

**MISSISSAUGA MAJORS BASEBALL ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**



Minutes of the AGM held on October 3rd, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.,
Crookes Park Clubhouse, Lakefront Promenade

PRESENT: See attached appendix (sign-in sheet)

1. **Call to Order** – 7:30 pm

2. **Approval of 2018 Meeting Minutes**

*Motion: to accept the minutes of the 2018 Annual General Membership Meeting
Helen Norris / Christine Parker / Carried*

2.1 **Correspondence: (filed with Secretary)**

- 2018 Financial Statements (as at Dec. 31, 2018)
- 2019 Profit & Loss Statement (as at October 3, 2019)

3. **Executive Reports**

V.P. BASEBALL: (Moe Kapadia)

- 2019 baseball season was great – there were no suspensions however we did have a few issues with a shortage of umpires

House League – Tyke

- Tyke Championship – Indians
- Regular season was also won by the Indians

House League – Pee Wee

- Pee wee Championship – Cardinals
- Regular season was also won by the Cardinals

Mississauga Baseball Lakeshore League – Bantam & Midget

- Bantam – no championship
- During regular season, Midget, Majors Navy finished last
- Midget Championship – Majors Navy

Select AA

- Mosquito – won the division
- Pee Wee – won the division

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V.P. SOFTBALL: (Mark Newman)

- 8 teams for 2019 – 1 Mite, 2 Squirt, 2 Novice, 1 Bantam, 1 Bantam Rep, 1 Midget

Mite

- The Mite team was made up entirely of first year players
- They prepared in the winter by learning the rules and getting to know their fellow teammates
- They spent a good part of the season in first place and finished with just 4 losses in an 18 game schedule
- The top 3 teams in the Mite division dominated the other teams. The division was split with the top 3 teams having their own play-offs and the other 6 teams having their own. Majors came up short.

Squirt

- Both our Squirt teams struggled in the standings, finishing in the lower half. They were competitive in most games but came up short most nights. They formed an All-Star team that was competitive in the tournament circuit.

Novice

- Both Novice teams were strong, finishing near the top of their division. The division was split for the play-offs with both Majors teams only playing the top team in the division. One team did make it to the final and was winning throughout most of the game only to lose in the bottom of the 7th to undefeated Milton.

Bantam

- Our Bantam team struggled due to lack of pitching, finishing in the bottom half of their division. They were competitive most games, played good defense and hit well, but fell victim to too many walks. The team is enthusiastic and vows to do better next year.

Bantam Rep

- Our first year in Rep went better than expected. I predicted 2-3 wins. The team ended up winning 11 games. They won a play-off game and a bronze medal at a tournament. They gained a ton of experience and improved exponentially as the season progressed.

Midget

- The Midget team finished with a winning record in the middle of the pack. The main struggle was players moving halfway through the season. Credit to those players who drove from Georgetown and Peterborough to attend games when they could.
- The Majors hosted 2 tournaments for Softball. Both Majors teams lost on tie breakers to make it to the medal games but competed well just the same. I believe both the Squirt and Novice teams did go on to win medals the following week at another Association's tournament.
- This coming winter, we will continue with bringing Mite aged players into the gym. It has proven to be very beneficial. We will continue with the OBJ program, our pitching clinic and we have added a winter catcher's clinic to our training line-up

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V.P. ROOKIE BALL: (Lenny Di Marco)

- The 2019 Rookie ball season consisted of just under 100 participants spread across 8 teams.
- The pre-season was challenging given that we needed to fill 6 out of 8 coaching positions. I am pleased to report that the teams were fully coached before the start of the 2019 season. With the help of our convener Jakub Zeniuk, the regular season progressed smoothly even after a very wet month of May. In the semifinals, we enjoyed the 6th seeded team battling the 2nd seed for a shot at the final. The Cubs took the Semi-finals and went on to a spectacular Final with the Indians. The Indians took the crown after an amazing series of extra inning events that saw the final game winning run scored right under the defense's noses. I would like to thank Jakub for his time and support. Most importantly, I would extend my thanks and appreciation to all the House League Rookie Ball coaches that dedicated their time and commitment to their teams this year. The Season would not have been successful or possible without their dedication.

V.P. T-BALL: (Lou Vaccarello)

- We had a successful season of baseball in both T-Ball divisions in 2019. The enthusiasm and positive participation of the players, parents and coaches played no small part in this.

