowledge Al Forman as the host all weekend. All of the time spent introducing speakers and leading the Q&A sessions was a remarkable amount of work put in by him during the weekend. We had lots of complements for his enthusiasm, knowledge brought forth and keeping the overall flow of the conference moving along!

Also would like to give thanks to our Administrative Director James Raymond, working in the background as well along with HQ to help keep everything running smoothly all weekend. James did a large amount of work leading up to the conference in regards to sponsorships/partnerships, 30 second ad promotional clips to also fill in time between each session.

Leading up to the conference our videographer Jeremy Hannaford (EMP Media Services) did an amazing job recording and editing all of the sessions in preparation of the conference. Jeremy has worked with BC Minor Baseball over the last number of years recording live conferences over the last few years.

The Coaches Development Committee would also like to thank all of the guest speakers who put in their own time to provide the Conference content to be able to provide the baseball community more knowledge in order to help further develop our youth athletes: Brayden Bouchey, John Braaten, Pete Caliendo, Al Forman, Emily & Stacy Fournier, Kevin Hussey, Rick Johnson, Jeff Krushell, David Laing, Gord MacFarlane, Scott MacKenzie, Aaron Myette, Kevin Nicholson, Wayne Parro, Anthony Pluta, Brad Robinson, Reggie Smith, Marty van der Loos, David & Jimmy VanOstrand and Pete Wilkinson.

The Committee will be reviewing platform itself and deeper dive into detailed information as provided by the host in the coming weeks. We can say now the average session attendance was 44% of registrants. We have been advised this is in and around the same session participation percentage of Baseball Ontario's "Best Ever Clinic" that was virtually held in January.

There were a total of 2,739 registered coach visits over the three days of the conference viewing "Agenda". There were 3,695 visits to the main page/stadium of the same amount of time. There were another 87 coach view various sessions March  $29^{th}$  - April  $4^{th}$ .

This past weekend Baseball BC hosted various NCCP sessions to coaches who attended the Conference at a discounted rate for each session. Registration was through BC Minor Baseball website. I did attend one session as part of the conference promotion.

We also cannot have pulled off this virtual event without the support from Baseball BC and their staff.

**Committee Report 10 - Grassroots Chair** No update at this time.

### **Committee Report 11 - Risk Management**

We continue to receive many questions from associations as registrations are opening for 2021 with risk management concerns. I am really concerned based on the amount of questions about ViaSport and Baseball BC Return to Play RTP guideline phases that are not being communicated effectively downward to coaches and members.

Friendly reminder, we are all still under ViaSport/Baseball BC Return to Play (RTP) Phase 2 Stage 1 guidelines and safety protocols as of this date. Last update from Baseball BC was March 1<sup>st</sup>. The latest update to RTP is now extending to players over the age of 22 in limited to small group team training/development (maximum size of 10 persons).

Baseball BC did update adult and player waivers and declarations which can be now found on the BCMBA website under "More/Resources/COVID-19 Resources" and also distribution online. Adult and player waivers and declarations from 2020 are still valid.

We are still awaiting word from the Provincial government of any potential updates in regards to programming and RTP Phases that ViaSport and Baseball BC can provide us for further guidance.

We do not know what this year will look like yet, but in my many, many conversations so far please plan for another "not-so-traditional year" of programming. We will message and help all associations and keep lines of communication open. We have no idea at this time when/if game play may start in the province. It is practice only at this time and BCMBA will advise when next steps can be taken in returning to game play.

#### As of this date:

- **No** games (no team simulated/inter-squad game scenarios ex: batter, pitcher, runners & fielders at the same time)
- No Interlocks/cohorts
- No travel.

#### A holdover from last two month's reporting:

Associations please be prepared to "instruct/train" coaches/volunteers that were not part of any RTP in 2020 as all protocols and guidelines are still in place. It is not at this time a return to traditional play or training. Any questions please do not hesitate BCMBA to ask as there are a number of member associations that did not have any programming in 2020 and have not done any preparation or posting of protocols on their respective website.

#### **Insurance**

BCMBA has bound the insurance for 2021. Player Insurance, CGL and D&O (only for the Board). The Insurance carrier would not offer D&O for the club associations this year. I have bought additional E&O for all club associations this year to help cover this missing piece.

BCMBA will send out an announcement in the next few of days to all the associations about the insurance and what the new E&O covers.

