

TOFIELD MINOR BALL ASSOCIATION – EXECUTIVE MEETING



Date: January 18, 2024

Time: 7:00 – 8:00 pm

Chair: James Rennie

Attendees: Adam Hall, Paul Weiss, Pam Webb, Mike Murphy

Regrets: Jason Pope, Craig Neufeld

Scribe: Trisha Johnston

- 1) **Call to Order:**
- 2) **Review of Previous Meeting Minutes:** Introduction of each member.
- 3) **Craig Neufeld, former President:** James reviewed email from Craig
 - Discussion on need for indoor batting cage former board had plans for. James will reach out to Craig for more information, re: price, spec's, storage, was indoor space approved, etc.
- 4) **President's Report by James Rennie:**
 - **Welcome All to our New 2024 season**
 - March – James will be attending ERBL meeting.
 - April - pre-season start, schedule pitching and hitting seminars.
 - May 1 – season start. Discussion on what season could look like. Open registration for longer period to allow for more team players.
 - Reviewed roles and important dates document. James will take on Coach Co-ordinator role as well.
 - **By-Laws:** review email sent December 18, 2023. Send me areas you'd like to review. Then we will submit these.
 - **Website and sponsorship:** Would like to develop a Non-profit website.
 - One place for registration, members, teams, location, minutes, treasury report, by-laws.
 - Increase visibility for our league. Hopes it will lead to outside sponsorship to increase league revenue for uniforms, equipment, etc.
 - Thoughts on increasing sponsorship: shared concession (like hockey), increased volunteer hours by players, 50/50 online, etc.
- 5) **Vice-President's Report by Adam Hall:** have received from questions regarding Triggers.

- They are their own league. They rent the diamonds around our schedule. They have a younger group that would like to play, possibly under us. Adam will provide James the contact information.
 - Coaching – capacity for coach education? Yes, this is something James would like to implement as Coach Co-ordinator.
- 6) **Treasurer's Report by Paul Weiss:** current statement of account is \$11, 258.86. There's a monthly debit of \$15.75 for Paystone (RAMP registration).
- Statements sent to Trisha.
 - Signing authority will need to be updated at BMO.
- 7) **Registrar's Report:** Registrar has resigned, Pam will take over with James' assistance. James will reach out to get the information required to get set up for this season.
- 8) **Equipment Coordinator's Report by Mike Murphy: motion approved to give Mike a budget of \$1500 for purchasing equipment required.**
- Count was completed at the end of 2023 season. Some late equipment was received over the summer.
 - Pants/hats surplus- will be sell these again? Yes.
 - Helmets – discussed if each player should have their own, for cleanliness.
 - Game balls – Hold on ordering. Ideas: Home run Tourney with the entry fee being price of tournament and a box of balls.
 - Bats- 2 per Team
 - Pitching plates – build with long spikes/bolts/washers
- 9) **Diamond/Umpire Coordinator's Report:** nothing to report currently
- 10) **Public Relations Report:** nothing to report currently
- 11) **Other Items:** Criminal Record checks will be required for all coaches. These are valid for two years.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 21st at 7:00 pm.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:00 pm