



Minor Advisory Council Meeting Minutes

Sunday April 3, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance: D1 Bill Hawkins, D4 Houtan Maleki, D5 Baukje Edamura, D6 Liz Lee, D9 Chris Topping, D10 Margaret MacDonald, D12 & D13 Andy Ferguson, D14 Chris Young, D15 Paula Kolisnek

Regrets: D11 Yvonne Dymterko

Absent: D2 Al Charlesworth, D8 Deb Vinters

Guests: Barry Petrachenko, Terri Boizard, Joni Frei

Call to order 6:35 p.m.

- 1) A quorum was established with 11 of 14 associations in attendance with 36 out of a possible 47 votes
- 2) Barry Petrachenko took the group through the most recent updates to the Operational Plan
 1. 1.1 Pitching Instruction – successful pilot in Prince George with more info in the fall
 2. 1.4 Buddy Check for Jessie will be supported this season with more leeway in the timing for associations to implement
 3. 1.6 High Performance Programming focus is on Team BC and Canada Summer Games – comment that not all districts have "A" programming
 4. 1.7 & 1.8 Safe Sport/Diversity/Equity/Inclusion – we will hear more about this topic in the future
 5. 2.2 Standardize the use of RAMP for all associations – Ramp has the ability to upload birth certificates and NCCP numbers.
Comments: Ramp is not user friendly; a lot of associations use Team Snap or Sports Engine that are not as hard; use of Team Snap is not just about registrars but it is easy for parents to use; some are willing to switch.
Our office will engage associations who are currently not using Ramp to hear their concerns.
 6. 2.8 Tournament Sanction Rules are being looked at
 7. 3. Championship – Review committee made some changes and is disbanded
 8. 4.1 – 4.5 Coaching Assistance at Association level
Comments: need more shorter (1 ½ hour) hands on training for house coaches; mini clinics in the winter would be helpful for C coaches, need facilitators (not just NCCP)
 9. 5.2 Umpire Culture is underway for U11, U13C and Slo pitch coaches featuring coach agreements and communication guidelines for all umpires.
Comment: impossible to find teenage size umpire uniforms. We need a standard uniform that everyone can order. Possibly with Softball BC logo. This issue will be addressed with Susan Strafford, Provincial UIC.
10. Thank you to our guests for the presentation and dialogue



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Minor Advisory Council meeting called to order at 7:40 p.m.

Article 8.6 h. iv. a) through d) Tie Breaking rule was approved by the Board of Directors.

Motions brought forward for third vote

- a) **Amended motion 8.5 I regarding pick up forms & rosters** – No comments were received from the website and no further discussion. Moved JS/second LL/all in favour. Motion passed unanimously.
- b) **Motion article 8.1 p. under definitions (formerly Minor Structure) revised to read Classifications** – No comments were received from the website and no further discussion. Moved CY/second JS/all in favour. Motion passed unanimously.
- c) **Motion – New article 8.2 Minor Structure (removing this from definitions) to allow for rep and community (C) teams in the U11 category, etc. and moving 8.2 f. it this article.**

No comments from the website and no further discussion. Moved CY/Second LL/all in favour. Motion passed unanimously.

Revised Terms of Reference for the MAC was approved by the Board of Directors. Lavaughn will send to the group.

Round Table: Most districts reported registrations are healthy for the 2023 season and some are seeing a 20% increase in members. Associations in the northern areas of the province and still working on registrations.

Meeting adjourned: 8:20 p.m.

Next MAC meeting: to be determined