



SHERWOOD PARK MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**MAY 8, 2017
7:00 PM**

Present: Marc Teierle (non-voting), Cindy Lovie, Nestor Hrycun, Angela Bayduza, Paul Pieschke, Tyler Bourne, Lorie Matowsky, Stephanie Parker, Brittany Watson, Ambra Gullacher, Kevin Clelland

Absent: Beverley Killoran, Derek Pollard, Tara Macdonell, Jon Fitzgerald, Darren Anderson, Real Dechaine, Andrew MacGillvary, Christine Scheetz, Ken Sparks, Sheri Teierle, D'Arcy Shade, Tammy MacDougall, Dave Carkner, Kevin Aitkin

Non-Voting Member Guest: Rich Yurko

AGENDA

1. Meeting Called to Order at 7:02 PM

- Meeting Chaired by M.Teierle
- Minutes recorded by A.Bayduza

2. Quorum

- Roster Circulated; quorum established (N=11; 10 Voting Members)

3. Approval of agenda

- Added agenda item: R.Yurko Rep Program Feedback & Concerns (see item 5 below)

MOTION by C.Lovie, seconded by P.Piescke, to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda as amended. No discussion.

MOTION approved unanimously (10 votes for).

4. Approval of Minutes from April 10, 2017 Board of Directors Meeting

MOTION by N.Hrycun, seconded by T. Macdonell, to approve the Meeting minutes from April 10, 2017 as presented. No discussion.

MOTION approved unanimously (10 votes for).

5. Rep Program Guest Feedback & Concerns

- expressed significant concerns about and in regards to the running of the Rep Program; these concerns in particular included: 1) having difficulties getting responses back from Admin on practice booking (has no diamonds allocated for May; optically it appears there has been preferential treatment being given to AAA over AA and to board member coaches), 2) has not received response back from the pee wee rep director as to a \$1,000 coaching honorarium request for a young coach to be brought onto coaching team, 3) concerns about the Doc Plotsky Tournament and the minimum games of only being three rather than four games which is felt is necessary to draw teams from further away, 4) concerns there are only two sets

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of Jerseys to outfit two teams, and 5) conflicts of interest (rep directors on the floor at the same time as their own children's tryout sessions) that occurred during the rep tryout process

- M.Teierle addressed the concerns re ...

- = the jersey sets; if there is a desire for more than two sets of jerseys then please propose this to the board and it will be considered

- = the coaching honorarium; there was not money set aside in the budget to support a coaching honorarium for a non-parent assistant coach; instructed to bring forward motion yourself or ask your Level Director to bring a motion to the board to have the board consider a request for financial assistance to support a non-parent assistant coach

- = the diamond schedule; the scheduling of the diamond is completely in the control of the diamond allocator who is scheduling for a significant number of teams; asks that if there are significant concerns that do come up to not rely on email but rather contact him via cell; C. Lovie added that in May and June, due to the significant number of HL mosquito and pee wee teams from both SPMBA and SCBA that need to be accommodated, it will make it next to impossible for rep pee wee to get access to these pee wee diamonds on Mon and Wed nights

ACTION ITEM: M.Teierle and Rep Coach to meet to work out the diamond allocation and practice scheduling

- A.Gullacher addressed the Doc Plotsky concern; as the first year Director of this portfolio, is working to address these concerns; working on finding a balance between number of games and number of teams; discussion about other options to consider regarding how to choose teams and how many teams; can now work ahead and get on these adjustments for next year; is currently working within the confines set by previous directors

- L.Matiowsky addressed the communications issues; thanked the member guest for attending the meeting and raising these concerns; the Assoc needs to hear these things and take steps to address; the board has had significant turnover of members and are working hard to change the perceptions that were raised and are again remnants of past individual board members, processes and procedures

6. Calendar Updates

- Practice Schedules are out; please check and identify any conflicts
- No updates to report

7. Action Items Review (Board of Directors Ongoing)

- HL Mosquito diamond requests have been resolved and completed

8. 2017 budget approval

- This year for Facilities Budget allocating \$30,500 as revenue; the 2016 budget was \$29,000 for reference

- Expenses for 2017 \$55,550 (2016 was \$52,455) which is only a nominal increase from last year; this budget includes a lead hand, 2 assistants, expenses that include a new windshield for the truck, the trailer needs new tires, services for tractor, grater, and quad; carryover for the repair of the rascal that were not completed

MOTION by N.Hrycun , seconded by T. Macdonell, to have the board approve the Facilities Budget as presented. No discussion.

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MOTION approved unanimously (10 votes for).

ACTION ITEM: will send out an entire complete SPMBA 2017 budget summary via email and will hold an evote on this proposed budget in an emotion by the end of May

9. Executive Reports

a) Treasurer's Report

N.Hrycun

- presented a summary of current outstanding balances (~ \$10,000) and communications with administration regarding these; BA NCCP clinics invoice has come in; field licenses are also due

b) House League Report

C.Lovie

- League play began tonight; concession washrooms are currently out of order as county began renovations on these
- Have had a number of coaches using diamonds when they are closed; discussion regarding how to enforce coaches not using diamonds that have been closed do to weather and reinforcing this; must abide by the county restrictions regarding field closures

ACTION ITEM: L.Matiowsky to look at reviewing policy and procedures regarding closed diamonds/fields and will attempt to draft a policy statement for SPMBA team usage during these times of closure; will report information back at September board meeting

- Presented 2017 HL tournaments budget

MOTION by C.Lovie, seconded by S.Parker, to have the board approve the HL Tournaments Budget as presented. No discussion.

MOTION approved unanimously (9 votes for).

- Mosquito HL Director has resigned and the position is now vacant
- Are not going to take any more players in HL at this time
- Coaching clinics were run and were successful; some requests to run a second one later on in the season
- There will be Rookie junior and senior teams run this year as well, as a pilot program to help taper the HL Mosquito early age requests
- Working on getting a place for blast ball to play and are working with Admin to solve this issue

c) Rep Program Report

P.Pieschke for the Rep Committee

- First games were this weekend for Bantam AA and AAA and went well
- Discussion related to serving Sherwood Park players first on our rep teams and import numbers at the Midget AAA level in relation to this goal; discussion regarding future coaching decisions regarding a balance between serving Sherwood Park players first, fielding competitive teams at both the AA and AAA levels, and the coaching budget limits amounts to find qualified coaches to help meet these two objectives; significant conversations will continue to be needed in regards to these areas

d) President's Report

M.Teierle

- Weather, diamonds, and BA announcements caused an exciting start to the season

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- Big thank you out to the Rep Committee and Facilities for getting our diamonds ready to go for the season as well as the Admin/Office Staff for getting the first set of diamond allocations out; have played a huge role in getting us ready to go for the season
- Some Rep teams did not show up for their assigned diamond cleanups; discussion related to look at developing a policy and procedures to ensure full participation in the future
- April Executive Meeting Report; at the HL level, typically and historically, there have not been significant issues regarding coaching and director issues; carrying over from last year there have been concerns raised regarding the insubordinate behavior of a HL Director who is also a HL coach as well; parent concerns have been brought forward as well as concerns from other Coaches at this Director's level of responsibility; this Director also has outstanding balances for registration amounts

MOTION by C.Lovie, seconded by S.Parker, to generate a formal letter to this Director related to the non-compliance of their roles and responsibilities in relation to their position as both a coach and HL Director for SPMBA that will also outline the outstanding balances owing for Association registration of their child (child can not be allowed to continue to play until fees have been paid as they have not paid for and are not covered for insurance purposes). Discussion.

MOTION approved unanimously (9 votes for).

10. Operations &/or Committee Reports

- a) HL Uniforms Report Position Vacant
 - all uniforms out tonight; new set ordered; return nights being set
- b) Rep Uniforms Report T. MacDougall
 - Please see email report (Addendum A)
 - Request to have an A's gear table at the Doc Plotsky Showcase Game on Sat night of the tournament if can get some volunteers; S.Parker has volunteer parents who would like to earn back their fundraising fee and could fill the volunteer need here; will coordinate with T.MacDougall on this
- c) Sponsorship/Fundraising Report C.Lovie for T.MacDougall
 - Sold about 110 tickets; cleared approx \$2,000 from the Parents Night out fundraiser
- d) Equipment Report K.Aitkin absent
 - No report
- e) Facilities Report D.Carkner
 - No report
- f) Umpire Report T.Bourne
 - Big congratulations out to T.Bourne who has been named by BA to attend Nationals in London, ON in August
 - Had good attendance for umpire clinic; positive feedback from attendees; clinic went well

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- Ran out of equipment bags for handing out equipment and will need to order more; have used up the current budget; will get quote for these to N.Hrycun and will send out motion for an increase in funds to board for approval

ACTION ITEM: N.Hrycun to send out motion to the board once T.Bourne gets estimate to him

- HL games started today; had mosquito and pee wee games on the weekend at SH; very excited for the season as has a good, strong group of kids umping for SPMBA this season

g) Registrar Report

S.Parker

- Held the treasurer and OFM meetings; next year need to separate HL and Rep meetings; only 3 people stayed for the OFM meeting; more work to be done here to increase attendance; treasurer meeting lengthy

- Will have 25-30 parent volunteers for the Doc Plotsky tournament to allow parents who did not receive a fundraiser "recooperation" option at registration to provide an opportunity to earn their fundraiser fee back; will coordinate with the Doc Plotsky Director on this

h) Raffle/Casino Report

C.Lovie

- SPMBA dates are July 30 and 31st; need 8 volunteers to cover the shifts on both days that are from 3 PM to midnight; will send out message to the board first to solicit volunteers; initially will need to apply for a casino license and need 4 volunteers to get this

i) Camps/Clinics/Fall Ball Report

S.Teierle

- No report

j) Communications Report

L.Matiowsky

- No report

k) Concession Report

B.Killoran

- No report

l) Doc Plotsky Report

A.Gullacher

- 51 teams registered; have established working groups with 21 parents who are up and running; got results from the Doc Plotsky survey that went out and no surprises; most important items were tournament t shirts and metals; working with T.Bourne on organizing umpires; will have a midget AAA showcase game Saturday night; are working on sponsorship opportunities; no specific requests at this time; will keep board posted

- asks the board to begin thinking about keeping some money back from the tournament if it is profitable this year in an attempt to support the growth of the tournament moving forward; after the tournament results are in will present to the board a motion for consideration of this idea moving forward as a way, for example, to support an increase cash winnings for drawing more teams for Midget AAA and from more out of province teams; only have 4 midget AAA teams this year and few out of province teams

m) Log Cabin Report

C.Scheetz

- No report

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- n) Webmaster Report
- No report

A.MacGillvary

11. Baseball Alberta Report

M.Teierle

- 42 rep pee wee teams in BA this season indicating a rise in baseball participation in the province

12. No New Business and/or Business Arising

13. Next Board Meeting – TBA

- discussion related to when to hold the next meeting; were unable to meet quorum last June ('16); agreement and consensus to adjourn the Board meetings over the summer ball season until September or unless an issue arises that requires Board attention

14. Meeting Adjourned 9:05 PM

MOTION by N.Hrycun, seconded by A.Gullacher, to adjourn the meeting. No discussion.

MOTION approved unanimously (9 votes for)

Addendum A Fundraising Email Report

Locker room sale

- > Made over \$800.
- > Busy periods but only in the early hours
- > Will reconsider time of event for next year
- > Decisions need to be made about apparel (both leftover used and new) but not necessary in this busy season. Will bring forward at an off season meeting (bigger fish to fry during the season)

Uniforms

- > All teams in jerseys:)
- > Invoices for dri-fits and hats(for those that took gold ones) will go out next week.

Would REALLY like to consider having a table of A's leftover cotton etc at the Plotsky Showcase game Saturday night. That would require some volunteers as I am the "on ground" lead of the Showcase game Plotsky working group and will need to be in 10 other places at that time. If the volunteers step forward, I will organize the items and arrange for a tent etc.

T. MacDougall

Director Fundraising & Sponsorship

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