

# CAMROSE MINOR BALL ASSOCIATION

Monday, Feb 4th, 2019

## Meeting Minutes

Present: Gord Nadeau, Wes Wilson, Brad Dingman, Ryan Popowich, Scott Sitler, Wes Harrison, Jose Preza, Jolene Szott, Stacey Winia, Taylor Heck, Ryan Foss, Trevor Nordstrom, Jordan Riopel

Absent: Deb Soch, Jodie Feddema, Justin Jacobson

1. Call to Order commenced at 7:03pm on Feb 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Business IQ Training Centre
2. Approval of today's agenda. Motion ( Scott Sitler), second ( Brad Dingman) and approved.
3. Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting. Motion ( Jose Preza), second ( Ryan Foss) and approved.
4. Guest Speaker(s) – No Guest Speakers present - Wes Harrison went through a quick summary of what was said by Chris Sedgewick at last month's meeting for those who weren't present.
5. Business Arising from Last Meeting - No other business arising from last meeting
6. Correspondence
  - a. Quote submitted by Scott Sitler from Battle River Sports Excellence for new equipment purchases - given out to all members in attendance
  - b. New CMBA Player Acceleration and Play-Down Policy submitted by Ryan Foss - sent by email
  - c. New CMBA Emergency meeting policy submitted by Ryan Foss - sent by email
  - d. Letter from Ryan Popowich in regard to Bantam AAA coach candidates and selection process.
7. Reports
  - a. Treasurer - no report
  - b. Fundraising - Brad submitted a possible fundraising idea that if he could get a butchered cow donated to CMBA, we could then be able to sell raffle tickets for it. Idea will be tabled for next meeting as Jodie may have more insight on what rules we may have to follow.
  - c. Equipment - Scott received a quote for equipment. See New Business.
  - d. Coaches - no report
  - e. Umpires - Softball umpire clinic to be held on April 27<sup>th</sup>
  - f. Facilities - no report
  - g. Registrations - there are currently 107 baseball registrations and 122 softball registrations. Reminder email has been sent out for the next registration evening of Feb 25<sup>th</sup> at Business IQ Training from 6-8pm. After February 28<sup>th</sup>, registration prices increase.

## 8. New Business

- a. Age Jumping Policy (Ryan Foss) - See Correspondence - *Motion was made to accept the New CMBA Player Acceleration and Play-Down Policy as submitted by Ryan Foss.* Motion made by Jordan Riopel and second by Brad Dingman. Motion carried unanimously.
- b. Emergency meeting policy - *A motion was made to accept the New CMBA Emergency meeting policy as submitted by Ryan Foss.* Motion made by Ryan Popowich and accepted by Wes Wilson. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Softball registration now open - see registration numbers previously stated under reports.
- d. Registration numbers to date - see Registration numbers previously stated under reports.
- e. Coach applications to date - Only one week left for coaching applications. - see next point on AAA Bantam coaching application concerns.
- f. AAA coaching concerns (see Popowich letter) - Board discussion on the unique situation of having 2 coach applications who were parents of 1<sup>st</sup> year bantam kids - where there is uncertainty whether either child could play at the AAA level. Decision was to set up an interview with the potential 3<sup>rd</sup> coach applicant option - a non-parent coach and find out what kind of honorarium this candidate would expect. Wes H. guessed that this potential coach could be asking in the range of \$6000.00 to \$10000.00 as in the previous 3 years, he was paid. However, he was paid for not only coaching services but some field maintenance as well for that organization.
- g. Bantam AAA coaching application with honorarium - discussion to decide whether CMBA wanted to go down the path of starting to pay coaches and if so, what? Discussion on room for CMBA growth for having a paid person who was responsible for coaching AAA as well as setting up clinics and other things to benefit CMBA and players as a whole. No decision was reached at this meeting and no motion was put forward.
- h. Possible mound reno to HA and Duggan south - discussed renos on both mounds. Suggestion and discussion to approach the other teams that use the HA field to possibly contribute before moving forward. The approximate cost of the mounds would be \$3000.00 each. More discussion on this topic is tabled for next meeting.
- i. Plan for diamond reno for fall 2020 (which diamond?) - Due to time constraints, the issue was tabled to be discussed at the next meeting.
- j. Baseball Equipment Budget
  - i. Scott Sitler submitted the quote for new equipment for this season. Discussion resulted in going line by line and accepting most of the quoted items. Did not accept the ProTee Batting Tee, the 9" Wiffle balls or the Bucket of Wiffle Balls. *A motion to accept the Quote as amended by the board was put on the table by Jose.* Gord second and motion approved
  - ii. *Another motion was put on the table to increase the baseball equipment budget to \$6000.00 by Trevor.* Wes W. second and was approved. The extra funds are for Scott, the baseball equipment director, to use for additional equipment at his discretion for other items that may be needed.
  - iii. No change to the softball equipment budget was made. At this point, Brad D. does not have a quote for new softball equipment but was made aware of his budget for it.
- k. Softball coach's clinic scheduled for Mar 30-31 - Confirmed for those dates and it is made clear that it is mandatory for all softball coaches to have this course as it is in line with what baseball already does.
- l. Baseball day in Camrose June 8<sup>th</sup> tournament/BBAB ideas - Jose and Wes H. had earlier discussions of possibly hosting a house league baseball tournament for mosquito, peewee and bantam of a 4-game round robin style tournament. They asked for assistance with this project and Stacey offered to help Jose organize. More information will be discussed at later meetings as needed to ensure a successful tournament.
- m. Coach selection committee (Are we ready) - Ryan P is currently gathering individuals for committees of 5 people to be in attendance for each coach selection interview. The committees will be a combination of knowledgeable members of the community for either Softball or Baseball and could include interested board members. Please talk to Ryan Popowich if you would like to be on the coach selection committee.

Motion for meeting to be adjourned @ 9:02pm by (Jose), second (Jordan) and approved.

Next meeting will be on February 26, 2019 at 7:00pm at Business IQ Training - 5051 50 Street, Camrose