

**Minutes from Board of Directors Meeting
May 10, 2020**

Attendance

Board of Directors:

President:	Jake Dewitt
1 st Vice-President	Graeme Duncan
VP, Finance:	Zeone Andrijaszyn
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

4:00 PM – Call to Order

Quorum Present, silent roll call taken

President's Opening Remarks:

Thanked the board for making time on Mother's Day for this meeting. Expressed gratitude to everyone who participated on the Return to Play Task Force

Motion No. 1: (Z. Andrijaszyn/M. Sandrel)

"To accept the Agenda with powers to add"

CARRIED

Motion #2 (G. Duncan/S. Strafford)

to approve May 10th meeting minutes

CARRIED

No business arising from those minutes

No correspondence received

New Business

A) Return to Play draft version was distributed and discussed by the board. A summary of the forming of the task force was provided, 30 volunteers, broken into two groups of 15 each. One dealt with safety and sanitation protocols and the second dealt with modified playing rules under COVID-19 restrictions. The draft version was shared with the advisory councils and their input was shared with the board. A final version of a Return to Play plan was not presented as ViaSport, partnering with the provincial government, had not yet provided the process for approval of the plans. It was recommended by the ED and accepted by the board, to accept the plans as "for information only". Further it was recommended once the pathway for approving plans was confirmed; the board would approve the submission to go to the Ministry of Health.

Motion #3 (Z. Andrijaszyn/M. Renney)

to accept the return for play report as information only

CARRIED

B) Risk management dealing with resuming softball activities was brought forward as information only. The board was informed that our insurance underwriter, Markel, has included a virus contagion exclusion naming COVID-19 among other viruses which would not be covered for any claims made against the organization. Discussion was held to try and understand the impact and level of risk this could create. As the information had recently been shared, it was determined not enough information was available to come to any conclusions. Staff was asked to go back and prepare a report for the next meeting detailing the risk level of resuming softball activities under these conditions.

Motion #4 (M. Sandrel/S. Strafford) to request a report on risk management of resuming activities under COVID-19 restrictions at the next board meeting

CARRIED

C) Update was provided to the board from R Benson on Softball Canada virtual meetings.

D) The board was presented a suggested registration schedule for members who wished to register with Softball BC in 2020, but would not participate in regular season games and schedules. No action was requested until SBC have a clearer understanding of regular season expectations and possibilities

E) An update was presented on the feasibility of the current hosts for Provincials to fulfill their obligations should the season be delayed or run later in the year. The majority of hosts indicated they still wished to complete their championship and would do their best to host once details were known and the events were confirmed.

F) A nomination for induction into the Hall of Fame was brought forward for consideration. The HoF nominating committee, chaired by Jackie Dugger has recommended the nomination be approved by the board for Dennis Eckert. Further, as Mr. Eckert is in poor health, the committee also requested if the board approved the nomination, a confirmation letter be sent to Mr. Eckert as soon as possible.

Motion #5 (T. Boizard/I. Kellow) to approve the recommendation by the Hall of fame nominating committee to accept Mr. Dennis Eckert into the Hall of Fame in the Athlete category

CARRIED

ROUNDTABLE

-roundtable discussion was held by the directors

Motion #6 (Z. Andrijaszyn/I. Kellow) to adjourn the meeting

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING MAY 10TH, 2020