

Lacombe Minor Softball Association
Annual General Meeting Minutes

August 29, 2023 at 7pm

Lacombe Memorial Center Servus Room

1. Call to Order at 7:11 pm by Angie Sydenham

2. Review and Approve Agenda -

Motion: Moved by Amy Sim to approve Agenda as presented, seconded by Dyron Provost, Motion Carried.

3. Review and Approve Feb 2023 AGM Minutes -

Motion: Moved by Greg Hebert to approve Feb 2023 AGM Minutes, seconded by Jeremy Olthof, Motion Carried.

4. President Report - Angie Sydenham -Reported LMSA had a busy and successful 2023 season with many teams at different age divisions. Started a Jr. Coaching program, 3 girls volunteered this past season, was successful and plan to continue next season. Have also had many changes this past season: new Fundraiser, evaluations, moved AGM date, and have a new logo.

a. Association Name Change -

Motion: Moved by Mike Steiner to change name of association from Lacombe Girls Softball Association to Lacombe Minor Softball Association, seconded by Amy Sim, Motion Carried. Angie stated that she will apply to registries to get name change official.

b. Incorporation of CA Selects under LMSA - Held discussion with those present as Angie and Nicole provided background info about CA Selects and hopes/plans in working with Matrix Softball Association with U13-U19 A/B divisions and coach development.

Motion: Moved by Amy Sim to incorporate Central Alberta Selects Fastball under LMSA umbrella, seconded by Greg Hebert, Motion Carried.

- c. Updated LMSA Policies and Procedures - summary of changes to LMSA Policies and Procedures was presented by Angie as posted on LMSA website prior to AGM.

Motion: Taryn Switzer moved to approve the updated LMSA Policies and Procedures as presented, Dyron Provost seconded, Motion Carried.

- d. Plan to organize LMSA Bylaws - Angie suggested we organize the LMSA Bylaws prior to next season which will help with orientation process for LMSA 2023-2024 Board.
 - e. Plan to have another meeting in the spring focused on Matrix C/D divisions.
5. Vice President Report - Shelley Leslie - Reported successful season allocating diamonds and umpires for our association. Stressed the importance of engaging in discussions with the City of Lacombe to ensure LMSA has adequate diamond space/availability to accommodate our growing association. Plan to attend a City Council meeting as a large group representing LMSA. Date to be determined. Request parents (taxpayers) push for City of Lacombe to build more softball facilities.

6. Treasurer Report - Jacki Talsma - Financial year end is in November.

Presented current LMSA bank balances:

- Income YTD - \$60805.81
(2023 Tournament=\$19043.50, 2023 Cash Raffle=\$11630.00)
- Expenses - \$47506.12
(2023 Tournament=\$14189.93, 2023 Cash Raffle=\$3400.00)
- Cash Bank Balance - \$33969.28

7. Registrar Report - Leanne Shaw - 2024 RAMP registration begins in Feb.2024. Promo code will be sent out in January 2024 to those in attendance at tonight's AGM.
8. First Call for Nominations - Vacant Positions
 - a. Vice President - Greg Hebert, accepted
 - b. CA Selects Director - Nicole Cowan nominated, accepted
 - c. Treasurer - remains vacant
 - d. Evaluations Director - Mike Cowan nominated, accepted
 - e. Tournament Director x2 - Jess Nattress nominated, accepted
 - f. Picture Representative - Zoe Skene nominated, accepted
 - g. Equipment Co-Director - Chris Steeves nominated, accepted
9. Equipment Director Report - Jeremy Olthof - Reported purchases of equipment made this season such as tees, rubber plug-in bases for Diamonds 3 & 5. Plans to do inventory this fall to determine what we need to purchase for next season and, at beginning of 2024 season, plans to meet with coaches to determine equipment purchase needs. Reported City of Lacombe did not approve c-can in new location so will be switching shed back to co-op diamonds and move c-can over by Dancer's Edge. May ask association for assistance with work bee on the diamonds prior to next season. Clean up on one pitching machine completed.
10. Door Prizes handed out to attendees - throughout AGM
11. Tournament Directors Report - Mike Steiner and Greg Hebert - 2023 Mudbath

Tournament had a profit of almost \$4900. Secured sponsors for medals and booze basket. Sponsor names were put on banners that were hung at the diamonds.

Tournament fees were increased from \$500 to \$600. Gave out swag bags. Great feedback from visiting teams. 36 teams in total attended the tournament from across

Alberta. Went smoother this year than last year. 5 out of 10 Lacombe teams won medals. 52 teams sent in registration forms.

12. Apparel Director Report - Taryn Switzer -

- a. New Jerseys - held an online store in the spring with Reds and Wedins. Had \$75 jersey deposit per player. LMSA was short on jerseys this year.

Motion: Taryn Switzer moved that LMSA spends \$10000 to purchase new jerseys with new logo for the Matrix teams, seconded by Amy Sim, Motion Carried.

Request from floor to have an Apparel Rep on each team to be liaison between team and Apparel Director. Suggestion that we sell old jerseys to players in the spring for \$5-10.

13. Fundraising Director Report - Paige Jones - Held cash raffle as LMSA Fundraiser, made \$8200. Going forward, all LMSA player from U9-U19 will be required to do the association fundraiser. Looking at having sponsorships from local companies next year.

14. Coach & Player Development Director Report - Amy Sim - Thank you to all of our volunteer coaches from last season. Implemented mentorship routes this past season. Did a couple of coaching clinics from Coaching Elite, had Softball Alberta class. Goal for next year: to continue to improve coaching throughout the association. Made Coaching Facebook page to help support with new drills, etc.

15. Communications Director Report - Dyrion Provost - did website change for A status, incorporated new logo onto website, working with Paige on social media for poster designs, tries to keep content updated. Will incorporate new association name on website. Will continue with same emails for time being. Will work with RAMP to incorporate changes.

16. CA Selects Report - Nicole and Mike Cowan - provided CA Selects and ID Camp information, willing to help in many areas including coaching. Willing to answer any questions re: CA Selects.
17. Second Call for Nominations to Vacant Positions (if not already filled):
 - a. Vice President
 - b. CA Selects Director
 - c. Treasurer - no nominations
 - d. Evaluations Director
 - e. Tournament Director x2 - one position not yet filled
 - f. Picture Representative
 - g. Equipment Director
18. Registration Discount Code will be sent out to all in attendance prior to RAMP registration in February 2024.
19. Parent Q & A
20. Adjournment at 8:46pm.