



## **British Columbia Minor Baseball Association**

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Girls Baseball - Challenger Baseball

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### **June 7th, 2022 - BCMBA Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting hosted via Google Meet

**Roll Call:** G Butler, D. Garton, A. Hayes, V. Greenwood, A. Forman, D. Cabalfin, M. Kelly, M. Van Der Loos, M. Hall, R. Puri, N. Van Dyk, N. Dhaliwal, D. Michaud, H. Gurney, S. Coleman

**Absent:** R. Hall, T. Baker-Cornett, J. Braaten

**Meeting Called to Order:** 8:05

#### **Presidents Opening Remarks: Grant Butler**

- Business as usual for this time of year. Lots of questions, lots of meetings and organization for Provincials
- I thank everyone for getting their time in and keep doing a good job

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

- May 2022 BoD Meeting
  - Motioned: Mke Kelly
  - Seconded: Dino Cabalfin
  - any questions
  - M/S/C

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

- Merge South Burnaby and Vancouver Minor at 13U A for 2022- see 13U
- Article XX - AGM - virtual or line - New Business

#### **Correspondence:**

Secretary - Val Greenwood

- Jason Roberts - Alberni - question re: Single A Provincials - forwarded to John Braaten
- Jason Proy - 13U Richmond Chuckers complaint against the coach - forwarded to Rules, Discipline, 13U chair (keep in the loop) and Grant (keep in the loop)
- Brian White - Field use contract for insurance - forwarded to Grant for signature
- Sandman Signature - contract for June 25th meeting
- Randy McKinnon - president White Rock - acknowledging letter from April Dacosta
- Ashley Brown - Grand Forks - looking at picking up some games - forwarded to Anne
- April Dacosta - letter of complaint against Taylor Cliff - White Rock 15U AA coach
- April Dacosta - correction to dates on first letter
- Catherine Welk - Fundraising Manager - TWIGZ

- **Executive Rosters - New West, Chase, Trail, Ladner, Chilliwack, Salmon Arm, Howe Sound, North Delta, Campbell River**
- Stacy Fournier - Regional Coordinator Baseball BC Girls Program - Girls Instructional league is back program is open to all girls 6 -14 no matter their experience  
All NCCP coaches  
Program runs Friday nights from May 20 to June 24 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm at Whalley Athletic Park  
Registration is now open at [www.baseball.bc.ca/girls](http://www.baseball.bc.ca/girls)
- Stacy Fournier - Technical Director Baseball BC Female High Performance - June 4 will be Jamboree day - games all day - 9am - 4pm at Courchene Park - Surrey  
Registration now open at [www.baseball.bc.ca/girls](http://www.baseball.bc.ca/girls)
- Stacy Fournier - Baseball BC - Baseball BC has partnered with Volleyball BC and Pacific Sport Fraser Valley to offer GIRLS only summer camp  
August 8 - 12  
Whalley Athletic Park  
9am - 3 pm daily  
GIRLS only aged 7-12  
Cost - \$275  
Register through Baseball BC
- Gary Peacock - Prince George 15U AA -inquiry as to what fields Richmond will use - -sent to Anne
- Jolene Wood - Lake Country - how to start a league? sent to Steve, Dino and Neal
- Grusky Layco - Revelstoke - looking to have a 13U AA team for summer - sent to Al Forman
- Chris Barnes - White Rock - 11U AAA when does the league start? - sent to Dave Garton
- **League Rosters:** Salt Spring Island, Chase, North Shore, Sunshine Coast, Vancouver Minor (update), SOMBA, Ladner, Ladysmith, Summerland, Vancouver Community, North Langley, Agassiz, Kamloops, Surrey Canadian, Comox Valley, Newton, Howe Sound, Revelstoke, North Delta, New West, Duncan, Chemainus, Ridge Meadows, Alberni (update), Quesnel, Richmond City, White Rock, Quesnel, Lake Cowichan, Abbotsford, COMBA, Enderby, Salmon Arm (final), Tsawwassen, Campbell River, Victoria, North Shuswap (Anne), Nanaimo
- Ryan Hall, President Newton - looking for guidance on league registration
- Randy McKinnon - President White Rock - updated affiliation
- Terry Skipper - Chilliwack - Female players playing down doe summer -Marty & Neal are looking after
- **Affiliation:** Vancouver Minor (updated), Kamloops (updated), Enderby
- Jeff Babuin - to Anne - Declarations for 11U A and 13U A - forwarded to Dave and Marty V
- Jeff Babuin - Howe Sound - Summer Season Affiliation
- Po Sun - City of Burnaby, Engineering - information and survey for Transportation Improvements - (I think we got this because we use/used Robert Burnaby and this is part of the improvement area)
- Chris Barnes - White Rock -looking for information on 11U AAA when are league games starting - referred to Dave
- Luke Diggles - Nanaimo - 11UA - looking for information on Provincials - referred to Dave
- Kevin Wotten - Prince George - 11U - looking for information on Provincials - referred to Dave
- Heidi Specht - looking for information on 18U AA Provincials - referred to Raj
- Ehren Madill - Nanaimo - updated affiliation
- Tony Antunes - North Delta - questioning coaches use of Fair Play rule at 13U - also sent to North Delta 13U coordinator, 13U Chair BCMBA, Discipline BCMBA, Rules BCMBA, Neal Dhaliwal BCMBA
- Miranda Carpenter - VP Ridge Meadows - clarification on 13U AAA summer fees - Anne clarified
- Paul Munro - looking for status on player release for Tate Munro - referred to Eligibility