#### Committee Report 17 - Baseball BC

No board meeting since last report. In frequent communication with Baseball BC regarding Return to Play. I have been participating currently with their Risk Management committee in reviewing/updating various internal policies.

#### Divisional Report "D" - 13U Chair

Reminder, that at this time there is **no** game play and do not know when this may occur. As of this date BCMBA is still under Baseball BC's Return to Play guidelines and safety protocols. RTP: Phase Two (2) Stage One (1)

John Main No update at this time.

A holdover from last month's report:

2020 entries are still held for 2021.

Given we are all under RTP Phase 2 Stage 1 there are many unknowns. Have already reached out to 2020 cohosts and all are standing by for 2021. Tournament is full and waitlisted.

#### Divisional Report "F" - 9U Chair

No report.

John Braaten

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
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#### **SECRETARY REPORT**

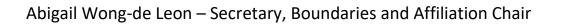
- Completed the 3 Spring Workshop Minutes and forwarded them to Grant for review
- Created a contact list of all UIC of associations as instructed by Grant
- Attended and took minutes on the 15UAA Coaches Meeting. Minutes forwarded to Dave.
- Filed a Notice of Change of Directors to add Steve Coleman and remove Greg Bodnarchuk
- 2<sup>nd</sup> reminder email sent to Association Presidents who have not submitted their Executive Roster. The following associations have not complied.
  - Aldergrove
  - Chase
  - Chemainus
  - North Shore
  - Princeton Jennifer Clements is no longer the president, and from her knowledge, they
    have not got an association with volunteers going.
  - o Tri-Port They are still unsure if they will have a season. Their gameplay relies on travel.
- Rec'd email from Abbotsford Risk Management Director re: out of province travel clarification. Forwarded email to John.
- Rec'd 18UAAA and 15UAAA Township Rosters

#### **BOUNDARIES AND AFFILIATION**

- Rec'd the following affiliation forms: (other forms must have been forwarded to Anne)
  - Vancouver Minor
  - Tsawwassen
  - Burnaby Minor
- Boundaries Map still working on it.



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#### **Administrative Director's Report**

Apr.6, 2021

#### **Website and Social Media**

- BC Minor Baseball Executives Page Complete
- 18U AAA league page built, with teams and logos. Now live.
- 15U AA league page built and waiting for confirmation of teams
- Hourly promotion of BCMBA Coaches Conference 2021 Friday, Saturday, Sunday during the event
- Joint effort messaging with Baseball BC regarding COVID-19 RTP updates and changes
- Registration management for BCMBA Coaches Conference 2021 and NCCP Coach Training and Certification courses

#### **Administrative Support**

- COVID-19 Member information distribution
- Working with Treasurer to learn and manage insurance component for BCMBA and it's members
- Updated and distribute the new COVID-19 RTP 2021 package
- Applications management for 2021 BCMBA Provincial Host Applications (No new applicants as of 3.30.21)

Division	Applicants to Date		
11U A			
11U AA			
11U AAA T1	Nanaimo Minor Baseball		
11U AAA T2			
13U A East			
13U A West	Mission Minor Baseball		
13U AA	Surrey Canadian Baseball		
13U AAA			
15U A	Surrey Canadian Baseball		
15U AA	Cloverdale Minor Baseball		
15U AAA	SOMBA (Penticton)		
18U AA	Mission Minor Baseball		
18U AAA	COMBA (Kelowna)		
18U CP			
Jr. Men's			

- \*italics denote that the host has not been awarded yet
- \*\*division chairs will find a summary of applications for their divisions in the shared AD drive for your division
  - Support communications for the BoD
  - Administrator support for GSuite
  - Continued creation of "How to" guides for GSuite procedures and features as BoD members identify needs
  - Creation of "How-to" video archive to support BoD Members
  - Prepare GSuite training sessions content
  - Offer weekly live GSuite training sessions these continue to be well attended with an average of 3-4 participants weekly
  - Host and support monthly BoD meetings via Google Meet
  - Host, support, and record BCMBA 2021 Spring Regional Workshop communications
    - o LM/FV Region Wednesday, Mar. 3rd 7:00 PM https://meet.google.com/rfq-hveg-twe
    - o Island Region Thursday, Mar. 4th 7:00 PM <a href="https://meet.google.com/tph-xuoo-rok">https://meet.google.com/tph-xuoo-rok</a>
    - Interior Region Monday, Mar. 8th 7:00 PM https://meet.google.com/pzm-whim-wjm
  - Support communications for BoD and member associations
  - Attend BC Minor Baseball Coaches Conference committee meetings to determine logistical and support needs for the 2021 event
  - Work with HQ Enterprise and EMP Media to provide content and logistics support for BCMBA Coaches Conference 2021
  - Work with Jeff Krushell for retake Coaches Conference presentation
  - Live support through the BCMBA Coaches Conference 2021 event
  - Post-event registration reporting for billing support

#### **Marketing Committee Report**

- Create HP video promo clip <a href="https://www.bcminorbaseball.org/high-performance">https://www.bcminorbaseball.org/high-performance</a>
- Create Caravan video promo clip <a href="https://www.bcminorbaseball.org/coaching">https://www.bcminorbaseball.org/coaching</a>
- Create and Distribute BCMBA Coaches Conference sponsorship package.
- Follow up and coordinate the creation of sponsored content and placement for the BCMBA Coaches Conference 2021 event.
- Direct real-time placement of ad materials during the BCBMA Coaches Conference 2021
- The chair continues to study content creation and media editing in order to up our quality and effectiveness of our digital marketing campaigns (online training) and has built some training content to date
- Continued resource planning to promote the naturally RTP compliant nature of baseball and the preparedness
  of our member associations to provide healthy and compliant outdoor recreation for BC youth
- Working to develop surveys to collect feedback from recent events and to identify member associations needs
- Moving to further explore how the Marketing Committee can best work to identify, set and achieve our marketing goals.
- Assist in the distribution of feedback surveys for Baseball BC
- Assist in the distribution of Baseball BC Girls, Challenger, and Coach Training programs materials
- Planning of New President's package

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#### Rules Report for April 6, 2021 Board Meeting

Rules Committee (Dave Garton, Neal Dhaliwal, Hugh Gurney, Marty van-der Loos, Carmen Martin)

#### 1. Committee meeting on March 23, 2021.

A very short meeting for brief updates as most committee members have been focused on other tasks regarding their other board positions

Thank you to Carmen for identifying all gender specific references in the current RuleBook to be updated. Will be done for next version to be updated on website. Any changes in the Bylaws will be brought to the AGM as one change stating all referenced Articles.

We have set reoccurring monthly meeting for the next few months. Next is April 20, 2021 at 7:30pm

#### 2. Article XX adjustments

Any uses of the February approved Article XX should be reported to the Rules' committee/chair for tracking purposes.

- Can any division that has allowed late entry or late withdraws please let me know.

Grant initiated extension of the deadline for Player Movement form for house ball levels until a definitive start date is determined (via March 31, 2021 email to the BCMBA board of directors).

#### 3. Rulebook updates

Gender references being updated as mentioned above

Still need to sort out the 2019 Roll of Honour recipients, some confusion over years.

NCCP chart under Rule 11 needs to be updated to the new standards.

Reminder to the board that if you see something that is missing, incorrect or you just have a question about the Rulebook please let me/the committee know.

Thank you,

Dave Garton Rules Chair BC Minor Baseball Association



#### Grant Butler cpresident@bcminorbaseball.org>

# Player releases

31 March 2021 at 19:54

To: Neal Dhaliwal <eligibility@bcminorbaseball.org>, Anne Hayes <treasurer@bcminorbaseball.org> Cc: BCMBA BoD's <bod@bcminorbaseball.org>

Neal and Anne, and BoD's

With April 1 sliding past us for a start date, and by way of the Covid A-XX motion, BCMBA will hereby extend the deadline for Players Movement forms for house level ball until a definitive start date is determined.

At this time we will leave the single-season teams as they are as they have been practicing and most have sent their rosters in as they're due tomorrow.

Grant Butler, BCLS **BCMBA President** c: 250-510-9886

cc: Abigail: Please add this into the Rules Committee in the up-coming BoD meeting agenda.

[Quoted text hidden]

1 of 1 2021-04-05, 7:12 a.m.

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February 12, 2021

Re: NOTICE - Single Season Team Withdrawal Deadline Withdrawal for 2021

Dear President,

With the current state of uncertainty regarding the details of Single Season play (15U AA/AAA and 18U AAA/CP) and the 2021 Baseball BC COVID-19 Return To Play (RTP) guidelines, BCMBA is taking into account the impact this has on member registrations.

