



## Minor Advisory Council Minutes

May 26, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

**In Attendance:** D1 Bill Hawkins, D2 Al Charlesworth, D3 Guy Adams, D4 Houtan Maleki, D5 Baukje Edamura, D6 Liz Lee, D7 Shannon Maion, D8 Kathy Weston, D9 Chris Topping, D10 Margaret MacDonald, D12 & 13 Andy Ferguson, D14 Chris Young, D15 Gord Johnson

**Absent:** D11 Yvonne Dymterko

1. Call to order 7:03 p.m.
2. Welcome to Diane St. Denis, our Executive Director
3. Introductions
4. Approve agenda – moved Shannon/second Margaret/all in favour
5. Approve April 21 minutes – moved Shannon/second Chris T/all in favour

### 6. Business Arising:

- Teams in District – D3, 12, 13, are still working on it. District 4 C teams were provided.
- District Playdowns – dates were confirmed.
- **Most IMPORTANT** – Confirmation of teams attending Playdowns and intending to go to provincials – U19B currently has 17 teams. Please ensure that all are willing to attend provincials to confirm if playdowns are necessary. The answer was yes.  
- U20C has 21 teams...are all willing to attend in Port Alberni? The answer was yes.
- Reminder all C registrations are due on May 31<sup>st</sup>. Lavaughn to send Add and Delete form to group.
- Pro Rata spots will be determined using the new wheel system by June 4 – spots will be communicated by Lavaughn to the coordinator on the Friday of the District Playdown.
- Insurance update...any further questions? None were raised.
- NCCP Training for Westerns – were any questions or concerns raised? None raised.
- Yellow Card System – Yellow card incidents are reported to the District UIC and Coordinator as well as PODC and PUIC
- Umpire Incident reports are reported to the PODC and PUIC and then to the District UIC and Coordinator. The Minor Director may be involved depending on the severity of the issues

### 7. New Business

- Reminder - Motions will be accepted for Minor SOR changes after the provincials. Intake dates are August 1, September 1, October 1, November 1 and December 1.
- There was discussion about adding U11 Rep rules to the handbook. Lavaughn will set up a working group to discuss what the rules should be and plan what a year-end event would look like. This would then be reported to the Board for approval for the 2025 season.

- Minor Development Fund Update – Kathy Weston reported that some funds have been allocated. The balance in the fund is still high at approximately \$25,000 with a GIC of \$12,000 that was rolled over for another year.

## **8. Round Table:**

D1 – With 140 teams in the district, there were some skirmishes during the year but mostly everyone was just busy playing ball. Playdown logistics are crazy. Teams are using X as gender. Diane confirmed that they must use the real gender. Rosters need to go back to associations to fix.

D2 – Registrations are complete. Playdowns are June 22. Ladysmith is hosting 20 teams for U13C Regional.

D3 – Things are moving along. Quite a few hurdles to overcome with cross district enquiries. Campbell River received \$1000 MDF grant.

D4 – There were lots of rainouts but otherwise good.

D5 – Registrars are using X instead of a gender. Association registrars are making changes to teams after the coordinator has approved with no notice to the coordinator. This needs to be fixed. Everything else is going smoothly.

D6 – Busy with qualifiers for 19 teams, 29 games. Provincial for U17B in Coquitlam planning underway. D6 shares umpires using the Assigner App. No new issues.

D7 – All is going good. U13C at Softball City was capped at 16 and then moved to 20 teams. D7 will possibly use the Assigner App for umpire allocation. D8 and D14 pay more for umpires than others. There needs to be guidance from Softball BC. NCCP table on website is not the same as handbook. Diane will look into this.

D8 – There will be 34 teams at districts. A big thing has been insurance, and it is good to know where we are at. Everyone is working well together. Insurance for minors playing in Senior. There is nothing in the senior section of the handbook.

D9 – There is a lot of work with playdowns, U11C Celebration (17 teams), U13C Regional (24 teams) and Provincials in D9. Registration is up. Umpires are an issue.

D10 – It's going well. Waiting for a few more teams. Registration is up a bit.

D14 – Nothing much to report. There was one yellow card for one coach. Summer Games are coming along.

D15 – Things are fine and going smoothly in D15. Glad there is only one association. Registration is up slightly.

Next meeting: Sunday June 23 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 8:32 p.m.