



## British Columbia Minor Baseball Association

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### May 2nd, 2023 - BCMBA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, 2 May · 8:00 – 11:00pm

Google Meet

**Roll Call:** G. Butler, .Puri, J. Braaten, A.Hayes, V. Greenwood, A. Forman, S. Coleman, M. Kelly, A. Wong de-Leon, A. Mackerney, N. Dhaliwal, D. Michaud, D. Cabalfin, R. Hall, M. Van-der-Loos, L. Hotell, V. Vankoughnett

**Administrative Director:** James Raymond

**Absent:** C. Lund, H. Gurney, M. Hall, T. Baker-Cornett

**Meeting Called to Order:** 8:04 pm

**Presidents Opening Remarks:** Grant Butler

- very quiet

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

- Motion to accept minutes of the April 2, 2023 BoD meeting
  - Motioned: S. Coleman
  - Seconded: D. Cabalfin

**M/S/C**

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

- NCCP - Baseball Canada Guidelines - see NCCP

#### **Correspondence: Val Greenwood**

1. Chad Giesbrecht - Salmon Arm - Coaches Caravan - marvelous job - many thanks to Neal Dhaliwal for all his help - going above and beyond
2. Dan Moraes - Aldergrove - looking for insurance certificate - forward to James
3. Kyle Williams - Baseball BC - High Performance ID camps - letters for coaches
4. Kirk Walper - Oceanside - Coaches Caravan - thank you to all the crew for coming out
5. Keisha - looking to link to website - forwarded to James
6. Angela Henz - Oceanside update of players (2) - forwarded to Anne
7. Emily De - Genova - tryout for 13U Selects - North Vancouver - Val told her to register to attend
8. Deb Miller - tryouts in Duncan - having trouble registering - forwarded to James

9. Anna Murphy - 13U selects - having trouble registering forwarded to Anne
10. Doug Park - 15U AA - looking for provincial dates - forwarded to Anne
11. Pepsi Labotan - 13U selects - having trouble registering - forwarded to Anne
12. Tina Todorovic - looking for dates 11U provincials - Val sent her the dates
13. Kim Houghton - looking for 18U AA regional play - forwarded to Raj
14. Jason Roberts - looking for 13U A provincial dates - Val sent him the dates

#### **15. League Registrations - Sorrento**

16. Rachel Zalinko - Lake Cowichan - sponsorship from Riverside Inn
17. Rob Freeman- rules at 7U - forwarded to Daniel
18. Tyler Adkins - looking to register for 26U - Aldergrove - forwarded to Anne
19. Tamara Nunes - SOMBA - question re: John Main - forwarded to Abigail
20. Ken Quinn - Bob Crane Memorial Tournament - forwarded to Abigail, John and Raj
21. Angela Madden - Ladner - logo on our website - forwarded to James
22. Mara Pavan - Burnaby - Looking for coaches NCCP - forwarded to Anne
23. Dallas Bittner looking for link for coaches clinics in May
24. Vicky Seredick - Alberni Valley - player update

#### **Outgoing**

1. James to Kirk, Oceanside - great stop
2. James to Chad, Salmon Arm - thank you for taking the time to share positive feedback
3. James to Dan - Aldergrove - forwarded insurance certificate
4. Val to Emily - told her she had to register her son before he can attend
5. Val to Tina - forwarded 11U provincial dates
6. Val to Jason - forwarded 13U A provincial dates
7. James and Daniel to Rachel - Riverside Inn approved as a sponsor
8. Daniel to Rob - responded to his questions
9. James to Presidents - Umpire Recognition Week contest
10. Ryan to Rachel - Riverside Inn - no issues with their sponsorship
11. Marty to Kristie Watson - Summer play
12. James to Dallas - sent link for coach clinic
13. James to Val - Ladner logo
14. Val to Angela - Ladner logo - need executive member to make request
15. Val to Mara - re: coach's NCCP number
16. Raj to Kim Houghton - 18U AA schedule

