

Annual General Meeting Minutes

Softball BC
Development Conference &
Annual General Meeting

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GRAND VILLA HOTEL &
CONFERENCE CENTRE

BURNABY, BC
OCTOBER 18-20, 2019



BCASA Annual General Meeting Attendance 2019

Board of Directors

President	Jake DeWitt
1 st Vice-President	Graeme Duncan
VP, Finance	Zeone Andrijaszyn
Director of Coaching	Mike Renney
Minor Director	Merv Sandrel
Senior Director	<i>Dan Coates – Not in Attendance</i>
Provincial Umpire-in-Chief	David Brewer
Member-at-Large	Ian Kellow

Softball BC Staff

Executive Director	Rick Benson
Member Benefits Coordinator	Lesley Rowe
Accountant	Jennifer He
Program Coordinator	Jackie Desilets
Technical Coordinator	Michael Smith
Administrative Assistant	Haili Pettifer

Voting Delegates (District)

Terri Boizard (1)	Kelli Ann Harmon (8)
Lisa Parkes (1)	Tammy Klym-Wolfe (8)
Craig Holyhead (1)	Stephanie Topp (8)
Jana Little (1)	Sheldon Bank (9)
Mel Canton (1)	Brad Snyder (9)
Lisa Hayton (2)	Jason Ranchoux (9)
Al Charlesworth (2)	Nelson Hughes (9)
Shannon Charlesworth (2)	Derek Hipwell (10)
Eric Kurpiela (3)	Margaret MacDonald (10)
Karl Kurpiela (3)	Jacquie Huser (10)
Scott Channell (4)	Frank Driedger (11)
Geoff Bowring (4)	Phil Ransome (11)
Al Groff (5)	Stefanie Caplette (12)
Barry Riva (5)	Carlyle Kreiger (12)
Suzy Parker (6)	Kevin McKenney (12)
Elizabeth Lee (6)	Marion Kreiger (12)
Jennifer Goepel (6)	Geoff Watt (13)
Deb Tidy (6)	Diane MacPherson (14)
David Roeseler (6)	Chris Young (14)
Marty Tilt (6)	Bill Kazulin (14)
Keresna Bradley (7)	Jim MacPherson (14)
Lavaughn Larson (7)	Jacquie Gendron (14)
Kyle Dennedy (7)	Dave Clayton (14)
Kelly Daugherty (7)	Rachel Charles (15)
Cory Ashby (7)	Scott Wheatley (15)
Stan Zelmer (7)	Lisa Brown-Rooke (15)
Harv Wiens (8)	Amanda Kennedy (15)
Deb Vinters (8)	Annie Perez-Leon (15)
Harry Lawson (8)	Ed Selinger (15)

2019 SOFTBALL BC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Delta Burnaby Conference Centre
Burnaby, BC October 19, 2019

AGENDA

- ❖ Voting Strength: 62
- ❖ Parliamentary Committee: Wayne Cannon, Marni Bodnarchuk, Scott McLaren
- ❖ Meeting Procedure (recommendations and Special Operating Changes come into effect at the completion of the AGM):
- ❖ Adoption of 2019 Agenda: D. Vinters/H. Wiens
- ❖ Adoption of 2018 Annual General Meeting Minutes: S. Charlesworth/B. Snyder
- ❖ Business arising from those Minutes: None
- ❖ Directors Reports: C. Kreiger/D. Vinters
- ❖ Adoption of Audited Financial Statement: Z. Andrijaszyn/J. Goepel
- ❖ Notice of changes to Special Operating Rules

RESOLUTIONS TO THE FLOOR

- ❖ Notices of Motion 'to amend the By-Laws'
- ❖ Notices of Motion 'New Business'
- ❖ Notices of Motion to 'Softball Canada & Western Canadian Softball Association'

ELECTIONS

Motion to Destroy All Voting Ballots: K. Dennedy/D. Hipwell

All Other Business

Motion to adjourn the 2019 Annual General Meeting: D. Brewer/C. Kreiger

END OF 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Softball BC
2019 Annual General Meeting**

Note: Any proceedings at this Annual General Meeting do not take effect until this meeting is officially concluded.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS

**'To Amend the By-Laws of British Columbia Amateur Softball Association;
BY-LAWS: (Requires at least sixty-six (66%) percent majority of votes cast.
Abstentions not given a negative vote)'**

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 1 BY-LAW

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

MOVED BY: Dave Brewer

Seconded by: Merv Sandrel

REFERENCE: Part 3 Meeting of the Members – Section 12 – Page 30

WHEREAS:

If appointed by a District Member, Delegates must be appointed for the following terms:

- a) One Year:
 - i) Senior Fastpitch Men's Representative
 - ii) Senior Fastpitch Women's Representative
 - iii) Minor Boys/Mixed Teams Representative
 - iv) Minor Girls/Mixed Teams Representative

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE

In iii) the word 'Mixed'

In iv) the word 'Mixed'

RATIONALE:

The intent for voting delegates for male and female minor teams is to have representation and advocates for male and for female minor Fastpitch teams in districts where softball is promoted for both boys and girls.

