



Meeting Agenda

Regular board meeting of
Date and time
Location

Millet Minor Baseball
February 12, 2025 @ 5:30PM
Millet Agriplex

In Attendance: Jeff Coates, Kirk Handbury, Angela Handbury, Adam Sawaryn, Eddie Tost, Melanie Meade, Kim Grekul, Jillisa Fisher, Tyson Carr

1. **Call to Order: 5:39PM**

2. **Review of Previous Meeting Minutes:**

- Melanie motions to approve previous minutes for January 27 , 2025 and February 3, 2025. Jillisa seconds. All approved

3. **President's Report:**

- Registration. Where are we and are we having any luck with releases for players that were with other associations in the offseason (provincials, clinics, tryouts etc.)
 - Sportle rep will be Jillisa
- How do the volunteer hours and delegations look
 - Email was sent to the board
- Should we consider putting the older age groups to work as well (Mentors, helpers)
 - YES
- Sponsorship plan. Do we want to increase the tiers. Suggestions on what we're doing with the sponsorship money. I'd like to try and get a sponsor for each team. The team sponsor(s) would pay for the players hats which would include the sponsor's name and the player's name. I'll look into hats but we need to know if we own and posses the file that the logo companies need for our swag.
 - Cleaned up the letter that was in the drive a bit and re allocated funds and sponsor opportunities.
- We need to consider reserving diamond 1 for Fridays and/or Saturdays for practices and training. Leduc has been utilizing our diamonds in the past on weekends.
 - Looking into the cost of adding Fridays and Saturdays21
- 2 major sponsors have verbally committed but want to see what the package will include. Millet Pharmacy and Titan Custom Homes. A third has shown interest but



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would like to see a package as well. Has HKS shown interest in sponsoring again and if so who was the association contact for him last year?

- HKS was signed on for 2 years as a sponsor and can be approached to see if they want to update their contribution
- I've initiated one grant application for the county and I'm waiting to hear back from the town regarding some specifics on the diamond property as well as some of our own info (corporate number etc.) I'm seeking out fencing companies to quote repairs to the backstop and landscaping companies to resurface the shale playing surface.
 - 3 Contractors will be providing a quote within a week
- We were invited to an information session by the Riverhawks Pitcher and trainer for next Tuesday at the Re max field where they want to talk to everyone about programs that they offer minor ball associations. We will also be looking at off season training opportunities for development and specialty training for pitchers and catchers of all ages.
 - Jeff, Tyson, Kirk and Eddie to attend
- We have concluded the back and forth with WRPS regarding using the gym and it looks like we'll be paying for last year and this year. Their reps have said they spoke with Robin last year to confirm that there would be a payment due and they have since sent us the supporting documents for our records. We have no other choice but to get on board with this unless we come up with a cheaper option and in Millet there really aren't any other options. One thing that is changing is that we will be let in by a custodian rather than acquiring a fob.
 - Going to pay for both years up front and explore other options
- I've reached out to Wetaskiwin Ball Club but haven't heard back from anyone yet
 - Still no word on if they are hosting an umpire clinic but I am meeting their president on Feb 25 to discuss collaborations with our associations.
- I would like to finalize our tournament cost so I can start the invites. Last year was \$400 and a case of new balls. I would also like Thomas and I to reach out to the coaches from last years tournament and playoffs to see what communities we would like to invite and get on it. I would also like to speak with Thomas about a tournament committee and the best way to utilize it. People that can expect to be asked to take part would be VP (Communication) Coach and Player (Rules, Teams to invite, Coach input), Registrar (Tracking who has paid and registered for each division) Umpire (line up Umps, communicate any tournament related rule changes) Concession (what to expect for menu choices, combo names etc.) Of courses everyone within the association will be welcome to assist any way they can but in order to be able to properly delegate and set achievable goals with realistic timelines we need a core of committee members.



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- Average tourney fee for 3 games is \$400 without buying a case of balls. I recommend keeping the fee at \$400 plus balls
 - I'll be working with the slow pitch league to discuss options for our Alumni/All Star Game at the Harvest Fair. I'll be reaching out to the Ag society to find out when their Harvest Fair meeting is being held so we can have representatives at that meeting.
4. **Vice President's Report: No report**
5. **Treasurer's Report:**
- \$14,497.73
6. **Registrar Report:**
- Board members will need create a spordle profile for themselves and register as staff this year as per BA Alberta
7. **Coach & Player Development's Report:**
- I'm waiting to hear back from Kevin about the grass roots program.
 - I'd like to schedule a meeting with the coaches we know are returning at the sea can. (Warm day) I want the coaches to come get their gear bags for the season and go through them to find out what's good, what's bad and do an inventory and report back to our equipment manager. I haven't been in seacan since fall and I need to know if there's any training aids coaches might want/need so I can build a budget for the 2025 season. Also it will help organize the sea can for our new equipment coordinator. Having such a small space, it gets jam packed at the end of season and it could be overwhelming to a new coordinator once you open those doors.
 - Knowing that there are some players leaving Wetaskiwin to come play in millet there could be an upset board over there so I recommend we try and go north with any programs. That being said I would still like to try and use coaches source for sports for any equipment/training aids we may be purchasing. They can also give us quotes on hats for the 2025 season. Please keep that in mind.
 - We will be looking at Leduc for the U9 league like previous years.



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8. **Equipment Coordinator's Report: No report**

9. **Concession Coordinator's Report :No report**

10. **Tournament Coordinator's Report: No report**

11. **Field & Maintenance Coordinator's Report: No report**

12. **Public Relations Coordinator:**

- Kim will be looking into Beaumont bottle depot for our bottle drive this year.
- Look into a 50/50 to run for the full season rather than just our tournament weekend.

13. **Umpire Coordinator:**

14. **Other Items:**

- Catherine needs someone else that is available to pick up meeting room keys as she can not be at town office before 4:00PM.
- A motion needs to be made to destroy the ballots from elections in 2023. Kim motions to destroy. Jillisa seconds. All in favour. Motion passed. Catherine will destroy ballots.
- Catherine would like to discuss the possibility of giving U18 third years ONLY the option to purchase their jerseys each year as a keepsake for completing their minor ball careers. Some discussion is had and once we have a cost for what replacements will be we can put the option out there.

Next Meeting: March 3 @ 6:30PM

Meeting Adjourned: 7:37 PM