

**Minutes from Board of Directors Meeting
Aug. 23, 2020**

Attendance

Board of Directors:

President:	Jake Dewitt
1 st Vice-President	Graeme Duncan
VP, Finance:	Rachel Charles
Umpire-In-Chief:	Susan Strafford
Senior Director:	Terri Boizard
Minor Director:	Merv Sandrel
Director of Coaching:	Mike Renney
Member-at-Large:	Ian Kellow

Staff:

Executive Director: Rick Benson

7:00 PM – Call to Order

Quorum Present, silent roll call taken

President's Opening Remarks:

Congratulated the board and office on the work done to date to manage return to play for the membership, but there was still plenty of work to be done

Motion No. 1: (T. Boizard/I. Kellow)

“To accept the Agenda with powers to add”

CARRIED

Motion #2 (S. Strafford/M. Renney)

to approve June 29th meeting minutes

CARRIED

No business arising from those minutes

Registration Update

Benson provided update on team and member registration. Rosters have now been completed for invoicing purposes. Staff will begin invoicing as of August 24th

Celebration of Softball Event

Based on provincial sport sector guidelines, a regional celebration format of four games being played over a weekend will comply with ViaSport's Phase Three guidelines. Staff are working with regional hosts in Kelowna, Victoria and Lower Mainland to set up format and protocols.

New Business

A) Phase Three Provincial Sport Sector Guidelines

Benson presented the Softball BC Inning Four Stretch (tryouts) and Inning Four guidelines under the revised Return to Bases document. In the “progressively loosen” stage from the provincial government, cohorts of a maximum of 100 participants may form a cohort within a specific region. Competitive games may resume and teams may travel within their region for sporting activities. As well, tryout protocols for both club and Provincial teams were addressed in the provincial document and incorporated into the Return to Bases document.

Motion #3 (R. Charles/M. Sandrel)

CARRIED

To accept the RTB guidelines for Inning Four and Inning Four Stretch

B) Slo Pitch Canadian Championships 2021

Canadian Amateur Sport Society, operators of Softball City requested support and endorsement to host the 2021 Slo Pitch Canadian Championships for men and women. Budgets were presented and feedback from teams who would have participated in the 2020 Championship was provided with respect to the financial and volunteer requirements of the participating BC teams.

Motion #4 (T. Boizard/S. Strafford)

CARRIED

To endorse the above championship by signing the host agreement

C) Age Change by category for Minors

The proposed special meeting from Softball Canada was cancelled as Softball Ontario withdrew their motion and will present it again in 2021. Therefore the workshop and special meeting originally scheduled have been cancelled.

D) Policy for Director’s Development

At the request of Director Renney, staff, working in conjunction with Sport Law and Strategy created a policy defining and restricting the use of society funds for director’s development. The intent of the policy is to ensure any financial resources for BoD development was used in governance matters and not programme specific.

Motion #5 (M. Renney/M. Sandrel)

CARRIED

To accept the policy as written for director’s development and add it to the BoD policy manual

E) Special Resolution for Voting Members

Due to the extraordinary circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, the board discussed and voted, electronically, on a resolution to address the inequity of voting members for the 2020 AGM As per attached resolution, this was passed electronically and with unanimous consent.

Motion #6 (G Duncan/S. Strafford)

CARRIED

To accept the attached special resolution for voting members to the AGM

F) Special Resolution for Voting Members

Due to the extraordinary circumstances of the COVID-19 pandemic, the board discussed and voted, electronically, on a resolution to address the inequity of voting members for Minor Coordinator elections As per attached resolution, this was passed electronically and with unanimous consent.

Motion #7 (G Duncan/S. Strafford)

CARRIED

To accept the attached special resolution for voting members at Minor Coordinator elections

ROUNDTABLE

-Director Boizard led a discussion on Masters events, and advised the board the Men's and Women's community would be active in pursuing an event for 2021

-President Dewitt informed the board he will be putting his name forward for the Softball Canada Board of Directors election at the upcoming AGM

Motion #8 (M. Sandrel/T. Boizard)

to adjourn the meeting

CARRIED