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#### Minutes July 5, 2021 - BCMBA Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting held by Google Meet

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

**Meet Video**: G. Butler, J. Braaten, A. Hayes, A. Wong-de Leon, V. Greenwood, R. Puri, M. Kelly, A. Forman, M. Van-der Loos, B. Robinson, N. Dhaliwal

Absent: R. Miciuk, R. Carpenter, S. Coleman, H. Gurney, C. Martin, D. Garton, M. Hall, T. Baker-Cornett

Administration: J. Raymond (absent)

Call Meeting to Order: 8:05 pm

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

The need for our sport has never been more needed to help bring back normal in our communities following the pandemic and the recent trauma of the Tk'emlups te Secwepemc First Nation in Kamloops, the heat dome event and last week, the Lytton crisis and, continued wildfires across the province.

So, again, I'd like to thank all of the BCMBA Directors and our member Association volunteers for their time and efforts needed to bring baseball back to our communities.

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

 June 1, 2021 Minutes of Board of Directors Motion: R.Puri/ A. Forman M/S/C

## Additions to the Agenda:

NONE

# **Correspondence:**

- Received affiliation from VMBA for Junior Men's team
- New PGYBA interim President Frank Peebles <a href="mailto:president@pgyba.com">president@pgyba.com</a>
- Received various email inquiries from parents, e.g., tournament inquiry, provincials, players wanting to play summer ball, single-player insurance, heat issues, bat size, etc.
  - \*\*All inquiries were forwarded to respective division chairs/committee chairs

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

NONE



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# **Executive Reports:**

- 1) Grant Butler President
  - The onslaught from within our member Associations questioning the changing RTP guidelines and our rulebook makes me wonder if our messaging either falls short or is just ignored so personal agendas can be realized. So I ask myself, if, in addition to all of the materials available on our web page and through our social media outlets, what more could we do? The answer, of course, is more.
  - I've asked James to add to his list of duties the creation of set agenda's listing and explaining the rules and regulations for each division of summer ball that we at BCMBA regulate. These will allow all division directors the same opportunity to get it right the first time and provide the same message across the province regarding summer play. Summer Season messaging was sent out and is attached in the Addendum Reports.
  - We, the BCMBA BoD's, and the BCMBA member Associations need to buy into the province-wide nature of our programming.
  - I'd like to thank the Rules Committee members for assisting Dave with Rules Committee business and Dave in this busy time.
  - On June 25, we were able to message extreme heat guidelines % Baseball Canada. It was great to be able to find and provide top-down messaging.
- 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 June 2021 Financials.
     Motion: A. Wong-de Leon/N. Dhaliwal M/S/C
  - The following associations have not sent in their complete registration:
    - Chemainus, Chilliwack, COMBA, Coquitlam-Moody, Enderby, Ladner, Lake Cowichan, Nanaimo, North Delta, North Shore, POCO, Quesnel, Salt Spring Island, Sunshine Coast, Surrey, Vancouver Community and, West Kelowna.
- 5) Abigail Wong-de Leon Secretary
  - The following associations have not submitted their executive roster:
    - North Shore
    - Chemainus



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Administrative Director - James Raymond - See Report in the Addendums

#### **Committee Reports**

1) Rules Committee: Dave Garton (Chair)

(Neal Dhaliwal-Hugh Gurney-Marty van-der Loos -Carmen Martin)

- Invoke the Covid Article XX to Rule 7.03 to move the date allowing roster additions from other leagues from June 1 to July 1.
- See Report in the Addendum Report
- 2) Player Eligibility Committee: Neal Dhaliwal (Chair)

(Tina Baker-Cornett - John Braaten)

- The committee has been getting a few summer releases, just a reminder that the player/parents fill them out. Please don't send it until both presidents/representatives have signed them. Also, as a reminder, if you have not received approval from the Eligibility Committee, the player is unable to participate.
- 3) <u>Discipline Committee</u>: Ron Miciuk (Chair)

(Hugh Gurney - Carmen Martin)

- Discipline ejection reports coming in nothing of consequence except for one where a coach was ejected and 4 fans. I will be sending it out to the committee for some discussion on it.
- 4) Girls Baseball Committee: Val Greenwood (Chair)
  - Girls Summer Camp is happening. Cost \$200 per session.

