

# Softball BC

2016

## *AGM Minutes*



# BCASA Annual General Meeting Attendance 2016

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## Board of Directors

President  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President  
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Minor Director  
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Provincial Umpire-in-Chief  
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## Softball BC Staff

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Daphne McMann  
Wayne Cannon

## District One

Senior Fastpitch Coordinator  
Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Senior FP Men's Rep  
Senior FP Women's Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Terri Boizard  
Katrina Bull  
Craig Holyhead  
Kris Walushka  
Lisa Hayton  
Lisa Parkes

## District Two

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator

Al Charlesworth

## District Three

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator

Eric Kurpiela

## District Four

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
Senior FP Women's Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Scott Channell  
Erik Niemi  
Harvey Coxson

### **District Five**

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief

Will Gaherty  
Nicholas Allen

### **District Six**

Senior Fastpitch Coordinator  
Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Suzy Parker  
Roxy Abernethy  
Susan Strafford (appointed)  
Wendi Bordelay  
Alison Goulding

### **District Seven**

Senior Fastpitch Coordinator  
Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Senior FP Men's Rep  
Senior FP Women's Rep  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep  
Senior SP Men's Rep  
Senior SP Women's Rep

Jeff Snowdon  
Lavaughn Larson  
Kyle Dennedy  
Sandro Simicic  
Dave Hunter  
Murray Spier  
Maureen Craig  
Rick Peck  
Christine Grulms

### **District Eight**

Senior Fastpitch Coordinator  
Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Senior FP Men's Rep  
Senior FP Women's Rep  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Harv Wiens  
Merv Sandrel  
Harry Lawson  
Gerry Dyson  
Susanne Dyson  
Deb Vinters  
Shawn Brayshaw

### **District Nine**

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep  
Observer

Joe Cutt  
Daryl Tarr  
Lindsea Cutt  
Paulette Quibell  
Ramon Lawrence (no voice/no vote)

### **District Ten**

Senior Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Senior Women's Rep

Derek Hipwell  
Ian Brown  
Connie Dewell

### **District Eleven**

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Melody Romeo  
Scott McLaren (appointed)  
Phil Ransome  
Sherry Rauch

### **District Twelve**

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Senior FP Women's Rep  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Stefanie Caplette  
Carlyle Kreiger  
Marion Kreiger  
Keith Henry  
Lee J. Leslie

### **District Thirteen**

Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief

Scott Groves  
Geoff Watt

### **District Fourteen**

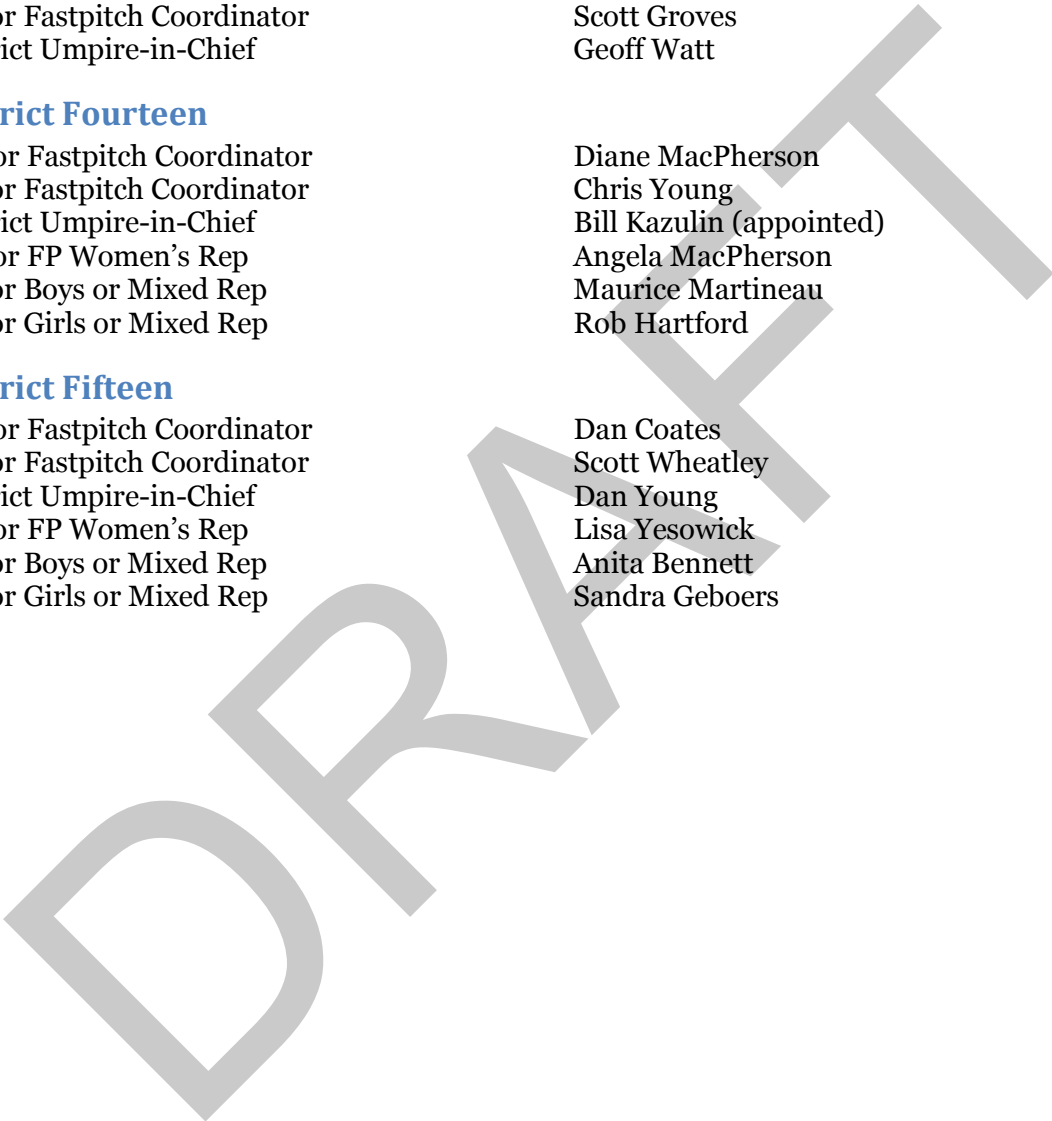
Senior Fastpitch Coordinator  
Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Senior FP Women's Rep  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Diane MacPherson  
Chris Young  
Bill Kazulin (appointed)  
Angela MacPherson  
Maurice Martineau  
Rob Hartford

### **District Fifteen**

Senior Fastpitch Coordinator  
Minor Fastpitch Coordinator  
District Umpire-in-Chief  
Senior FP Women's Rep  
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep  
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Dan Coates  
Scott Wheatley  
Dan Young  
Lisa Yesowick  
Anita Bennett  
Sandra Geboers



**Softball BC**

**2016 Annual General Meeting**

*Note: Any proceedings at this Annual General Meeting do not take effect until this meeting is officially concluded.*

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**NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

**‘To Amend the By-Laws of British Columbia Amateur Softball Association;**

**BY-LAWS: (Requires at least seventy-five (75%) percent majority of votes cast. Abstentions not given a negative vote)’**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 1**

**BYLAW**

**SUBMITTED BY: DISTRICT 14**

**MOVED BY:** Chris Young

**Seconded by:** Rob Hartford

**REFERENCE:** Part 12 – Bylaws Page 39

**WHEREAS:**

New

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: #6

No motions will be accepted from the floor attributing to the Special Operating Rules at any Annual General Meeting or an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting.

**RATIONALE:**

There is ample time given to all Softball BC members to forward their motions to the office and be added to the agenda. Over the years we have seen motions being intentionally brought to the floor after all other business has been concluded because they know if it was debated at the association level it would not have passed. Just so they can hope that everyone wants to leave the AGM and it gets passed with no full discussion about the ramifications of the motion.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**AMENDMENT:**

ADD: #6

No motions will be accepted from the floor attributing to the **Bylaws** or Special Operating Rules at any Annual General Meeting or an Extra-Ordinary General Meeting.

**AMENDEMENT: CARRIED  
MOTION AS AMENDED: DEFEATED**

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## **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

‘To Amend the Special Operating Rules’

OPERATING RULES: Requires at least fifty (50%) percent majority of votes cast. Abstentions not given a negative vote.

