

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



DRAFT – FOR APPROVAL OCT 2022

Minutes of the Annual General Membership Meeting held October 7th, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.,
Crookes Park Clubhouse, Lakefront Promenade

PRESENT: See attached appendix (sign-in sheet)

1. **Call to Order** – 7:31p.m.

2. **Approval of 2020 AGM Meeting Minutes**

*Motion: to accept the minutes of the 2020 Annual General Membership Meeting
Helen Norris / Jakub Zeniuk / Carried*

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

- 2020 Financial Statements (December 31, 2020)
- 2021 Profit & Loss Statement

3. **Executive Reports**

V.P. BASEBALL: (Moe Kapadia)

- Due to COVID-19, we had a short season.
- Started organizing the season on July 1st, 2021, with help from Bob and Andrew
- 10 teams; 4 Tyke, 3 Pee Wee, 2 Bantam, and 1 Midget
- Season officially started on July 15th, 2021 – overall it was a great season
- Tyke Division – Tigers finished in 1st place; Blue Jays won the Championship
- Pee Wee Division – Blue Jays finished in 1st place; Blue Jays won the Championship

Mississauga Baseball Lakeshore League

- New league comprised of 7 Midget teams and 8 Bantam teams
- Midget Division; Mississauga North 2 teams, Erindale 1 team, MSBA 3 teams, Majors 1 team; Majors finished in 6th place – MSBA Athletics finished in 1st place and won the Championship
- Bantam Division; Erindale 1 team, MSBA 4 teams, Oakville 1 team, Majors 2 teams – Majors Navy team finished in 1st place; MSBA Cardinals won the Championship

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Rep Level – was comprised of 16 teams

- Pee Wee Coach Ron Burke and Rod Poltrok's team won the Provincial Championship
- Many thanks to Bob Raymond, Andrew Muliylil, Al Pinchak and Chris Harris for convening the playoff games and a big thank you to Lenny for his help with scheduling.

V.P. SOFTBALL: (Mark Newman)

- Covid hit softball registration in all of the Mississauga and surrounding associations hard. Numbers were down over 50% from 2019. Covid forced us to cancel our winter pitching clinic, catching and fielding clinics. The Majors fielded team in Mite Squirt Novice and Midget.
- The season started late, first week of July and only had half of the games of normal softball season.

Midget

- Our midget team struggled this year and was hit hardest due to Covid. It was a blended team of Bantam and Midget players that competed in a tough division. They had a small roster and were plagued with injuries and player work commitments

Novice

- Our Novice team was made up of a core of players that have been together for several years and this year it finally clicked. Although they did not win the play-offs, they spent a good portion of the season at the top of the standings.

Squirt

- Our Squirt team this year had a new head Coach, Ravina. The feedback I received from many of the parents and players was that they loved her and want her back next year. This enthusiasm transferred over to the field where the Majors and one other team were the class of the division. They made it to the finals but fell short in a close game which I heard from an official was perhaps the best squirt game he had seen in years.

Mite

- The Mite division expanded its age range this year to 8–10-year-olds. The Majors fielded a team of players with zero softball experience and just one 10-year-old. The enthusiasm of the players and parents was outstanding. They along with one of other team dominated the division. They lost only 1 regular season game and cruised to the final but ran out of gas in the end and took second place. They look forward to returning to Mite next year with experience under their belts.
- The MGSA the umbrella association that governs the house league loop that the Majors play in will cease to exist next year. Group Members Mississauga North, Mississauga SW and Erindale have merged to form the Mississauga Lady Jays. The Majors Etobicoke and Oakville will continue to play in a loop with the New Lady Jays under the governance of the Peel Halton Girls Softball Association which previously only dealt with Rep softball.
- The new Lady Jays have got off to a rocky start to put it mildly. The rep teams that they attempted to field for next season were denied affiliation into the PWSA. At that point some of those teams folded and one of them has crossed the floor to join us with the Majors. In 2022 The Majors will have a U17 rep softball team. The team will be coached by Peel Halton Girls Softball president Steve Finan. Steve brings over 30 years of Softball coaching experience to the Majors. He is a strong supporter of house league softball as well as rep and we look forward to having Steves expertise coming to the Majors.
- We hope to bring back our pitching, catching and fielding winter clinics pending Covid restrictions.

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

- 2021 began in with a fury of registrations resulting in a Rookie Ball season comprised of 6 full teams ready and willing to return to baseball.
- Even on the very first night of Rookie ball – kids that have not picked up a bat in almost 2 years, somehow had the natural ability to make contact with the ball causing echoing “tings” across the diamonds at Lyndwood and West Acres. It was a welcome sound to hear after an extended period of silence on the diamonds.
- As the 10-game regular season progressed, the field formed with its leaders and trailers. In the end, the leading team had to take the hard road to the final as it was met with a newfound playoff determination from back of the pack teams that challenged vigorously over the course of the 4-day playoff season.
- The final resulted in the Tigers taking the podium as Rookie Ball champions after a hard fought, wet to the bone, final.
- Many thanks to all the parents, coaches and assistants that made the season possible. Further accolades to Jakub Zeniuk – Rookie Ball Convenor and Alfonso “the Equipment King” Marsiglia for supporting Rookie Ball throughout the course of the season.