- Jim Seivigny - Nelson - 15U travel team - looking for tournament and exhibition games - referred to Anne
- Neal Chark - Group Travel Specialist - Baseball Trip to Seattle (Blue Jays) - referred to James
- Miranda Carpenter - acting President Ridge Meadows - movedown request for Landon Clayton 13U AA to 13U A
- Rachel Zalinko - Lake Cowichan - PLEASE NOTE NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:  
[lakers.baseball.president@gmail.co](mailto:lakers.baseball.president@gmail.co)
- Nick Van Dyk - President North Shore - requesting merger between North Shore and Howe Sound at the 13U AA level for 2022 summer (May 30) - see 13U AA
- Karen Morgan - New West - request for merger at 18U AA with South Burnaby - see 18U AA
- Chad Giesbrecht, President Salmon Arm - merge at 11U and 9U with Enderby, Chase, Revelstoke, Sorrento - see 11U and 9U
- Lori Chern - parent Kamloops - complaint against Kamloops re 11U - forwarded to Dave
- Jennifer Lopez - responds to Lori Chern: re complaint against Kamloop - referred to Dave
- Nick Van Dyk - President North Shore - playing 11U AAA Tier II instead of Tier I
- Chris Holtz - parent Vancouver Minor - complaint against Surrey Cardinals and umpires - past to John and Dave
- Alex Harris - looking on status of releases for Luke 9U and Troy 11U
- Peter Lei- President South Burnaby - Mary McCann - President Vancouver Minor - merge request at 13U A for 2022

#### **Outgoing:**

- James Raymond to Board and Associations - Summer All-Star Season Planning Survey
- James Raymond to President - Executive roster are overdue, please sent to Val ASAP (May 16)re:
- John Braaten - to Todd Grant, President Ladner - request to move A player to A was denied
- Anne Hayes to Gary Peacock - fields in Richmond will be Blundell
- Dino responded to Jolene in Lake County
- Grant - John Braaten - to take point on Lake Country and follow up with Dino
- James Raymond - to Presidents - 13U AA summer season meeting Monday, June 6 - 7:00-8:00pm
- James Raymond - to Presidents - League Registrations are due June 1
- BCMBA (John Braaten) - to Miranda Carpenter, acting President Ridge Meadows - approved player movement down from 13U AA to 13U A for summer ball with conditions
- John Braaten - to Tony Antunes - Fair Play concerns - John will monitor
- Raj Puri to Heidi Specht - confirming Provincial dates 18U AA

#### **Business Arising from Minutes:**

- Tabled from May - rules - who's available for the Provincials - New Business

#### **Executive Reports:**

President - Grant Butler

- No Report

First VP - John Braaten

- **See Written**

Second VP - Dave Garton

- No Report

Treasurer - Anne Hayes

- I have collected all the single season and affiliation fees for 2022. I will start working with all the division Directors to figure out the summer ball teams and start to collect those monies
- Financials

**Motion to approve finances as distributed.**

- Motioned: Al Forman
- Seconded: Raj Puri
- M/S/C

Secretary - Val Greenwood

- the following association need to get their Executive Rosters in ASAP, you are not in good standing until they are in.