Having a male fastpitch voting delegate in a district simply because a small number of boys are registered and placed on a U8 or younger team does not follow the intent of this voting position.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

DEFEATED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 2 BY-LAW

SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors

MOVED BY: Dave Brewer

Seconded by: Dan Coates

REFERENCE: Part 3 Meeting of the Members – Section 12 – Page 30

WHEREAS:

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a) One Year:

- i) Senior Fastpitch Men's Representative
- ii) Senior Fastpitch Women's Representative
- iii) Minor Boys/Mixed Teams Representative
- iv) Minor Girls/Mixed Teams Representative

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD

In i) the word 'Team' between Men's and Representative

In ii) the word 'Team' between Women's and Representative

RATIONALE:

Clarify the intent of this by-law that when a district has a full member registered team in the men's and/or women's category of Fastpitch, that the district is entitled to have a voting delegate attend the AGM.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

WITHDRAWN

New Business

(Moved by: C. Kreiger Seconded by: R. Charles)

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS OF THE MEMBERS WHEREAS:

A: The Constitution of the Society Part 9 - Borrowing Powers state:

"The Society shall exercise any borrowing powers conferred upon it by the Society Act with the approval of seventy-five (75) percent of the Board of Directors holding office at that time. However, debentures shall not be issued without the sanction of a special resolution."

B: The Society may from time to time borrow money and grant security by way of debentures if its members authorize it to do so by special resolution;

C: The members of the Society wish to confer on the directors of the Society a general power to borrow money on behalf of the Society and to issue debentures and other loan and security and documents; and

D: Pursuant to a Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement"), between from the Royal Bank of Canada (the "Bank") to the Society, the Society proposes to obtain credit facilities from the Bank.

"BE IT RESOLVED as special resolutions that:

1. A general power is hereby conferred on the Directors of the Society for the 12 months immediately following the date of this resolution, and the Directors are authorized to cause the Society to borrow money pursuant to any loan, credit or facility agreement and to issue debentures and any additional security, documents or agreements creating a mortgage, charge or security interest on any real or personal property of the Society with respect thereto.

2. The Directors of the Society be authorized to make all necessary arrangements for the borrowing contemplated in the Loan Agreement, including authorizing the granting, execution, and delivery of all documents required by the Bank, in such form and containing such terms, covenants, provisos and conditions as are satisfactory to the Directors including, without limitation, debentures, general security agreements and mortgages and any other loan security documents in favor of the Bank."

CARRIED



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CONGRESS Special Operating Rules
Motion Form**

NOTICE OF MOTION

Special Operating Rules

Submitted by: Dave Brewer **P/T Affiliation:** Softball BC
Date: September 23, 2019

REFERENCE : (Section, article, number, page, etc.)

Canadian Fastpitch Championships Article 1.3 b) page 251

WHEREAS (Article as currently written.)

NOTE: In 2020, for U19, U23, Women's and Men's categories, all coaches (Head coach and Assistant Coaches) must be Competition Introduction Certified

BE IT RESOLVED THAT (Motion. State whether revision, addition, deletion)

Delete

RATIONALE

It is hard enough to recruit coaches for high performance teams, and while we support the concept of having coaches who are well trained, this rule will have the opposite effect in turning away, particularly younger female coaches. Efforts to recruit former players to coach will be that much harder if these individuals can't do the coaching tasks at a Canadian Championship because they haven't completed full certification when their team goes to a Canadian Championship

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (Softball Canada, Provincial/Territorial, Individual)

none

This motion will be presented at the Softball Canada AGM on November 16, 2019.



**2019 SOFTBALL CANADA
CONGRESS Special Operating Rules
Motion Form**

NOTICE OF MOTION

Special Operating Rules

Submitted by: David Roeseler **P/T Affiliation:** Softball BC

Date: September 10th 2019

REFERENCE : (Section, article, number, page, etc.)