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### **NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 2**

### **Special Operating Rule**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Lori Skinner

**Seconded by:** Joni Frei

**REFERENCE:** Article 2.4 e) Page 44

**WHEREAS:**

‘When the number of letters of intent to attend a Championship is equal to the number of spots that BC receives for a championship, that team(s) that are eligible to represent the Province be informed no later than June 15<sup>th</sup> that they will be representing the Province.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

CHANGE: ‘When the number of letters of intent to attend a Championship is equal to the number of spots that BC receives for a championship, the teams(s)....

**RATIONALE:**

Housekeeping

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

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### **NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 3**

### **Special Operating Rule**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** David Brewer

**Seconded by:** Joni Frei

**REFERENCE:** Article 12, 13, 16 and 22 Page 52

**WHEREAS:**

Whereas coaches are responsible for the conduct of their players and by extension the parents of said players.

And whereas many parents are not respecting the umpires, as per the Fair Play Code, by being over vociferous in showing their displeasure with calls.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The head coach, or in their absence, another coach shall be responsible for the conduct of the team’s attendees. If after a warning from an umpire concerning the behavior of the team’s attendees the umpire may choose to eject the coach from the game and the game will be forfeited. Note the coach is responsible for the conduct of the attendees before and post-game.

**RATIONALE:**

It is getting more difficult to retain umpires when team attendees are not following the Fair Play Code for Parents and Spectators by vociferously questioning the official’s judgement or honesty in public or by using bad language, harassing athletes, coaches, officials or other spectators.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**AMENDMENT: Moved by: Dave Brewer Seconded by: Joni Frei**

The head coach, or in their absence, another coach shall be responsible for the conduct of the team’s attendees. If after a warning from an umpire, **Softball BC Board Representative, or Tournament UIC**, concerning the behavior of the team’s attendees, **they** may choose to eject the coach from the game and the game will be forfeited. Note the coach is responsible for the conduct of the attendees before and post-game.

**AMENDMENT: CARRIED  
MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 4**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District One**

**MOVED BY:** Craig Holyhead

**Seconded by:** Wayne Cannon

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.2 – Minor – Definitions Page 53

**WHEREAS:**

Not currently written

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADDITION: 12.2 b) Bunting – while in the pitching position before the release of the ball if the batter puts the bat into the strike zone it must be removed before the pitch is released or it is an automatic strike.

**RATIONALE:**

Safety for the catcher. A lot of players wave the bat around as a distraction to the catcher.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 5**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District Eight**

**MOVED BY:** Shawn Brayshaw

**Seconded by:** Merv Sandrel

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.2 – Definitions Page 53

**WHEREAS:**

c) Footwear – no metal cleats allowed.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: c) Footwear – no metal cleats allowed. EXCEPTION: U18A and U18B Girls

**RATIONALE:**

To align with CASA, ASA and ISF Rules.

Plastic cleats do not grip the same as metal and our girls are allowed to wear them in everything but Provincials and Districts.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 6**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY: Ann Holmes**

**Seconded by: Zeone Andrijaszyn**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.2 Definitions r) Page 54**

**WHEREAS:**

r) Replacement Runner

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: r) ii) the replacement runner is a player who may run for the pitcher of record from the previous defensive inning and who is now on base.

**RATIONALE:**

Safety issue for the pitcher.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 7**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY: Scott Wheatley**

**Seconded by: Sandra Geboers**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.3 a) iii) Page 55**

**WHEREAS:**

Minor Team registration is complete on the date when the coach or a representative of a Recognized Association has submitted a completed Softball BC Team Registration Form on or before the Final Registration Deadline date to the District Minor Coordinator or representative of Softball BC. When received, the District Minor Coordinator or Softball BC shall immediately forward the form to the Softball BC office. The form may list a maximum of fifteen (15) players and four (4) coaches.



**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**REVISION:**

iii) Minor Team registration is compete on the date when the coach or a representative of a Recognized Association has submitted a completed Softball BC Team Registration Form on or before the Final Registration Deadline date to the District Minor Coordinator or representative of Softball BC. When received, the District Minor Coordinator or Softball BC shall immediately forward the form to the Softball BC office. The form may list a maximum of fifteen (15) players and four (4) coaches for A and B teams; 19 players for U19C plus 4 coaches; and 17 players plus 4 coaches for U16C.

**RATIONALE:**

As house players get older they have a variety of work and school activities. Unlike rep players who focus on the sport, house teams have very fluid numbers on any given night. Even with 19 players it can, at times, be difficult to field a team. The same pressure are present at U16C but slightly less so.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Positive. Less chance that players will be turned away due to full rosters.

AMENDMENT: Moved by: Scott Wheatley Seconded by: Sandra Geboers

iii) Minor Team registration is compete on the date when the coach or a representative of a Recognized Association has submitted a completed Softball BC Team Registration Form on or before the Final Registration Deadline date to the District Minor Coordinator or representative of Softball BC. When received, the District Minor Coordinator or Softball BC shall immediately forward the form to the Softball BC office. The form may list a maximum of fifteen (15) players and four (4) coaches; EXCEPTION: 17 players for U19C plus 4 coaches.

**AMENDMENT: CARRIED  
MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 8**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY: Ann Holmes**

**Seconded by: Zeone Andrijaszyn**

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.3 Registration b) ii) Page 56

**WHEREAS:**

ii) Pursuant to Article 3 (Canadian Residency) Minor players must....on June 1<sup>st</sup> in the year of registration.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**CHANGE TO READ:**

ii) Pursuant to Article 3 (Canadian Residency) Minor players must....on May 1<sup>st</sup> in the year of registration.

**RATIONALE:**

Consistency in the handbook.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 9**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY: Murray Spier**

**Seconded by: Ryan Woodward**

**REFERENCE: Articles 12.3 (b) (iv) and (ix) Page 57**

**WHEREAS:**

Article 12.3 b) iv) provides in part that ‘Minor players may register with two different teams in a current year’; and

Article 12.3 ix) provides that ‘A minor player who completes registration with more than one team in a currently playing year, and whose name is listed on multiple Softball BC Minor Registration forms confirmed by the Minor Coordinator, is considered ineligible for either team, and is ineligible to participate on any team in District, Provincial or extra-Provincial events. Exception granted if situation is covered in 12.3 b) iv).

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Article 12.3 b) iv) be deleted in its entirety.

**RATIONALE:**

Article 12.3 b) iv) appears to contemplate a situation in which a player may register with two different teams but does not make it clear what that situation would be. There are detailed rules in the rest of Article 12.3 which set out how a player can be transferred from one team to another or released from a team, and Article 12.3 b) iv) undermines these provisions. Either a player can register on more than one team or he/she cannot. If an exception is necessary, it should be clearly articulated.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 10**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 6**

**MOVED BY: Roxy Abernethy**

**Seconded by: Wendi Bordelay**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.3 b) v) Page 57**

**WHEREAS:**

A minor player may request a three (3) league game tryout with an equal or higher classification or category team within the District, provided he/she has not already signed a Softball BC Team Registration Form in the current year.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

This be deleted.

**RATIONALE:**

We no longer sign registration forms and players can be picked up for league games throughout the season anyways.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 11**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY:** Rob Hartford

**Seconded by:** Chris Young

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.3 b) xvi) Page 58

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Add to 12.3 b

Subject to the exception in Article 12.6 relating to Cross Boundary Permits, a Minor player must register only with a team in a Recognized Association located within the boundaries of the District in which that player resides;

**RATIONALE:**

Reinstating the Cross Boundary Rules.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

MOTION TO TABLE UNTIL AFTER MOTION 26 (Moved by: Rob Hartford/Seconded by: Chris Young)

**CARRIED**

MOTION TO LIFT FROM TABLE: Moved by: Rob Hartford/Seconded by: Chris Young

**CARRIED**

**MOTION NO 11 – WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 12**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY:** Rob Hartford

**Seconded by:** Chris Young

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.3 b) xv) Page 58

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD to 12.3 b)

A Minor player, who in their first year of receiving a Cross Boundary permission to play with an identified team, must complete the first playing year with the team identified on the Cross Boundary Permit application providing that team maintains its initial and intended classification.

**RATIONALE:**

Reinstating the Cross Boundary rules.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

MOTION TO TABLE UNTIL AFTER MOTION 26 (Moved by: Rob Hartford/Seconded by: Chris Young)

**CARRIED**

MOTION TO LIFT FROM TABLE: Moved by: Rob Hartford/Seconded by: Chris Young

**CARRIED**

**MOTION NO 12 – WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 13**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY:** Rob Hartford

**Seconded by:** Chris Young

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.3 b) xvi) Page 58

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Add to 12.3 b)

Except players in their initial year of a Cross Boundary move, a minor player may request a three (3) league game tryout with an equal or higher classification or category team within the District, provided he/she has not already signed a Softball BC team registration form in the current year.

**RATIONALE:**

Reinstating the Cross Boundary rules.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

MOTION TO TABLE UNTIL AFTER MOTION 26 (Moved by: Rob Hartford/Seconded by: Chris Young)

**CARRIED**

MOTION TO LIFT FROM TABLE: Moved by: Rob Hartford/Seconded by: Chris Young

**CARRIED**

**MOTION NO 13 – WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 14**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 6**

**MOVED BY:** Roxy Abernethy

**Seconded by:** Wendi Bordelay

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.3 b) Page 58

**WHEREAS:**

ADD before xiii)

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: A player who in the previous season played on an A or B classified team as a player or as a pick up player more than three (3) times and pitched is not permitted to pitch in the C classification for the following season.

**RATIONALE:**

While there is no 'T' in team an A or B player from the previous season who moves down to the C classification totally changes the dynamics of the team when allowed to pitch.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 15**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY: Tracey Oye**

**Seconded by: Joni Frei**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.3 c) iv) Page 58**

**WHEREAS:**

At the time of Softball BC registration forms are submitted to the Minor Coordinator or Softball BC representative, Coaches or Associations must indicate classification (A, B or C) of the team. A team that has established its category and classification cannot move to a higher or lower category unless reclassified by the District Minor Coordinator. Teams that lose their district are ineligible to be reclassified. In the boys division, there will only be U12 boys. In the U14 (boys) there will only be 'Rep' and 'C' classification.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: U12 Girls Only House ('C') and Rep Classifications

**RATIONALE:**

To allow for better overall development of players and coaches. Prevent players from entering into single sport play at a young age.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 16**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 8**

**MOVED BY: Merv Sandrel**

**Seconded by: Shawn Brayshaw**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.4 a) v) Page 61**

**WHEREAS:**

v) ...any team placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship move up one classification if playing in the same category and having six (6) or more returning players to the team in the following year....

vi) When players from teams placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship in the previous year, amalgamate into one team the following year, that team must move up one classification if playing in the same category and having a combination of six (6) or more players returning from the former teams that placed first, second or third in the previous Provincial.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE v), vi), vii) and viii)

**RATIONALE:**

Teams that medal in Provincials are unduly punished by moving up to a commitment level the players or parents did not want. To compete at a higher level ('C' moving to 'B' or 'B' moving to 'A' requires, in most cases a coach having to search and recruit/poach better pitchers from other programs, which also forces them to cut players that have been part of the team a long time.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 17**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 8**

**MOVED BY: Merv Sandrel**

**Seconded by: Shawn Brayshaw**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.4 (a) v) page 61**

**WHEREAS:**

v) ...any team placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship move up one classification if playing in the same category and having six (6) or more returning players to the team in the following year....

vi) When players from teams placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship in the previous year, amalgamate into one team the following year, that team must move up one classification if playing in the same category and having a combination of six (6) or more players returning from the former teams that placed first, second or third in the previous Provincial.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

'v) Except at U19C, and with the following exception, Any team placing first, second, or third in a ....'

vi) Except at U19C, when players from teams placing first, second, or third in a Provincial Championship in the previous year, amalgamate into one team the following year....

'vii) Except at U19C, when players from teams placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship...'

**RATIONALE:**

Forcing players to move up and compete at a higher level in what is their Grade 12 graduation year is not far to them or their parents who are already incurring bills for all the graduation functions and an increased budget to play from C to B or B to A is not going to make their last

year in minor ball a fun one.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Saves parents and players money.

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 18**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 8**

**MOVED BY:** Merv Sandrel

**Seconded by:** Shawn Brayshaw

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.4 a) v) and vi) Page 61

**WHEREAS:**

v) ...any team placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship move up one classification if playing in the same category and having six (6) or more returning players to the team in the following year....

vi) When players from teams placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship in the previous year, amalgamate into one team the following year, that team must move up one classification if playing in the same category and having a combination of six (6) or more players returning from the former teams that placed first, second or third in the previous Provincial.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The following be added at the beginning of each subsection:

‘v. Except at U18, and with the following exception, Any team placing first, second or third in a

...

vi) Except at U18, when players from teams placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship...

vii) Except at U18, any team placing...’

**RATIONALE:**

The rule exists to recognize that second year teams are expected to have an advantage against younger teams in their division. Younger teams that medal at Provincials while playing against older teams can be expected to then dominate when they become the older team within their division and are therefore required to move up a classification. This rationale does not hold true at U18 by which time most female players have finished growing. As an example, at the U18B Provincials in 2016, 7 of the 8 teams that made playoffs were younger teams and all three teams that medaled were younger teams. As well, U18B teams cannot move to a higher minor age classification and must move to ‘A’ which can be significant hardship for teams that have spent 7 years playing ‘B’.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**DEFEATED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 19**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 6**

**MOVED BY:** Roxy Abernethy

**Seconded by:** Wendi Bordelay

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.4 a) v) Page 61

**WHEREAS:**

With the following exception, any team placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship move up one classification if playing in the same category and having six (6) or more returning players to the team in the following year. Any boys combined teams that finish first, second, or third in the 'A' pool and have 6 or more players returning to the association, in the same division, from those teams, must have an 'A' team the following year regardless of the number of players in the division. This applies even if the association returns to a non-combined team program for the next year only.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE the wording: With the following exception, any team placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship, move up one classification if playing in the same category and having six (6) or more returning players to the team in the following year.

Leaving the balance of the wording – Any boys combined teams that finish first, second or third in the A pool etc....

**RATIONALE:**

When a C team places at a Provincial it should not be assumed that the team could be competitive in B. There is such a difference in the classifications. It is almost like a penalty for doing well at provincials. It is a similar situation with a B team who places at a Provincial and has to go A. Most team move up a category however this option is not available at U18B.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 20**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY: Murray Spier**

**Seconded by: Lavaughn Larson**

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.4 v) Page 61

**WHEREAS:**

With the following exception any team placing 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> at a Provincial Championship move up on classification if playing in the same category and have 6 or more returning players to the team in the following year.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

CHANGE: With the following exception any team placing 1<sup>st</sup> in a Provincial championship move up one classification if playing in the same category and have 6 or more returning players to the team in the following year.

**RATIONALE:**

In each and every category, in every year, there are teams that are very good, good, mediocre and not so good. We see that continuously. There is such a thing as a very good B or C team which would deserve to win a provincial medal. However, we have again all seen many times that these teams when forced up a category do quite poorly. This is no way fun or developmental for the players of that team. There has always been and will continue to be a



significant skill difference in teams between A/B/C.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**DEFEATED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 21**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 6**

**MOVED BY:** Roxy Abernethy

**Seconded by:** Wendi Bordelay

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.4 a) vi) Page 61

**WHEREAS:**

When players from teams placing first, second, or third in a Provincial Championship in the previous year amalgamate into one team the following year, that team must move up one classification if playing in the same category and having a combination of six (6) or more players returning from the former teams that placed first, second or third in the previous Provincials.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE

**RATIONALE:**

When a C team places 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> at a Provincial it should not be assumed that this team could be competitive at B. There is such a difference in the classifications. It is almost like a penalty for doing well at Provincials. It is a similar situation with a B team who places 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> at a Provincial and has to go A. Most teams move up a category however this option is not available at U18B.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 22**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 6**

**MOVED BY:** Roxy Abernethy

**Seconded by:** Wendi Bordelay

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.4 a) vii) Page 62

**WHEREAS:**

Any team placing first, second or third in a Provincial Championship will remain in the same or higher classification if playing in the next higher category when having six (6) or more players returning to the team, or when amalgamated into one team and have a combination of six (6) or more players from the former team that placed first or second in the previous Provincial.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE

**RATIONALE:**

When a C team places 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at a Provincial it should not be assumed that this team could be

competitive in B. There is such a difference in the classifications. It is almost like a penalty for doing well at provincials. It is a similar situation with a B team who places 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at a Provincial and has to go A. Most teams move up a category, however, this option is not available at U18B.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 23**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Scott Wheatley

**Seconded by:** Jake Goeboers

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.4 a) viii) Page 62

**WHEREAS:**

viii) When players from teams placing first, second or third in a Western Canadian or Canadian Championship in the previous year return to or amalgamate into one team the following year, that team must register in the 'A' classification regardless of whether it has advanced a category or not, if having a combination of six (6) or more returning players from the former team or teams that placed first, second or third in that previous Western Canadian or Canadian Championship. When players from teams placing first, second or third in a Western Canadian or Canadian Championship in the previous year, or return to amalgamate into one team the following year, that team must register in the A classification, only if they also medaled in their Provincial.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE in its entirety

**RATIONALE:**

This rule requires a second year B team which medals at the Western Canadian or Canadian Championship to move to 'A' as a younger team. Although medaling at a Western or Canadian Championship is a great achievement it is not indicative of the caliber of play teams face in BC and this rule may act as an impediment to second year teams participating in the Western or Canadian Championships.

The rule requiring a younger team to move up a classification if medaling at Provincials is sufficient for the purposes of ensuring a team is playing in an appropriate classification.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 24**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY:** Murray Spier

**Seconded by:** Ryan Woodward

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.4 ix) – Page 63

**WHEREAS:**

Players, including pickups, will be allowed to participate in more than one minor provincial in the same year.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

CHANGE TO READ: 'Players, including pickups, will NOT be allowed to participate in more than one minor provincial in the same year.'

**RATIONALE:**

The provincial championship is Softball BC's premier event which needs to be experienced by as many young players as possible. A player in a 2<sup>nd</sup> provincial simply displaces a player who has not yet been to their first. This is unfair to these players and eliminates coaches from looking at players who have already played in a provincial.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 25**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY: Murray Spier**

**Seconded by: Ryan Woodward**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.4 b) xii) Page 64**

**WHEREAS:**

(to be read in conjunction with Articles 2 & 16) For eligibility of players to participate in Districts and Provincial play please refer to Annex G.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Add b) xii) No team can play in a 2<sup>nd</sup> provincial.

**RATIONALE:**

The provincial championship is Softball BC's premier event which needs to be experienced by as many young players as possible from the same category. To be as fair as possible keep all categorized teams within their class to be eligible to only play in that category.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 26**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY: Rob Harford**

**Seconded by: Chris Young**

**REFERENCE: 12.6 Page 64**

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

As below – reinstate Article 12.6 of the 2015 SBBC Handbook in its entirety and all parts in the

SBBC Handbook relating to 12.6 Cross Boundary Permits.

All Cross Boundary players registered on 2016 teams will be given a No Team in District Permit.

All new players for the 2017 season will have to fill out a release form and apply for a cross boundary permit January 1<sup>st</sup> – this part debatable.

12.6 CROSS BOUNDARY PERMITS – all cross boundary applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable \$50.00 processing fee.

a) All players must register with an association within their District of residence with the following exceptions:

i) Players wishing to play on any U14 through U18 “A” classification team. (i.e. With the exception of conformity with 12.6 (a) iv as detailed below, all players trying out, participating with or registering on teams at the U14 “A”, U16 “A” and U18

“A” categories are not subject to any portion of the Cross Boundary Rule).

ii) players wishing to play at any classification in the U12 category or U14 through U18 “B” or “C” where such category/classification clearly does not exist with any association within the geographical boundaries of the district of residence who receive a cross boundary permit (no team in District).

iii) players who receive Cross Boundary permission to play out of District.

iv) players in the “A” classification who wish to play out of District pursuant to (i) above shall provide a courtesy letter to their District home association and the Cross Boundary Committee in care of Softball B.C. outlining their intention.

b) Players, who have been given a Cross Boundary Permit to play out of District, after the initial year of application may request a return to their District of residence, shall notify the Minor Director who shall rescind the Cross Boundary Permit. Once rescinded, that player may participate with any teams in the District of residence. This move will not be considered a Cross Boundary transfer, and the player will then become subject to the same Cross Boundary rules available to any other player in the District of Residence. If player returns to their home district at all, their cross boundary is no longer valid.~~~~~

c) The Minor Director shall appoint a committee to administer and deliberate applications for Cross Boundary Permits. This committee shall have the implicit authority to investigate and subsequently issue or refuse Cross Boundary Permits.

d) Applications will be received by the Cross Boundary Committee between the dates of January 1st and May 1st of the current year under the following circumstances;

i) the committee will consider only one Cross Boundary transfer application from a particular player for the given year;

ii) where a player provides sufficient justification supporting that there is clearly no team in the player’s District of residence at the desired category and classification, **including supporting documents to show that they have been in touch with their District Minor Coordinator and all teams available to them in their District of residence**, or where the player has received a written release from each and every association within the District of residence that offers a program in the applicable category/classification; and, has received written confirmation that a team in the desired District will consider registration of that player; and, has concurrence from the District Minor Coordinators in the outgoing and incoming Districts;

iii) where a release from each and every association in the player’s District of residence cannot be received, but the player has received written confirmation that a team in the desired District will consider registration of that player. The application in this case must be supported with sufficient detail demonstrating a lack of opportunity in the applicant’s District of residence to play in the category and classification appropriate to the applicant’s level of ability, and furthermore must offer any exigent or unusual circumstance that would afford the Cross Boundary Committee justification to award a Cross Boundary Permit notwithstanding that a release from an association(s) within the District of residence was not received. In such case the Cross Boundary Committee shall request a detailed account from the dissenting association(s) outlining the reasons for refusal of such a release.

iv) If after receiving a Cross Boundary Permit to move out of District the desired team collapses, the player may apply to the Minor Director to rescind the Cross Boundary Permit and return to the home District or play on any

other team in the new District. The player must notify the cross boundary committee of these changes for the appropriate permit to be issued.

e) Any team or association accepting registration of players from outside the District pursuant to a Cross Boundary Permit shall not at any time have more than three (3) Cross Boundary players registered on that team. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

f) With the exception of any post-season event which has been clearly and explicitly sanctioned by the Minor Director of Softball B.C., players must not participate in any event on a team from outside the player's District of residence, where a Cross Boundary permit is required, without such a permit. Where it is established that any player who does not hold a Cross Boundary Permit, attends a clinic, training session, game practice, or tournament or in any way works out with a team outside his/her District of residence, the player will be deemed ineligible for any Cross Boundary Permit transfer in the next playing season, and the offending team will be deemed ineligible to accept Cross Boundary Permit registrants in the next playing season. In addition, the player and the coach and/or manager of any team accepting participation of a player requiring a Cross Boundary permit, shall be subject to disciplinary measures, which may include suspension.

g) Any appeal from a decision of the Cross Boundary Committee shall be made pursuant to Article 8.2 and shall be based on the investigation results of the Cross Boundary Committee or any investigation undertaken by the Minor Director or the Appeal Committee and, without exception, solely upon the merits of the information provided by the applicant/appellant and any association, or information that reasonably should have been sought and reviewed by the Cross Boundary Committee, at or before the time the Cross Boundary Committee meet to deliberate the application.

h) Cross Boundary Forms will be accepted by email and/or fax. Original must be mailed to the Softball BC Office before Cross Boundary Permits will be issued.

i) If in the initial year of a Cross Boundary Permit, the team changes to a lower classification than the Cross Boundary was approved for, the

Cross Boundary is revoked and the player must return to their home district.

j) From September 1 to December 31, **only players who do not have a team to play on in their home district are allowed to attend tryouts/skills camps outside their district of residence without a Cross Boundary Permit in place.** Any player selected to an out of district team must apply for a Cross Boundary Permit after January 1st and before May 1st, and be approved, before resuming play with an out of district team.

#### **RATIONALE:**

Players are being displaced from teams in their home district by players from other districts. Associations are limited in the amount of internal discipline they may impose on a player, coach or team for fear they will just pick up and move to another association in a different district. Tournament teams are being formed that are made up of players from multiple districts at both B and C levels thus making tournaments less desirable for teams that enter with their normal roster. Small communities are either losing teams or have seen many quality players leave to play on teams hundreds of kilometers away. Players as young as 11 years old are being transported long distances multiple times a week to play on a team out of district.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**AMENDMENT:** Moved by: Chris Young /Seconded by: Rob Hartford

All Cross Boundary players registered on 2016/2017 teams will be given a No Team in District Permit.