Register at: baseball.bc.ca/summercamps Dates are as follows:

- o July 19 22 Harwood Park Burnaby 10:00 3;00
- o July 26 29 South Surrey Athletic Park White Rock 10:00 3;00
- o August 9 12 Quilchena Park Vancouver 9:00 3:00
- o August 16 19 Whalley Park Surrey 9:00 2:00
- o August 16 19 Maple Crescent Park Ladner 10:00 3:00
- o August 23 26 Maple Crescent Park Ladner 10:00 3::00
- 5) <u>Umpire Liaison Committee:</u> Dave Garton (Chair) See Report in the Addendums (Hugh Gurney Al Forman Raj Puri)
- 6) High-Performance Committee: Ron Miciuk (Chair)

(Mike Kelly - Al Forman - Marty Hall- Brad Robinson - Anne Hayes - John Braaten - James Raymond)

- HP Baseball BC sent out a report that I will forward to the committee for feedback and suggestions.
- 7) Boundary and Affiliation Committee: Abigail Wong-de Leon (Chair) NO REPORT



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- 8) <u>Coaching Development/ NCCP Committee:</u> Mike Kelly (Co-Chair) John Braaten (Co-Chair) (Al Forman Raj Puri Brad Robinson Marty Hall)
  - NO REPORT
- 9) <u>Marketing Committee:</u> James Raymond (Chair / Admin) **See Report in the Addendums** (Marty Hall Ron Miciuk Hugh Gurney Tina Baker-Cornett)
- 10) <u>Grassroots Committee:</u> John Braaten (Chair) **See Report in the Addendums** (Al Forman)
- 11) <u>Risk Management / Insurance Committee:</u> John Braaten (Chair) **See Report in the Addendums** (Anne Hayes Dave Garton)
- 12) Challenger Baseball Liaison: Grant Butler (Chair) NO REPORT
- 13) <u>Website Committee:</u> James Raymond (Chair) **See Report in the Addendums** (Anne Hayes)
- 14) <u>Human Resources Committee:</u> Anne Hayes (Chair) **NO REPORT** (Val Greenwood Raj Puri Tina Baker-Cornett)
- Awards Committee: Val Greenwood (Chair)
   (Mike Kelly Raj Puri Marty van-der Loos)
  - Val asked if there is a budget set aside for this year's awards
  - Anne confirmed: \$500.00 for honor roll and \$400.00 for awards
- 16) <u>Scholarship Committee</u> Raj Puri (Chair) **See Report in the Addendums** (Mike Kelly Hugh Gurney Al Forman)
- 17) <u>Baseball BC Committee</u> (Grant Butler, VP Baseball BC) (Chair) (John Braaten, Risk Committee Baseball BC, Ron Miciuk Strategic Plan Committee)
  - See Report in the Addendums

# **Divisional Reports -**

- a) 26U Jr. Men's Anne Hayes
  - We have 10 teams playing a 12 team schedule this year. They will not be broken down into tiers this year as we don't have enough teams playing to do this.
  - The final weekend will be August 14th and 15th. Unfortunately, we don't have a host yet.



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- b) 18U Chair Mike Kelly
  - o Fall ball Classic Mike will schedule a meeting for all 18U and canvass for interested teams
  - o Uniforms: 2 coaches were wearing shorts. We need to send a reminder to all presidents about wearing proper uniforms as per the BCMBA rulebook.
    - 18U College Prep Mike Kelly
      - o The college prep season is moving along. I have watched numerous games this season. I haven't seen the interior teams yet looking forward to seeing them play when they come down to the lower mainland. We will be looking for hosts once the schedule gets closer to be completed and the top 8 teams get closer to be finalized. This my report for this month
    - 18U AAA Hugh Gurney
      - o Games are finally underway at the 18UAAA level. The season started on June 19. Teams began to play in 4 pools of three team cohorts.
      - o This coming weekend represents the beginning of travel and games outside of the original three-team cohorts.
      - o Final 5 Championship weekend scheduled for August 13 15 in Kelowna.
      - o The Quarterfinal playoff round starts July 31 August 1, and the semifinal round starts August 7-8. Kelowna currently sits atop the standings with a perfect 8-0 record, followed closely by North Island with a 7-0 record and Richmond with a 6-2 record.
      - o Everyone is excited to be playing games again and are all looking forward to continued gameplay and playoffs in August
    - 18U AA Raj Puri See Report in the Addendums
- c) 15U Chair Anne Hayes NO REPORT
  - 15U AAA Ron Miciuk 15uaaa games are being played. No major incidents so far.
  - 15U AA Dave Garton See Report in the Addendums
  - 15U A Neal Dhaliwal NO REPORT
- d) 13U Chair John Braaten See Report in the Addendums
  - 13U AAA Summer Marty Hall
    - o Games are underway...The lower mainland has 9 teams, the Interior / North has 3 teams, and the Island has 5 teams.
    - o The John Main Tournament is on the table to be held this season; John is working on the timing/dates.