#### **Business Arising from Minutes: None**

#### **Executive Reports:**

##### **President - Grant Butler**

- attended caravan in Duncan
- well done by the crew, great parental participation

**First VP - Raj Puri**

- I have been liaising with BCMBA and Baseball BC and assisting with any inquiries that are referred to me
- I have also been participating in the work with the Marketing Committee to increase the BCMBA profile and secure sponsorships

**Second VP - John Braaten**

- **See written report**

**Treasurer - Anne Hayes**

- There are currently two (2) associations that have not sent in their affiliation forms. They are Osoyoos and Powell River. I have been trying to contact Osoyoos to see if they will be playing baseball this year, but they haven't answered by emails
- I am missing payment from Greater Victoria and North Langley. I am missing single season fees from West Kelowna and White Rock

Motion to accept financial report as distributed.

- Motioned: A. Forman
- Seconded: A. McKearney

**M/S/C**

**Secretary - Val Greenwood**

- Reminder that Association Executive Rosters and entire league registrations are now overdue, please send ASAP
- **Incoming Correspondence**

See correspondence

**Outgoing:**

See correspondence

**Administrative Director - James Raymond**

- If you wish anything done quickly, please use the ticketing system
- forward email giving as much information as possible
- **See written report**

## Committee Reports:

### 1) Rules Committee - **Daniel Michaud** / A. Wong de-Leon / R. Hall

- Advertising - hotel/pub/restaurant/liquor store - Riverside Inn, Lake Cowichan - approved as not directly advertising liquor
- Umpire denied use of a Baum bat (-5) - composite bats are no limit - Alan to clarify with BCBUA on bat sizes

### 2) Player Eligibility Committee - **Neal Dhaliwal** / Steve Coleman / Marty van-der Loos/ Tina Baker-Cornett

- Steady as it goes in Eligibility
- Numbers to date:

PMF 17

Internal move up/down - 15 (5 were request for overagers)

Involved in one (1) investigation for violation of 6.03 (G), fine was issued for \$400.00

### 3) Discipline Committee - **Ryan Hall/ Tina Baker Cornett** / Raj Puri / Neal Dhaliwal / Lyndsey Hotell

- **Ryan** - Three (3) ejections reports, one each at 18U, 15U and 13U. One for running into a player at first base, one for a slide and avoid infraction with contact at home plate and one for sportsmanship violation
- All were one (1) game suspensions. The event where the player ran into a player at first base came with a letter and request that the executive follow up and discuss the issues with the player and conduct any internal discipline they saw fit. The extra suspension process was researched, considered and not used.
- All ejections should go to all division directors for future reference

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

- **No Report**

### 5) Umpire Liaison Committee - **Steve Coleman/ Alan McKearney/** Raj Puri

- **Alan - See written report**
- extra innings - play two (2) extra innings if game is tied
- bat sizes - clarify with BCBUA

### 6) High-Performance Committee - **Chris Lund/ Mike Kelly** / Marty Hall / Hugh Gurney/ Raj Puri / John Braaten Rep (18U) / Anne Hayes Rep (15U) / Tina Baker-Cornett Rep (13U)

- **John (non voting member) - See written report**

### 7) Boundary and Affiliation Committee - **Steve Coleman - No Report**

### 8) Coaching Development/ NCCP Committee - **Mike Kelly / Grant Butler** / Marty van-der Loos / Chris Lund / Dino Cabalfin/ Anne Hayes NCCP Chair

- Caravan Report - **Mike**

- This year's 2023 caravan was a huge success again this year  
The Caravan traveled to 10 cities in the Lower Mainland, 6 cities in the Okanagan and 9 cities on Vancouver Island. It was well received everywhere we went
- A big thank you to the crew involved with coaching players, coaches, parents and also James Raymond for making sure with hotel accommodations and attend in the Okanagan at some of the venues
- Also, our president Grant Butler attended in Duncan and took photos
- Again thanks to Grant Rimer, his son Allan and Michael Dagg and the guest coaches helping us in some of the venues
- **Grant** - great job handling that many players, coaches and parents
- **Anne - NCCP** - All but two (2) coaches on the single season teams have now taken safe sport. As of today, we have registered 95 coaches for the free NCCP courses that started May 1. Absolutes' registration was closed early as we are only allowed to have 50 coaches in each course. We are looking at offering Absolutes again in early June for the single season coaches as there are currently 40 coaches that don't have this module
- Baseball Canada has pushed back to 2024 the requirements for 13U AAA, 15U AAA. 18U College Prep
- One (1) certified and two (2) trained for 2023
- for 2024 it will be two (2) certified and one (1) trained
- BCMBA will follow the Baseball Canada lead - this notice will be sent out to all Presidents and Coaches - call Anne for any clarification needed

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

- May 14th will be Moms Coaches appreciation week
- Father's day week will be Dads appreciation
- July - volunteer appreciation week
- Next major campaign will be for the upcoming Provincials
- all apparel has been ordered
- **See written report**

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

- **John** - recently attended and observed some 7U and 11U grassroots in the Interior
- 9U - Nanaimo tiering teams - Grant will follow up
- COMBA is tiering at 11U - this make them ineligible for any games or tournaments with other associations

11) Risk Management - **John Braaten** / **Alan McKearney**

- **Alan - No report**
- **John** - has an association inquire re: external training facility insurance for players and CRC clarification/guidance

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

- **See written report**

13) Website Committee - **James Raymond / Alan McKearney/ Anne Hayes**

**See written report**

- **Alan** - updated a number of association web links, including removing and updating merged associations
- Two (2) associations with outdated links remaining (Chase and North Shuswap)
- Need photos from Chris, Lyndsey and Veronica for Executive/Director listing page
- Received new web link from North Shuswap - updated
- **John** - 66 (up from 62 in April) tournaments posted on website

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

- **No Report**

15) Awards Committee - **Val Greenwood / Tina Baker-Cornett/ Marty Van-Der Loos/ Dino Cabalfin**

- **No Report**

16) **Scholarship** Committee - **Abigail Wong-de Leon / John Braaten/ Al Forman / Lyndsey Hotell**

- We are still working on the scholarship application. Nothing has been finalized yet
- Received two (2) thank you emails from Graham Stack - Tri-City and Jake Maniago - Trail
- **John** - Provided clarification concerns/wording to Chair of current draft proposal and wording for next scholarship intake

17) Tournaments Coordinator - **Abigail Wong-de Leon**

- Tournament package sent out to directors - feedback is needed
- John Main Tournament in Ridge - there will be NO concession
- John Main - T-shirts - need orders ASAP - if we can't make the deadline with Prostock order may have to be canceled
- Can Prostock meet deadline - yes or no - if no, try somewhere else
- **See written report**

18) Baseball BC Committee - **Grant Butler / Raj Puri**

- Canceled May meeting

## Divisional Reports:

### a) 26U - Jr. Men's - **Anne Hayes**

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### b) 18U - Chair - **John Braaten**

- **See written report**

18U College Prep Director - Chris Lund/John Braaten

- **Chris** - Schedule has now be inputted to Game Changer

18U AAA Director - Chris Lund

- Schedule has now been inputted to Game Changer

18U AA Director - Raj Puri

- In mid May we will invite declarations for the 18U AA Summer season and the meet to review the schedule and guidelines for play. Mission Minor Baseball Association will be the host for the 2023 BCMBA 18U AA Provincials scheduled for July 27 - July 31

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

- **Chris - 16U Selects** - Have reached out to JJ and he is willing to coach the 16U Selects team. We have a meeting this week to work out the details and additional coaches. We have locked up Cloverdale Hillcrest field for May 5th to 7th for the development camp. Still working on finding a suitable tournament for the fall - we have Arizona booked for the fall
- **13U Selects** - Coaches have been selected and split into four (4) different regions, Mainland East, Mainland West, Island and Interior. Dates for the regional tryouts have now been sent and are going to be posted along with the player registration. Still working on a tournament for the fall
- **Anne** - Just spending time moving games on the website for both 15U AA and 15U AAA teams because of all the rainouts this spring. Also answering questions about suspended games and how they are to be treated

15U AAA Director - Hugh Gurney - **No Report**

- lots of rainouts
- email to go to division to inform the coaches that there is NO DH

15U AA Director - Abigail Wong-de Leon

- Lots of rainouts and games have been rescheduled
- Received email from Surrey/Newton re: clarification on Rule 24.09 (B) - dealt with. Case closed
- Sent email reminder to all teams re: rainouts rescheduling regular games, posting scores, umpires, pitch count log, NCCP absolute course

### 15U A Director - Neal Dhaliwal

- Still actively looking for a host for the 15U Provincials. I have sent out a few emails to the associations that participated in 2022 and will be waiting for responses. Was in talks with a Lower Mainland association, but they are unable to have the volunteer commitment

### c) 13U - Chair - **Tina Baker-Cornett**

- **Chris - 13U Selects** - Coaches have been selected and split into four (4) different regions - Mainland West, Mainland East, Island and Interior. Dates for the regional tryouts have now been set and are going to be posted along with the player registration. Still working on finding a tournament for the fall

### 13U AAA Director - *Interim* - Anne Hayes, Lyndsey Hotell

- **Anne** - The summer schedule is currently being worked on. With the declared numbers for 13U this year, Burnaby will have to be playing 13U AAA this summer. I have tried to contact multiple people at Burnaby to let them know this, but no one has responded. I will be doing two (2) schedules, one with Burnaby and one without Burnaby so that the travel can be booked now for the teams

### 13U AA Director - Al Forman

- **No Report**

### 13U A Director - Marty Van-Der Loos

- Received an email from Abbotsford inquiring if they can put in two (2) teams in the summer? Yes, they can, just place them in different pools
- **No Report**

### 13U John Main Tournament Directors - John Braaten / Abigail Wong-de Leon

- need silver medals for Nick Van Dyk, North Shore

### d) 11U - Chair - **Anne Hayes/ Steve Coleman / John Braaten**

- **John - No Report**
- **Anne** - I have been contacted by multiple coaches and associations trying to figure out what the rules for 11U are this summer

### e) 9U - Chair - **Dino Cabalfin / John Braten**

- **No Report**

### f) Island 1 - Tina Baker Cornett - **No Report**

- 9U / 11U / 13U



g) Island 2 - Marty Hall - **No Report**

- 15U / 18U

## h) Interior 1 - Neal Dhaliwal - 18U / 15U

- This past month with baseball starting up, I was down around the fields to watch some exciting baseball games. It is so good to see the players enjoying the game again. Good luck to all the teams.coaches/officials/associations for the 2023 Spring season

## i) Interior 2 - Dino Cabalfin - 9U / 13U / 11U

- **No Report** - check with Osoyoos - are they playing this year?

## j) North - Veronica Vankoughnett

- **No Report**

**New Business:**

- Confirm dates and BoD attendees for Summer Season Zone(Int/N/IsI/LMFV) meetings
- Set up by either Regional or Division Director
- need declarations by June 01
- meeting in place early to help cover the 11U NCCP needs
- 16U camp - is anyone else attending besides Chris?
- Anne to attend all meeting to go over the rosters for NCCP
- July meeting will be a mandatory meeting to pick up all equipment for the Provincials, the date will be July 15 (Saturday) at 10 am

**Next Meeting:**

- **June 6 - 8:00 pm**

**Meeting Adjournment at: 9:24 pm**

- Motioned: Steve Coleman