~~All new players for the 2017 season will have to fill out a release form and apply for a cross boundary permit January 1st—this part debatable~~

**AMENDMENT: CARRIED**  
**MOTION AS AMENDED: DEFEATED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 27**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY:** Rob Hartford

**Seconded by:** Chris Young

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.6 g) – Page 64

**WHEREAS:**

g) Each team participating in a Provincial Championship shall submit a copy of their roster form including any player(s) picked up to the Softball BC Board Representative or designate assigned to any given Championship. (A release form is not necessary).

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: When applicable, teams must also present applicable Cross Boundary Permits to the Softball BC Board Representative or designate.

**RATIONALE:**

Reinstating the Cross Boundary Rule.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 28**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY:** Lavaughn Larson

**Seconded by:** Joni Frei

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.7 d) Page 65

**WHEREAS:**

All Minor 'A' Provincial Championships shall be open to all teams registered in that classification. All Minor 'B' and 'C' Championships shall be open to the maximum of sixteen (16) teams. If each District is not represented, the Pro-Rata system will be implemented.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REVISION: All minor 'A' Provincial Championships shall be open to all teams registered in that classification. All Minor 'B' and 'C' Championships shall be open to a maximum of sixteen (16) teams or expanded to twenty (20) teams dependent on the hosts ability to support a Provincial Championship in excess of 16 teams. If each District is not represented and for any extra berths created the pro-rata system will be implemented.

**RATIONALE:**

We recognize that not all associations/areas have the ability to host more than 16 teams but kids will go through their entire ball career never having experienced a Provincial Championship, we are hoping this will help expose more kids to Championships and help grow programs.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None to Softball BC.

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 29**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Ann Holmes

**Seconded by:** Zeone Andrijaszyn

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.8 a) i) Page 65

**WHEREAS:**

All U18A, U16A, U18B and U16B games to have no time limit.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**CHANGE TO READ:**

i. time limit applies to all but U18A and U16A.

**RATIONALE:**

In order for the host and its volunteers to keep to a schedule, it is prudent to play all games, except U18A and U16A with a time limit.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 30**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY:** Murray Spier

**Seconded by:** Lavaughn Larson

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.8 iv) page 66

**WHEREAS:**

iv) Minor C, all minor C championship games to have a limit of 1.5 hours, regardless of the inning, with no new inning to start after 1.5 hours expired. Time will start on the first pitch and a new inning is deemed to start on the umpires 'out' call of the third out on the home team. No time limit will be in effect for the final game.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: iv) a. In timed games all timeouts called by either coach after the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning will be timed by the umpire and this time will be added to the official game time of 1.5 hours.

**RATIONALE:**

We all want this game to be won or lost fairly with game play on the diamond. There are countless cases of coaches delaying timed games to change players, talk to players, etc to influence the outcome of the game. This will prevent this from happening.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**AMENDMENT:** Moved by: Murray Spier/Seconded by: Lavaughn Larson

iv) a. In timed games all timeouts called by either coach after the 3<sup>rd</sup> inning will see the umpire direct the scorekeeper to stop time and resume on his/her direction.

**CARRIED  
MOTION AS AMENDED: DEFEATED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 31**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY: Rob Hartford**

**Seconded by: Chris Young**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.8 x) Page 66**

**WHEREAS:**

x) Modifications – U12C (boys and girls), U14C (boys and girls), U16C (girls only) and U19C (girls only) 12.8 page 66.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: x) Modifications – U12C (boys and girls), U12B girls – U12A girls, U14C (boys and girls), U16C (girls only) and U19C (girls only).  
12.8 Page 66

**RATIONALE:**

The Districts and Provincials are the last softball experience these young players will have for the season as there are no Westerns for this age group. The rule leaves some players feeling that they are not good enough to be part of their team at these events. We lose players every year because they feel they were not allowed to be involved in their team's final events. Having polled all U12A coaches it came out 67% for unlimited and the U12B at 90%.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 32**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY: Scott Wheatley**

**Seconded by: Anita Bennett**

**REFERENCE: Article 12.8 – 10 – a) Page 67**

**WHEREAS:**

10 a) all teams players' names handed in at the coaches meeting on the Minor Provincial Championship Roster form, to a minimum of nine (9), shall be listed on the lineup card and shall bat according to the lineup on a rotational basis throughout the game. Lineup cards to be handed in 30 minutes before game;

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REVISION: 10 a) all teams' players names handed in at the coaches meeting on the Minor Provincial Championship Roster form, to a minimum of nine (9), shall be listed on the lineup card and shall bat according to the lineup on a rotational basis throughout the game. Lineup cards to be handed in 30 minutes before game may or may not contain all of the players on the official players list handed in at the coaches meetings and the sequence may vary per coaches' discretion.



**RATIONALE:**

At the recent U19C provincials the rule was interpreted to mean that if a player’s name was on the official players list that they must play in every game in the same batting order. In the case of this provincial not all players are available for every game due to travel or work commitments. Also batting lineups are strategic and need to be flexible based on opposition and how each athlete is performing on that particular weekend.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 33**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Ann Holmes

**Seconded by:** Zeone Andrijaszyn

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.8 a) x) d) Page 68

**WHEREAS:**

d) in the U12C and U14C categories (both boys and girls), pitchers....The pitching limit rule is suspended in extra-inning games.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

CHANGE TO READ:

d) In the U12C and U14C categories (both boys and girls), pitchers.....The pitching limit rule is suspended in extra-inning games when the time limit has been reached or in the top of the 8<sup>th</sup> inning.

**RATIONALE:**

Consistency in handbook.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 34**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Ann Holmes

**Seconded by:** Zeone Andrijaszyn

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.8 b) d) Page 69

**WHEREAS:**

d) U12B, U14B, and U14C Girls Format:

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

CHANGE TO READ:

d) ALL B and C Girls Format (exception: U12C):

**RATIONALE:**

Will keep many more teams in the park on the last day and give teams more games at a provincial championship.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 35**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Ann Holmes

**Seconded by:** Zeone Andrijaszyn

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.9 Page 70

**WHEREAS:**

U12 Girls and U12 Boys Regional Championship Format  
The U12 Girls Regional.....in article 17.1.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

CHANGE TO READ:

U12 Girls and U12 Boys Regional Championship Format  
The U12 Regional ..... in article 17.1.

**RATIONALE:**

Girls and boys play in respective regionals.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 36**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY:** Lavaughn Larson

**Seconded by:** Murray Spier

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.9 Page 70

**WHEREAS:**

U12 Girls and U12 Boys Regional Championship Format  
The U12 Girls Regional Championship is meant to be all-inclusive, fun, and meet the competition requirements for Long Term Player Development. The requirements for hosting are the same as a Provincial Championship, and the bid process is as outlined in Article 17.1.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE U12 boys from the Regional Championship format because there are not enough teams to participate in boys Regionals. Reinstate Provincials (or combined provincials) for U12 Boys (article 12.8 f) to ensure that boy's teams at this age group have a final championship to participate in.

**RATIONALE:**

There are not enough U12 boys’ teams in the province to have regional championships for boys. If there are enough U12 boys teams to participate in a provincial championship (4 or more teams) then the opportunity should be given to those teams to participate if there is an association willing to host.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 37**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Scott Wheatley

**Seconded by:** Chris Roper

**REFERENCE:** Article 12.9 a) Page 70

**WHEREAS:**

Entry Fee: \$250.00 per team (payable to Softball BC).

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REVISION: Entry fee \$250 per team (payable to Softball BC). Softball BC to forward the additional \$50 to the host association to use at their discretion to improve the player experience.

**RATIONALE:**

Different zones have different resources and we are finding that some provide MVP t-shirts, trophies etc. This additional fee would be to help make the user experience consistent across zones.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Positive.

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 38**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY:** Rob Hartford

**Seconded by:** Chris Young

**REFERENCE:** Article 13.1 Page 71

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: Players playing on a Zone team may not request a Cross Boundary Permit, tryout, and/or register to play in the year of the Summer Games and the year following the Summer Games with any coach/manager registered with the Zone team.