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# • 13U AA - Al Forman

- o It is nice to see baseball games at all parks once again. I have attended a few games over the last couple of weeks, and I have been pleasantly impressed by the caliber of play by the players and the commitment of the coaches of the teams.
- o A special thanks to Anne and John from the coaches for the schedules of games they have put out.
- o It is great to see baseball once again!
- 13U A Marty van-der Loos
  - o Some teams are playing games.
  - o I had a request from a Victoria team about games for Island play, asked them to contact Island Chair.
  - o Other than that have nothing to report.
  - o Aldergrove coaches showing up in shorts
  - o If teams are having a problem entering scores, send them to Anne.
- 13U John Main Tournament John Braaten
  - It will be on the Labour day long weekend.
  - Cloverdale and N. Langley are the co-hosts
  - 8 teams are on the waitlist
  - See Report in the Addendum Report
- e) 11U Chair Tina Baker-Cornett
  - Motion to allow Salmon Arm and Revelstoke to merge at the 11U Division for Summer Ball via BoD email vote
    - Motion: T. Baker-Cornett/A. Hayes M/S/C
- f) 9U Chair John Braaten See Report in the Addendums
- 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
  - **o** The interior associations that I have talked to are very excited for baseball to start up. So a huge thank you to Anne and others for getting the schedules for all of us; it is much appreciated.
- k) North Carmen Martin NO REPORT



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## **New Business**

- Reminder: Single Season Final 4 or 5 tournament is a BC Minor function event.
- Fall workshop
  - Island September 13
  - o Interior September 15
  - Lower Mainland September 16
- Presidents Conference Call canceled
- Fall ball only the Fall ball Classic and John Main Tournament
- AGM use Article XX to hold the virtual AGM using the coaches conference flatform sometime in November
- Senior girls are playing balls every Sunday. They play at Queens or Central. Play for eight weeks. Watch the girls play.
- All balls, medals, banners for single-season divisions have been ordered. James, Anne, and Mike will meet on July 26 for distribution.
- Directors' workshop October in-person meeting.
- Val: Need to confirm the Fall meeting date of Baseball Canada to set our own AGM date.

Next Meeting: Google Meet, 8 pm, September 7, 2021

Meeting Adjournment: Motion to adjourn: V. Greenwood 9:03 pm



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

# Executive Report 2 1st Vice President

I continue to have some really positive discussions with associations about 2021 and beyond and the baseball landscape in the province. Nice to see active discussion with associations looking ahead to the future and continue to build strong programming and structure.

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
Will defer to the Co-Chair.

# Committee Report 10 Grassroots Chair

I would like to stress that LSO member association executives forward the updated 9U rules (BCMBA Rule 31) as passed at the 2019 AGM that were most likely not implemented last year given the restrictions for game play well into summer in 2020.

Lots of interest for 8U and 9U summer play. A couple of tournaments posted/communicated and already hosted events.

I have heard some member associations are continuing spring programming into July which is great news for player interest and further skill development.

# **Committee Report 11**

#### **Risk Management**

Since Baseball BC's May 25<sup>th</sup> announcement movement to Phase 2 Stage 2 there was another update June 15<sup>th</sup>. This movement further allows sport to ease restrictions and permit limited spectators and travel within the province for the purpose of sport. As such Baseball BC is advancing notice that the following activities are now permitted within the sport of Baseball;

- Regular game play amongst participating teams province wide
- A maximum of 50 spectators (per field).

## Tournament play

Baseball BC again had one last announcement June 30<sup>th</sup> noting that on July 1, 2021 the BC Government moved to Step 3 in the British Columbia Restart Plan. This movement allows sport to further ease restrictions and increase the number of spectators allowed. As such Baseball BC is advancing notice that the limit of spectators now permitted within the sport of Baseball is 5000 per field (or 50% of listed capacity, whichever is greater) as per the BC Government announcement On June 29, 2021.

Member associations also must work with their respective local government too for any additional guidelines and protocols that may affect their field permits.

#### Insurance

I will defer to Anne Hayes.

# **Committee Report 17**

#### **Baseball BC**

No update at this time as I was absent from their last meeting/AGM.

# **Divisional Report "D"**

#### 13U Chair

It was a busy month getting the three regions: Vancouver Island, Lower Mainland & Interior/North all fielding teams as per the BCMBA Rule Book. I would like to thank Anne for all the developed schedules for each region. The goal as per the majority of the recent summer surveys was maximizing the amount of games within each respective tier. Summer season essentially started June 26<sup>th</sup> and will run through August 1<sup>st</sup>.

# John Main

2020 entries are still held for 2021 which was full and waitlisted. Given the recent updates for Return to Play from Baseball BC will now allow tournaments. The division would like to plan for a Fall Tourney with the 2020 entries whether teams are AA or AAA.

# Divisional Report "F"

#### 9U Chair

No summer Interlocks were formed that I am aware of. Associations have been busy booking exhibition games and some have hosted mini-tournaments already.

There is some concern that has been brought to my attention that some of BCMBA teams at 8U and 9U are playing games versus Little League over fellow member associations. Something should be looked at in regards to the differences in rules and possible game play. Another reminder as noted above in the Grassroots Report of the rules changes for 9U in the BCMBA Rule Book that greatly affects pitching.

John Braaten

1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
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#### **Administrative Director's Report**

July 6, 2021

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

- Build and distribute messaging elements for transition to next Phase of RTP
- Set up league pages, division pages, team pages, schedules, and team page administrators for 11U A/AA/AA, 13U A/AA/AAA, 15U A/AA/AAA, 18U AA/AAA/CP, and Jr. Men's
- Build a record team page administrator tutorial (found on 11U, 13U, 15U, 18U, Jr. Men's division homepages
- Build and distribute promotional materials for coach training
- Joint effort messaging with Baseball BC regarding COVID-19 RTP updates and changes continues
- Assist with preparation and distribution of Residential School statement
- Assist users with technical support in learning how to access and record game scores

# **Administrative Support**

- COVID-19 Member information distribution
- Assist division chairs and directors with messaging and launch of 2021 Summer season
- Set up and host summer season regional meetings all divisions (Island, Interior/North, LM/FV)
- Set up and host single-season meetings all divisions
- Host weekly meetings with the Summer Season Planning committee
- Reminder messaging to member associations regarding affiliation deadlines and payment dues, specifically declaration and roster deadlines
- Support communications for the BoD
- Administrator support for GSuite
- Host and support monthly BoD meetings via Google Meet
- Support communications for BoD and member associations
- Ongoing exploration and development of BoD assists in the areas of timeliness, planning, and execution of
  critical functions around BCBMA programming (Procedures manual
  <a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1xeE3UYTBGtdVkjz93wnrjQYRg1a4KsVI">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1xeE3UYTBGtdVkjz93wnrjQYRg1a4KsVI</a> exists for this purpose but AD is
  looking for ways to help guide and remind BoD members to reference tasks required)
- Key decisions are required by the BoD at this time;
  - Monthly BoD meetings, do we return to in-person meetings?
  - Fall regional workshop dates and format
  - 2021 AGM and beyond, do we return to hosting in person?
  - Coaches Conference 2022, do we return in person?
  - O Do we, can we offer both for the above events?

# **Marketing Committee Report**

- The marketing will resume planning for upcoming events and ask any division or committee chairs planning events to advise the marketing chair of the event, date, and details as early as possible so adequate planning can be done
- The Marketing committee will work with the Coach Development, High Performance, and event committees to create a collaborative and efficient process of supporting those programs
- The upcoming focus will be on AGM, Fall Classic, John Main, Coaches Conference, HP Selects, and return to Normal season protocols

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# Rules Report for July 6, 2021 Board Meeting

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

A big thank you to the committee for stepping up and taking care of things when asked, including Hugh for taking the lead on the use of Article XX and roster deadlines.

Now that games have started the emails are fast and furious. At first it was about who can play (working with Neil as Eligibility Chair) and now it is a lot of questions around rules for summer baseball, teams, players, call ups, rosters, pitching, etc... Most people asking the questions are looking for clarity as they are not 100% sure and they just want to make sure they are following the rules, which is great.

Additionally, discussion came up around a 9U-team playing an 11U-team, plus some other discussions around BCMBA teams playing Little League teams – these are not covered in the rulebook specifically saying it cannot happen, but at the same time it does not say it can. When someone is just looking at the rulebook to tell them no, otherwise they will do it, I feel that is not what the rulebook is for. There are some things the associations and coaches should be handling and doing the right thing for baseball.

Thank you,

Dave Garton
Rules Chair
BC Minor Baseball Association

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# **Umpires Report for July 6, 2021 Board Meeting**

June 8, 2021, I had a very good telephone discussion with Scott Eckardt, VP of BCBUA, regarding a number of things surround umpires and also on next step for the contract between BCBUA and BCMBA. After that discussion I summarize things and emailed to both Grant Butler, BCMBA President and Rhonda Pauls, BCBUA President, just to keep everyone in the loop. The Umpire Committee also received a copy of that correspondence.

Since then I have had numerous emails Phil Bourgeois and Les Maerov from BCBUA, who handle contracts. I have also discussed with Anne the plan for single season final tournaments. BCMBA usually works with BCBUA to have finals at these levels covered with regards to umpires, but they are not the normal 10 team tournaments so seeing what we can do this year to get us through, then the contract will be worked on with regards to future years and the more normal provincials.

Stay tuned more to come on this.

Thank you,

Dave Garton Umpire Committee Chair BC Minor Baseball Association



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# 18U AA (Midget) Report

15 teams declared for the 2021 18UAA Summer Season of play in the Lower Mainland Region. No teams declared for Interior/North or Island Regions. Thank you to Anne Hayes for coordinating the schedule for the summer season. Pre meeting for the summer season was held on Tuesday June 29<sup>th</sup> with all coaches and agenda is attached.

Round robin games have now started and will end August 3<sup>rd</sup>. Tri-Cities and Newton are coordinating a season -ending 4 plus host tournament for each of the two pools.

Pool A	Pool B
Burnaby	Aldergrove
North Shore	Abbotsford
Ladner	North Delta
Richmond	Newton
Vancouver-1	North Langley
Vancouver-2	Surrey
Tri City	White Rock
Tsawwassen	

# **Scholarships Committee Report**

The application package for 2021 has been updated and posted on the BCMBA website.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Raj Puri 18U AA Director/Scholarships Chair June 9, 2021

Re. 2021 18U AA Summer Season Programming

President & 18UAA Coordinator,

The summer season for the 18U AA Division will look different from all other seasons. As there will not be any Provincials this year in 18U AA, we have decided to play all games within regions.

The Island will be one region, the Interior & North will be another region, and the Lower Mainland will be broken down into a few regions depending upon how many teams there are. We will not be having Provincials this year, but we can have Regional Championships if the teams decide they want them and a host association is available. There was no real consensus from the survey we sent out last month, so we can accommodate either a Regional Championships (Final -4) format or just play as many games as possible with associations within your region.

We thought this summer ball programming would allow for the maximum number of players to play into the summer. There will be no charge for playing 18U AA this summer, and BC Minor Baseball has already voted on using the spring pitch count rule until and including July 15<sup>th</sup> and then the summer pitch count rule thereafter.

The 18U AA Division is looking for declarations of teams and field availability information by June 25<sup>th</sup> using the Interlock Scheduler Form or the Printable Form. (This will be the official list of 18UAA Teams for Summer 2021). The season will start on July 5<sup>th</sup> and end by August 2<sup>nd</sup>. BC Minor Baseball will put all the declared teams into the regions and oversee scheduling the games within the regions. Please email Raj with the declarations and field availability forms.

