

# Wilmot Softball Association – Committee Meeting

## MINUTES

FEBRUARY 25, 2018

7:00PM

EXPRESSWAY FORD - NEW HAMBURG

MEETING CALLED BY	WSA
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular
FACILITATOR	Mike Carey
NOTE TAKER	Ryan Roth
TIMEKEEPER	
ATTENDEES	Dwight B, Ryan R, Jason P, Scott S, John V, Jeff G, Chris F, Mark M, Brett C, Ron R, Kevin H, Mike C, Rob L, Chad C.
ABSENT	Dave M, Paulette W, Trevor S, Dave B, Jamie H, Maxx D, Greg Z, Rob W, Chris L.

### Call to Order

TIME: 7PM

#### REVIEW AGENDA & WELCOME

[MIKE ]

DISCUSSION	Review of last meeting minutes and approval.	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Motion to accept the minutes	Scott S	
Seconded by	Jason P	
		Carried

TIME: 7:05PM

#### BUDGET PRESENTATION

[ SCOTT ]

DISCUSSION	Budget presentation and approval	
	Scott introduced and explained the budget layout	
	Discussion about the amount that we should carry from year to year	
CONCLUSIONS	Idea to track Coach Clinic Fees	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Motion to accept the Budget	Mark M	
Seconded by	Rob L	Carried

TIME: 7:25

**UNIFORMS AND APPAREL**

[CHAD & MARK ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Mock ups discussion -	
	Rep Jersey orders need to be in by March 19 <sup>th</sup> – Discussion on colours and styles for LL and Rep as well as Spring Clinic Tees, Executive Shirts, and Coaches Shirts	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Colours- Royal, black white and grey. Girls Rep – Sleeveless option- royal, with black pants and royal hats	
	Boys Rep – Select Jerseys –Royal, with white pants-Royal belt and socks – basic tee will be black-numbered on back –Royal Hats	
	Spring Clinic Tees –Charcoal Grey – Executive Shirts –two tone with logo on the front and ‘Executive’ on the sleeve. Coach’s Shirts- Royal Blue with logo – no hats (Coach Shirt qty’s vote by show of hands – 2 per team 1- 3 per team -7 – 4 per team -6 [promo code will be set up] Hats will have the ‘T’ logo with the circle –pre-curved flex fit LL- tyke will have black pants –atom and above boys will wear white –girls, black, belts socks and hats will be Royal.	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Spring Clinic Tees – Finalizing last year’s sponsors –This year’s sponsors will go on next year’s shirts	Dwight	Next Meeting
Mock ups for Executive Shirts and Coach’s shirts	Chad	Next Meeting

TIME: 8:00PM

**SPONSORSHIPS**

[DWIGHT ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Update from sub-committee. List review for any potential additional sponsors.	
	Cost for signage TBD. Divide the list to solicit sponsors ‘conquer and divide’. Set timeline for having sponsors in place in order to create signage etc..	
	How many spots are we selling? Option or sponsors to purchase more than one sign? Option to choose location?	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>		
	Once all of the above gets reviewed, and costs provided – sponsorship packages can be created	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Signage Cost for a 4x8 sign for the backside of outside fences	Jason P	Next Meeting

TIME: 8:15

**LL UPDATE**

[ MARK & TREVOR ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Divisions, playing nights, tournaments –year end or other? Opening Weekend –“Wilmot Ball Day”??	
	Review of draft sent for ranking of players. Discussions for changes or approval of draft	
	Setting dates for making teams and player selection. One week after registration closes? (March 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2018) Projected number of teams, rules and again playing nights.	
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Decided to go with a 5 point ranking system for player evaluations. Suggested criteria to go along with each number.	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Solicit last year’s coaches for player evaluations and recap to group		
Establish timelines for LL draft and rule presentation	Mark and Trevor	Next Meeting

TIME: 8:40PM

**REGISTRATION UPDATE**

[ KEVIN H ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Registration update sent out on email.  A lot of movement out due to conflict – some players moving to lacrosse or soccer  Currently 456 registrations – lots at lower numbers. A lot at blastball.  There are still about 250 players who were registered last year who have not yet registered.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	<p>Email blast will go out closer to the registration deadline.</p>		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) T-ball – Someone needs to contact Timbits baseball and let them know we will be ordering shirts again. Just find out when we need to place our order by. Chad did this last year for all T-ball. Can Chad pass the contact info onto Jamie to follow up on? We will also need t-shirts this year for blastball.</li> <li>2) Coach Pitch -Last year these shirts in Baden were sponsored as well – Do we want to get out of this or leave something like this open to HR Sports, Baden Optimists... Past sponsors have been Baden Optimists (\$600 per year) – 6 teams and last year Entripy sponsored the rest of the teams in Baden. Do we continue this at this level only?</li> </ol>	<p>Chad C/Jamie H</p>	<p>Next Meeting</p>	