The BCMBA Board of Directors, during the Feb 2 Board of Directors meeting, have invoked Article XX (2021 BCMBA Rulebook) as done last year to allow for changes to the current rule book due to Covid-19 related guidelines for the 2021 season, and as such, have moved the current Single Season team withdrawal deadline of February 15, 2021 to a date to be determined as more information from viaSport, and Baseball BC becomes available.

In addition, and due to financial hardships many of our members face at this time, BCMBA will waive the fines that would have been assessed for failing to comply with the team withdrawal deadlines up to one week before the season starts.

Should you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the appropriate Chairperson for your particular division.

18U - Mike Kelly <u>18uchair@bcminorbaseball.org</u> 15U - Anne Hayes <u>15uchair@bcminorbaseball.org</u>

Thank you,

Grant Butler
BCMBA President
250-510-9886

cc: BCMBA BoD's



#### Grant Butler cpresident@bcminorbaseball.org>

# **Eligibility Report April**

1 message

**Neal Dhaliwal** <eligibility@bcminorbaseball.org>

To: BCMBA BoD's <bod@bcminorbaseball.org>

Cc: Neal Dhaliwal <eligibility@bcminorbaseball.org>

3 April 2021 at 15:18

It has been a busy month for Eligibility, we have been receiving player movement requests on a regular basis.

- For March there have been 61 applications received and approved.
- Eligibility was involved in an investigation of Nanaimo Minor Baseball for rule 6.03, Obtaining releases. A ruling was declared and a fine was issued to Nanaimo Minor Baseball for \$800.00
- Sent an email to Grant about the deadline of April 1 for player movement requests as some associations still have registration open or are unable to access fields until later in April. (Grant can speak on this)

BCMBA Eligibility Chair Neal Dhaliwal

1 of 1 2021-04-05, 7:06 a.m.

BCMBA Administrative Director Review, 15 March 2021

The HR Committee completed the annual review of James Raymond, our Administrative Director on Monday March 15<sup>th</sup>. This year we asked 7 directors who we thought had the most interaction with James to give us their evaluation on four questions.

The questions were as follows:

- Did he do what you asked him to?
- Was he timely in his response?
- Was there anything specifically that he helped you with during the year?
- Is there any area that you think he could improve on?

Most of the directors commented on James being not only a good communicator but also prompt with his responses and support on any troubleshooting. Also noted were his updates on the website and more specifically posting RTP guidelines and information as it became available.

Another positive from the group is the uptake in participation by the Bod's for the Thursday night Google training sessions James has put on and continues to so for the BoD's.

One of the concerns from this group centered around the blurring of the lines between a director's position and an employee's position. The concern being that James is the chair of the Marketing Committee. The reason from the President for this was to ensure continuity and security in protecting our brand as the other Directors will come and go as volunteers do from time to time.

Other responsibilities James has undertaken is the BCMBA Social Media presence and content. The fact that we have a presence is due mostly to James' continued diligence in posting relevant information, opportunities, and Association messaging from within, from Baseball BC and others such as the PHO.

Going forward, the President has tasked James with working closer with Baseball BC to ensure consistent messaging as well as beginning to take on the work required for BCMBA's insurance portfolio. Again, this matter will be better served by the AD position than the revolving volunteer base of BCMBA.

The HR Committee recommends that any Board member that wishes James to do something for them should use the Administrative Director Support Ticket available on the members portion of the website. This system was set up so we can track the requests that are being sent to James and they can be documented. This will also allow the directors who use this system to get an email confirmation when the ticket has been cleared.

The HR Committee thanks those respondents who returned exemplary and professional responses, unfortunately one of the responses was inappropriate and unusable.

The HR Committee believes the James is an asset to our Association, provides good value for the work, effort and time put into his role as the Administrative Director and we look forward to his and our Associations growth going forward.

On behalf of the HR Committee

Anne Hayes, Raj Puri, Tina Baker, and Val Greenwood.



#### Grant Butler cpresident@bcminorbaseball.org>

# Re: college prep Nccp certification

1 message

**Mike Kelly** <coaches@bcminorbaseball.org>
To: BCMBA BoD's <bod@bcminorbaseball.org>

3 April 2021 at 20:37

Hi Everyone,

College prep teams have been notified to hand in rosters only teams not handing there rosters are Kelowna sun devils penticton tigers trail orioles

Plenty of coaches taking Nccp courses

Rosters are being checked for all divisions for Nccp certification

As for the 2021 coaches convention was well received thanks for the coaches the committee and who helped to make this event happen .