**RATIONALE:**

Reinstating the Cross Boundary Rule.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:** None.

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 39**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 8**

**MOVED BY:** Merv Sandrel

**Seconded by:** Harv Wiens

**REFERENCE:** Article 13.2 d) Head Coach Page 71

**WHEREAS:**

In the year preceding the BC Summer Games, a BC Summer Games Zone head coach shall be selected by the Zone Representatives, in consultation with the Board of Directors of Softball BC. At the time of the selection, the coach shall have, or demonstrate the potential of gaining an NCCP Level II (old) or Clinic 2 with MED (new ) Training (i.e. attended Clinic 1 and 2) by the year of the BC Summer Games.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REVISE TO READ: In the year preceding the BC Summer Games, a BC Summer Games Zone head coach shall be selected by the Zone Representatives, in consultation with the Board of Directors of Softball BC. At the time of selection, the coach shall have, or demonstrate the potential of gaining prior to the start of the Games, an NCCP Level II (old) or Competition Introduction Certified with MED (new) status.

**RATIONALE:**

To comply with the requirements of the BC Games Society for coaches.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 40**

**Minors**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Lori Skinner

**Seconded by:** Joni Frei

**REFERENCE:** Article 13.2 g) Page 72

**WHEREAS:**

Eligibility Restrictions: Respecting the age restrictions, only players currently registered with Softball BC at the U14 or U16 categories....

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REMOVE: The zone head coach will, at the coaches meeting, provide proof of age of all players in the form of a birth certificate, baptismal certificate or the recognized government identification. Photocopies of proof of age are sufficient to meet this requirement.

**RATIONALE:**

With the preparation of the team lists, the Zone Rep, the Softball BC office and the Provincial Advisor see the birthdates of these players making this step unnecessary.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None.

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 41**

**Seniors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Dan Coates

**Seconded by:** Suzy Parker

**REFERENCE:** Article 14.1 Senior Fastpitch Categories – Page 73

**WHEREAS:**

Senior ‘A’ – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place provincial finishers leads to a Canadian Championship.  
3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place provincial finisher leads to a Western Canadian Championship. \*\*

EXCEPTION: SENIOR MEN

Senior ‘B’ – Provincial Championship only

EXCEPTION: SENIOR MEN

Senior ‘C’ – Provincial Championship only

EXCEPTION: SENIOR MEN

Senior ‘D’ – Provincial Championship only....

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE: Senior ‘D’ category and in all other references in the handbook.

**RATIONALE:**

D classification is only in senior ball, there is no definition of how or why a team is classified as ‘C’ or a ‘D’ team. Because there is no definition, it creates confusion and uncertainty for clubs and coordinators. This would follow the minor classifications which, historically, have been much clearer for everyone.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 42**

**Seniors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Dan Coates

**Seconded by:** Harv Wiens

**REFERENCE:** Article 14.1 Senior Fastpitch Categories – Page 74

**WHEREAS:**

.....  
U21A Men and Women – Leads to a Canadian  
U21B Men and Women – Leads to a Western  
U21C Men and Women – Provincial Championship Only  
U21D Women – Provincial Championship Only

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE: U21D women’s category and in all other references in the handbook.

**RATIONALE:**

'D' classification is only in senior ball, there is no definition of how or why a team is classified as a 'C' or a 'D' team. Because there is no definition, it creates confusion and uncertainty for clubs and coordinators. Particularly for this category as it is the entry point from minor to senior, would follow the minor classifications which, historically, have been clearer for everyone.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 43**

**Seniors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Dan Coates

**Seconded by:** Harv Wiens

**REFERENCE:** Article 14.6 c) Page 78

**WHEREAS:**

All teams must submit an entrance fee to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship. Senior Fastpitch teams must submit their Provincial entry fee by June 15<sup>th</sup>, which will be held by the senior coordinator, until July 1<sup>st</sup>, or until confirmation of the pro-rata has been received. Teams who do not submit their entrance fee by the deadline will be excluded from Provincial Championships regardless of number of teams entered in the championship.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REVISED: All teams must submit an entrance fee to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship. Senior Fastpitch teams must submit their provincial entry fee by June 15<sup>th</sup> (exception Senior A Men U21A Men, Senior C Men, Senior D Men, Orthodox, due July 15<sup>th</sup>), which would be held by the senior coordinator, until July 1<sup>st</sup>, or until confirmation of the pro rata has been received. Teams who do not submit their entrance fee by the deadline will be excluded from Provincial Championships regardless of the number of teams entered in the championship.

**RATIONALE:**

Senior men team registration is July 1 for Senior A and July 15<sup>th</sup> for the remainder of the classifications. It's more reasonable to expect the men's teams to submit their provincial fees with their team registration than to pay those fees earlier than team registration.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**MOTION TO TABLE UNTIL AFTER MOTION NO. 61 (D.COATES/H.WIENS)**

**CARRIED**

**MOTION NO. 43 – CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 44**

**Seniors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Dan Coates

**Seconded by:** Harv Wiens

**REFERENCE:** Article 14.6 c) page 78

**WHEREAS:**

All teams must submit an entrance fee to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship. Senior Fastpitch teams must submit their Provincial entry fee by June 15<sup>th</sup>, which will be held by the senior coordinator, until July 1<sup>st</sup>, or until confirmation of the pro-rata has been received. Teams who do not submit their entrance fee by the deadline will be excluded from Provincial Championships regardless of number of teams entered in the championship.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REVISED: All teams must submit an entrance fee to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship. Senior Fastpitch teams must submit their provincial entry fee to the Softball BC office by June 15<sup>th</sup>. The fees will be held until July 1<sup>st</sup>, or until confirmation of the pro-rata has been received. Teams who do not submit their entrance fee will be excluded from the Provincial Championship regardless of the number of teams entered in that championship.

**RATIONALE:**

With online registration and payment, many clubs and associations pay their entry fees directly to Softball BC. It is not realistic to expect the coordinator to hold these fees until they have confirmed the team's entry. The office can do the same task and coordinate for all districts more efficiently.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 45**

**Seniors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY: Dan Coates**

**Seconded by: Harv Wiens**

**REFERENCE: Article 14.6 c) Page 78**

**WHEREAS:**

All teams must submit an entrance fee to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship. Senior Fastpitch teams must submit their Provincial entry fee by June 15<sup>th</sup>, which will be held by the senior coordinator, until July 1<sup>st</sup>, or until confirmation of the pro-rata has been received. Teams who do not submit their entrance fee by the deadline **will** be excluded from Provincial Championships regardless of number of teams entered in the championship.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REVISE TO READ: All teams must submit an entrance fee to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship. Senior Fastpitch teams must submit their provincial entry fee by June 15<sup>th</sup>, which will be held by the senior coordinator until July 1<sup>st</sup>, or until confirmation of the pro-rata has been received. Teams who do not submit their entrance fee **may** be excluded from the Provincial Championship.

**RATIONALE:**

With trying to attract more teams to participate at Provincials, the wording of absolute exclusion from the championship has not been enforced. Options should be given to the director in charge of the programme to ensure as many teams as possible can participate.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**  
None

**CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 46**

**Seniors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 6**

**MOVED BY:** Suzy Parker

**Seconded by:** Terri Boizard

**REFERENCE:** Article 14.7 c) Page 79

**WHEREAS:**

Provincial Championship format for all Senior and U21 Ladies categories. All teams will pay a 2 game round robin. These games....

**AND WHEREAS;**

This format seems to create a bottle neck of ties for most teams creating numerous tiebreaker circumstances;

**AND WHEREAS;**

It doesn't always advance teams that feel they have shown their best on the field

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**ADD:**

c) iii) All women Senior and Junior Provincials will be a 3 game championship round robin with all teams advancing into a single knockout championship round. These games will be played under all present Softball BC rules. At the completion of all round robin games, the teams will be seeded from 1 – (max number of teams entered in the provincial). All teams will follow as laid out in the Softball BC handbook, with a single knockout final. Host must guarantee that games will start no earlier than Friday a.m. and that all championship games will be scheduled no later than 4 p.m. on Sunday.

