



BC BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

British Columbia Minor Baseball Association
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Executive Board Meeting Minutes
January 08, 2019
5:45 pm

Meeting called by:	Stuart Drysdale – interim President
Type of meeting:	Board Meeting
Minute taker:	Val Greenwood
Attendees:	V. Greenwood, A. Hayes, J. Braaten S. Drysdale, M. Kelly, G. Rimer, R. Puri, N. Van Dyk, J. Raymond, P. Weatherill, C. Wade, A Wong de Leon
Conference Call:	C. Martin, I. MacIntyre, D. Garton
Absent:	M. Holyk, L. Szabo, M. Hall,
Guest(s)	

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:45 pm

2. President's Opening Remarks

2.1 Due to personal family business, Terry Chudyk has resigned

3. Additions to Agenda.

3.1 D & O Insurance

3.2 Burnaby (Minor) – Boundaries – re: New Westminster

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting Minutes

- **MOTION: P. Weatherill / R. Puri**
- **Motion to approve December minutes as distributed.**

M/S/C

5. Correspondence

5.1 Steve Coleman – President Abbotsford – 15U AAA Team Declaration

5.2 Sandman – Contracts for future board meetings

5.3 John Braaten – President Richmond – Team Declaration – 18U AAA

- 5.4 Sharlene MacDonald – Ladysmith – Question regarding Helmets
- 5.5 Guy Posella – President COMBA – Team Declarations – 15U AA – 18U AAA
- 5.6 Chris Balison – President Kamloops – Acceptance of invitation to attend February Special Meeting
- 5.7 Sandman – Invoice for January meeting
- 5.8 Reach Conference Calling – Invoice
- 5.9 Jeremy Hall – President Chilliwack – 15U AAA Application

6. Business Arising

6.1 Enderby – application to join BC (Minor) Baseball

- Pat talked to Salmon Arm – they have no issues
- Will Grandfather players if needed

➤ **MOTION: P. Weatherill / A, Hayes**

Motion to allow Enderby to affiliate as an Association with BC (Minor) Baseball.

M/S/C

Stuart will send out a welcome letter

6.2 John Main Tournament

➤ **MOTION: P. Weatherill / V. Greenwood**

Motion to allocate the 2019 John Main 13U Tournament to Richmond.

M/S/C – John Braaten - abstained

- Richmond to host
- Marty Hall to take the 13U Chair
- Registrations for John Main should be sent to Marty (martyhall@shaw.ca)
- 16 teams – can handle up to 20
- Confirmation from Team Taiwan – will be joining tournament – possibility of Japan also attending
- Register online – first come first accepted when payment is RECEIVED

7. Director Reports:

7.1 President – Stuart Drysdale (Interim)

- It has been quiet over the Christmas vacation. In conversations with various Associations, it seems that they are happy with the positive movement forward and are looking to create change from within the Association, keeping all everyone under one.
- Meeting with John Berry held to start discussion with regards to transitioning back into Baseball BC and setting out foundation and an understanding for when Transition Committee meets with Baseball BC.
- Meeting with Kyle Williams held to discuss our participation in Baseball BC Provincials and Qualifying

Tournaments, setting foundation and understanding for when Transition Committee meets with Baseball BC. Meeting with John Berry and David Laing (Baseball BC) as well as Anne Hayes and James Raymond, to ask specific question surrounding Affiliations Fees and Insurance, so that an appropriate 2019 Budget can be produced.

- BC Minor Transition Team to consist of: Bruce Evans (Ridge Meadows), Steve Coleman (Abbotsford) Niki Losse (Tsawwassen), John Braaten (Richmond), Doug Crone (North Langley), Brent Dingsdale (North Delta), Tina Baker (Duncan), Ben Dias (Newton), Iain MacIntyre (SOMBA), Steve Ashley (Coquitlam-Moody), Carmen Martin (Prince George), Stuart Drysdale (BC Minor) and Anne Hayes (BC Minor)

7.2 1st Vice President –

- **No Report**

7.3 2nd Vice President – Iain MacIntyre

- **No Report**

7.4 Treasurer – Anne Hayes

- **MOTION: M. Kelly / P. Weatherill**

Motion to accept treasurer's report as distributed.

M/S/C

7.5 Secretary – Val Greenwood

- **No Report**

7.6 Executive Director – James Raymond

- **Website and Social Media**
- Website is up and fully functional.
- Registrations are live and collecting data. Ability to put registration shortcuts anywhere make it incredibly easy for users to access registration forms.
- **Current Tasks in Progress:**
 - Set up Provincials pages - Add Provincials bracket and game scores from 2018 summer events
 - Add 2018 15U AA/AAA Single Season game results
 - Audit site for consistency, specifically on page labels and aggregator titles
 - Populate photo albums; Coaching Caravan Coaches Conference (Clinics/Banquet/Luncheon) Coach Certification Events John Main Provincials (Zones/Wildcard/Championship) High Performance Selects (ID Camps/Development Weekend/Travel Tournament) User Submissions Coach Development
 - Add content, manuals, podcast links for Krush and Caliendo Website User Training Manual Login (Admin/Edit) Navigation How to Instructions Access Registrations Add Content Add Events Add Teams Also welcoming suggestions

- **BC Travel Teams**

- Nothing new to report as the committee has not been formed as of yet. Of top priority will be securing ID Camp hosts, confirming Development Camp staff and hosts, Team Coaches (need to define coach eligibility criteria for application document), secure tournaments with payment.

- **High Performance**

- Registration live for HP workshops at 2019 BC Baseball Coaches Conference
- Eight players registered so far. 4 15/16U, 4 13U. (SOMBA, Ladner, Duncan, Aldergrove, Coquitlam-Moody/Tri-Cities, Richmond City, White Rock, Cascade Crush). Will continue to promote up to date of clinic.
- John Main Registration created and ready to go live. Promo document created for distribution. Can increase marketing efforts if required, will watch registrations and determine from there

- **Marketing and Sponsorship**

- Utilizing a more interactive approach in our effort to market BC Baseball product and events with the addition of tools like direct mailers, appealing invitations, formal affiliation package with cover document outlining the benefits of affiliation, also looking to implement more user engagement features on our new website, such a user submitted event photos, and features like Association Spotlights.
- This will increase the views on our website, more activity on our social media channels and provide a more attractive product for potential sponsorship and coverage

- **2019 BC Baseball Coaching Conference**

- Currently sitting at approximately 50 registrants, direct email campaign sent out to Presidents, and previous attendees.
- Promotional Campaign ramping up on all social media platforms. Four remaining presenters to showcase.
- Coming Events mailer (see attached) went out to all Presidents was well received with requests for a modified version that can be sent to Association memberships to promote events.
- Need speakers agenda and programme for distribution to associations and to post on website to further encourage registrations
- Given the uncertainty with which associations will remain with BC Baseball and/or attend the Coaches Conference efforts to secure a charter bus for interior attendees were aborted. At the time of December Report costs were prohibitive.

- **Conference Committees and Chairs**

- Hospitality - Pat
- Budget - Anne, Mike K, and James
- Registration - Anne, Val and Joanna (Val's daughter)
- Luncheon - Val
- Signs & Tents - Les
- Photos - James
- Web Pages - James

- Player Registration - Mike and Pat
- Audio & Video - James and Jim Salter
- Transportation - Grant R and Les
- Banquet - Abigail and Val
- Silent Auction - Abigail
- Speakers - Mike K, Grant R, and James
- Exhibitors - Les, James and John

- Online Registration - Mike, James and Anne

- ~~Bus from Okanagan - James~~

- Luncheon Awards - Val
- Programme -Mike

- **2019 BC Baseball Traveling Caravan**

- Follow up invite to host event was sent out in the Coming Events mailer scheduled for December 5th
- Requests received to date:

Oceanside, Osoyoos , Comox Valley, White Rock South Surrey, South Burnaby , Aldergrove, CRMBA, Ladysmith, Mission, Salmon Arm and NMBA

- **Coach Development**

- Need to review and determine forward direction under affiliation with Baseball BC and NCCP.

- **Administrative Support**

- Development of Directors Annual Planner workbook ready for distribution pending confirmation of roles.
- Affiliation package 85% complete, waiting for confirmation on the affiliation fee structure, a decision on the player participation rebate program, outline programming pathway options
- Banquet Invite complete and ready for distribution. See attached.
- Affiliation vote documentation and correspondence in place will add the framework to policies and procedures document
- Need confirmation of assigned roles and responsibilities of Administrative Director for 2019 to determine the most effective use of time and resources, in the meantime acting in the roles as previously assigned.

7.7 Interior – Iain McIntyre

- **No Report**

7.8 Island – Mike Holyk / Dave Garton

- **No Report**

7.9 North – Carmen Martin

- **No Report**

7.10 Web Site – James Raymond /John Braaten

- New website is up and running

8. Committees:

8.1 Boundary/Affiliation – Pat Weatherill / John Braaten

- **No Report**

8.2 Challenger – Vacant

8.3 Coaching Caravan – Mike Kelly

- **No Report**

8.4 Coaching Development – Mike Kelly / Nick Van Dyk

- Fifty (50) registered so far
- Contact Association to attend
- Iain will do welcome as Stuart will be away that weekend
- Speakers have been arranged
- Budget needs finalizing
- Banquet - \$55 per person - \$800 for a table (price includes one (1) free drink)
- Team, player and scholarship awards will be done at the luncheon
- Roll of Honor will be done at banquet
- Banquet – limited to 100 (speakers and board members to let Abigail know if they are attending, the rest of the spots will be open to Association members)
- Any board member bring a +1 will need to pay for spouse or significant other
- Silent auction – let Abigail know if you know of anyone who will donate – formal letter will be sent requesting donation

8.5 Governance (Rules and Discipline) – Nick Van Dyk / Dave Garton / C. Wade

- Focusing on one or two key areas for the purpose of the Special General Meeting on February 16. 2019.
- Main focus is getting correct wording with regards to the Election of Executive
- Revisit Article XX
- Legal advice pertaining to the language for motions, as well as documentation provided at the Special General Meeting
- Call for Nominations for Executive (President, 1st and 2nd Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary) and the open Director vacancies, will be made in the coming weeks, once the language is completed.
- Seven (7) days' notice for Special Meeting information and motions to be distributed to member Associations.
- A completed report (including motions and information package) will be prepared for the February Board of Directors Meeting.

➤ MOTION: A. Hayes / J. Braaten

Motion to approve up to \$5000 for the purpose of getting legal advice for the governance documents for the special meeting.

M/S/C

- James to collect nominations and prepare a Nomination Package for distribution prior to the Special General Meeting.

8.6 Finance Committee – Anne Hayes / Nick Van Dyk / Dave Garton

- Budget sent to committee, but needs to be re-done after conversation with Baseball BC
- Present Budget at Special General Meeting, for information purposes
- A completed Budget and information will be completed for the February Board of Director Meeting

8.7 Eligibility – Pat Weatherill

- **No Report**

8.8 Girls – Val Greenwood

- **No Report**

8.9 High Performance – Grant Rimer / Les Szabo / Marty Hall

- Dates and Times for the Select Camps are posted on the website.
- Currently looking for Host Locations for the Select Camps. Any interested Associations should contact James Raymond
- Coaching Staff for Select Camps needs to be determined.

8.10 Appeals – Raj Puri / Iain Macintyre / Independent Member from Community

- **No Report**

8.11 Scholarship – Abigail Wong De Leon / Iain MacIntyre

- **No Report**

8.12 Marketing – Les Szabo / John Braaten / Abigail Wong De Leon

- **No Report**

8.13 Umpire Liaison – Stuart Drysdale / Nick Van Dyk

- **No Report**

8.14 Human Resources – Anne Hayes / Val Greenwood / Raj Puri

- **No Report**

8.15 Awards – Mike Kelly / Val Greenwood / Raj Puri

- One (1) Scholarship
- Two (2) team of the year nominations
- Two (2) coach of the year nominations
- One (1) player of the year

- Five (5) Roll of Honor nominations
- Female Baseball Awards:

Most Valuable Player – Juliette Kladko – Vancouver Community

Athlete of the Year – Isabella Bortolotto – Nanaimo

Unsung Hero – Ashley Losin (Surrey) and Sarah Krahn (Abbotsford)

Rookie of the Year – Katelyn Foubert (Surrey)

9. DIVISION REPORTS

9.1 11U – John Braaten (chair) / Pat Weatherill / Cathy Wade / Dave Garton (Island), Iain MacIntyre (interior) / Carmen Martin (North)

- No Report

9.2 13U – Marty Hall (Chair – Island – AAA) / Nick Van Dyk (AA) / TBA (A) / Iain MacIntyre (Interior) / Carmen Martin (North)

- No Report

9.3 15U – Les Szabo (Chair – AA) / TBA (AAA) / Abigail Wong De Leon (A) / Mike Holyk (Island) / Interior – TBA / Carmen Martin (North)

- AAA on hold

President's conference call if December

Should go with an application process

- December 01 – declaration date
- 10 applications received – nine (9) accepted – one (1) denied – overturned on appeal
- Two (2) separate application dates
- Everyone applied on the second application process
- Chilliwack applied under first application but not second (approved on first application)
- Chilliwack changed coaches from the first application
- Abbotsford did not apply under either application process
- Abbotsford made AAA declaration on December 18th

Need to know which teams are truly committed to the 15U AAA program

Deadline is normally January 15th – this also applies to the College Prep

- Send out letter to the ten (10) teams plus Chilliwack asking for commitment and single season fees by February 01

➤ **MOTION: A. Hayes / A. Wong De Leon**

Motion to approve the application from Chilliwack to field a 15U AAA team for the 2019 season.

M/S/C –Abstain: C. Martin, A. Hayes, A. Wong De Leon, G. Rimer, M. Kelly, R. Puri, J. Braaten, P. Weatherill, V. Greenwood

➤ **MOTION: V. Greenwood / C. Wade**

Motion to approve declaration from Abbotsford to field a 15U AAA team for the 2019 season.

M/S/Denied – C. Martin - Abstained

9.4 18U – Grant Rimer (Chair/Prep), AAA (TBA), Raj Puri (AA), Mike Holyk (Island), Interior (TBA), Carmen Martin (North)

- **College Prep** – on hold
- **AAA** – January meeting is delayed – schedules on hold

9.5 Junior Men – Anne Hayes

- **No Report**

10. New Business

10.1 Special Meeting

- February 16th starting at 10:30 am
- Lunch will be served
- RSVP to James
- Items to be covered – governance, finance, election of four (4) new board members and executive, pending approval of Societies Act

10.2 Directors Assignments:

- **Junior Men** – Chair – Anne Hayes
- **18U** – Chair – Grant Rimer – Prep, Grant Rimer, AAA – TBA, AA – Raj Puri, Island – Mike Holyk, Interior – TBA, North - Carmen Martin
- **15U** – Chair – Les Szabo, AAA – TBA, AA – Les Szabo, A – Abigail Wong De Leon, Island – Mike Holyk, Interior – TBA, North – Carmen Martin
- **13U** – Chair – Marty Hall, AAA – Marty Hall, AA – Nick Van Dyk, A – TBA, Island – Marty Hall, Interior – Iain MacIntyre, North – Carmen Martin
- **11U** – Chair – John Braaten, Pat Weatherill, Cathy Wade, Island – Dave Garton, Interior – Iain MacIntyre, North – Carmen Martin
- **Human Resources** – Chair – Anne Hayes, Val Greenwood, Raj Puri
- **Governance (Rules and Discipline)** – Chair – Nick Van Dyk, Dave Garton, Cathy Wade
- **Appeals** – Chair – Raj Puri, Iain MacIntyre, Independent Member from Community
- **Finance** – Chair – Anne Hayes, Nick Van Dyk, Dave Garton
- **Player Eligibility** – Chair – Pat Weatherill
- **Web Site** – James Raymond, John Braaten (also to be done by marketing)
- **Umpire Liaison** – Stuart Drysdale, Nick Van Dyk
- **Rules** – Raj Puri, Iain MacIntyre
- **Boundary/Affiliation** – Chair – Pat Weatherill, John Braaten
- **High Performance** – Chair – TBA, Marty Hall, Les Szabo, Grant Rimer
- **Coaching** – Chair – Mike Kelly, Nick Van Dyk
- **Girls** – Chair - Val Greenwood
- **Challenger** – TBA
- **Marketing** – Chair – Les Szabo, Abigail Wong De Leon, John Braaten

- **Scholarship** – Chair – Abigail Wong De Leon, Iain MacIntyre
- **Awards** – Chair – Val Greenwood, Mike Kelly, Raj Puri

➤ **MOTION: J. Braaten / Raj Puri**

Motion to approve director's assignments for 2019 as presented and amended.

M/S/C

10.3 Spring Meetings

- **Lower Mainland** – TBA
- **Interior** – TBA
- **Island** – March 08 – 11:00 am – Nanaimo

Will determine directors attending at February meeting

10.4 Provincial Championships

- Discussion with regards to what Provincial Championships will look like for the 2019 Season.
- Discussion to be had with Transition Team and what Provincial Championships will look like with our Affiliation with Baseball BC.

10.5 Rule Book

- The Rule Book will be up-dated and ready for distribution after the February 16 meeting , once we have a final roster of Directors, as well as any changes to the governance.

10.6 Probation for Chilliwack and Burnaby

➤ **MOTION: M. Kelly / R. Puri**

That the term of probation for Chilliwack has now expired.

M/S/C – A Wong De Leon, P Weatherill, J. Braaten –Abstained

➤ **MOTION: M. Kelly / R. Puri**

That the term of probation for Burnaby has now expired.

M/S/C – A. Wong De Leon, P. Weatherill, J. Braaten – Abstained

10.7 Awards

- See item 8.19
- Committee will discuss nominations and make recommendations

10.8 D & O Insurance

- Payment due January 15th
- Association payment due February 14th

- If we get our own insurance, Baseball BC will rebate partial the D and O portion of the payment, when we affiliate with them.

➤ **MOTION: A. Hayes / A. Wong De Leon**

Motion to extend D & O Insurance (Directors and Officers) due January 15th in the amount to \$1,495.00.

M/S/C

10.9 Burnaby (Minor) – boundaries

- Burnaby has request to include a portion of New Westminster in their boundaries

➤ **MOTION: P. Weatherill / M. Kelly**

**Motion to deny Burnaby's application to claim a portion of New Westminster to be included
In their boundary for 2019.**

M/S/C

Motion to adjourn: 8:50 pm – A. Hayes / V. Greenwood

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, February 05, 2019 – 5:45 pm – Sandman Signature – Langley, BC

Other Important Dates: Coaches Convention – February 8 – 10 – Langley Events Centre – Langley, BC

Special General Meeting – February 16th – 10:30 am – Sandman Signature – Langley, BC