JR. T-Ball

- There were ten teams of nine players at the Jr. T-Ball level during the 2019 season. Jr. T-Ball Fun Day on August 10, 2019 was a great success. It was well attended by the players, parents and families. All of the services came with their vehicle this year (fire, police and paramedical) – although the paramedical services were late. The parents and players alike had an opportunity to see and sit in the respective service vehicle. A positive community service and civilian interaction for all parties concerned. My thanks to the executive and volunteers that helped man the event stations and give out the pizza lunch and to Brenda Baird for her stewardship as Jr. T-Ball Convenor this year. Special thanks also to Christine Parker for her help in organizing the volunteers for the event stations on Fun Day from her myriad contacts within the community. All these efforts contributed to our success in 2019 and are much appreciated.

SR. T-Ball

- There were twelve teams of 12 to 14 players at the Sr. T-Ball level during the 2019 season. The playoffs (July 30, 2019 – August 22, 2019) featured some extremely close, heart-breaking games with the first place Indians ultimately meeting the second place Tigers for the championship game. The Tigers prevailed 26 to 14 over the Indians. Congratulations to both teams and their coaches for a good season. I wish to thank Bob Hacking for his steady assistance this year as Sr. T-Ball Convenor and the members of the other executive who helped out as needed during the regular season and the playoffs – you helped to keep the games running smoothly and with minimal fuss. With all of you help, we will do it again in 2019.

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REGISTRAR: (Sharon Ford)

- We had 950 players registered in 2019; down from 1030 in 2018, and 1150 in 2017

House League

- Midget – 37
- Bantam – 54
- Peewee – 93
- Tyke – 83
- Rookie Ball – 97
- Sr. T-Ball – 164
- Jr. T-Ball – 89

Softball

- Midget & JR. – 11
- Bantam – 25
- Novice – 21
- Mite – 14
- Squirt – 22

Elite

- Elite Midget 18U – 15
- Elite Midget 16U – 15
- Elite Bantam 15U – 15

Rep AAA

- Rookie Ball – 25
- Bantam – 12
- Pee Wee – 23
- Mosquito – 23

Select AA

- Junior – 14
- Midget – 27
- Bantam – 24
- Peewee – 24
- Mosquito – 26

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TREASURER: (Tom Moy)

- A copy of the 2018 Financial Statement and the 2019 Profit and Loss Statement were distributed to all in attendance – filed with the Secretary

*Motion: to accept the 2018 Financial Statements
Tom Moy / Christine Parker / Carried*

*Motion: to approve R&C Chartered Accountants as the Auditors of record for 2020
Tom Moy / Mark Newman / Carried*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

- 2019 was a good year
- Many thanks to the Executive for their continued support
- We have challenges ahead; diamond time is a big issue and we will be losing the 2 Lakeview diamonds in June 2020
- We built 2 new diamonds on West Acres site at a cost of \$51,000.00. Thank you to Lenny DiMarco for taking on the role of Project Manager and getting the job done on-time. I would also like to thank TAC Construction for donating their time and services by grading the field surface of the two new diamonds for free. This resulted in a savings of approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000 for the Majors
- This year we formed a Softball Committee with the objective to build and develop our Softball program and encourage participation
- This year we entered into an agreement with Mississauga North and Mississauga Southwest Baseball Associations to provide player releases – approximately 26 players were released from the Majors
- We folded the Minor Bantam Rep team, Minor Midget Select team, and the U-17 Elite team
- This has been a dreadful year for umpires – we need to work hard to improve umpiring for all divisions next year
- Once again, our Volunteer Appreciation Night was a huge success and was enjoyed by all!

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS:

- None
- Copy of Constitution Attached

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- None

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MOTION TO ADJOURN: Helen Norris / Christine Parker

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Nominations / Elections for 2019-2020 were run by Tony Jasinski to bring forth the following candidates for election.

| <i>Position</i> | <i>Candidate(s)</i> | <i>Acceptance</i> | <i>Result</i> |
|------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| President | Tony Jasinski | Yes | Acclaimed |
| VP of Baseball Operations | Moe Kapadia | Yes | Acclaimed |
| VP of Softball Operations | Mark Newman | Yes | Acclaimed |
| VP of Rookie Ball Operations | Jakub Zeniuk | No | Declined |
| | Lenny Di Marco | Yes | Acclaimed |
| VP of T-Ball Operations | Lou Vaccarello | Yes | Acclaimed |
| Secretary | Helen Norris | Yes | Acclaimed |
| Treasurer | Tom Moy | Yes | Acclaimed |
| Registrar | Sharon Ford | Yes | Acclaimed |