



MINUTES

CRANBROOK MINOR BALL

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Cranbrook Minor Ball Association held its Annual General Meeting on October 24, 2023 at 7pm at the Days Inn, Mt Baker Room in Cranbrook BC.

Present: Dave Lacasse, Sue Trombley, Gordon Skulnec, Colin Stevely, Kirstin Palmer, Zac Banting, Liz Hoodicoff, Jenna Lacasse, Jason Templeton, David Robertson, Kristin Palou, Jordon Patterson, Jeff Radersma, Stacey Weber, Clifford Dorion, Paul Mrazek in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Dave Lacasse

Motion to accept the minutes from the November 2, 2022 meeting by Dave Lacasse, seconded by Liz Hoodicoff, carried unanimously.

Financial statements were presented and Dave Lacasse reviewed and discussed with the members. Motion to accept the annual financial statements by Dave Lacasse and seconded by Paul Mrazek, carried unanimously.

President's Report

- 2nd annual opening day. Ton of people at opening day. Doesn't happen throughout the season. We are going to do it every year. Acknowledged the passing of Kenton Barber will be donating monies every year for a scholarship. \$500/ year. Nice pat on the back to recognize the recipient
- Registration numbers: over all staying even. Would like to see a bump. Looking at a way to attract more girls.
- No challenger baseball again looking for a director to take it on. Would love to see it again but need someone to take it on.
- Hosted the major tournament this year. Kimberley does minor and Invermere does Jr. Hosting at the quads is amazing. Facilitating smaller communities to play in a tournament is great. We will be hosting again next year. Builds ties with the other communities when we as the East Kootenays join together to make ball stronger.
- Scoreboards – still waiting to be constructed.
- All Star program. 2 teams competed in provincials. Which is amazing. Having kids in the four communities Cranbrook, Kimberley, Invermere and Creston helps build a better team.
- All in all a great season

Board Member Reports

Paul Mrazek – Director of Rep Teams and Player Development

- Building new facility at Confederation park – been in the works for a few years. History: Sam Steele ball tournament, the city matched our funds for a few years. Batting cages at quads, confederation park, Moir bathrooms, and retrofit bleachers at Confederation park. The ball tournament had money set aside to run power to little fields, the city said you need a power shed in order to have power at the fields. Came up with a plan to build this.
- Rep teams beat out Trail and go to provincials is amazing. Spent a lot of time on the handbook about playing time expectations, parent agreement, coaches and players Will be having it updated for next year. If there's problem we need to know right away.
- Coach development -- didn't do a coaches session this year but will be doing it next year. The videos are on the website. Looking for feedback. Kids need to play games not just practice. Some type of competition, or game to finish each night. But make sure its fun

Liz Hoodicoff – Director of Equipment/ uniforms

- cleaned out all the storage buildings and got stuff ready for the season

Jeff Radersma – Director of Softball

- Had a good year. Trying to build the girls program with more exposure. Sue put on a alumni game. Try to get the girls more games next year. Have a girls game at confed during opening day. First ever fall ball had 19 girls come out. Get them out for winter ball.

Stacey Weber – Director of Social Media

- getting more contact with coaches do wins and losses next year.

Kirsten Palmer– Director of Sponsorship

- sponsors 19 this year and hit it hard for next year.

Jordon Patterson– Umpire in Chief

- 2nd time around smoother than last year. Beginning of season, talk to coaches about how they treat the umpires. Training of the ramp do it earlier. Everything earlier for the clinic etc.

Elections Voted by Acclamation

President: Dave Lacasse

Vice President: Liz Hoodicoff

Director of Baseball: Jason Templeton

Director of Softball: Jeff Radersma

Vice Director of Baseball: Colin Stevely

Director of Challenger: Vacant

Vice Co-Director of Softball: Kristin Palou & Jenna Lacasse

Secretary/ Treasurer: Liz Hoodicoff

Umpire in Chief: Jordon Patterson

Director for Rep Teams: Paul Mrazek

Director of Player Development: Paul Mrazek

Director for Uniforms/ Equipment: Cliff Dorion

Director of Sponsorship: Kirstin Palmer

Director of Social Media: Stacey Weber

Other Business

- Dave Robertson – 15U when 2/3 games were away games. Is there a possibility to have a longer time. Need another field.
- Dave Robertson – get rid of girls and boys to generic
- Quad Concession – find someone else to do it. Still get it going. Maybe Jody Bryant will do it. Put it on the agenda for November 1 meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:06pm



Dave Lacasse, President



Liz Hoodicoff, Vice President

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