If you have any questions, please contact Raj Puri at <a href="mailto:18Uaa@bcminorbaseball.org">18Uaa@bcminorbaseball.org</a>.

Raj Puri, Director 18U AA Division



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# 18U AA Division Pre-Summer Meeting Agenda Tuesday, June 29, 2021 @ 8:30 pm

# Google Meeting <a href="https://meet.google.com/svm-cfdy-qpg?hs=122&authuser=0">https://meet.google.com/svm-cfdy-qpg?hs=122&authuser=0</a>

- 1. Welcome & Introductions
- 2. Summer League Fees -Waived this year
- 3. Rules
  - Rule 9 Summer Play Procedures
  - Rule 9.01(B) Eligibility
  - Rule 9.03 Declaration date
    - Submit their intention to field on or before June 25 with a completed scheduler form
    - Summer Fees -N/A
    - Withdrawal from the league after July 1 fine \$250
  - Rule 9.06 (B) Roster size
    - Maximum of 18 uniformed players. No minimum number required. Maximum 3 Imports.
  - Rule 9.08 Submission of Roster
    - Player's complete name, complete address and DOB
    - Roster submission July 1, 2021 (absolute deadline)
  - Rule 9.09 Roster Change
  - Rule 12.02 (B) A player on an 18UAAA Team may not play 18UAA at any time.
  - Rule 12.02 (C) A player on an 18UAA Roster may play on a call-up basis at 18UAAA. Should that player play more than 5 games (league, exhibition, tournament, others) at 18UAAA in one calendar month, he/she may not return to 18UAA at any point in the season.
    - A player on an 18UAA Roster may not play in the 18UAAA provincials.

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- Rule 13 Code of Conduct
- Rule 19.04 Bats

18U (Midget) AA -3 max length/weight drop and marked "BBCOR". Composite, aluminum, or wood combination. (Wood, bamboo, and wood composite bats are permitted in all divisions. Wood Composite bats include wood bats with fiberglass sheathing and wood barreled bats with composite handles)

- Rule 19.06 Uniforms
- Rule 21.03 Forfeit Failure to participate in a scheduled game or event will result in the offending team's Association being fined \$500.00 per game and may result in a \$500.00 fine per event by BCMBA. This includes provincial host's opening ceremony.
- Rule 22.08 Mercy Rule is in effect as per the BC Minor Baseball Rulebook
- Rule 23.03 Summer Play 18UAA is Fair Play not 9-Person Ball.
- Rule 24 Pitching Rules -Different from Spring Season

# Spring Season (up to and including July 15th)

1-45 pitches no rest 46-65 pitches 2 nights rest 66-100 pitches 3 nights rest **Summer Season (July 16th onward)** 

1-50 pitches no rest 51-75 pitches 2 nights rest 76 -105 pitches 3 nights rest

- Rule 29.01 Tie Breaker Rules
- 4. Scheduling 12 games
  - Games start June 4, 2021 and end August 1, 2021
  - No Doubleheaders
  - After the final version is posted, all changes are on your own accord, but you must notify the Division Director by email. 18UAA@bcminorbaseball.org
  - It is the responsibility of each team to complete all games and schedule as needed for rain-outs etc. You must notify the Division Director by email.



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- 5. Scores and Umpires
  - It is the responsibility of the Home Team to enter the scores on-line on the BC Minor Website under the 18UAA Tab <u>Click Here for the Link</u> You will be sent your login credentials by email.
  - Umpire cost will be the responsibility of the hosting venue association for all 18UAA games
- 6. Provincials
- 7. Other tournaments and participation
  - Posted on the BC Minor website
  - Tournaments are optional for every team and will come 2<sup>nd</sup> to season play
- 8. Questions
  - Contact Division Director by email. 18UAA@bcminorbaseball.org

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

There are 26 teams across the province. Prince George is trying to get some games in with travel to the lower mainland, but not all teams are open to those additional games outside the lower mainland schedule. There are 17 teams in the lower mainland and 8 on Vancouver Island. All teams are in a smaller group of 3 or 4 teams to start the season and then branching out to play more teams in the second half of the year. Thanks to Anne for doing this schedule along with all the other single season schedules she completed.