Mission, Powell River, Osoyoos (not offering any programs this year),  
Tri-Port (not offering programs this year)

- the following associations need to get their League Registration (players) in ASAP, due June 01, you are not in good standing until they are in:

Aldergrove, South Burnaby, Chilliwack, Cloverdale, Powell River, Prince George, Tri-City Thunder, Trail

**Administrative Director** - James Raymond:

- Please get into your AD shared drive - it will give you a timeline and heads up - what to look for and prep for the coming months
- Provincial Director in Charge assignment confirmations - end of meeting
- Finalized Provincials schedules

- With Anne, we have set up a purchase order system in - basically if you go to Pro-Stock or where you buy your supplies you must Anne or James and get a PO number - that way we can track purchases and know where we stand and what's being purchased
- **James** - there is a letter going to the current vendors requiring them to have that PO
- **See written report**

- **Committee Reports:**

1) Rules Committee - Daniel Michaud, Hugh Gurney, Ryan Hall

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

- **see written**

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

- less ejections than in the past
- some of the events have been adults behaving poorly
- the committee has had lots of email conversations and a couple of meetings

#### Review 13.13 Process and Procedures

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

- Girls Jamboree was held June 4 at Lionel Courchene in Surrey
- teams from Lower Mainland and Interior
- there were 2 divisions - 7U and 13U
- Tournament has been named the "Amanda Assay" Tournament in her honor - and will be held every June
- This was a good start to the tournament. It's nice for the Grassroots and the girls

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

- Everything looks good - at this time Scott will be the single point of contact with the BCBUA -if you are helping your host association with umpires, he's the one to contact
- **Anne**- we didn't get the 15U AA or 18U AA which they normally provide - the hosts will have to use their UIC to get umpires for the provincials
- **See written**

6) High-Performance Committee - Mike Kelly, Daniel Michaud, Marty Hall, Al Forman

- Maybe I should just mention the College Prep - it was a great camp and we got lots of emails from parents saying how it was, how much the kids learned and all that stuff. Coaching staff had a good turnout - we have some plans for next year
- That's the 16U camp?

- Yes
- **See written**

7) Boundary and Affiliation Committee - Steve Coleman

- **No report**

**Steve Coleman has joined the meeting**

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

- ALL divisions check coaches NCCP - coaches need to be certified ASAP
- If having problems contact Scott Mackenzie at Baseball BC and he will help out

**John - See Written**

9) Marketing Committee - James Raymond, Raj Puri, Ryan Hall

- Dino and I are working at getting a sponsorship package for the 2022 caravan.
- We've got our Provincial logo assets completed so they have been sent out to the different hosts, I believe I also sent a copy out to the chaitts of those divisions
- Championship and keeper banners are done
- Medals are on order - should be ready by the 25th
- Dad coaches week is the next initiative promotion  
When we talk about dads, it's not gender specific. We don't filter against anyone who submits those - if they identify as a dad or as male, they get posted  
We are also going to do a volunteer week
- **MOTION:** D. Cabalfin / R.Puri

Motion to increase the 2022 marketing budget by an additional \$7, 500 to cover the cost of purchasing six (6) branded canopy tents and seven (7) BC Minor banners. This is to bring our inventory to the bare minimum needed to support Provincial championships.

Discussion: **James** - going over our inventory, we have three (3) canopy tents and two (2) banners. The bare minimum simultaneous events that we run for Provincials has nine (9) unique events. ordering the six (6) pop-up tents and seven (7) banners allows us to have one at each event. Our budget this year was significantly reduced because we haven't used a lot for the last two (2) years.

**Grant** - This is all part of our branding and getting some visibility. Where are we going to keep these?

**James** - in my garage or your barn. We're looking for a sponsor for a storage unit, hopefully a free one

Motion: **M/S/C**

- **See written report**

10) Grassroots Committee - John Braaten, Steve Coleman

- Grassroots survey Phase II is still being worked upon from parent conversations and an initial overview will be provided at the next in person Board workshop. Player interviews will begin shortly.

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

John - No RTP changes since last report

The Committee received some correspondence that falls under Baseball BC's Safe Sport guidelines and are currently reviewing for any possible "next steps"

Insurance - Anne - **No report**

12) Challenger Baseball Liaison - Steve Coleman

- BCMBA foursome booked for the BC Challenger Baseball Golf game (July 20th at Tsawwassen Springs)

Myself plus three other golfers are penciled in for this event, final submission of participants by July 4th

- Corresponded with Dan Williams (president of Mission) to arrange for the BCMBA tent to be present at the June 11 Challenger Baseball Jamboree in Mission. Dan welcomes the idea and I look forward to representing BCMBA at this important event. I will need to have the BCMBA tent in my possession for the event.