John will send full report

Mike Kelly

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April 3, 2021

# 18UAAA Report

Thirteen teams have officially declared for the 2021 season. Chilliwack, Cloverdale, COMBA, Cowichan, North Island, North Shore, Prince George, Richmond, Ridge Meadows, South Fraser, Township, Victoria, & West Kelowna.

Rosters have all been received with the exception of Prince George and Chilliwack, who have both been given an extension to April 15<sup>th</sup>. Prince George wasn't able to get on their fields until late, and therefore couldn't conduct tryouts, and Chilliwack had a few players withdraw, so they are currently trying to recruit some in order to be able to field a team.

We are still waiting on a couple of field availability forms from teams, so Anne can start building schedules.

With Prince George unable to travel overnight, the schedule will be built with 4 cohorts of 3 teams each.

COHORT 1	COHORT 2	COHORT 3	COHORT 4
Cowichan	North Shore	Cloverdale	СОМВА
North Island	South Fraser	Ridge Meadows	West Kelowna
Victoria	Richmond	Township	Chilliwack

Championships will be a "Final 4" format, with the final 4 being hosted by COMBA. Top 8 teams in the standings will advance to the playoffs. 1st round of playoffs will matchup as follows:

- 1st vs 8th
- 2<sup>nd</sup> vs 7<sup>th</sup>
- 3<sup>rd</sup> vs 6<sup>th</sup>
- 4<sup>th</sup> vs 5<sup>th</sup>

First round will be a best of 3 series played at the higher seeded team's field. Double header on Saturday, and game 3 (if necessary) on Sunday. Winners of each 1<sup>st</sup> round series will advance to the Final 4 held in COMBA.

Currently waiting to move into Phase 3, so we can begin playing games.

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#### 15U Chair report for April 6 meeting

#### **Division Report 6) 15U Chair**

I attended both the 15UAAA meeting and the 15UAA virtual meetings.

I Chaired the 15UAAA meeting on February 21<sup>st</sup> and we were joined by Abigail Wong-de Leon, James Raymond and John Braaten. The meeting was well represented by the 10 participating teams. As of the writing of this report I have finished the schedule with all teams playing in cohorts, but it will not be published until such time as we get the go ahead to play.

Dave Chaired the 15UAA meeting on March 9th, joined by John Braaten, Abigail Wong-de Leon and myself. There are currently 27 teams playing at this level. They have been broken into cohorts of either 3 or 4 teams. With the withdrawing of both COMBA and West Kelowna, Trail will no longer be able to play in the schedule. I am still missing field allocation forms from 3 teams so I cannot finish this schedule.

One of the things that has come up recently is that some of the teams are using Coaches from other Leagues. We have had a Baseball BC decision that once a team is formed, and that includes coaches, then they cannot be on another team. The teams involved have now been informed.

We will be checking the NCCP information for all the coaches for this division. Most of the 15UAAA teams have been informed if their coaches need additional courses in order to qualify to coach at this level.

Anne Hayes 15U Chair BC Minor Baseball

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#### 15U AA Report for April 6, 2021 Board Meeting

Been some changes in the interior since last month's report regards to the number of teams (currently 27 teams, but Trail and Prince George will not be able to play until overnight travel is allowed). Teams by region are:

- 1 North no change
- 8 Island no change
- 1 Interior West Kelowna and COMBA dropped, Trail added
- 17 Lower Mainland no change

15U AA meeting was held Tuesday March 9, 2021 via Google Meet, with most associations represented on the call. Thank you to John and Anne for their contributes to the meeting and to Abigail for taking the minutes. There was some discussion around stage 2 vs stage 3 within Phase 2 and the fact almost all 15U AA teams would not be allowed to play in stage 2 because there is only one team at that level with most clubs.

There will be cohorts when we can play games:

- 2 cohorts on the island
- 4 or 5 lower mainland cohorts

Like all single season divisions, we are in a bit of a holding pattern wondering when games will be able to begin. Anne has been collecting field scheduling information to start to plan for games when we can. Rosters have been submitted by all teams except for two as their teams have not been formed yet.

Thank you,

Dave Garton 15U AA Director BC Minor Baseball Association