



Minor Advisory Council Minutes

In Attendance: D1Bill Hawkins, D2 Al Charleworth, D4 Houtan Maleki, D6 Elizabeth Lee, D7 Shannon Maion, D8 Kathy Weston, D9 Michelle Kirkbright, D10 Margaret MacDonald, D11/12 Amy Ferguson, D13 Les Kutenics D14 Kate Doucette for Chris Young, D15 Gord Johnson, Diane St-Denis

1. Call to order – 7:08pm
2. A quorum was established with 92% in attendance forty-five votes in attendance represented by thirteen districts.
3. Approve Minutes of last meeting Oct 20, 2024 Moved Kathy/Seconded Gord/all in favour

Motions for Vote

- Article 8.3.6.8 – **Motion Failed** by a vote of 40 to 5
- Article 8.1.7 (Girls) Dropped Third Strike Dropped Third Strike – **Motion passed unanimously** (posting on SBC)
- Article 9 Minor Boys – Rewrite – **Motion passed** unanimously (Lavaughn to produce a plan for Teams wanting to attend Westerns & Nationals) (posting on SBC)

U11 Rep – Kathy Liz & Shannon - to prepare for MAC (Dec 10 Meeting)

Sam Golz (VMail) Reference 8.6.13 – Michelle dealt with this **no other action required**.

Tournament Dates

U17B Canada Cup dates are July 4-7, and then U17 Championships are slated for July 11-13 - just 4 days later?! That close together could definitely change the plan for our season, as both weekends are different than last year. **MAC agrees that dates are fine for U17B 4days between Tournaments is enough-no other action required**

Draft Provincial Budget - MAC to look over and provide feedback (Jan 2025)

Hosts for the following (Dec 2nd for submission)

- U13A, U17A, U19B Provincials
- U11 Celebration of Softball (North Shore interested)
- U13 Regionals
- U17A Provincial Dates **Pending Phone Calls**
 - o Rick to call Saskatoon regarding lead time to attend

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- If Saskatoon can work with a short lead time talks with U17A coaches about a new date - depending on umpires this could mean changing dates for other Divisions in A

Handbook & Web Page Structure (Jan/Feb 2025)

- feedback on how Districts/Association feel about the handbook being online only
- Web Page Structure - input

Discussion on the TOR's, recommendations from the MAC to the Board – **with the Board Next Meeting Dec 13, 2024**

Round Table:

Discussion regarding Communication

- There seems to be a disconnect between District Coordinators and suspensions/discipline that are being dealt with at the office/committee level. Coordinators should be informed if there is an issue in their District. (i.e. problem coach/problem umpire/problem of any sort). If a Coordinator is unaware of an issue happening in their District is impossible for them to get a handle on it. Having a process to streamline this information that can be shared in a timely manner with all the correct people involved. So, if there is an issue that takes place outside of **Home** District (ie. D1 playing in D9 Tournament) and an issue arises that requires discipline, or a phone call the District Coordinators are informed.
- Rick/Diane to provide to Coordinators the names of Associations that have applied for Provincials/Regionals/Celebration of Softball Tournaments
- Email set-up/change - Diane to confirm date
- Board of Directors – Diane to have email sent with changes-completed

Next meeting: Dec 10, 2024 Zoom 7:00pm

Meeting adjourned: 8:51pm

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Thursday, November 21, 2024

Softball BC Minor Advisory Council Motion for SORS Minor Advisory Council Only

Date Thursday, November 21, 2024

Submitted by Andy Ferguson

District 12

Seconded by Les Kutenics

District 13

REFERENCE: (Article and Subsection)

Article 9. This is a new Definition.

WHEREAS: (Article as currently written)

N/A

Revision, Addition, Deletion, Amendment (choose one)

Addition

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

9.1.25 CLASSIFICATION - all Minor Boy's teams will be classified as C (Community). As such, tryouts and all star teams are not permitted. All references to Rep, B and A classifications in Article 9 are null and void.

RATIONALE:

The entire article 9 is undergoing a rewrite. One of the major changes will be to remove the references to A and B ball since Boy's Provincials are C only. Adding this definition will help ensure and even playing field for Provincials; the tournament will remain a C tournament until we get enough players to make the Rep side.

CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE:

Attendance at Provincials will not be allowed.

OTHER RULES WHICH MAY BE AFFECTED (including definitions page):

Any rule in Article 9 that references, A, B or Rep ball will be affected.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

none



Sunday, November 10, 2024

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Motion for SORS

Minor Advisory Council Only

Date Sunday, November 10, 2024

Submitted by Shannon Maion

District

Seconded by Jake Zboya

District

REFERENCE: (Article and Subsection)

8.1.7

WHEREAS: (Article as currently written)

Dropped third strike - in U13B & C and under categories the batter is out on the third strike, whether or not the ball is caught. The ball remains live.

Revision, Addition, Deletion, Amendment (choose one)

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Dropped third strike - In U13 or under categories, the batter is out on the third strike regardless of whether the ball is caught. The ball remains live.

RATIONALE:

Brings the rule in line with Softball Canada 5.5.1b in which the dropped third strike rule is NOT in effect for any category of U13.

Creates more parity between U13 first and second year teams as U13 is when the greatest gap between first and second year teams is. This will also potentially allow teams to get another inning of play in as having dropped third in effect drags out innings.

Creates a skill progression to U15. U15 would then have both the infield fly and the dropped third strike rule in effect as per Softball Canada.

CONSEQUENCES FOR NON-COMPLIANCE:

N/A

OTHER RULES WHICH MAY BE AFFECTED (including definitions page):

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

N/A