

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
CBS KIWANIS MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION**

**Held November 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.  
Worsley Park, CBS**

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**Present:** Kevin Legge, President  
Madeline Legge, Secretary-Treasurer  
David Coates, Director  
Todd Powell, Director

**Scrutineer:** Ryan Garland, Executive Director, Baseball NL

**Members in attendance:**

Scott Andrews	Steve Bartlett	Reed Bartlett	AnnMarie Beaton
Melinda Blundon	Tonia Chafe	Mitchell Coates	Brian Collins
Kevin Critch	Crystal Dominix	Michael Drover	Heather Evans
Paul Evans	Melissa Flynn	David Halley	Chris Hart
Robert Hatcher	Tyler Hennessey	Steve Hodder	Tracey Johnson
Jason Jordan	Paul Kearley	Denis Kenndey	Derrick Kent
Kerri Leonard	Erin Letto	Sara Lewis	Tracy McGrath
Jason McHugh	Justin Meaney	Carla Mercer	Paul Murphy
Jason Murphy	Norm Noseworthy	Shawn Omand	Kim Parsley-Greeley
Corey Parsons	Chris Peach	Carolyn Petten	Robert Reid
Chris Rideout	Dana Rideout	Greg Skinner	Kirby Slade
Dave Smith	Pennie Spurvey	Kyle Strong	Heather Suter
Billy Taggart	Justin Taylor	Stephen Theriault	Brenda Tuff
Scott Walsh	Elliot Woodford	Michael White	

**Welcome and Introductions:**

Kevin opened meeting with introductions and presented his report as submitted.

**Reports:**

David Coates spoke to his programming report and thanked all coaches and volunteers. He spoke to need for support for a strong core but also highlighted that the new Executive will need time to learn the running of league. He then highlighted some programming areas for the association:

- No 18U and the struggle of 18U Division;
- 9U Selects interlocking with Paradise;
- Disappointed no female team this year;
- Importance of interlocking league and thank you to Paradise Minor;
- limiting number of coaches to 3; coaching attire;

- training in daytime and better utilizing day camps;
- try-outs a most contentious issue even though 2021 coaches had no kids involved in try-out that they helped and the three evaluators had no kids involved;
- acknowledged all teams in Provincial Play; 11U 'AA' represented at Atlantic; Congratulations to Todd;
- Need for more practices in house league; not mandatory and hard to get coaches to give extra time but more practice necessary;

David then spoke to his Administration Report

- Noted the three platforms (website, Twitter, Facebook) as ways to communicate with membership. Updates were good and steady and being used immensely. Thank you to Todd for Facebook and Twitter updates;
- Like to see more utilized with stories of kids and coaches experiences;
- Two 11U teams (24 players) Thanks to Brian Collins for gathering more interest for two more teams;
- Scheduling is always changing, esp. field time bookings;
- Would like see VISA as an option for payments; would be a luxury and extra charges that would have to be charged back to members;
- Tournaments for house league, 11U, 13U, 15U, finally happened; highly successful;
- E-Store opened twice due to 6-week turnaround on purchases;
- Recommend formalizing policy on Fundraising re; purpose for apparel or travel;
- Policies restructured and updated online ie. Permitted to put 10 signs at Stoney Hill with sponsor signs;
- Thanks to all volunteers for 2021 success and 2022 to be better;

Todd Powell presented report on staff:

- 10 federal grants and 3 provincial grants;
- Focus on developing program for 10-week Rally Cap which was followed and was a good move;
- Recommended Jr. Umpire Program with courses now starting with 11 yr. olds; pertinent to develop if wish to Host Provincial championships
- Hire Senior Student as staff to oversee other students; possible to subsidize with extra dollars; Supervision part takes time
- On that note, Kevin mentioned some 250 kids have been hired over the years

Madeline Legge spoke to Financial Report as presented:

- reviewed excellent shape league is both with funds to work with and abundance of inventory;

### **Election of Officers:**

Ryan Garland spoke to all positions to be filled – President, Vice-President, Secretary/Treasurer and Coaching Chair;

Member Mike Drover asked a question from the floor regarding the process of acclamation for the role of President which was responded to by Ryan Garland.

Ryan noted that Kevin, Madeline and David were all leaving but asked all three if there was interest in being President as per the terms of the constitution

- Kevin replied No to President position;
- David replied No to President position;
- Madeline replied no to President Position;

Ryan then asked Todd if he was interested, to which Todd replied Yes. As per the terms of the constitution, Todd Powell became **President** for a two-year term.

**Vice-President Position** – firstly, there was an amendment made to reflect that the Vice-President would be for a 1-year term in 2021 and a two-year term in 2022 and beyond, so as to alternate with President rotation;

Ryan Garland asked for nominations which resulted in two (2) candidates:

- J.P. Winters, nominated by Melissa Flynn, accepts the nomination via email;
- Bill Taggart, nominated by Derrick Kent, accepts the nomination in person;

Members reminded one vote per family; two candidates up for this position;

- Voting proceeded. Ryan collected all ballots; David Coates assisted Ryan with counting; All ballots counted twice;
- Bill Taggart – 42
- JP Winters - 14

Results reflect Bill Taggart elected Vice-President; congratulations extended.

**Secretary-Treasurer Position** – Ryan Garland asked for nominations of Secretary-Treasurer position; resulted in three (3) candidates:

- Melinda Blundon, nominated by Steve Bartlett, accepted the nomination;
- Melissa Flynn, nominated by Rob Reid, accepted the nomination;
- Heather Suter-Taylor, nominated by Mike Drover, accepted the nomination

Both Melinda and Melissa spoke briefly and provided a brief resume of their backgrounds; Heather submitted a resume via email and chose not to add anything further.

- Voting proceeded; Ryan collected all ballots; David Coates assisted Ryan with counting; All ballots counted twice;
- Melinda Blundon – 31
- Melissa Flynn – 23
- Heather Suter-Taylor - 2

Results reflected Melinda Blundon elected Secretary-Treasurer for a two-year term; congratulations extended.

**Coaching Chair** – Ryan Garland called for nominations of Coaching Chair position; resulted in two (2) candidates;

- Mike Drover, nominated by Rob Reid, accepted the nomination;
- Dave Smith, nominated by Melinda Blundon, accepted the nomination;

Mike Drover spoke to members of his experience as a Trainer; involved in baseball, hockey;

Dave Smith spoke to members of his credentials and priorities of player development and intro of day camps at all levels, early season start and later finish; update all-star tryouts to include games;

- Voting proceeded; Ryan collected all ballots; David Coates assisted Ryan with counting; All ballots counted twice;
- Dave Smith – 45
- Mike Drover - 10

Results reflected David Smith elected Coaching Chair for a two-year term; congratulations extended.

The newly elected Executive took the head table:

- President: Todd Powell
- Vice-President: Bill Taggart
- Secretary-Treasurer: Melinda Blundon
- Coaching Chair: Dave Smith
- Past President: Kevin Legge

**New Business:**

Melinda Blundon spoke to first action item to forming a committee to review By-Laws & Constitution;

David Coates interjected to speak about two fields at Parsons Field; that land has now been obtained by the Town of CBS but Executive will need to keep pressure on CBS Council and David Tibbo for completion of a new field at Parsons; the overwhelming need for another field being crucial to growing the game of baseball and our kids deserve it.

Mike Drover moved to adjourn the Meeting; Heather Suter-Taylor seconded the motion;

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Dec. 3/21  
Date

M. Legge  
Secretary-Treasurer