**RATIONALE:**

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**AMENDMENT: MOVED BY: SUZY PARKER / SECONDED BY: TERRI BOIZARD**

'To apply to Senior Women's A&B Teams as a combined group, and to Senior Women's C&D as a combined group. At the completion of all round robin games; the top half of the seeded A/B teams will advance to the 'A' Single knockout championship draw. The Bottom half of the seeded A/B teams will advance to the 'B' Single knockout championship draw. The top half of the seeded C/D teams will advance to the 'C' single knockout championship draw. The bottom half of the seeded C/D teams will advance to the 'D' Single knockout championship draw.'

**AMENDMENT: CARRIED**  
**MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 47**

**Seniors**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY: Dan Coates**

**Seconded by: Harv Wiens**

**REFERENCE: Article 14.9 a) ii) Page 83**

**WHEREAS:**

U21C Women's pitching distance is forty feet (40')

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE Article 14.9 a) ii) in its entirety

**RATIONALE:**

All senior women's classifications would have consistent pitching distance. With the small number of registered teams in the U21C Classification each year, this would allow more freedom of competition and movement among teams. A team who wishes to register as a U21C team would be able to find competition throughout the season in league and tournament play, and not have to adjust to a shorter pitching distance for Provincial championships.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 48**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 6**

**MOVED BY: Lavaughn Larson**

**Seconded by: Joni Frei**

**REFERENCE: Article 16.2 Page 94**

**WHEREAS:**

All Provincial Championship entry fees:  
Effective for the 2016 playing season:  
.....Minor \$290.00 \* Girls U12B, U14B, U14C \$315.00

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**REVISION:**

All Provincial Championship entry fees:  
Effective for the 2017 playing season:  
....Minor \$350.00 \* Girls U12B, U14B U14C \$365.00

**RATIONALE:**

This increase is in Minors only with the increase of \$60 going directly back to the host association once all hosting obligations are complete and confirmed. It is getting more difficult to get hosts for all Minor Provincials and parks that do not operate their own concessions can lose money depending on the age and category of the Championship. This will offer a small cushion that can be used to offset expenses or put towards extras.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**AMENDMENT:**

All Provincial Championship entry fees:

Effective for the 2017 playing season:

....Minor \$500

**AMENDMENT: CARRIED  
MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 49**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Dan Coates

**Seconded by:** Harv Wiens

**REFERENCE:** Article 16.2, page 94

**WHEREAS:**

**ALL PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY FEES:**

Effective for the 2016 playing season:

Senior Women FP - \$420.00 ....

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**REVISION:**

Effective for the 2017 playing season:

Senior Women FP - \$500.00.....

**RATIONALE:**

In conjunction with changing the prize and medal distribution to senior women’s categories, and the host providing a social event for the participating teams, an increase in the provincial fees will offset most, if not all, of the financial impact of these changes.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Increase of \$80.00 revenue to SBBC per team registering for a Provincial Championship.

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 50**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 15**

**MOVED BY:** Dan Coates

**Seconded by:** Suzy Parker

**REFERENCE:** Article 16.2, c), Page 94

**WHEREAS:**

At all senior women Fastpitch provincial championships, \$50.00 per team from entry fees is allocated to the host association to offset costs relating to the championship. No expense money is disbursed to teams.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**REVISION:**

At all senior women Fastpitch provincial championships, \$100.00 per team from entry fees is allocated to the host/club association to offset costs relating to the championship, including a mandatory meal for all teams. No medals will be given; a team banner will be presented instead. No prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> place will be given out, instead prize money as follows will be awarded.

1<sup>st</sup> - \$750.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> - \$500.00  
3<sup>rd</sup> - \$250.00

**RATIONALE:**

Senior teams want to have a different experience than a regular tournament when attending a Provincial championship. Providing more social events and the team recognition of their accomplishments will be a step towards achieving that. Hosts should be able to provide multiple experiences for the teams, and this would provide a financial safety net which is funded by the teams attending. Cash prizes are always an incentive for participation by senior teams.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

Additional expense to SBBC of \$1500.00 per classification for prize money  
Additional expense to SBBC of \$50.00 per team registered in host allocation  
Saving of expenses by SBBC of \$350.00 per classification for medals  
Savings of expenses by SBBC of \$500.00 per classification for prizes

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 51**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 8**

**MOVED BY: Harv Wiens**

**Seconded by: Joni Frei**

**REFERENCE: Article 16.3 Page 95**

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**ADDITION: 16.3 f ) MINOR ONLY – Provincial Championship draw will follow Annex ‘A’, flipping games on Day 2 working from the highest game slot down.**

**RATIONALE:**

By flipping day two no team would have to play the earliest or latest game two days in a row and also would not have to play both days in the hottest portion of the day.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 52**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Ann Holmes

**Seconded by:** Zeone Andrijaszyn

**REFERENCE:** Article 16.3 Exception Page 96

**WHEREAS:**

Exception: In the Championship final game....final game.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**ADD:**

Exception: In the Championship final game....will have the choice of home or visitor team at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the final game.

**RATIONALE:**

Housekeeping

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 53**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: Board of Directors**

**MOVED BY:** Lori Skinner

**Seconded by:** Joni Frei

**REFERENCE:** Article 16.9 f) iv) page 101

**WHEREAS:**

MINORS: Softball BC is to allocate enough funds, as per present chart, to cover all games played at a Provincial Championship.....

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

REMOVE: and/or an 'IF' game

**RATIONALE:**

Housekeeping

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**CARRIED**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 54**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY:** Murray Spier

**Seconded by:** Lavaughn Larson

**REFERENCE:** Article 16.10 – page 101

**WHEREAS:**

c) In provincial championships before the protest committee hears the protest, the protesting manager/coach must put forward a protest fee of \$50.00 cash. Should the protest be upheld the fee will be returned. Should the protest be declined the fee will be retained by Softball BC.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**REVISION:**

c) In provincial championships before the protest committee hears the protest, the protesting manager/coach must put forward a protest fee of \$5.00 cash for the 3<sup>rd</sup> and subsequent protests only. Should the protest be upheld the fee will be returned. Should the protest be declined the fee will be retained by Softball BC.

**RATIONALE:**

The provincial championship is Softball BC's premier event. This event should be governed by the playing rules and not the ability to pay.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 55**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 8**

**MOVED BY:** Marni Bodnarchuk

**Seconded by:** Joni Frei

**REFERENCE:** Article 16.11 Page 101/102

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Article 16.11 i)

**ADD:** During Provincial Championships foul poles are to be used on all fields.

**RATIONALE:**

Thin PVC pipe zap-strapped to the fences makes the foul line clearer and will reduce questioning of umpire calls.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: None**

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 56**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 8**

**MOVED BY:** Marni Bodnarchuk

**Seconded by:** Joni Frei

**REFERENCE:** Article 16.11 – Page 101/102

**WHEREAS:**

Canadian Fast Pitch Championship Play Age Categories & Distance Table (Page 16) lists minimum and maximum fence line as:

Male:

U12 170'-225'

U14 210'-250'

U16 & Above 225'-265'

Female:

U12 160'-210'

U14 170'-210'

U16 180'-210'

U18 200'-210'

U19 and U21C 220'-235'

U21A/B and Above 200'-225'

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: Article 16.11 h)

Provincial Championships permanent or temporary fencing is used to conform fields to Canadian Fastpitch Championships Distance Table.

**RATIONALE:**

When these age appropriate fence lines are used the game is better managed by the umpires and is more exciting for the participants and fans. Every young player wants to hit one 'to the fence' or even 'over the fence'.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 57**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY: Murray Spier**

**Seconded by: Lavaughn Larson**

**REFERENCE:** Article 17 page 103

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD: 17.3 a) Every association submitted a bid to host a Provincial must have a host (local) team attend.

**RATIONALE:**

The provincial championship is Softball BC's premier event. We all want associations invested in their level of play to be a host and not simply for monetary gain. With the number of teams and associations fielding teams at the A and B levels, Softball BC should never have to be asking associations from other sports to host a Softball Provincial Championship. Softball BC should also not be choosing to have external hosts by passing internal ones.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 58**

**Miscellaneous**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY:** Chris Young

**Seconded by:** Rob Hartford

**REFERENCE:** Article 21.9 Page 109

**WHEREAS:**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

ADD 21.9

Exception to Bylaw – Part 12–6

Resolutions pertaining to the Special Operating Rules that have to be rewritten with the same intent that were tabled from the agenda of the AGM presented to the voting delegates.

