

Crossfield Minor Baseball Meeting Minutes

Date: January 12, 2025

Time: 7:00pm

Location: Pete Knight Memorial Areana

Meeting type: In person

Chairperson: John Fleming, currently acting President

Secretary: Jess Head

Call to Order

- John calls meeting to order at 7:04pm

Roll Call/Attendance

- Board Members Present: John Fleming, Kayla Jones, Claire Barclay, Kerrie Atkinson, Chelsey Devauld (on the phone), Justin Menard, Kim Falk, Nikki Roe
- Others Present: n/a

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

- Review of last meeting on: December 15th
- Motion to approve by: Nikki Roe
- Seconded by: Claire Barclay

Reports

- President's report: n/a
- VP report: ATB update, sports pay update

New Business

-John went to ATB, Kerrie to take on signing authority

-Executive members need to sign off on opening new account for development, voted in by Claire, Justin seconded, all in favour

-Sports Pain, through RAMP, Jaimie must sign off so it can be approved

-Kayla possibly talking on treasurer role for Chinook Winds?

-Kayla and John meeting up with Mike to gather info for treasurer

-Kayla and John went to Town Hall for receive cheque from rec board

Social media and Website update

-Chelsea working on unique email addresses, RAMP does not provide these, GoDaddy does, but too expensive

-ZOHO can help us and provide unique email addresses at \$1.25/CAD per month (per email), discount for being non-profit

-John thinks 5 unique email addresses should cover us: president, vice president, registrar, secretary, info@

- Possibly just a general info@ email address and then can be sent out appropriately (must be monitored) possibly the secretary or registrar
- Kerrie motions to approve 5 unique emails, Kayla seconds, all approve
- Chelsey will create marketing for upcoming dev. clinics

Registrar

- Kerrie working on RAMP, logged in today, will get registration online for next week for dev. clinics and early bird pricing for full season
- post clinics online for Crossfield only for 2 weeks, then open to surrounding communities, will stay open for 3 weeks
- John will contact KidSport for lower income families
- Can Claire please be notified if numbers are getting close to 30, we don't want to exceed this number
- Meeting needed with John/Kerrie/Jaimie, John/Kayla/Jaimie for running RAMP for accepting payments
- Jersey/volunteer cheque should be \$75, get rid of separate volunteer cheque
- Should we get a pre-authorization for deposit vs. cheques? Kerrie will investigate setting this up on RAMP through sign-up
- Should we hold onto team pictures until we get back jerseys?

Treasurer

- bank account update

Communication

- website domain update, email updates, advertise clinics

Development

TASK: Jess to talk to Jeff about purchasing batting cage for the curling hall, would have to be out of the way of soccer and pickleball

TASK- Jess to ask Jeff about insurance coverage at the curling hall

- Chelsey to start promoting clinic on social media, this will start in the next week
- Curling Rink has been booked by Claire. Coaches have been booked by Claire. starting March 4th, 2025-April 24th, 2025
- Clinics will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays 4:30pm-6:30pm with a possible addition of Mondays is needed. 15 minutes of setup/tear down is needed.
9U/11U/13U/15U
- \$90 per child for clinics
- Budget for 60 kids will be \$10,200.
- Coaching Clinic budget at \$1000, possibly one evening, 4 hours? We "eat" the fee if they volunteer to coach in Crossfield, maybe this will entice more coaches?
- we are hoping for 20 (potential) coaches for clinic
- we are going to try and host coaching clinic prior to development clinic so coaches can participate
- John says charge \$75 for coaching clinic, offer \$30 rebate on registration

- can we offer doughnuts, coffee, pizza, stacked to offer snack for coaching clinic, Justin will reach out for this?
- \$70 per hour per coach for coaching clinic, 1 coach per every 10 people, Coyotes Den
- possibly run a coaching clinic every year for new coaches, or every 2nd year
- do we have coaches pay half; we pay half for coaching clinic? Do we open this up to other towns to help cover our costs?
- Have a Head Coach and Assistant /co-coach for each team, someone takes the lead
- How do we entice more interest in coaching, and pick the best people?
- Extra insurance is not needed for the clinics as its covered under Chinook Winds
- Claire will put feelers out on how much interest there is in coaching clinic
- Justin makes motion for Claire to get approval for \$75 per person for coaching clinic, rebate TBD, seconded it, all approved

Fundraising:

- Ford will most likely be a sponsor
- bottle drive
- "Fill the Freezer"
- jersey sponsor, specific sponsors for specific categories
- we need to start door knocking for sponsors while business are doing up their budgets
- be specific with wants/needs, ask for what you want, show them where their money is going

Equipment Update

- Next Meeting topic of Bases/Pitching mounts and other things needed. Should help provide Kim the ability to price out all equipment by end of February.
- U9 jerseys need to be updated this year
- Kim emailed Sundre re metal bases?
- Kim is pricing line chalk machines \$270 from Amazon
- Went to storage locker to count inventory
- Pitching machine springs need to be replaced
- Pitching mounds \$75/each, need 4 pins
- Magnetic first base?
- We need new pitching plates
- Quote on hats, 200 hats (\$2800 with \$1100 for embroidery), 50 tball shirts \$412.50 (red and black), 50 LTP shirts, \$5243, turnaround is 14 days
- KM apparel could possibly do our shirts/printing at a reduced rate (maybe cost?)
- we have lots of water bottles, and hats leftover in storage, what should we do with them?
- we have medals left over, Nikki will update amount, we will just need to order enough to cover the difference for this year
- we need to replace t's for t-balls 5 in shed, 4 in storage and 1 brand new
- we moved everything form curling hall to storage shed

Tournament Update:

-need volunteer, possible director with no assignment yet

Registration:

- LTP/TBall \$110 early bird, \$135 regular, U9 and up \$135 early bird, \$185 regular

-Nikki motions for new fee raise by \$10, Claire seconded, all approved

Adjournment:

- Next meeting date: February 2nd 7:00pm
- Motion to adjourn by: John Fleming
- Meeting adjourned at: : 9:17pm

Minutes prepared by: Jess Head