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

- Directors who want their schedules posted must submit no later than June 25th
- Send in coaches and their emails so *can start getting them set up on the web for teams*
- **See written report**
- **John - Tournament postings for 2022 are up to 57 submitted/posted**

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

- **No report**

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

Reminder as you watch the Spring Season and with it now almost over the beginning of the Summer League and Provincials, watch for award nominees. Association of the year, please send nominees to the Awards Committee by September 18 so we can review and give recommendations at the October meeting. Award will be announced at the AGM.

All other awards, Coach of the Year, Team of the Year (all divisions except 13U) and Player of the Year, nominations must be in no later than December 15. Recommendations will be given at the January meeting, awards will be handed out at the Coaches Conference in February.

Congratulations go out to Grant Butler on his 10 years of volunteer service to BC Minor Baseball Association now making him a LifeTime Member

16) Scholarship Committee - Raj Puri, Al Forman, Hugh Gurney, Dino Cabalfin

- The 2022 Scholarship Application package has been updated and posted on our website. Scholarship Applications are due by deadline of November 30th, 2022

17) Baseball BC Committee - Grant Butler, John Braaten

- Meeting more often
- Don't have a lot to share
- Baseball BC has published all their qualifiers for the different Westerns and Nationals
- For those teams going in there, the NCCP will be a requirement

John - Our rules committee still needs to bring forward the Baseball BC Safe Sport guidelines to the board with recommendations. Baseball BC is looking for adoption ASAP by members

**Divisional Reports:**

a) 26U - Anne Hayes, Al Forman

- Season is underway with a few cancellations due to rain. There should be enough room in this schedule to play all the games, including the rainouts
- Most umpires are younger than the players, this causes issues

b) 18U - Chair - John Braaten

- All single season leagues are underway. Schedules and standings posted online. 18U AA recently hosted the pre-summer season meeting with association representatives
- Provincial Championships update(Confirm on site directors)
  - o CP - Mike Kelly
  - o AAA - Dave Garton
  - o AA - Raj Puri
- 18U College Prep Director - Mike Kelly
- 18U AAA Director - Dave Garton
- 18U AA Director - Raj Puri
  - The 18U AA summer season pre-meeting was held via Google Meets on May 31st, 2022.
  - Eligibility, Specific rules and important dates were covered. Agenda is attached below. Season will begin at the end of June



- **Motion: Raj Puri / Mike Kelly**

**Motion to allow New West and South Burnaby to merge at 18U AA level for the 2022 summer season.**

**M/S/C**

**Raj - I will let them know**

- Neal - on call-ups for 18U AA I know it came under 12.02 12 games within a month, is that specific to summer season only?
- further discussion took place
- Neal - so those five call-up games are just for the summer, just wanted to clarify
- Dino - question on temporary call-ups - there was confusion about lateral moves. Say a AA player goes up to AAA, what was the game maximum? The rule reads eight (8) games at 18U level only. It doesn't give a maximum for moves in the division, can someone help out?
- Dave - It's when a 13U player moves up to 15U, it's the same thing. It's the division that they're playing in, not where they came from.
- further discussion to clarify

**See written**

c) 15U - Chair - Anne Hayes

- I attended the Interior summer meeting on July30th and there were a lot of questions about the summer ball. I will also be attending the 15U A meeting on June 6th to find out how many Lower Mainland teams will be participating in that level for the summer
- Provincial Championships update(Confirm on site directors)
  - AAA- Steve Coleman
  - AA - Hugh Gurney
  - A - Neal Dhaliwal
- 15U AAA Director - Anne Hayes, Steve Coleman
  - There have been some rainouts this season and most teams are working hard to get them played. This could be very challenging to play all the games this year as it is a very short season. The travel teams might find it hard to play rainouts
- Hugh Gurney has now joined the meeting
- 15U AA Director -Hugh Gurney

**No Report**

- 15U A Director - Neal Dhaliwal

- See written
- Slowly receiving some intentions for summer programming. Still looking for a host. 15U A summer meeting held on June 06, 2022

d) 13U - Chair - John Braaten

- **See written**
- Provincial Championships update(Confirm on site directors)
  - AAA - Marty Hall
  - AA - Al Forman
  - A - (west) - Marty Van Der Loos
  - A - (east) - Nick Van Dyk?

