



SHERWOOD PARK MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**JANUARY 9, 2017
7:00 PM**

Present: Marc Teierle, Angela Bayduza, Cindy Lovie, Brittany Watson, Dave Carkner, Real Dechaine, Paul Pieschke, Nestor Hrycun, D'Arcy Shade, Tara Macdonell, Stephanie Parker, Kevin Aitkin, Tammy MacDougal, Lorie Matiowsky, Tyler Bourne, Matthew Hammond

Absent: Jon Fitzgerald, Christine Scheetz, Derek Pollard, Beverley Killoran, Darren Anderson, Ken Sparks, Sheri Teierle

AGENDA

1. Called Meeting to Order at 7:02 PM

2. Approval of agenda

- Item (6.a) added to treasurer's report

MOTION by S.Parker, seconded by T.Macdonell, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda as amended. MOTION approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Minutes from November 21, 2016 Board of Directors Meeting

MOTION by L.Matiowsky, seconded by R.Dechaine, to approve the Meeting minutes from November 7, 2016 as presented. MOTION approved unanimously.

4. Calendar Updates

- Rep tryout dates to be confirmed within the next week and should have dates by the end of next week. Uniform dates will follow from these.

5. Action Item Review

- Went through each of the action items. Updated.

6. Executive Reports

a) Treasurer's Report

J.Sharp

MOTION by C.Lovie, seconded by S.Parker, to remove J.Sharp from the treasurer position on the Executive of the SPMBA. Motion approved unanimously.

MOTION by R.Duchaine, seconded by S.Parker, to appoint N. Hrycun to the treasurer position on the Executive of the SPMBA . Motion approved unanimously.

MOTION by J.Sharp, seconded by R.Duchaine, to table financial reports for review at next meeting. Motion approved unanimously.

b) House League Report

C.Lovie

- S. Bromley to be approached to run HL coaching clinic/s. All HL clinics will be run out of the log cabin. Will determine number of clinics after registration numbers are determined.

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- c) Rep Program Report C.Davis
- M. Johnson will not be coaching with us this year.
 - Mosquito Gold, Pee Wee and Bantam AAA Teams have been booked into the Kamloops tournament. The Kalispell Tournament for the Midget AAA still undetermined; will be discussed and decided with the parents. Discussion of the expense as a concern.
 - The rep program has been asked by a number of parents/individuals to revisit the import policy. M.Hammond attended as a guest and provided his perspective based on his experience coaching with the association over the past few years. Discussion regarding the current policy and options to consider for an adjustment to the current policy, particularly at the Midget AAA level where the numbers are smaller at the moment. To field a competitive team at the Midget AAA level, where our numbers are currently smaller than at other levels, possible considerations to amend the current policy; discussion of a variety of options.
- MOTION** by R.Dechaine, seconded by S.Parker for the Board to make a one-time exception to the import policy to allow no more than 6 import players, allowing for one 3rd and 4th year import, at the Midget AAA level for the 2017 season for the purposes of development of the Midget Program. Motion approved unanimously.
- d) President's Report M.Teierle
- Waiting from the county's reply on access to a few facilities (Colchester)
 - Operations have been suspended over the Christmas Break so nothing to report from BA.

7. Operations / Committee Reports

- a) HL Uniforms Report T.MacDougall for Position Vacant
- Nothing to report; the uniform procedures have been streamlined so there is not much to be done here. Sin Bin will be in attendance at the first registration to sell pants for HL.
- b) Rep Uniforms Report T.MacDougall
- Need 12 small green jerseys at the Midget AAA level.
 - Hats continue to be a bone of contention with many parents. Still have considerable number of large hats. Many coaches order their own hats. If teams are meeting the color policy of the association (forest, gold, and white), perhaps we should not be concerned with what hats they wear. If teams want to go out and purchase beyond the two jerseys and the hat. Rep committee to be vigilant to approve third jerseys and coaches not ordering extra team wear without consulting
 - Tyleen will be used this year for dry fit under shirts.
- MOTION** by T. MacDougall, seconded by S.Parker, for the Board to approve a Rep Uniforms Budget of \$6,710. Motion approved unanimously.
- c) Equipment Report K.Aitkin
- Various equipment will be purchased. Inventory to be presented.
- d) Facilities Report D.Carkner

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- Meeting with county on January 16th to confirm who will be responsible for what and what is required. Will re-submit budget in the next week.

- e) Umpire Report T.Bourne
- Mentorship program will occur this year for all levels of umpires. Will attend Prospects game and observe and discuss umpiring of the game.
 - Will be getting younger umpires into more lower level rep games this year and take that over from the BA assignor.
 - Discussion regarding changing the cheque pickup process. Will look at either distributing them through the concession or other options.
 - Looking into organizing an umpire and coach relations night.
 - Will work on the equipment report
- f) Registrar Report S.Parker
- Registration nights are ready to go
 - Looking for printing company to print raffle tickets (company we have used in the past is no longer in existence). Just received this year's tickets to get going but will need company to print more in the future.
 - Confirmed April 1 as a cutoff date for HL; the third registration date is the Rep registration cut off date
- g) Camps/Clinics/Fall Ball Report S.Teierle
- Both camps have filled; stellar numbers in both Performance and Community sides (30 plus players in both camps)
 - Camps have started and inquiries are still coming in; may be room for a few more in both sides
- h) Communications Report L.Matiowsky
- Newsletters for January was focused on registration, Rep & HL parent and enrollment responsibilities, locker room sale info went out as well
 - Bulletin Boards have been booked
 - Significant amount of exposure currently for the association
- i) Sponsorship / Fundraising T.MacDougall
- started reaching out to community businesses
 - looked at previous year policy; questions and discussion regarding more clearly defining the role of this position; managing the crossover between HL and Rep responsibilities; focus to be more on the Association level and not a team by team basis. President and Past President to look more closely at this for future and further discussion
 - looking for dugout cover banners to wrap around our currently open dugouts as sponsorship opportunity
 - will have a hand out to at registrations to provide to people for sponsorship information
 - looking into smaller events first rather than larger; association culture building and giving back to community events

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- j) Concession Report
- nothing to report

B.Killoran

- k) Doc Plotsky Report

C.Lovie

- Committee has met a couple times and did some brainstorming. Some ideas have come up to make the tournament a more attractive event for teams to attend and our teams time they must commit. General consensus of the committee is that the tournament should be a 5 team RR, guaranteeing 4 games for each team at each level and increasing the game time of each game.
- Have met with two individuals who will consider taking on the role of Director and Co-Director and will continue to receive input from the rep committee.
- Working on a long-term plan to make sure every level is represented at all levels and to reinvigorate the buy in by parents to the importance of this event
- Will look at all parts of the tournament to refresh the event (liquor basket, prize money, etc...) to make it more profitable so more money will go back to the rep teams to make the event more worthwhile for teams and the effort required to be put into running the tournament is worth it
- discussion regarding how to smooth out and speed up the accounting process; will continue

7. **Baseball Alberta Report**

M.Teierle

- General Meeting was attended and an excellent event. Have not met since then.

8. **New Business and/or Business Arising**

- Casino happening this year. We have been bumped up to priority 3 which means a casino in July, August or September this year.
- Still looking for someone to take over the Casino Director position
- S.Parker to look into finding out more details.
- L.Matiowsky will forward Planning Meeting Minutes and action items from that meeting to everyone for their review. Will look at these at the next board meeting.

9. **Next Board Meeting – February 13, 2017 from 7 to 9 PM**

10. **Motion** by T. MacDougall, seconded by R.Dechaine, to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 PM.
Approved unanimously.

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