TIME: 8:55

**SPRING CLINIC**

[ JOHN V ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Update from John Vleeming on volunteer help, Current numbers may have us combining a couple clinics as numbers are low in group 2 tyke/Atom for both boys and girls. (possibility to have girls on one end of the Arena and Boys on the other. But we will wait to make the decision after registration closes. Still over 250 kids have not registered from last year.</li> </ol>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	<p>Volunteers required – 20-40 volunteers needed for the batting sessions on the first weekend.</p>		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	1) League meetings – South Oxford – April 5 <sup>th</sup> , team entries due April 18 <sup>th</sup> , NW – Posted to our website, Huron Perth – no date yet, South Perth – no date yet. Who will be attending these meetings?		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>		<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
South Oxford rep: Mark North Waterloo: Jeff G, Chris Huron/Perth: Chris F South Perth: No date set			

[MIKE/DWIGHT]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>a. Spoke to OASA, requirement has always existed for coaches to be certified to coach at Nationals. Ruling is there must be one certified coach on the bench for nationals. We can ask a certified coach from within or outside our assoc to be n the bench at Nationals. (Probably should discuss if this is the case and we need to take a coach, will the team be expected to cover coach’s expenses)</p> <p>b. Certified coaches are not required for Provincials but OASA recommends we work toward getting coaches certified at least for U14 and up because these are the ages that can participate at Nationals.</p> <p>c. Costs – Weekend 1 - \$205+ HST = \$231.65, Weekend #2 - \$105 + HST = \$118.65 Weekend #3 - \$105 + HST = \$118.65 Ethics online certification - \$80 - Fees can be higher if the hosting assoc is providing lunch.</p> <p>d. Discussion on if we need to certify any additional coaches this year or budget for coaches to be certified next year.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>		<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Motion: “Any coach who applies and is approved by the coaching committee to complete any levels of the NCCP coaching clinics, will have the registration cost of the clinics covered in full by Wilmot Softball.”		Dwight	
Seconded by:		Scott S	Carried

TIME: 9:20pm

**Mustangs**

[ DWIGHT ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>1) Mustangs are planning to play double header exhibition games against New Zealand Junior National team on Wednesday June 27th. Need a diamond in New Hamburg. Do we want to promote this event? Any ideas? How do we create excitement?</p> <p>Committee to plan: \$2 gate? Ask the Booster Club to help plan.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS:</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
Follow up Next Meeting	Dwight	Next Meeting	

TIME: 9:25PM

**RICH HISTORY PRESERVATION DISCUSSION**

[ DWIGHT ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>1) How do we preserve? There was some talk about getting the display case updated with Wilmot Thunder stuff. Where are we at with this? Jay was going to get some kind of signage, Intent was to display sample jerseys and hats from fall kick off.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>	Jason described plans for the lock block at the WRC.		
<b>ACTION ITEMS: MOTION TO AD POLICY AS STATED ABOVE</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
Timeline TBD	Jason P		

TIME: 9:35PM

**RELEASES**

[ MIKE C ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>1) Releases – Review our existing release policy – needs updating to include players requesting a release from their home centers passing through Wilmot to play in another center. Discussion on when releases should be granted.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSION</b>	<p>We need a policy. If a release is requested – they should contact President or past president. We will contact the coach of that level and give the coach the opportunity to make a “sales pitch” if they would like the player to play on their team. We would release the player if that player continues to request the release.</p>		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
POLICY TO BE DRAFTED AND POSTED TO WEB SITE	MIKE C / DAVE M	ASAP	

TIME:9:55PM

**NEW BUSINESS**

[ MIKE C ]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Kevin – Blue Jay Day? If we have an executive or a booster club member who would like to take leadership of this we would support this as an executive. If we don't have anyone who would be like to take leadership, we will leave it for this year.</p> <p>Umpire Clinics – April 21 and 28 at Forest Glen P.S. Details are still being confirmed.</p> <p>Kitchener Sports Association Event, Tuesday, Feb. 20 Dwight attended. ISC event is trying to promote softball Clint Malarchuk will be speaking. There is a grant application – due March 5. We don't see to be ready to apply at this point.</p> <p>Coaching: Concern that there will not be enough players for 2 peewee girls teams. Also concerns whether there will be enough coaches for some levels.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSION</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
To be included in the agenda for next meeting	Mike C	Next Meeting	

<b>APPROXIMATE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE</b>	14
<b>RESOURCES</b>	
<b>SPECIAL NOTES</b>	
<b>NEXT MEETING DATE:</b>	March 18 <sup>th</sup> , 7pm – Expressway Ford
<b>MOTION TO ADJOURN:</b>	Brett C
<b>SECOND</b>	Jeff G
<b>CARRIED</b>	Meeting Adjourned at 10:26PM