

Board of Directors Meeting June 24, 2025



Minutes

- Lisa Parkes, President
- Baukje Edamura, Vice-President
- Rachel Allan, Treasurer
- Terri Boizard, Director
- Lavaughn Larson, Director
- Diane St-Denis, Executive Director

Regrets:

- Kevin Langley, Director
- Scott Wheatley, Director

1. Call to Order

1.01 Territorial Acknowledgement & Opening Remarks

L. Parkes called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and provided a brief territorial acknowledgement.

1.02 Motion to approve the agenda

Moved by L. Larson, seconded by B. Edamura, to approve the agenda with the addition of 4.07 Titans' request to withdraw of Letter of Intent (LOI)

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.03 Motion to approve minutes of June 17, 2025

Item was moved to the July meeting as the minutes had yet to be circulated.

1.04 Business Arising from the last meeting

Business arising was reflected in the agenda.

2. Board Business

2.01 2026 Membership Fees

R. Allan presented the proposed 2026 membership fee. The presentation reflected the Board's consensus of June 17th to apply an average fee increase of 5% across all age groups and classifications to address inflation and other rising costs and to eliminate the team registration fee.

Moved by L. Larson, seconded by R. Allan, to approve the following minor membership fee structure for the 2026 season.

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	2026	Variance from 2025	Portion of Team Fee *	Actual Increase
U20C (players)	\$45.00	\$22.00	\$19.58	\$2.42
U19A (players)	\$70.00	\$47.00	\$45.83	\$1.17
U19B (players)	\$65.00	\$42.00	\$39.58	\$2.42
U17A (players)	\$70.00	\$47.00	\$45.83	\$1.17
U17B (players)	\$65.00	\$42.00	\$39.58	\$2.42
U17C (players)	\$45.00	\$22.00	\$19.58	\$2.42
U15A (players)	\$70.00	\$47.00	\$45.83	\$1.17
U15B (players)	\$65.00	\$42.00	\$39.58	\$2.42
U15C (players)	\$45.00	\$22.00	\$19.58	\$2.42
U13A (players)	\$45.00	\$22.00	\$20.83	\$1.17
U13B (players)	\$45.00	\$22.00	\$20.83	\$1.17
U13C (players)	\$45.00	\$22.00	\$19.58	\$2.42
U11 (players)	\$35.00	\$12.00	\$12.50	\$0.00
U7 & U9 (players)	\$35.00	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$2.00
LTP	\$25.00	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$2.00
Coaches & Managers - all levels	\$25.00	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$2.00
League/Assoc Exec	\$25.00	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$2.00

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Moved by R. Allan, seconded by B. Edamura to eliminate the team membership fee for Men's and Women's Fastpitch, Slo-Pitch and Orthodox and replace it with a \$20/participant, coach, manager, team executive fee for the 2026 season.

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D. St-Denis noted that the umpire registration fees will remain unchanged for 2026.

	Annual fee
Level 1 Certification clinic	\$110.00 or \$120.00 *
Level 2 Certification clinic	\$110.00 or \$120.00 *
Level 3 Certification clinic	\$145.00
Level 3 No clinic	\$95.00
Level 4 No clinic	\$110.00
Level 5 No clinic	\$120.00
Emeritus	\$30.00

* The price includes a rulebook

NOTE: \$3 from each umpire registration is directed to the Gordon McDonald/Margo & Dorene Thoms Bursary Fund. An additional portion of the registration fee is directed to the Umpire Development Fund - \$5 for Level 1 and Level 2, \$10 for Level 3, \$15 for Level 4 and \$20 for Level 5.

- B. Edamura inquired about the provision of a paperback rulebook, pointing to the delay in distribution encountered at the start of the season. She recommended removing the \$120 option in favour of encouraging the umpires to purchase their own copy of the online rulebook, which is more readily available to all users.
- D. St-Denis noted that the rulebook topic is on the list of items to be reviewed by her and the Treasurer, in consultation with the PUIC, as the book currently costs more than \$10 to secure and ship. An update will be provided to the Board at a later date.
- D. St-Denis also noted that the one-time fee of \$10.00 for the Softball BC Lifetime Number, previously known as Lifetime Membership, also remains unchanged.

4. New Business

4.04 Culture

Pushed to the next meeting.

- 4.05 <u>Concern Regarding Roster Standards and Impact on Rural Participation</u>
 Pushed to the next meeting.
- 4.06 <u>Softball BC Team Playing Non-sanctioned Softball Teams (Article 7)</u> Pushed to the next meeting.
- 4.07 Titans' request to withdraw of Letter of Intent (LOI)

Recent coaching staff changes within the Titan organization have led to the association being unable to field a team for the U19A provincials, as they have lost their pitchers and catcher for

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the program. Due to the timing of this year's provincials, they will be unable to pick up players to fill these gaps. The Titans were seeking to secure approval to withdraw their LOI as they will not be attending provincials.

D. St-Denis confirmed that the Titans U19A program was not registered for Provincials.

Moved by B. Edamura, seconded by L. Larson, to allow the Tri-City Titans to withdraw their LOI for the U19A category.

MOTION FAIL -all opposed

The Titans were also seeking approval to withdraw their LOI for the U17A category, referencing the removal of the head coach from the program, the lack of interest from players/families to attend, and the lack of knowledge of the LOI having been submitted by the previous coach.

Moved by B. Edamura, seconded by L. Larson, to allow the Tri-City Titans to withdraw their LOI for the U17A category.

MOTION FAIL -all opposed

The Board did not approve either request for withdrawal, noting an association's responsibility for ensuring the coaching staff are acting with the support of the association, and citing concerns for precedent for future provincials.

The Board affirmed that the Titans will be liable for costs and may face further disciplinary action if a replacement team is not found to take their spot, should they qualify for a berth at nationals based on their performance at provincials. D. St-Denis to contact the Titans and recommend they instruct their U17A coaching staff accordingly.

5. Next Meeting & Adjournment

- July 22nd @ 6:30 pm Board meeting
- August 24th, all day and in person, starting at 8:30 am @ Coast Tsawwassen Inn.
- September 3rd @ 6:30 pm Board meeting
- October 1st @ 6:30 pm Board meeting
- October 18th @ 2:00 pm AGM

Moved by R. Allan, seconded by B. Edamura, to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 pm.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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