- 13U AAA Director - Marty Hall

Meeting on the 13th

**See written**

- 13U AA Director - Al Forman
  - Last night I held a 13U AA meeting to organize the summer season throughout the province. Hopefully we will start these games at the end of June. Also, I attended the Interior regional meeting on May 30th to discuss the summer season
  - **Motion A. Forman / N. Dhaliwal**  
  
**Motion to approve the merger between North Shore and Howe Sound at the 1U AA level for the 2022 summer season.**

**M/S/C - N. Van Dyk abstained**

- 13U- A Director - Marty Van Der Loos

- **Motion: M. Van Der Loos / H. Gurney**

**Motion to approve the merger between South Burnaby and Vancouver Minor at the 13U A level for the 2022 summer season.**

**M/S/C**

- request from Powell River to play 13U - they normally play on the Island for summer ball

- they don't play in the Lower Mainland schedule but on the Island as part of zones
- I'm hoping to get a 2nd host at the meeting tomorrow

### **See written**

- 13U John Main Tournament Director - John Braaten, Marty Hall

Tournament Director - John Braaten and Marty Hall

Tournament to be hosted the Labour Day long weekend, same format as 2021. Tournament is almost full. Registration can be done through the BCMBA website.

e) 11U - Chair - Dave Garton, Daniel Michaud, Tina Baker-Cornett, Nick Van Dyk

- lots of teams requesting to play down, reading the rules at this point, under 9.04, I can't grant any until teams are formed and we have a chance to evaluate.
- questions about berths, and until we know what teams are in each region, we can't do anything there
- Nick is not available for an 11U Provincial director - also heard Tina's not available
- look to the board for help to cover Provincials
- they play zones for a month, they do not play like the Interior and Island who play exhibition and the one zone for a weekend
- Lower Mainland plays a whole month zone
- Provincial Championships update(Confirm on site directors)
  - AAA T1 - Victoria - Dave
  - AAA T2
  - AA
  - A - Richmond - Daniel

- **Motion: A. Hayes / M. Kelly**

**Motion to approve merger between** Salmon Arm, Enderby, Chase, Revelstoke and Sorrento at the 11U level for 2022 summer season. Teams will play out of Salmon Arm.

### **M/S/C**

- North Shore Tier II
- Complaint against Kamloops on how they choose teams
- **James** - email was sent out for summer season projections - you have access, it's broken into tabs so as to who has projected what they are declaring
- **Dino** - Two players - registered in COMBA - in case Edmonton didn't win the play-offs both were also registered in Edmonton for spring ball where they played  
I advised they get a letter from their president  
What would be the ruling on them playing summer ball with us?
- **Grant** - We've had this before

**John** - There is precedence for this

**Dave** - There's nothing in the rule book to cover this

- Lengthy discussion took place on whether to do an Article XX ruling and listing a couple of rules that could apply
- **Dave** - Dino and Dave will get some wording and send it to John

f) 9U - Chair - John Braaten, Dino Cabalfin

- **Motion: A. Hayes / M. Kelly**

Motion to approve merger between Salmon Arm, Enderby, Chase, Revelstoke and Sorrento at the 9U level for 2022 summer season. Teams will play out of Salmon Arm

**M/S/C**

- Just a reminder that 9U ages and younger summer play is usually local interlocks that BCMBA does not directly manage. Just a friendly reminder that 9U rules are in the BCMBA 2022 rule book and should be reviewed in advance

g) Island 1 - Dane Garton

- 18U and 15U
- We need to get meetings going at all levels

h) Island 2 - Tina Baker-Cornett

- 9U, 13U and 11U

i) Interior 1 - Neal Dhaliwal

- 18U and 15U
- **See written**

j) Interior 2 - Dino Cabalfin

- 9U, 13U and 11U
- **see Interior 1 report**

k) North - Neal Dhaliwal

- **See written**

**New Business:**

- June 25th

- Not attending - Marty V. (coaching in Interior) - Hugh (working) - Neal - Mike - Ryan - Marty H. (coaching 4 games on the Island) - Val - John - Daniel

**Next Meeting(In-person):** June 25 at the Sandman Signature (Highway 1 and 200th) Langley  
doors 9:30 am, meeting at 10:00, lunch will be served off Moxies' menu around noon

- AGM - Virtual meeting
- Grant - anything else for new business?
- Hugh - one thing has been bugging me about the 15U |High Performance tryouts held in Nanaimo for zone Six. I know there were a lot of players from BC Minor associations. After seeing the selected roster, NOT a single registered player from BCMBA was selected. EVERY player chosen was playing in the PBL, I look at that and it's tough. There's some decent kids that went and tried out and could have probably made those teams and it's disturbing to see that not one of them was acknowledged or chosen for that team? Is there anything we can do BCM wise?
- James - Hugh, for this particular instance, certainly message those parents that there's a 16U program next year for the kids that will be BC Minor exclusive
- Grant - any more

**Meeting Adjournment at: 10:13 pm**

- Motioned: Dave Garton

Next meeting June 25th in Langley