SOR FP, page 249 distance chart

WHEREAS (Article as currently written.)

U-10 – 30' – 11" ball

U-12 – 35' – 11" ball

U-14 – 38' – 12" ball

U-16 – 40' -- 12" ball

U-19 – 43' – 12" ball

BE IT RESOLVED THAT (Motion. State whether revision, addition, deletion)

"A" classification only

U-10 – 35' – 11" ball

U-12 – 40' – 11" ball

U-14 – 43' – 12" ball

U-16 – 43' – 12" ball

U-18 – 43' – 12" ball

RATIONALE

In the A division the pitching speeds do not allow the batter enough time to select a and react to a pitch thrown in the strike zone. This has an adverse effect on batter development.

I offer the following rational for increasing the pitching distance in the A classification to align with the U.S. model with the exception of the ball size in U-12. It is our belief the ball size in U-12 should remain 11" due to the hand size of the majority of U-12 players.



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Batting – Player batting development will greatly improve given the batter will have longer to select and react to a pitch thrown in the strike zone. This will result in improved hitting mechanics and more hit balls in play.

Fielding – player fielding development will improve due to more hit balls in play.

Pitching – pitching development will improve since the increased distance will require pitchers to learn how to spin the ball/ change speeds and hit location in order to be successful. At the current pitching distances A classification pitchers can rely on speed alone which is detrimental to long term development.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (Softball Canada, Provincial/Territorial, Individual)

None

Amendment #1: (D. Brewer/H. Wiens)

Revision: U10 - 30' - 11" Ball

CARRIED

Amendment #2: H.Wiens/T. Klym-Wolfe

Revision: U12 - 35'-11" ball (remain the same)

U14 - 38' - 12" ball (remain the same)

DEFEATED

Amendment #2: (Z. Andrijaszyn/C. Young)

Revision: Remove the U10 line in it's entirety from the Distance Chart

Rationale: Softball BC does not have a U10A category/classification

CARRIED

Motion as Amended:

DEFEATED



2020 NOTICE OF MOTION FORM

PROPOSAL

Please use full sentences. Type the change in its entirety even if you are only adding one word.

PROPOSED RULE
CHANGE FOR:

Submitted by: Terri Boizard D1 British Columbia

TYPE:

FAST PITCH

X

SLO-PITCH

ORTHODOX

ALL

Championship Rules

Article 1

Letter:

Number: 1

WHEREAS:

In Championship Categories
1. Senior B Men and Women FP

ADD:

1. Intermediate A/Senior B Men and Women FP

RATIONALE:

Intermediate A is a competitive classification below Senior A which was created to allow a bridge for teams moving to A or staying in B classification. This allows a larger pool of teams to compete to attend Western Canadian Championships and grow interest in adults attending Westerns

All proposed changes must be submitted on this form. This form may be reproduced.

RETURN TO SOFTBALL BC BY DECEMBER 1, 2019

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS: ___Carried ___Amended ___Withdrawn ___Defeated

MOTION PASSED. WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE WCSA AGM IN JANUARY 2020

British Columbia Amateur Softball Association

Election of Directors and Officers

In accordance with the Handbook of the Constitution: Part 5 – Directors

Position	In Nomination	From	Elected
Vice President	Duncan, Graeme <i>As there were no other nominations for the position of Director of Coaching by the deadline of September 19, 2019, it is proposed that Graeme Duncan be recognized in the position by acclamation.</i>	District 9	Duncan, Graeme
VP, Finance	Andrijaszyn, Zeone <i>As there were no other nominations for the position of Director of Coaching by the deadline of September 19, 2019, it is proposed that Zeone Andrijaszyn be recognized in the position by acclamation.</i>	District 5	Andrijaszyn, Zeone
Director of Coaching	Renney, Mike <i>As there were no other nominations for the position of Director of Coaching by the deadline of September 19, 2019, it is proposed that Mike Renney be recognized in the position by acclamation, for the term of 1 year.</i>	District 6	Renney, Mike
Provincial Umpire-in-Chief	Strafford, Susan <i>As there were no other nominations for the position of Director of Coaching by the deadline of September 19, 2019, it is proposed that Susan Strafford be recognized in the position by acclamation.</i>	District 6	Strafford, Susan

New Directors take office after the 'Motion to Adjourn' the 2019 Annual General Meeting

Announcements

President Dewitt requested that all bids for the 2020 Provincial Championships be turned in at the conclusion of the meeting.

END OF 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING