



Minor Advisory Council Minutes

December 15, 2021

In attendance: D1 Bill Hawkins, D2 Al Charlesworth, D4 Brody Hokanson, D5 Baukje Edamura, D6 Liz Lee, D7 Kevin Langley, D10 Margaret MacDonald, D14 Chris Young

Regrets: D8 Deb Vinters

No response: D3 Eric Kurpiela, D9 Lindsay Gabelhouse, D11 Stephine Shibata, D12 Andy Ferguson, D13 Jordie Edmonds

1. Call to order 6:43 p.m.
2. A quorum was established at 26 votes represented at the start of the meeting
3. Welcome guests Barry Petrachenko and Greg Timm
4. Agenda was approved Bill/Kevin/all in favour
5. November 16 minutes were approved Bill/Kevin/all in favour
6. Business Arising: Lavaughn told the group that the discussion regarding increasing the fee for provincials as well as the grant to hosts would be discussed with the Competitions Review Committee in the new year.
7. Election of Vice Chairperson – Liz Lee was elected unanimously as the Vice Chair.
8. Canada Cup and ISC Men's Championship bid 2024 – Greg Timm made a presentation on the upcoming 2022 Canada Cup and outlined the history of the tournament that needs about 450 volunteers to operate. Registration is now open for teams. Greg also spoke about the Canadian Amateur Sport Society (not for profit) that operates Softball City and the upcoming bid for the ISC Men's Softball Championship in 2024 with the goal of increasing membership in boys and men in BC particularly the lower mainland.

9. The following motions were approved by the Board of Directors at the December meeting.
 - a) Article 7.2 a) Registration – Recognized Minor Association
 - b) Article 7.6 d) Provincial Championship format – Time limits
 - c) Article 7.6 g) iii) Provincial Championship format – Modifications for U12A, U12B, U14C, U16C & U19C iii)
 - d) Article 7.2 f) Registration and 7.5 iii a) Pick-ups
10. 7.2 B Pick-Up rule was presented with changes to that were requested by the Board of Directors.
11. Two coordinators had to leave the meeting so there was no longer a quorum. There was much discussion about the Revised Pick-Up rule and the suggested changes. Discussion was had about the process of the board rewriting the motion and that no changes could be made by the MAC. Since there was not a quorum, the motion was tabled and it was sent out to all coordinators for an electronic vote.
12. U11 Celebration of Softball – all coordinators in attendance agreed that it was a good idea and did not have any concerns. Most thought it should be Regional similar to the U13C but some wanted it by District – it would depend on number of teams. About half of the group thought there should be some sort of playoffs.
13. New Business – Boys program and Summer Games – Barry explained to the group that the BC Summer Games has placed Boys Softball on probation and that there are a number of champions who are trying to ensure that we have at least 6 teams to attend in Prince George in 2022. We need to find players from the years 2006, 2007 and 2008 and possibly train pitchers.
14. Round Table – Liz commented that Little League is big in Coquitlam. They are doing another tryout and Christmas event. Brody was intrigued about boys in fastpitch and suggested that boys want to play with boys. Kevin said that everyone needs to work together as associations to build boys and not to turn any away. A possible lower mainland boys league would help so teams can be made and they can then play each other.
15. Next meeting – Sunday January 16th at 10:30 a.m.

Meeting adjourned 8:15 p.m.