**RATIONALE:**

There are times when the wording of the motion is not correct for the parliamentary committee.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 59**

**Miscellaneous**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 14**

**MOVED BY:** Chris Young

**Seconded by:** Maurice Martineau

**REFERENCE:** Article 21.9 a) b) Page 109

**WHEREAS:**

21.9 Resolutions pertaining to the Special Operating Rules that have not been received at the Provincial office within the thirty (30) day requirement, may be considered and debated at the Annual General Meeting if;

a) received as a Notice of Motion in writing in the proper format by the parliamentary committee at any time before commencement of the formal portion of the A.G.M. in which special operating rule resolutions are being considered; and the parliamentary committee considers the motion to be in order; and sufficient copies are made available to the voting membership by the presenter of the motion; and introduction of the resolution receives 75% approval of the voting delegates then in attendance, or;

b) received as a verbal Notice of Motion from the floor during the formal portion of the A.G.M. in which special operating rule resolutions are being considered, and where introduction of the resolution receives 75% approval of the voting delegates then in attendance, the motion shall be tabled until all such other motions are then received. The motion as presented shall thereafter be made in writing in the proper format and given to the parliamentary committee, and if the committee considers the motion to be in order, it shall come before the assembly.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

DELETE in its entirety

**RATIONALE:**

In line with the new bylaw

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 60**

**Miscellaneous**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY: Murray Spier**

**Seconded by: Lavaughn Larson**

**REFERENCE: Article 22 Page 110**

**WHEREAS:**

The Constitution, By-Laws, and Special Operating Rules of the British Columbia Amateur Softball Association (Softball BC) do not currently require any screening of the criminal records of umpires or other officials; and

**AND WHEREAS;**

Umpires and other officials operate in positions of trust and authority over children; and

**AND WHEREAS;**

The safety of children is of primary importance to Softball BC

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Article 22 of the Special Operating Rules be amended to include Article 22.8:

All umpires age 19 and older shall obtain a certified criminal record check and a vulnerable sector check from the RCMP or a municipal police force on an annual basis, and shall submit these record checks to the Board of Directors of Softball BC. In the event that an umpire has been convicted of a criminal offense, he or she shall not be permitted to act as an umpire for any minor association in the Province of British Columbia. The cost of obtaining a Criminal Record Check and a Vulnerable Sector check shall be borne by the umpire making the application.

**RATIONALE:**

Umpires work directly with minor players, they are in a position of authority over those players, and they are or can be alone or in small groups with minor umpires in umpire rooms. The protection of the minor players and umpires requires that appropriate screening be done of umpires.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**AMENDMENT:** Moved by: Murray Spier/Seconded by: Lavaughn Larson

All umpires age 18 and older shall obtain a certified criminal record check and a vulnerable sector check, prior to umpiring any game, from the RCMP or a municipal police force on an annual basis, and shall submit these record checks to the Board of Directors of Softball BC.

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**AMENDMENT: CARRIED**

**AMENDMENT #2:**

All umpires age 18 and older shall obtain a certified criminal record check and a vulnerable sector check, prior to umpiring any game, from the RCMP or a municipal police force on an annual basis, and shall submit these record checks to the Board of Directors of Softball BC. The criminal record check and vulnerable sector check will be valid for duration of 3 years.

**AMENDMENT #2: CARRIED  
MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED**

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**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 61**

**Provincial Championships**

**SUBMITTED BY: District 7**

**MOVED BY: Murray Spier**

**Seconded by: Lavaughn Larson**

**REFERENCE:** Article 16, Annex A and Annex B (page 120-123)

**WHEREAS:**

The championship draws of Softball BC mandate the quantity of diamonds and the game schedule for Day 1 and 2 for the round robin play at the Provincial Championship. These sample draws all have team #1 playing the first game on days; team 2 playing 1<sup>st</sup> or second, etc. This 2<sup>nd</sup> day draw needs to be reversed to be fair to all attending teams.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

Annex 'A' and Annex 'B' of the Softball BC Special Operating Rules be amended to provide that the round robin of a minor Provincial Championship flip the game schedule on day 2 schedule to have team #1 play last on day 2 as well as all other teams to play at different times than day 1. Should the round robin schedule be modified it must be sent to all attending teams 2 weeks prior to the event.

**RATIONALE:**

The round robin draw should be as fair and balanced for all teams as well should be in the handbook for everyone to know what to expect.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:**

None

**WITHDRAWN**

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**New Business**

**Special Resolutions of the Members:**

**Moved by: Scott McLaren / Seconded by: Chris Young**

WHEREAS:

- A: The Constitution of the Society Part 9 - Borrowing Powers state:  
"The Society shall exercise any borrowing powers conferred upon it by the Society Act with the approval of seventy-five (75) percent of the Board of Directors holding office at that time. However, debentures shall not be issued without the sanction of a special resolution."
- B: The Society may from time to time borrow money and grant security by way of debentures if its members authorize it to do so by special resolution;
- C: The members of the Society wish to confer on the directors of the Society a general power to borrow money on behalf of the Society and to issue debentures and other loan and security and

- documents; and
- D: Pursuant to a Loan Agreement (the "Loan Agreement"), between from the Royal Bank of Canada (the "Bank") to the Society, the Society proposes to obtain credit facilities from the Bank.

**"BE IT RESOLVED**

As special resolutions that:

1. A general power is hereby conferred on the Directors of the Society for the 12 months immediately following the date of this resolution, and the Directors are authorized to cause the Society to borrow money pursuant to any loan, credit or facility agreement and to issue debentures and any additional security, documents or agreements creating a mortgage, charge or security interest on any real or personal property of the Society with respect thereto.
2. The Directors of the Society be authorized to make all necessary arrangements for the borrowing contemplated in the Loan Agreement, including authorizing the granting, execution, and delivery of all documents required by the Bank, in such form and containing such terms, covenants, provisos and conditions as are satisfactory to the Directors including, without limitation, debentures, general security agreements and mortgages and any other loan security documents in favor of the Bank."

**CARRIED**

Softball Canada Motion #1 – Withdrawn (see next pages)

Softball Canada Motion #2 – Carried (see motion on next pages)

**ELECTIONS FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF SOFTBALL BC**

**POSITION: President**  
 In Nomination: Jake DeWitt  
**ELECTED:** Jake DeWitt – by acclamation

**POSITION: Minor Director**  
 In Nomination: Ann Holmes  
 Katrina Bull  
**ELECTED:** Katrina Bull – by secret ballot

**POSITION: Senior Director**  
 Nominated from the Floor: Dan Coates  
 (Moved by: S. Parker/Seconded by: D. Vinters)  
**ELECTED:** Dan Coates – by acclamation

**POSITION: Member-at-Large**  
 In Nomination: Merv Sandrel  
**ELECTED:** Merv Sandrel – by acclamation

**POSITION: Director of Coaching**  
 In Nomination: Joni Frei  
**ELECTED:** Joni Frei – by acclamation

## RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE 2016 INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS

### Minor

1. Provincial Review Committee continues to work with U12 program regarding 2 classifications within category.
2. Provincial Review Committee to continue to work on number of teams to participate in Provincials.
3. Add to the Provincial Host Agreement as a suggestion that foul poles be used on all fields.
4. Add to Provincial Host Agreement a suggestion that fencing be used to conform fields to Canadian Fastpitch Championship Distance table.

### Senior

1. To have the Minor and Senior Coordinators meet on the Friday of the AGM.
2. That senior's look at the definition of all Senior Division Categories – A, B, C, D.

### Umpire

1. Applications for Canadian Championships, Westerns, etc to be online and open for November 15, 2016.
2. Deadline for Canadian Championships, Westerns, etc applications will close at midnight January 8, 2017.
3. Hold an evaluation tournament for full Level 3 Certification at U18A level.
4. Reduce the number of clinics run in the Lower Mainland and move to a concept of Regional 'Super Clinics'.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Dewitt requested that all bids for Provincial Championships be turned in at the conclusion of the meeting.

## SOFTBALL BC 2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AWARD RECIPIENTS

Awards announced during the Annual General Meeting were:

Minor District Coordinator of the Year  
Senior District Coordinator of the Year  
District Umpire-in-Chief

Lavaughn Larson, District 7  
Harv Wiens, District 8  
Kyle Denedy, District 7