Because of so many teams the playoffs are being played over four weekends in starting July 31 and the 5-team final tournament will be August 20 to 22 (maybe 19<sup>th</sup> too). The first couple weeks of playoffs the teams will remain in their region to limit travel for only those teams that make it to weekend 3 and beyond.

The final 5 still needs a host, but I have received notification from a few associations that are interested but they had some clarifying questions or need to work on details on their end first. I am hopeful we can get that sorted out this week.

Thank you,

Dave Garton
15U AA Director
BC Minor Baseball Association

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June 8, 2021

Re. 2021 15U A Summer Season Programming

President,

The summer season for the 15U A Division will look different from all other seasons. As there will not be any Provincials this year in 15U A, we have decided to play all games within regions.

The Island will be one region, the Interior & North will be another region, and the Lower Mainland will be broken down into a few regions depending upon how many teams there are. We will not be having Provincials this year, but we can have Regional Championships if the teams decide they want them. There was no real consensus from the survey we sent out last month, so we can accommodate Regional Championships or just play games.

We thought this summer ball programming would allow for the maximum number of players to play into the summer. There will be no charge for playing 15U A this summer, and BC Minor Baseball has already voted on using the spring pitch count rule until and including July 15<sup>th</sup> and then the summer pitch count rule thereafter.

The 15U A Division is looking for declarations of teams by June 25th and field availability forms by June 30th. The season will start on July 5<sup>th</sup>. BC Minor Baseball will put all the declared teams into the regions and oversee scheduling the games within the regions. Please email Anne with the declarations and field availability forms.

If you have any questions, please contact Anne Hayes at 15UChair@bcminorbaseball.org.

Anne Hayes, Chair 15U Division

Neal Dhaliwal, 15U A Division Director



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

# Fwd: 13U Summer Season Baseball

1 message

Tina Baker <tjsabaker@gmail.com>

7 June 2021 at 13:50

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From: James Raymond <administrativedirector@bcminorbaseball.org>

Date: Mon, 7 Jun 2021 at 08:12

Subject: 13U Summer Season Baseball

To: 13U Chair <13uchair@bcminorbaseball.org>

Cc: 13U A Director <13ua@bcminorbaseball.org>, 13U AA Director <13uaa@bcminorbaseball.org>, 13U AAA

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Dear President,

Please see the following message from John Braaten, 13U Chair.

"President,

Can you please forward this correspondence to your 13U Division Coordinator so they can follow-up with BCMBA.

BC Minor Baseball will be managing the 2021 summer season for 13U Division A, AA & AAA. Just as a reminder there are no Provincial Championships in 2021 for these various levels given the current Return to Play guidelines and safety protocols as there are too many unknowns for any type of tournament planning, no spectators and player cohorts as of this date.

Received information for the various regions will be passed along to the North, Interior and Vancouver Island Directors as well once compiled as we prepare to set up schedules and respective regional cohorts.

The BC Minor Division Coordinators are looking for your team declaration(s) for summer programming. Teams will be based on the 2021 BCMBA rule book. Submitted member association player affiliation for spring will be cross-reference for any discrepancies or clarifications regarding the rule below.

Rule 9.04 (B)

13U Summer Play

- (i) In this division teams for summer ball will be determined based on their association's division spring registration as follows:
  - a. · 145 or more registered 13U players such associations must field two (2) balanced "AAA" teams

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- 61 or more registered 13U players 1st team must be AAA
- c. · 37-60 registered 13U players 1st team must be AA
- d. · 1-36 registered 13U players 1st team must be A
- (ii) Associations that are required to field two (2) spring 13U AA teams as per Rule 8.08 must split with first team being fielded 13U AAA and second team fielded 13U AA for summer play
- (iii) Associations that field a minimum of three (3) spring 13U AA teams as per Rule 8.08 must split their Spring teams and draft their AAA and AA teams for summer play. The remaining teams at 13U AA for summer play must be balanced.

Declared teams will only be allowed to play within their region and other such teams. No external/exhibition games may be played outside of what is declared and scheduled for each team. Given that the 2020 summer season was essentially lost, we, BC Minor Baseball are looking to run programming at each respective tier by rule within 13U as historically done by BCMBA rule to give those participants a higher skilled season without championships. The season depending on your respective region is tentatively scheduled to start Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup> through the traditional end of the August long weekend.

Attached is the team Field Scheduler form (Also doubles as a team declaration). BC Minor Baseball is requesting this back to the Division Chair by Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup> 11:59pm. This is to be sent to the 13U Division Chair John Braaten 13uchair@bcminorbaseball.org From there BCMBA will set game schedules as historically done and will be managed through our website as well. *Please ensure blackout dates are noted if any.* 

A president signed team (players and coaches) roster will be due Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at the latest to the Division Director and cc'ing the 13U Chair (attached two versions). Please ensure coaches have their NCCP training credentials up-to-date.

Each Division/Regional Director will be communicating and managing their respective tier accordingly once information has been received.

There will be NO BC Minor Baseball summer fee for 13U teams as there are currently no tournaments permitted and 2021 championships are cancelled. As a governing body we will manage and schedule games on behalf of the membership.

Lastly, BCMBA is still hoping to run the annual John Main 13U AA tournament this coming Fall if the travel and tournament restrictions are lifted with teams that have been already registered.

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John

John Braaten

1st Vice President

13U Division Chair

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Thank you,

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Bcc. BCMBA Member Presidents

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Tina Baker Cornett

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BCMBA 2021 Fillable Online Team Roster Form.pdf



**BCMBA 2021 Field Scheduler form.pdf** 21K

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June 8, 2021

Re. 2021 11U Summer Season Programming

President,

The summer season for the 11U Division will look different from all other seasons. It will also be slightly different from our current rule book, so we are using the Article XX that BC Minor Baseball invoked earlier in the season to allow for changes to our rule book because of Covid 19.

As there will not be any Provincials this year in 11U, we have decided to have just three tiers for this year only. We will be eliminating Tier 1 & Tier 2 for the AAA level for this year only. If your Association has 49 players or more, then your first team will have to be AAA. You may field as many AAA teams as you want. 11U A must still be made up of 10U players only.

The games will be played within regions this year. The Island will be one region, the Interior & North will be another region, and the Lower Mainland will be broken down into a few regions depending upon how many teams there are in each division. We will not be having Provincials this year, but we can have Regional Championships if the teams decide they want them. There was no real consensus from the survey we sent out last month, so we can accommodate Regional Championships or just play games.

As the 11U Division is mostly a developmental division and so many of our Associations did not play last year, we thought this summer ball programming would allow for the maximum number of players to play into the summer. There will be no charge for playing 11U this summer, and BC Minor Baseball has already voted on using the spring pitch count rule until and including July 15<sup>th</sup> and then the summer pitch count rule thereafter.

The 11U Division is looking for declarations of teams by June 25<sup>h</sup> and field availability forms shortly thereafter. BC Minor Baseball will put all the declared teams into the regions and oversee scheduling the games within the regions.

All declaration and field availability forms need to be sent to 11uchair@bcminorbaseball.org.

Tina Baker-Cornett

11U Chair



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June 30, 2021

**Attention: Baseball BC Membership (and affiliated clubs)** 

From: BC Amateur Baseball Association Re: Baseball BC's Return to Sport Update

On July 1, 2021 the BC Government will move to Step 3 in the British Columbia Restart Plan. This movement allows sport to further ease restrictions and increase the number of spectators allowed. As such Baseball BC is advancing notice that the limit of spectators now permitted within the sport of Baseball is 5000 per field (or 50% of listed capacity, which ever is greater) as per the BC Government announcement On June 29, 2021.

We also understand that each municipality has potentially different restrictions and limitations for bookings/activity, therefore, please work with your local cities/municipalities to adhere to any requirements to ensure you are providing a safe environment for all participants.

We would also like to ensure that all organizations defer to their provincial level member organization on programming decisions or sanctioning, should it be required.

We would also like to again remind that some participants may need additional time to fully return to traditional programming. It is required that all participants and member organizations work collaboratively to ensure all stakeholders do so safely and when they are ready.

Please direct any questions you may have on this topic to Baseball BC Executive Director David Laing at 604-586-3312.