V.P. T-BALL: (Bob Raymond)

- At the JR T-Ball level, we had 8 teams of young, enthusiastic players who learned about the game, likely made a few new friends and had a bunch of fun throughout the summer, thanks to their volunteer coaches and Convenor Brenda Baird. I suspect most players went back to school with some good stories and they should be eager to return next season.
- SR T-Ball also had 8 full teams this season with a range of coaches interested in player skill development and more competitive play, with the emphasis on fun. During the final game of playoffs at Crookes Park, the Champion Dodgers were victorious over the finalist Tigers with a score of 22-20. Following the game, Convenor Bob Hacking along with both coaches congratulated both teams for their great seasons and handed out the Mississauga Majors medals individually to each player.
- Overall, a good season at the T-Ball level.

REGISTRAR: (Stephanie Pinchak)

- Registration in 2021 was very different from previous years due to COVID-19. There was no in-person registration, mostly on-line and a few mail-ins. We had a late start to the season but managed to filed teams in House League, Rep and Softball levels. We had 599 players registered in 2021; there was no baseball season in 2020 due to COVID-19 Pandemic.

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- Summary Breakdown as follows:

House League

<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>Teams</u>	<u>Players</u>
Jr. T-Ball	8	84
Sr. T-Ball	8	94
Rookie Ball	6	67
Tyke	4	48
Peewee	3	36
Bantam	2	24
Midget	1	13

Rep

<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>Players</u>
Bantam Elite (U15)	15
Major Mosquito (U11)	12
Major Peewee (U13)	13
Major Rookie Ball (U9)	11
Minor Bantam T1 (U14)	9
Major Midget T1 (U16)	13
Minor Mosquito T1 (U10)	12
Minor Peewee T1 (U12)	12
Junior T2 (U21)	8
Major Bantam T2 (U15)	5
Major Midget T2 (U18)	9
Major Mosquito T2 (U11)	9
Major Peewee T2 (U13)	12
Minor Bantam T2 (U14)	8
Minor Midget T2 (U16)	10
Minor Mosquito T2 (U10)	13
Minor Peewee T2 (U12)	12

Softball

<u>LEVEL</u>	<u>Players</u>
Midget	11
Mite	13
Novice	14
Squirt	12

- I would like to thank Lenny for his valuable assistance in helping me with the on-line registration.

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TREASURER: (Tom Moy)

- General Account balance – \$96,950.32
- Lottery Account balance – \$3,312.04
- Building/Savings Account balance – \$342,232.83
- A copy of the 2021 Profit & Loss Statement (Jan 01 – Oct 07, 2021) was distributed to all in attendance and a copy was filed with the Secretary
- Majors only charged players an administrative cost for registration in 2021 playing season
- Majors reimbursed registration fee paid by the player, less the uniform cost
- R & C Chartered Professional Accountants reduced their audit review fee to the Majors by 50% and only charged \$2,500 vs. \$5,000 as in prior years
- A copy of the 2020 Financial Statements were distributed to all in attendance and a copy was filed with the Secretary

***Motion: To approve the 2020 Financial Statements
Tom Moy / Helen Norris / Carried***

***Motion: To approve R & C Chartered Professional Accountants as the auditors of record for 2022
Tom Moy / Helen Norris / Carried***

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

- 2021 was certainly an interesting year, and I truly have to thank this Executive for their hard work and continued support
- We worked as a good team
- We have a lot of intelligent and dedicated people on this Executive
- Special thanks to the veteran Executives who are still on this Board despite their kids having played, grown up and moved on from us, and yet they continue to volunteer and support us to make sure we achieve the same level of integrity and credibility, and that we continue to perform at a high level
- We have some new volunteers joining the Executive this year to continue our success
- Our V.P.'s carry a very heavy load and they do it well
- As President, I am extremely grateful for the dedication of the volunteers that we have on the Executive; they make this organization an outstanding organization.
- The kids in this community are really fortunate to have such dedicated people with ability, to do the things that they do, without interest, without the politics, etc. that go on in other associations
- It has been my pleasure serving as President of this Association and I am only successful due to the strength and commitment of the people that serve on this Executive with me
- My sincere thanks to all the 2021 Executive for their contributions and support as we look forward to yet another tremendous season for the Majors in 2022

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CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS:

- None

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- None

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Helen Norris / Lenny DiMarco / Carried

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Nominations / Elections for 2022 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	Lenny DiMarco	Yes	Acclaimed
VP of T-Ball Operations	Tina Britt	Yes	Acclaimed
Secretary	Helen Norris	Yes	Acclaimed
Treasurer	Tom Moy	Yes	Acclaimed
Registrar	Ravina Ambwani	Yes	Acclaimed