

# CBS Kiwanis Minor Baseball Association Annual General Meeting Held October 21, 2024 @ 7:30pm Kiwanis Club, CBS

<u>Present:</u> Todd Powell, President

Erin Letto, Vice-President
Dave Smith, All Star Director
Billy Taggert, Coaching Director
Melinda Blundon, Treasurer

Tanya Drover, Secretary Registrar Maggie Corcoran, Female Director

**Regrets:** Steve Bartlett, House League Director

Meeting commenced 7:32pm

# **Members in Attendance:**

Norm	Paul Davis	Melissa	Ed Yetman
Noseworthy		Collins	
Tonia Bishop	Judy Caines	Scott	Lisa
		Andrews	Masters
Susan	Les	Todd	
Mosher	Macfadden	Powell	
Margaret	Mark Smith	Brian	
Corcoran		Collins	
Stephen	Matt	Melinda	
Slade	Christian	Blundon	
Billy Taggart	Erin Letto	David	
		Smith	
Sylvia Locke	Jennifer	Tanya	
	Yetman	Drover	

## President's Welcome:

Todd opened the meeting and thanked members for attendance and support in moving baseball in CBS forward.

Todd thanked the current Executive for their contributions in 2024.

## **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Todd called for questions with regards to the minutes from the previous 2023 AGM (November 20, 2023).

There were no questions, so Judy Caines motioned to accept the minutes which was seconded by Norm Noseworthy

## **Reports:**

The following documents were emailed out to members in advance of the meeting:

President's Report

All-Star Report

**Coaching Coordinator Report** 

Staff Report

Balance Sheets & Financial Statements

Todd asked if there were any concerns or questions with the above documents.

No concerns or questions were voiced.

Tonia Bishop – approved

Steve Slade – second

# **Business Arising from last Meeting:**

No business arising from previous meeting

#### Amendments to the Constitution:

Addition of a Junior / Senior Director 2-year term (to be voted in odd years):

Todd spoke in length about the Junior / Senior teams. They deserve recognition and to have someone accountable for teams. Baseball is growing and we are very proud.

Sylvia Locke asked if this would be a voting position.

Todd replied with yes it would be a voting position.

Unanimous vote "yes" from the floor and executive

#### **Election of Officers:**

The following positions were tabled to the membership for nominations and voting process (call for nominations from the floor):

#### **Vice President:**

• Erin Letto was nominated (Steve Slade)/seconded (Brian Collins) from the floor.

Erin accepted the nomination

 Susan Mosher was nominated (Judy Caines)/seconded (Brian Collins) from the floor.

Susan accepted the nomination.

A vote was held with Susan Mosher voted in by majority vote (11-8) and accepted the position for a 2-year term.

## **Treasurer:**

 Melinda Blundon was nominated (Scott Andrews)/seconded (Susan Mosher) from the floor.

Melinda declined the nomination

Position vacated

#### **HL Director:**

Steve Slade was nominated by Brian Collins

Steve Slade declined

**Position Vacated** 

# **Coaching Director:**

Les MacFadden was nominated by Scott Andrews / seconded (Mark Smith)

Les MacFadden accepted the position for a 2-year term.

# **Umpire Director:**

Erin Letto was nominated by Norm Noseworthy / seconded (Melissa Collins)

Erin Letto accepted the position for a 1-year term

## **Female Director:**

Maggie Corcoran was nominated by Ed Yetman / seconded (Lisa Masters)

Maggie Corcoran accepted the position for a 1-year term

Todd thanked all exciting and newly appointed members for all their work in past work and work to come.

## **New Business:**

**#1 Metro League:** Paul Davis spoke regarding past season. There were 2 teams in Metro(15u) Positive! Good thing to keep kids interested. Can we have 2 teams in each division (11u-15u) next season?

Todd Powell agreed on a good way to keep kids engaged. We need HL to maintain strength and a strong foundation.

Judy Caines noted that social media didn't recognize 2 teams going to finals.

Todd Powell replied with social media is challenging. Volunteers are busy, perhaps have team pages and tag CBSKMBA.

Judy Caines noted that other teams were posted.

Maggie Corcoran stated Steve Bartlett added team manager role to have social media activity. Suggested team managers take this on to ensure all teams are recognized.

Todd Powell suggested that Teams should do their own advertising, etc.

Erin Letto suggested let each team do their own. 11 AS teams as well as HL is impossible to cover every team. If 1 team is missed, we will get told about it.

Todd Powell advised CBSKMBA will post items important to the whole association.

**#2. Kiwanis Cup:** Scott Andrews wishing to motion to floor to enhance the Kiwanis Cup for 2025 to include:

11 A, AA, AAA

13 A, AA, AAA

15 A, AA, AAA

Adhering to the pitch count.

Scott Andrews wants voted and moved during the 2024 AGM

Todd Powell advised the association has limited volunteers and only 2 baseball fields. This creates logistical challenges.

Scott Andrews stated Game Changer is a great tool that will help with some challenges.

Todd Powell stated Game Changer is a great tool if you know how to use it. Noting it can be challenging.

Todd Powell states if weather delays. Where to move 6 teams if delayed. We can ask regarding the softball fields, however, we can be denied due to insurance. Real example last season.

Scott Andrews wants to continue to talk to plan Kiwanis Cup. Create a committee with 1 year to plan. "If will is there it can happen"

Erin Letto expressed concerns

Todd Powell expressed concerns in getting volunteers

Lisa Masters indicated she wants to see female baseball grow. Can 12u be included in Kiwanis cup?

Melinda Blundon expressed logistical issues with staff

Scott Andrews - Motion

Judy Canes - Seconded

Maggie Corcoran stated females should be included

Slyvia Locked asked What happens if logistically it doesn't work. Can we take back the motion and return to 11u?

Les MacFadden asked can we motion be amended during discussion. Motioner can agree to amend

Scott Andrews agreed to amend to include female 12u.

Susan Mosher asked how we can have a tournament if we do not have teams.

Melinda Blundon stated "no teams, no tournament"

Billy Taggart asked does motion include yes (commit) or no (not committed)

Steve Slade asked if we could motion to create a committee to investigate appetite?

Susan Mosher / Scott Andrews. Not committed after motion. Can drop if not feasible.

Brian Collins asked what kind of costs?

Todd Powell tournament fees can cover

Norm Noseworthy stated barely had enough umpires for tournaments this past summer.

Todd Powell Final comment: The association has expanded, going in the right direction. Growth is great, but can cause failure when not enough fields, staff, etc. Lighting on fields is another challenge.

Melissa Collins stated she coaches female 12u. No field time for practices.

Motion 13 floor

Defeat 8

Motion approved to proceed with tournament.

Motion to association only not BNL.

Todd Powell stated must have a committee

**#3 House League:** Sylvia Locke had concerns regarding House League Program (u11)

Understands volunteers but no coaches showing up. They only played 2 games and no umpires. Noting that the CBS staff was great.

Kids would leave field as no interest as no coaches.

Need committed coaches

Todd Powell advised a call out for coaches went early this year. It's hard to gather coaches.

Erin Letto spoke about directors for House League to hold coaches accountable. Notify if unable to show. Promised to make effort.

Susan Mosher suggested combining teams to ensure kids still get a game.

Lisa Masters suggested using technology to organize coaches to ensure a coach is present for games.

Paul Davis suggested why can't parents jump in and fill in as a coach when no coach shows.

Susan Mosher stated that times are different due to insurance, CRC VS, etc.

# Adjournment:

Todd Powell motioned to adjourn the meeting and Norm Noseworthy seconded the motion

Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM