

Annual General Meeting

Minutes

2015

British Columbia Amateur Softball Association

*Annual General Meeting
Saturday October 17, 2015*

*Executive Airport Plaza Hotel
Richmond, BC*



BCASA Annual General Meeting Attendance

Board of Directors

President	Jake Dewitt
1 st Vice-President	Brian Joe
VP, Finance	Zeone Andrijaszyn
Director of Coaching	Joni Frei
Minor Director	Ann Holmes
Senior Director	Jim Ullock
Provincial Umpire-in-Chief	David Brewer
Member-at-Large	Lori Skinner

Staff

Chief Operating Officer	Rick Benson
Member Services Coordinator	Lesley Rowe
Accounting and Administrative Assistant	Linda Pavilionis
Program Coordinator	Jeana Boyd
Member Services Assistant	Kim Korman
Accountant	Jennifer Ng

Parliamentary Committee

David Harris
Keith Hazel
Wayne Cannon

Voting Delegates

District One

Senior Fastpitch Coordinator	Teri Boizard
Minor Coordinator	Katrina Bull
District UIC	Ron Gosselin
Senior FP Men's Rep	Sharon Gunter
Senior FP Women's Rep	Lisa Hayton
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep	Al Beasley
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep	Stan McKinlay

District Two

Minor Coordinator	Al Charlesworth
District UIC	Craig Holyhead (Appointed)
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep	Brian Cornborough
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep	Shannon Charlesworth

District Three

Minor Coordinator
District UIC – Appointed

Eric Kurpiela
Karl Kurpiela

District Four

Minor Coordinator
District UIC
Senior FP Women's Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Scott Channel
Susan Strafford (Appointed)
Erik Niemi
Harvey Coxson

District Five

Minor Coordinator
District UIC
Senior Men's Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep

Erin Higashitani
Nicholas Allen
Marshall Shields
Will Gaherty
Norm Pipke

District Six

Senior FP Coordinator
Minor Coordinator
District UIC
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Suzy Parker
Roxy Abernethy
Bill Yerdon
Wendi Bordelay
Marty Tilt

District Seven

Senior FP Coordinator
Minor Coordinator
District UIC
Senior FP Men's Rep
Senior FP Women's Rep
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Jeff Snowdon
Lavaughn Larson
Kyle Dennedy
Sandro Simicic
Rob Upton
Murray Spier
Lara Winbow

District Eight

Senior FP Coordinator
District UIC
Senior FP Men's Rep
Senior FP Women's Rep
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Harv Wiens
Marni Bodnarchuk
Gerry Dyson
Deb Vinters
Ken Hansen
Shawn Brayshaw

District Nine

Senior FP Coordinator
Minor Coordinator
District UIC
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep
Observers:

Lea Kunz
Joe Cutt
Frank Driedger
Darryn McCullough
Paulette Quibell
Lindsea Cutt (Non-Voting/No Voice)
Cynthia Cutt (Non-Voting/No Voice)
Daryl Tarr (Non-Voting/No Voice)

District Ten

Senior FP Coordinator
District UIC – Appointed

Derek Hipwell
Aaron Poulin

District Eleven

Senior FP Coordinator
District UIC

Mort Nielsen
Don Andrews

District Twelve

Senior FP Coordinator
Minor Coordinator
District UIC
Senior FP Women's Rep
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Barb McCracken
Stefanie Caplette
Carlyle Kreiger
Marion Kreiger
Kevin McKenney
Sydney Caplette

District Thirteen

District UIC

Scott McLaren (Appointed)

District Fourteen

Senior FP Coordinator
Minor Coordinator
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep
Minor Girls or Mixed Rep

Diane MacPherson
Chris Young
Maurice Martineau
Rob Hartford

District Fifteen

Senior FP Coordinator
Minor Coordinator
District UIC
Senior FP Women's Rep
Minor Boys or Mixed Rep

Dan Coates
Scott Wheatley
Dan Young
Chris Roper
David Maandag

2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Executive Airport Plaza Hotel, Richmond, BC
October 17, 2015

AGENDA

- ❖ Voting Strength – 71
- ❖ Announce Parliamentary Committee – Dave Harris, Wayne Cannon, Keith Hazel
- ❖ Meeting Procedure
- ❖ Adoption of 2015 Agenda –
Moved by M. Kreiger and Seconded by B. McCracken – CARRIED
- ❖ Adoption of 2014 Annual General Meeting Minutes –
Moved by C. Kreiger and Seconded by A. Poulin – CARRIED
- ❖ Business arising from the Minutes – None
- ❖ Individual Reports – **Moved by A. Beasley and Seconded by S. McLaren – CARRIED**
- ❖ Adoption of Audited Financial Statement –
Moved by Z. Andrijaszyn and Seconded by S. Caplette – CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS TO THE FLOOR

- ❖ Notices of Motion 'to amend the By-Laws'
- ❖ Notices of Motion 'to amend the Special Operating Rules'
- ❖ Notices of Motion 'New Business'
- ❖ Notices of Motion to 'Softball Canada & Western Canadian Softball Association'

AWARD PRESENTATION

- ❖ Minor Coordinator of the Year
- ❖ Senior Coordinator of the Year
- ❖ District UIC of the Year

ELECTIONS

Motion to Destroy All Voting Ballots –

Moved by S. Strafford and Seconded by L. Kunz – CARRIED

Recommendations from Individual Meetings

All Other Business

Motion to pay the expenses of the 2015 Softball Annual General Meeting:

Moved by S. Strafford and Seconded by H. Wiens – CARRIED

President's Closing Remarks

END OF 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Softball BC

2015 Annual General Meeting

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

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)’

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 1

BYLAW

SUBMITTED BY: DISTRICT 2

MOVED BY: Brian Cornborough

Seconded by: Shannon Charlesworth

REFERENCE: Pages 10 and 11 of the online version of the 2015 Softball BC Handbook

WHEREAS:

Districts 1 and 2 outline the major centers of each district with no defining boundaries noted;

AND WHEREAS;

The boundary agreed to and contained within the amended motion #1 from the 2009 AGM minutes does not correspond with the present official map or the understanding of the NDMFA;

AND WHEREAS;

Not following the intent of the aforementioned motion has caused needless actions by officials of all levels.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The boundary between Districts 1 and District 2 be revised to be designated as the Cowichan Valley and defined as the center line of Highway 18 which runs east/west from the Village of Lake Cowichan (in District 1) then continuing as ‘Herd Road’ in an east/west direction to meet the centerline of ‘Arbutus Avenue’ in Cowichan Bay.

RATIONALE:

The Cowichan Valley is a defining and separate geographic area and includes the City of Duncan, parts of the Municipality of North Cowichan, and some rural area. However, in the past, District 1 took the boundary as the north boundary of the Municipality of North Cowichan, going against the intent of the 2009 AGM amended motion. A boundary Committee of representatives from both Districts agreed that the Cowichan Valley was the boundary with the City of Duncan and Village of Lake Cowichan being part of District 1 with no mention of the Cowichan Valley RD or Municipality of North Cowichan. There is a common tie with residents of Crofton, Chemainus and Saltair to Ladysmith and Nanaimo for extracurricular activities such as shopping, sports and recreation.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 2**BYLAW****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:

Part 4.10 – A to D – Page 20 and 21

WHEREAS;

All....This person hereafter shall be known as....and shall be eligible to vote at the Annual General Meeting of any Extra-Ordinary Meeting of the Society.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE – This person hereafter.....

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping

WITHDRAWN

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.**

Note: The page numbers referenced in the following motions are from the printed version of the 2015 Softball BC Handbook.

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 3**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Joni Frei

REFERENCE:

Article 1 – Page 30 – Minor Structure

WHEREAS;

National Coaching Certification Program

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Move to 12.5 a)

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping – duplication

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 4**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Hartford

REFERENCE:

Article 2.2 – Page 31

WHEREAS;

Teams, players, coaches and where applicable, minor associations that have submitted a Letter of Intent to participate in a Western Canadian or a Canadian Championship, and have won the right to attend that Championship in which Softball BC has, on the teams behalf, committed to and/or paid for such an opportunity to attend, shall attend pursuant to the contractual arrangement detailed in the said Notice of Intent. Teams failing to attend upon their commitment to do so, shall immediately be subject to any costs associated to that commitment, including but not limited to entry fees and penalty assessments made by the Western Canadian Softball Association or Softball Canada. Failure of players coaches and where applicable, minor associations to reimburse Softball BC for any of the aforesaid costs and/or assessments upon a team's failure to attend a Western Canadian or Canadian Championship, will result in disciplinary action.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD: Page 31 2.2 a) Teams, coaches that have submitted a Letter of Intent to participate in a Western Canadian or Canadian Championship, and have won the right to attend that Championship, in which Softball BC has, on the teams behalf, committed to and/or paid for such an opportunity to attend, shall attend pursuant to their contractual agreement detailed in the said Notice of Intent. Teams failing to attend upon their commitment to do so shall immediately be disqualified from attending districts or provincials for the following season. They will be ineligible for Western Canadian or a Canadian Championship for the following season, having six (6) or more returning players to the team.

RATIONALE:

There is no penalty for these teams apart from a financial penalty and for some teams that is not a concern. Softball BC commits whatever team allotment is given to BC for the Westerns or Canadians. There are too many teams that decline to attend because they did not finish in the position that they wanted. Last year we were told by members at the Burnaby meeting that they wanted as many spots as possible. Softball BC acted on that and then we get teams turning the offer down after they have submitted their Letter of Intent. Teams have committed right up to the final games and then bowed out, then the office has to find teams that have not already disbanded to fill the spots.

Financial Implications:

None

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 5**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

Board of Directors

Moved By:

David Brewer

Seconded By:

Zeone Andrijaszyn

REFERENCE:

New Article – Article 6.11 – Page 37

WHEREAS;

It is prudent for members of Softball BC to know who has been suspended, so that they are not in violation of Article 6.10, they should have the ability to access the suspension list.

And Whereas at this time only Board members and coordinators are sent the suspension list.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD: 6.11 When a member is suspended according to Article 6 they will have their name posted on the Softball BC website until the conclusion of the suspension. The information will include the reason for suspension and then length of the suspension. The notice of suspension, if it not for bad debt, will also be forwarded to Softball Canada with a request that it be forwarded to the ASA and its affiliates.

RATIONALE:**Financial Implications:**

Office Time

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 6****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Rick Leche

Seconded By:

Greg Timm

REFERENCE:

Article 12 Section: New – Page 40

WHEREAS;

It is necessary for teams travelling to Canadian Championships to plan and finance such participation as far in advance as is possible,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ: For all Minor Girls 'A' Canadian Championships, that Softball BC adopt a policy that they endorse and support the open concept of Canadian Championships/Jamborees and declare that they will sanction/approve as many BC Teams attending these Championships/Jamborees in the same number as approved/set out by Softball Canada and the Host Committees for each individual Championship.

RATIONALE:**WITHDRAWN**

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 7**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.2 k) – Page 42

WHEREAS;

Dropped third strike....in U12 and under.....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ: - in U12 B&C and under categories the batter is out on the third strike....

RATIONALE:

In U12A it is not applicable

Financial Implications:

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 8****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 5

Moved By:

Zeone Andrijaszyn

Seconded By:

Lori Skinner

REFERENCE:

Article 12.2 q) Re-Entry – Page 42

WHEREAS;

Re-Entry: When all substitutions have been entered by a team in a game, the re-entry rule is waived in the event of injury in all Provincial Championship play.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD – The injured player may not return to the game.

RATIONALE:

Clarification

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 9

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Lavaughn Larson

Seconded By:

Jeff Snowdon

REFERENCE:

Article 12.2 s) Boys Program – Page 42

WHEREAS;

Boys Program – a minor female player may play in the boys program at the U12 category and under

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Boys Program – a minor female player may play in the boys minor program at all ‘C’ levels

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

AMENDMENT (Lavaughn Larson/Susan Strafford)

‘A minor female player may play in the boys minor program at all levels’

AMENDMENT: CARRIED

MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 10

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Ted Birdsall

Seconded By:

Rick Leche

REFERENCE:

Article 12.2 – Page 43

WHEREAS;

Games are becoming more pitcher dominated in the female side of Softball; and whereas pitchers are capable of pitching at a further distance while allowing a better balance of offence and defense and in the interest of increasing the balance of competition within the games;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ: Article 12.2 Category Structure Chart be amended to reflect the following pitching distances for Minor A Girls Games:

- U14A Girls to pitch at 40 feet
- U16A Girls to pitch at 43 feet

RATIONALE:

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 11

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Katrina Bull

Seconded By:

Al Beasley

REFERENCE:

Article 12.2 Category Structure Chart – Page 43

WHEREAS;

Exception for BC: For the category of U19C a player that has played U18C in the prior year, has the option to register for U19C in the final minor year. A player registered on an A or B team in the prior year is not eligible, and a player can only register in one category (minor or senior).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE the Exception for BC and all reference to U19C in the Handbook

RATIONALE:

There are very few true U19 year olds playing minor ball and a good percentage of those who are, also are playing in Seniors as pickups.

Teams are rostering just one 19 year old to try and avoid being moved up. Since the inception there has been a decrease in the number of B teams and the gap in ability of the C teams has increased with more B and even A players dropping into U19C as a way to get a third year of Minor play, but most of those never play a third year as they are away in college, have jobs or move into Senior Ball. This takes away from the true C player's experience. By removing the 19 year olds from Minor ball it would allow growth in the Junior category.

Financial Implications:

None

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 12

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.2 - Category Structure Chart – Page 43

WHEREAS;

Category Structure Chart

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE entirely

RATIONALE:

Category chart is on Page 6

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 13

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 3

Moved By:

Eric Kurpiela

Seconded By:

Karl Kurpiela

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 a) iii Page 44

WHEREAS;

Minor Team Registration: 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 Representative shall immediately forward the form to the Softball BC office. They may list a maximum of seventeen (17) players and four (4) coaches/manager.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION:

Minor Team Registration: 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 representative shall immediately forward the form to the Softball BC office. They may list a maximum of fifteen (15) players and four (4) coaches.

RATIONALE:

Teams use the 17 max players to pick up players to better themselves for Provincials but sit the players that got them there.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 14

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Katrina Bull

Seconded By:

Al Beasley

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 a) iv) – Page 44

WHEREAS;

Minor final registration deadline: Minor final registration be as follows:

(a) Online deadline for 'A' team registration shall be April 1st of the current year with all payments due by April 15th.

(b) Online deadline for all other minor team registration be May 15th of the current year with all payments due by June 1st.

(c) Rosters shall be finalized by June 1st for all minor teams.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION:

Minor final registration deadline.....

c) Rosters to be completed by the date specified by each Districts Minor Coordinator who will finalize all prior to June 1st of the current year.

RATIONALE:

The current wording reads to some as their deadline to submit and dependent on the size of the District it takes time to properly review and approve or question rosters. This results in late submissions and increased workload for the office during an already busy time of year.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 15

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

Board of Directors

Moved By:

Ann Holmes

Seconded By:

Lori Skinner

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 Registration a) iv) - Page 44

WHEREAS;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION: Any changes necessary are to be sent to the Softball BC office to be approved by the Minor Director. Such changes shall be processed by the office only once a week.

RATIONALE:

Changes to rosters in the 2015 season were a problem and it was expected they would be done immediately. This will allow the Minor Director and the office the ability to schedule a time when these changes would be done.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 16****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

Board of Directors

Moved By:

Ann Holmes

Seconded By:

Lori Skinner

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 a iv) c) – Page 44

WHEREAS;

c) Rosters shall be finalized by June 1st for all minor teams.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE in its entirety

RATIONALE:

In the 2015 season, Associations were under the impression that they had until June 1st to register – registration date for A teams is April 1st and for all others, team registration is May 15th of the current year.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 17****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Katrina Bull

Seconded By:

Al Beasley

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 a) vii) – Page 44

WHEREAS;

Release: The discharge of a player already signed to a Softball BC Team Registration Form in the current year. A release shall only be considered if...

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION – CHANGE TO READ:

Release: The discharge of a player already approved to a Softball BC Team registration form...

RATIONALE:

With online registration players/parents/coaches no longer 'sign' registration forms. With its current wording it is open to argument and appeal. By changing the wording it puts the onus onto the Registrar and Associations to provide accurate information.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 18

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Ann Holmes

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 b) iii – Page 45

WHEREAS;

At the U12 Category and under, female players may register on a male team.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE

RATIONALE:

Duplication – Page 42 (12.2 s))

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 19

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Ann Holmes

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 b) iv – Page 45

WHEREAS;

Minor players may register with two different teams in a current playing year....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ:

- iv 1). Minor Players may register with two different teams in a current playing year.
- iv 2) . A team may be formed in a higher classification....

RATIONALE:

2 different items.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 20

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 3

Moved By:

Eric Kurpiela

Seconded By:

Kevin Bobroske

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 b) ix) Page 46

WHEREAS;

With the exception of U18 aged players who have met all Minor obligations for the season, a Minor aged player who has not or will not attain the age of 19 years in the current calendar year, is ineligible to play against a senior team or any team registered in a senior league unless:

- a) a written consent form from a parent or guardian is received by the district coordinator not later than June 10th of the current year, and
- b) the districts minor and senior coordinator both agree, and
- c) the Coordinator's decision is received in writing by Softball BC and the player, parent, or guardian;
- d) Failure to do complete proper paperwork and submit on time, player and senior coach will be suspended until they comply.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION:

With the exception of U18 aged players who have met all Minor obligations for the season, a Minor aged player who has not or will not attain the age of 19 years in the current calendar year, is ineligible to play against a senior team or any team registered in a senior league unless:

- a) a written consent form from a parent or guardian is received by the district coordinator not later than June 10th of the current year, and
- b) the districts minor and senior coordinator both agree, and
- c) the Coordinator's decision is received in writing by Softball BC and the player, parent, or guardian;
- d) Failure to do complete proper paperwork and submit on time, player and senior coach will be suspended until they comply.
- e) When there are no teams or less the three in District to play at the U16/U18A level the teams will be able to contact the senior coordinator for games to further the team development and not hinder the minor team with invaluable games.

RATIONALE:

When districts and associations have no one to play in regular season games it creates a financial burden on the A team to travel for tournaments in the Province or States.

Financial Implications:

Saves team money on travel costs.

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 21**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Katrina Bull

Seconded By:

Al Beasley

REFERENCE:

Article 12.3 b) xi) – Page 46

WHEREAS;

A minor player who completes registration with more than one team in a current playing year, and whose name is listed on multiple Softball BC Minor Registration forms confirmed by that player's signature, is considered ineligible....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION: Remove 'Confirmed by that players signature' and replace with 'confirmed by Minor Coordinator'

RATIONALE:

With on-line registration players no longer sign roster forms. The Minor Coordinator has access to all rosters in their District easily confirm information.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 22****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 3

Moved By:

Eric Kurpiela

Seconded By:

Doug Robinson

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 iii) c) Page 49

WHEREAS;

Not in the Book

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION: To play in Districts for the opportunity to go to Provincials, you must have 9 original rostered players able to go to Provincials.

RATIONALE:

Teams need to have a minimum of 9 original players to go to provincials not 8 plus 3 pickups. Teams have all 11 or 12 players for districts but only have 8 original players and need 3 pickups just to go.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 23**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Harford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 iv) - Page 49

WHEREAS;

Add New

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD – Page 50 Article 12.4 iv) (d)

Teams attending districts, place 1st or are prorated for Provincials and do not attend provincials, will be disqualified from attending districts or provincials for the next season, having six (6) or more returning players to the team in the following year. Coached or team name change.

RATIONALE:

There have been teams going to districts with no intention of going onto provincials. Teams can be knocked out by these teams and after, these teams disband very quickly and if given the choice to attend the provincials they do not have the ability to regroup again.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 24****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded by:

Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 c) – Page 50

WHEREAS;

Prove participation in a minimum of three (3) games.....

Such documentation shall include game score sheets signed by an approved umpire or official.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE signed by an approved umpire or official.

RATIONALE:

Umpires do not always sign scoresheets.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 25**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Paul Zehr

Seconded By:

Katrina Bull

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 a) viii) – Page 51

WHEREAS;

‘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 teams must registered 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.’

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

‘Western Canadian’ be deleted from this rule.

RATIONALE:

1) The qualification process for the Westerns is not regulated similarly across provinces (some are bronze medalists from provincials, others are 12th etc). Such a varying set of entry criteria is not valid for assigning outcomes for teams in subsequent years in their own districts and home provinces.

2) Presently, and in direct contrast to those found in Provincial Championships, the qualification process and roster complement for the Western Canadian Championships do not provide a valid test for assuring subsequent playing categories for ‘medaling’ teams.

Financial Implications:**WITHDRAWN****NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 26****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 3

Moved By:

Eric Kurpiela

Seconded By:

Karl Kurpiela

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 b) iv) a) – Page 51

WHEREAS;

The winning team, host team and any pro-rated team of a District (A, B, C Classification), will be permitted the addition of three (3) pick-ups from their own district to a full complement of 17 players of the same classification or lower classification within the teams own category, or one classification lower when proceeding to a Provincial Championship.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION:

The winning team, host team and any pro-rated team of a District (A, B, C Classification), will be permitted the addition of three (3) pick-ups from their own district or replacement players to a full complement of 15 players of the same classification or lower classification within the teams own category, or one classification lower when proceeding to a provincial Championship.

RATIONALE:

Teams use the 17 max players to pick up players to better themselves for Provincials but sit the players that got them there.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 27

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 8

Moved By:

Shawn Brayshaw

Seconded By:

Deb Vinters

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 b) iv) a) Page 51

WHEREAS;

The winning team, host team, and any pro-rated team of a District (A, B and C) will be permitted the addition of 3 pickups from their own District to a full complement of 17 players....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION: The winning team, host team and any pro-rated team of a District (A, B and C) will be permitted the addition of 3 pickups from their own District to a full complement of their original registered roster, i.e. the 3 pickups would be to replace injured players or players not being able to attend the Provincials.....

RATIONALE:

Provincials are becoming meaningless when teams pick up 2 or 3 key players which can change the complexion of the team completely. In many instances some coaches sit their regular players so the pickups can play instead. It is a practice that has gone on for a long time and it's time to change the practice for the better.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 28**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lavaughn Larson

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 a) viii) – Page 51

WHEREAS;

Currently it reads as follows:

‘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.’

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD PROVINCIAL MEDAL CLAUSE: 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.

RATIONALE:

The Provincial Championships are Softball BC’s premier event. Any team who medals in this event must move up a classification. A Western or Canadian Championship is a great achievement although every team attending picks up many players to help their Provincial team. If they then medal in Westerns or Nationals they must move to ‘A’ regardless if they advance a category or not. This is terribly unfair for a team which does not medal in Provincials after the medalists choose not to attend Westerns (which is a B event) or Canadians. The non-medal winners are then asked to attend since they submitted a Letter of Intent. They then go out and find numerous good players, get a favorable draw, play exceptionally well and then they medal. Now they must move to A regardless, thereby penalizing the team even though they medaled with players not on their Provincial roster and not on their following year’s roster. A Provincial medal should obligate a move up but not simply one medal from a Western without a Provincial medal. This is unfair to any B teams who have assembled a larger team and then happen to win after not medaling in their Provincials.

Financial Implications:**CARRIED****NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 29****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lavaughn Larson

REFERENCE:

Article 12.4 a) viii) Page 51

WHEREAS;

Currently it reads as follows:

‘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.’

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD PROVINCIAL MEDAL CLAUSE: 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.

RATIONALE:

The Provincial Championships are Softball BC’s premier event and any team who medals in this event must move up a classification. It is also then assumed a Western or National is a greater achievement although every team attending these pickup many players to help their Provincial team. If they then medal in Westerns or Nationals they must move to ‘A’ regardless if they advance a category or not. This is terribly unfair for a team which does not medal in Provincials but went only due to the medalists choosing not to attend Westerns (which is a B event) or Nationals. The non-medal winners are then asked to attend since they submitted their letter of intent. They then go out and find numerous good players, get a favorable draw, play exceptionally well and then they medal. Now they must move to A regardless, even though they medaled with players not on their Provincial roster. A Provincial medal should obligate a move up but not simply one medal from a Western without a Provincial medal.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 30****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:

Annex G – Page 53

WHEREAS;

Minor Pick Up Chart

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE in category

Move chart to Annex area at the back of Handbook. May have to renumber pages.

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 31

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Joni Frei

REFERENCE:

Article 12.5 b) – Page 53

WHEREAS;

A NCCP Softball Certified coach must be on the field.....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Change to read:

A NCCP Softball Competition-Introduction Certified coach must be on the field....

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 32

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Katrina Bull

Seconded By:

Al Beasley

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 – Page 53

WHEREAS;

Cross Boundary Permits – all cross boundary applications must be accompanied by a non-refundable \$50.00.....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE 12.6 Cross Boundary Permits in its entirety. Replace only with No Team in District permits – which will be re-applied for each year.

All current cross boundaries are honored and this new process will begin in 2016 with 2002 and under ages and advancing with them until all ages are covered.

‘A’ players continue to have open boundaries.

RATIONALE:

With so much movement out of District some B teams are getting so strong that nobody feels

they are able to compete so they stop trying to offer the skill level. With top players leaving their own District it is increasingly difficult to field teams that are able to compete outside their own area. This would force associations to plan earlier and offer growth in skills to their players as the parents will be more involved to make certain their child's level is developed to their potential. Having more 'local' teams will allow for better skills offerings and development.

Financial Implications:

The \$50 application fee introduced in 2015 would be gone expect for the No Team in District permits which still require the fee – on an annual basis.

MOTIONS 32-47 TABLED (ANN HOLMES/DAVE BREWER)

TO TABLE MOTIONS 32-47: CARRIED

MOTION TO LIFT MOTIONS 32-47 FROM TABLE (A. HOLMES/S. STRAFFORD)

CARRIED

MOTION NO. 32: WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 33

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 8

Moved By:

Shawn Brayshaw

Seconded By:

Deb Vinters

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 a) i) – Page 53

WHEREAS;

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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION: and U19C (girls only) – players in their final year of minor ball. (ie – turning 19 that calendar year)

RATIONALE:

The girls are now young adults, typically drive their own cars and should as adults be allowed to choose where they play as they can in Senior Fastpitch. We believe it will also encourage the young ladies to stay in the game and make a smooth transition to Senior ball. It will encourage the C division coaches to get more involved in recruiting the ladies to ensure they will register instead of coaches waiting to get their roster in April and having 17 players or 9 or not team. This could lead to abuse but the minor coordinator has the power to re-classify prior to June 1st.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 34**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 3

Moved By:

Eric Kurpiela

Seconded By:

Doug Robinson

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 b) Page 54

WHEREAS;

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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

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. If player returns to home district at all, their cross boundary is no longer valid.

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 35****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Hartford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 d) iv) Page 55

WHEREAS;

iv) if after receiving a Cross Boundary Permit to move out of District the desired team collapses or changes to a lower classification, 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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE – or changes to a lower classification.

RATIONALE:

This is covered in rule 12.6 i). To tidy up these two rules.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 36****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Harford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 d) iv) - Page 55

WHEREAS;

iv) If after receiving a Cross Boundary Permit to move out 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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**REVISION:**

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 will have to notify the cross boundary committee of these changes for the permits to be changed.

RATIONALE:

If previous motion passes this has to be done so the player has the proper cross boundary permit.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 37****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lara Winbow

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 Section e) Page 55

WHEREAS;

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION of Exception – Change to read:

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3). **EXCEPTION: The number of Cross Boundaries permitted for U16B Teams only, is unlimited.**

RATIONALE:

In order to help increase the number of players and teams at this level, eliminate cross boundaries for U16B teams to allow more teams to continue to be viable.

Financial Implications:

Potentially more player revenues

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 38

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 Section e) Page 55

Seconded By:

Lara Winbow

WHEREAS;

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION of Exception – Change to read:

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3). **EXCEPTION: The number of Cross Boundaries permitted for U16B Teams only, is changed to Five (5) per team.**

RATIONALE:

In order to help increase the number of players and teams at this level, an increase in cross boundaries per U16B team from three (3) currently to five (5) will allow more teams to continue to be viable.

Financial Implications:

Potentially more player revenues

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 39**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lara Winbow

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 Section e) Page 55

WHEREAS;

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION of Exception – Change to read:

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

EXCEPTION: The number of Cross Boundaries permitted for U16B Teams only, is changed to Four (4) per team.

RATIONALE:

In order to help increase the number of players and teams at this level, an increase in cross boundaries per U16B team from three (3) currently to four (4) will allow more teams to continue to be viable.

Financial Implications:

Potentially more player revenues

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 40

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lara Winbow

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 Section e) Page 55

WHEREAS;

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION of Exception – Change to read:

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3). **EXCEPTION: The number of Cross Boundaries permitted for U18B teams in unlimited.**

RATIONALE:

With the ongoing decline in registration numbers everywhere, particularly at the U18 midget age, it is becoming more difficult to keep teams together at the U18 age. In order to help increase the number of available players and therefore teams at this level, eliminate the need for cross boundaries at the U18B, this will greatly help allow more teams to continue to be viable.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 41

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lara Winbow

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 Section e) Page 55

WHEREAS;

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed

to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION of Exception – Change to read:

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

EXCEPTION: the number of Cross Boundaries permitted for U18B Teams, only, is changed to five (5) per team.

RATIONALE:

In order to help increase the number of players and teams at this level, an increase in cross boundaries per U18B team from three (3) currently to five (5) will allow more teams to continue to be viable.

Financial Implications:

Potentially more player revenues.

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 42

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lara Windbow

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 – Section e) – Page 55

WHEREAS;

e) Any team or association accepting registrations 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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the teams minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).'

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ:

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. Exception: Teams registered prior to 1999 and remaining intact until the conclusion of the team's minor registration. At no time will that team be allowed to register any additional Cross Boundary players unless the number drops below three (3).

EXCEPTION: THE NUMBER OF CROSS BOUNDARIES PERMITTED FOR U18B TEAMS, ONLY, IS CHANGED TO FOUR (4) PER TEAM.

RATIONALE:

In order to help increase the number of players and teams at this level, an increase in cross boundaries per U18B teams from three (3) currently to four (4) will allow more teams to continue to viable.

Financial Implications:

Potentially more player revenues.

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 43**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 3

Moved By:

Eric Kurpiela

Seconded By:

Doug Robinson

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 f) Page 55

WHEREAS;

With the exception of any post-season event which has been clearly and explicitly sanctioned by the Minor Director of Softball BC, players must not participate in any event on a team from outside the players 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 or practice, 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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

With the exception of any post-season event which has been clearly and explicitly sanctioned by the Minor Director of Softball BC. District's 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 14, 15, players must not participate in any event on a team from outside the players' 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 or practice, 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. Districts 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 player's may be allowed to be picked up by any team in BC for tournaments without a cross boundary and the pickup team and player will not be in trouble.

RATIONALE:

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 44**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Hartford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 f) – Page 55

WHEREAS;

f) With the exception of any post-season event which has been clearly and explicitly sanctioned by the Minor Director of Softball BC, players must not participate in any event on a team from outside the players 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 or practice, 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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Add *tournaments* after the word practice to read:

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, *tournaments* 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.

RATIONALE:

To clarify what is a game because there is some confusion on what this rule applies to.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 45****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

Board of Directors

Moved By:

Ann Holmes

Seconded By:

Lori Skinner

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 j) - Page 56

WHEREAS;

From September 1 to October 31, only.....with an out district team

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Change October 31st to December 31st

RATIONALE:

Players may then play/practice with the team for which they will be applying for a Cross Boundary Permit between the dates of January 1st and May 1st. After December 31st, they may only resume play with that out of district team upon approval of their Cross Boundary Permit application.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 46**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Tracey Oye

Seconded By:

Murray Spier

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 Cross Boundary Permits – Page 56

WHEREAS;

12.6 j) From September 1 to October 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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**REVISION:**

12.6 j) From September 1 to October 31, players may attend tryout/skills camps outside their district of residence. Any player selected to an out 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:

1. As we all know that this game is losing female players having them not be allowed to tryout where they want to play will cause more to leave.
2. We all need to look at the whole picture of the sport, not just our piece of the pie.
3. We have heard from players who have left the sport stating because of the cross boundary issue.

4. With the 2015 rule – a coach could offer a girl a position on their team knowing that the girls will NOT play on that team, now she has no option to play on another ‘B’ team. Plus a player could go to all her district tryouts and do poorly just not to be offered a position.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 47

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Harford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.6 j) Page 56

WHEREAS;

12.6 j) From September 1 to October 31, players may attend tryout/skills camps outside their district of residence. Any player selected to an out 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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD:

j) From September 1 to October 31, only players who do not have a team to play on in their home district are allowed to attend tryout/skills camps outside their district of residence without a Cross Boundary Permit in place. (The release form must be signed by all appropriate associations and minor coordinator). 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:

Just so everyone will know that a form has to be signed. This was used in 2015 tryouts.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 48

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Katrina Bull

Seconded By:

Al Beasley

REFERENCE:

Article 12.7 a) – Page 56

WHEREAS;

In order for a team to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship, the Softball BC Team Registration form must be sent to the District Coordinator post marked by the registration date.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ: In order for a team to be eligible to compete in a Provincial Championship, the Softball BC Team Registration must be uploaded and approved by the District Coordinator by the registration date.

RATIONALE:

We no longer use paper forms.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 49****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Rick Leche

Seconded By:

Greg Timm

REFERENCE:

Article 12.8 and Annexes A & B – Page 56

WHEREAS;

The draws for Minor Provincial Championships round robin and championship games are set out and specified in Annex A and B of the Special Operating Rules, and whereas Hosting Associations and Championship supervisors have in the past routinely ignored these annexes

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Article 12.8 ADD:

e) For all minor provincial championships the Annex A & B draws are to be followed as outlined. The only modifications may be made to accommodate Opening Ceremonies. Other modifications to the draw may be made in accordance with Article 16.

RATIONALE:**Financial Implications:**

WITHDRAWN**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 50****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 6

Moved By:

Roxy Abernethy

Seconded By:

Wendi Bordelay

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 Page 57

WHEREAS;

U14C Provincials have a 4 game round robin

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD

U14C – 3 game round robin

RATIONALE:

There is little time for opening and an event as required by the hosting agreement/contract

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 51

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 8

Moved By:

Shawn Brayshaw

Seconded By:

Deb Vinters

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 a) i) Page 57

WHEREAS;

All U18 'A' and U16 'A' games will have no time limits

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION:

All U18A, U16A, U19C, U18B, U16C and U16B to have no time limits

RATIONALE:

The delay in game tactics coaches have been refining for years has become an embarrassment to the game and to anyone who respects it. Catchers being subbed mid inning, subs done mid inning that could have been done at end of or beginning. Having the player stepping out of the box after every pitch and other time killing ploys. Let the kids play the game....all 7 innings of it.

Financial Implications:

AMENDMENT: (SHAWN BRAYSHAW/DEB VINTERS)

'ALL U18A, U16A, U18B, AND U16B TO HAVE NO TIME LIMITS' (REMOVE U19C AND U16C)

AMENDMENT: CARRIED

MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 52**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Lavaughn Larson

Seconded By:

Murray Spier

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 Section a) viii – Page 58

WHEREAS;

Provincial Championship games at the U12 level can run far too long, even with the current run as it is; and whereas the mercy rule was changed with the White Rock Renegades support as to how it is in the Softball BC handbook currently.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Rule 12.9 a) viii) be changed as follows:

The run rule at the U12 level for Provincial Championships be changed to read:

‘A ten (10) run rule will be in effect in both the Round Robin and Championship Draw Finals after 2 1/2, 3, 3 1/2, or 4 complete innings of play if there is a run difference of ten (10) or more runs.

RATIONALE:**Financial Implications:****AMENDMENT: (LAVAUGHN LARSON/MURRAY SPIER)**

‘THE RUN RULE AT U12A AND U12B LEVEL FOR PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS....’

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

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 53**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lavaughn Larson

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 Provincial Championship Format – paragraph b) – Page 57

WHEREAS;

U12A, U14A and all B categories are to have a limit of 1.5 hours with no new inning to start after 1.5 hours has expired.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD RUN LIMIT:

U12A, U14A and all B categories are to have a time limit of 1.5 hours with no new inning to start after 1.5 hours has expired. U12A to have a run limit of five (5) runs per inning.

RATIONALE:

There is an extreme disparity in skill level between 1st and 2nd year U12A Teams. In the Provincials there are no run limits. Typically you will have one half the attending teams 1st year the others 2nd. You then see many games with a 10 to 0 first inning score or higher and it then only continues to get more one sided until the run rule kicks in at 4.5 or 5 innings.

To help reduce the demoralization of the younger teams, as well as to help keep the games on schedule, we propose to initiate a maximum runs per inning rule of five (5). This will not change the outcome but only keep scores more respectful and help keep a Provincial on time.

Financial Implications:

MOTION NO. 53 TABLED (LAVAUGHN LARSON/MURRAY SPIER)

TO TABLE MOTION NO. 53: CARRIED

MOTION TO LIFT MOTION NO. 53 FROM THE TABLE (M. SPIER/L.LARSON)

CARRIED

AMENDMENT: (M.SPIER/L.LARSON)

‘U12A/B TO HAVE A RUN LIMIT OF FIVE RUNS PER INNING.’

AMENDMENT #2: (M. SPIER/L.LARSON)

REMOVE: ‘U12A, U14A, AND ALL B CATEGORIES ARE TO HAVE A TIME LIMIT OF 1.5 HOURS WITH NO NEW INNING TO START AFTER 1.5 HOURS HAS EXPIRED.’

AMENDMENT #3: (M.SPIER/L.LASON)

‘U12A AND U12B TO HAVE A 5 RUN LIMIT PER INNING FOR THE FIRST 3 INNINGS. THE 5 RUN RULE LIMIT SHALL BE SUSPENDED IN THE 4TH INNING.’

AMENDMENT #3: CARRIED

MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 54

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 8

Moved By:

Shawn Brayshaw

Seconded By:

Trevor Moreno

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 a) x) - Page 58

WHEREAS;

U12C (boys and girls), U14 (boys and girls), U16C (girls only), and U19C (girls only), all team 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.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

12.9 x) Modifications – U12C (boys and girls), U12A (girls only), U12B (girls only), U14C (boys and girls), U14B (girls only), U16C (girls only), U19C (girls only).

RATIONALE:

We believe that at the U12A, U12B and U14B that this younger age should still have maximum playing time. There is much evidence showing that this age needs to be actively involved in playing every game and are too young to understand their 'role' with the team. It will also ease the tensions between coaches and parents on playing time for the children.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 55**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Harford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 x) – Page 58

WHEREAS;

New

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD: page 59, 12.9 x) b) i) All players must play at least three complete defensive innings of a six or seven inning game. All players must play at least two complete defensive innings of a five inning game.

RATIONALE:

There is nothing to guarantee that the Coaches will play All players listed on the batting lineup equally in defensive positions. To ensure that teams that attend 'C' Provincials continue to Fair Play for ALL players.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 56**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Hartford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 x) (iv) - Page 59

WHEREAS;

Where a player has permanent medical issues or disabilities, which may cause intermittent inability to participate in their regular rotation, there will be no penalty and that player may be skipped in the batting lineup. Notification of the possibility of this must be made at the plate meeting.

(b) Unlimited and multiple defensive substitutions may be made at any time during the game and need not be announced to the umpire.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD: Where a player has permanent medical issues or disabilities, which may cause intermittent inability to participate in their regular rotation, there will be no penalty and that player may be skipped in the batting lineup. Unlimited substitutions may be made if the player bats and requires a substitute runner. If the player is removed from the batting lineup the player may not return to the batting lineup; the player may continue to play defense if removed from the batting lineup; Notification of the possibility of this must be made at the Coaches meeting and at the plate meeting.

RATIONALE:

Suggested change so as to allow a player with a permanent medical issue to play defense and either allow a substitute runner or the player to be removed from the batting order without penalty and play defense.

Financial Implications:**AMENDMENT (Chris Young/Stefanie Caplette)****‘Medical Certificate is required to outline permanent medical condition.’****AMENDMENT: CARRIED****MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED**

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 57**CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

District 7

Moved By:

Murray Spier

Seconded By:

Lavaughn Larson

REFERENCE:

Article 12.9 x) d) b) – PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT – Minor Provincial, Knockout Championship Draw, Page 59

WHEREAS;

Article 12.9 PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP FORMT – Minor Provincial, paragraph b) Knockout Championship Draw, Page 59 of the Handbook. Currently the draw reads as follows: If the Championship started with 12 or more the top 8 teams advance to the Knockout Championship Draw Final as per Annex 'B' Knockout Championship Draw. Games 1 to 4 must be completed Saturday night. If these games cannot be completed the format will be a single knockout starting Sunday morning.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ: If the Championship started with 12 or more the top 8 teams advance to the Knockout Championship Draw Final as per Annex 'B' Knockout Championship Draw. Games 1 to 4 must be completed Saturday night. If these 4 games cannot be completed the format will be a single knockout starting Sunday morning.

ADD: If 2 or more rounds (the same number of games for each team) is complete the top 8 teams will then play a single round playoff based upon their standings. If teams are tied in points, run differential and bases touched if a head to head game was played it will determine standings or if no head to head game played a coin flip will break the tie.

RATIONALE:

The current rule says if only 2 full rounds are complete then only the undefeated teams play for 1st place. This is unfair to the other teams who may have had a more difficult draw or have tied game and not lost yet. When the Provincial Championship first round of knockout draw games cannot be completed on Saturday, the event goes to a single knockout for only the undefeated teams. These terribly unfair to any other teams who may have had one loss.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED**NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 58****CATEGORY: MINOR****Submitted by:**

Board of Directors

Moved By:

Ann Holmes

Seconded By:

Lori Skinner

REFERENCE:

Article 12.10 – U12 Girls Regional Championship Format - Page 61

WHEREAS;

The U12 Girls Regional Championship as outlined in Article 17.1

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD:

12.10 U12 Girls and U12 Boys Regional Championship

RATIONALE:

U12 Boys' teams have not been attending their Provincial Championship - this would mean less travel and more participation at a regional level.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 59

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

Board of Directors

Moved By:

Ann Holmes

Seconded By:

Lori Skinner

REFERENCE:

Article 12.10 – Girls Regional Championship Format b) Modified Playing Rules - Page 61

WHEREAS;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD:

All games are to have a limit of 1 ½ hours, with no new inning to start after 1 ½ hours has expired.

RATIONALE:

Time limit should be listed in the Modified Playing Rules

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 60

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Ann Holmes

REFERENCE:

Article 12.10 b) 2 - Page 61

WHEREAS;

5 Run Limit Per Inning all new innings after 3 complete innings will have the 3 run rule suspended.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ:

5 run limit per inning.....starting in the 4th inning, the run rule is suspended.

RATIONALE:

To make rule clearer

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 61

CATEGORY: MINOR

Submitted by:

District 14

Moved By:

Chris Young

Seconded By:

Rob Hartford

REFERENCE:

Article 12.10 b) 10 - Page 62

WHEREAS;

None

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD new number b) 10

All games, including finals, will have a limit of no new inning after 1 1/2 hours.

RATIONALE:

Some confusion of the minor format.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 62

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 6

Moved By:

Suzy Parker

Seconded By:

Rob Upton

REFERENCE:

Article 14.1 – Senior Fastpitch d) – Page 65

WHEREAS;

The SR 'A' Open Provincial has been eliminated

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Article 14.1 d) Be DELETED in its entirety

RATIONALE:

Financial Implications:

MOTION NO. 62 TO BE TABLED UNTIL AFTER MOTION NO. 63 (Suzy Parker/Derek Hipwell)

TO TABLE MOTION NO. 62: CARRIED

MOTION TO LIFT MOTION NO. 62 FROM THE TABLE (SUZY PARKER/SUSAN STAFFORD)

TO LIFT MOTION FROM TABLE: CARRIED

MOTION AS PRESENTED: CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 63

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 6

Moved By:

Suzy Parker

Seconded By:

Rob Upton

REFERENCE:

Article 14.1 – Senior ‘A’ (Open Prov.) – Page 65

WHEREAS;

The Senior ‘A’ open provincial was opened to allow teams that wish to compete in the A division (with letter of intent) the opportunity to compete at the A level.

And whereas; there are more teams now entering the Senior A provincial based on the provincial location rather than the fact they would like to compete at the A level

Therefore; other provincials are being cancelled which then eliminates teams wishing to enter provincials in their correct category.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Article 14.1 Senior ‘A’ (Open Prov) have the words (Open Prov) DELETED

RATIONALE:

Teams are choosing to enter provincials based on location, instead of entering the provincials they should be attending based on the category they have registered as an therefore certain provincials are cancelled due to low enrollment.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 64

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:
District 1

Moved By:
Lori Skinner

Seconded By:
Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:
Annex H – Page 67

WHEREAS;
SENIOR PICK UP CHART

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
Move to back of Handbook

RATIONALE:
Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 65

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:
District 1

Moved By:
Lori Skinner

Seconded By:
Ann Holmes

REFERENCE:
Article 14.3 – c) viii – Page 68

WHEREAS;
Only U18 2nd and 3rd year aged players

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
DELETE – and 3rd

RATIONALE:
Housekeeping – U18 only 2 years now.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 66

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:
District 1

Moved By:
Lori Skinner

Seconded By:
Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:
Article 14.3 e) Page 68

WHEREAS;
Pickups must have written.....Pickups shall only be available from rosters of teams....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
DELETE – Pickups shall only be available.....when the offense is brought formerly to the attention of the Senior Director.

RATIONALE:
Article 14.3 c) ix states a Senior Fastpitch player can be picked up by a higher classified team....
Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 67

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:
District 1

Moved By:
Lori Skinner

Seconded By:
Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:
Article 14.3 e) Page 68

WHEREAS;
Pickups must have written.....Pickups shall only be available from rosters of teams which have not....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:
DELETE – Pickups shall only be available from rosters of teams which have not and will not participate in the Provincial Championship in the current year, regardless of whether or not that individual player actually played or will play. Any player who plays as a pickup in a Provincial shall be....

RATIONALE:
14.3 c) ix states a senior fastpitch player can be picked up by a higher classification

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 68

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Joni Frei

REFERENCE;

Article 14.4 a) i – Page 68

WHEREAS;

Provincial Championships leading to a Canadian Championship: NCCP Introduction to Competition Trained

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ:

:NCCP Softball Competition Introduction Certified

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 69

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Joni Frei

REFERENCE:

Article 14.4 a) ii – Page 69

WHEREAS;

Provincial Championships leading to a Western Canadian Championship: Introduction to Competition in Training....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ:

:NCCP Softball Competition Introduction Trained

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping

Financial Implications:

**AMENDMENT: (LORI SKINNER/BARB MCCRACKEN)
'NCCP Softball Competition Introduction CERTIFIED'**

AMENDMENT: CARRIED

MOTION AS AMENDED: CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 70

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Rob Upton

Seconded By:

Tracey Oye

REFERENCE:

Article 14 – Senior Fastpitch – 14.5 Team roster & Player Eligibility (f) Page 69

WHEREAS;

(f) When players from teams placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in a Provincial Championship in the previous year and having eight (8) or more players returning to the team, will move up one classification. The definition of eight (8) or more returning players shall include all players registered on the team and any pickups by the team at the previous Provincial Championship.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE:

(f) When players from teams placing 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in a Provincial Championship in the previous year and having eight (8) or more players returning to the team, will move up one classification. The definition of eight (8) or more returning players shall include all players registered on the team and any pickups by the team at the previous Provincial Championship.

RATIONALE:

1. Some Provincials have very few teams competing and with some teams picking up a pitcher or stronger player for the championship, they tend to have a better chance at coming third.
2. Sometimes these teams that place 4th have picked up players and do not have them for the coming season as they are committed to another team.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 71

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Ann Holmes

REFERENCE:

Article 14.6 e) Page 71

WHEREAS;

Every team participating in a Provincial Championship shall submit the 'pink' copy

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

CHANGE TO READ:

Every team participating in a Provincial Championship shall submit a copy of the Softball BC roster form....

RATIONALE:

Housekeeping – no more pink copy

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 72

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Rob Upton

Seconded By:

Lavaughn Larson

REFERENCE:

Article 14.7 – Provincial Championship Draw – Page 73

WHEREAS;

14.7 vii) in the event the game is tied at the end of seven (7) innings or after 4 ½ - 5 complete innings and the time is up, the tie shall be broken by extra innings. (International Tie Breaker is not to be used).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE the word 'not'

14.7 vii) In the event the game is tied at the end of seven (7) innings or after 4 ½ - 5 complete innings and the time is up, the tie shall be broken by extra innings. (International Tie Breaker is to be used).

RATIONALE:

In some cases these tied games go on for a long period of time – some cases several more innings which cause backups in several games following the tied game. This causes issues with game management, volunteers, fields etc.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 73

CATEGORY: SENIOR

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Craig Millham

Seconded By:

Tracey Oye

REFERENCE:

Article 14.7 – Provincial Championship Draw – Page 73

WHEREAS;

14.7 vii) in the event the game is tied at the end of seven (7) innings or after 4 1/2 - 5 complete innings and the time is up, the tie shall be broken by extra innings. (International Tie Breaker is not to be used).

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION:

14.7 vii) in the event the game is tied at the end of seven (7) innings or after 4 1/5 – 5 completes innings and the time is up, the tie shall stand.

RATIONALE:

In some cases these tied games go on for a long period of time – some cases several more innings which cause backups in several games following the tied game. This causes issues with game management, volunteers, fields etc.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 74

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

Board of Directors

Moved By:

David Brewer

Seconded By:

Aaron Poulin

REFERENCE:

Article 16.2 Page 87

WHEREAS;

16.2 All Provincial Championship Entry Fees: Effective for the 2015 playing season:

Senior Women FP - \$370.00 / Minor \$290.00 *Girls U12B, U14B, U14C \$315.00 / Senior Men FP \$220.00 / Mixed Ortho \$320.00

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION:

16.2 All Provincial Championship Entry Fees: Effective for the 2015 playing season:

Senior Women FP - \$420.00 / Minor \$290.00 *Girls U12B, U14B, U14C \$315.00 / Senior Men FP \$270.00 / Mixed Ortho \$370.00

RATIONALE:

The increase in umpire's fees for provincial championships requires a corresponding increase in the entry fees charged to teams to enter the Provincial Championship.

Financial Implications:

Teams entering the provincial championship will need to pay a higher entry fee.

MOTION TO TABLE MOTION NO. 74 UNTIL AFTER MOTION NO. 79 (D. BREWER/M. BODNARCHUK)

TO TABLE MOTION NO. 74: CARRIED

MOTION TO LIFT MOTION NO. 74 FROM THE TABLE (D. BREWER/L. KUNZ)

CARRIED

**AMENDMENT: (D. BREWER/M. BODNARCHUK)
'EFFECTIVE FOR THE 2016 PLAYING SEASON'**

AMENDMENT: CARRIED

AMENDED MOTION: CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 75

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

Board of Directors

Moved By:

David Brewer

Seconded By:

Aaron Poulin

REFERENCE:

Article 16.2 e) – Page 87

WHEREAS;

16.2 e) Provincial entry fees for Senior Fastpitch will have \$150.00 per team allocated to the host association to cover the cost of officials.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION:

16.2 e) Provincial entry fees for Senior Fastpitch will have \$200.00 per team allocated to the host association to cover the cost of officials.

RATIONALE:

The increase in umpire fees for provincial championships requires a corresponding increase in the fees allocated to the host association.

Financial Implications:

The increase will help the host to cover the increased cost for umpires

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 76

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Ann Holmes

REFERENCE:

Article 16.2 g) Page 88

WHEREAS;

All teams must submit an entry fee.....

All entry fees for minor categories are to be submitted to the Softball Office.....

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD: Entry fees will not be accepted at the Provincials Coaches Meeting.

RATIONALE:

Fees must be paid on time.

Financial Implications:

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 77

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

Board of Directors

Moved By:

David Brewer

Seconded By:

Aaron Poulin

REFERENCE:

Article 16.9 f) (i) Page 93

WHEREAS;

Senior 'A' Fastpitch is \$28.00 per game per umpire.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION: Senior 'A' Fastpitch is \$35.00 per game per umpire.

RATIONALE:

Umpires at Senior Championships have not had a fee increase in a number of years. It is getting more difficult to get umpires to work the championships as they can get the higher fee at local tournaments. The increase in fees should encourage more umpires to work the championships.

Financial Implications:

That the registration fees charged to attend a provincial championship will need to be raised.

AMENDMENT: (S. PAKER/A. BEASLEY)

SENIOR 'A' FASTPITCH IS \$30.00 PER GAME PER UMPIRE

AMENDMENT: DEFEATED

ORIGINAL MOTION: CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 78

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

Board of Directors

Moved By:

David Brewer

Seconded By:

Aaron Poulin

REFERENCE:

Article 16.9 f) ii) – Page 93

WHEREAS;

Senior Fastpitch – other is \$28.00 per game per umpire, 3 umpires in the final.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION: Senior Fastpitch – other is \$35.00 per game per umpire, 3 umpires in the final.

RATIONALE:

Umpires at Senior Championships have not had a fee increase in a number of years. It is getting more difficult to get umpires to work the championships as they can get the higher fee at local tournaments. The increase in fees should encourage more umpires to work the championships.

Financial Implications:

That the registration fees charged to attend provincial championships will need to be raised.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 79

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

Board of Directors

Moved By:

David Brewer

Seconded By:

Aaron Poulin

REFERENCE:

Article 16.9 f) iii) – Page 94

WHEREAS;

Senior Slo-Pitch is \$28.00 per game per umpire, minimum 2 umpires used for all Elimination Games.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

REVISION: Senior Slo-Pitch is \$35.00 per game per umpire, minimum 2 umpires used for all Elimination games.

RATIONALE:

Umpires at Senior Championships have not had a fee increase in a number of years. It is getting more difficult to get umpires to work the championships as they can get the higher fee at local tournaments. The increase in fees should encourage more umpires to work the championships

Financial Implications:

That the registration fees charged to attend a provincial championship will need to be raised.

CARRIED

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 80

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Rob Upton

Seconded By:

Brenda Reilander

REFERENCE:

Article 17 – Provincial Championship Bids – Page 96

WHEREAS;

17.5 (a) Minor Category Provincial ‘A’ tournaments will begin on the third weekend after the long weekend in July.

b) Minor Category Provincials ‘B’ tournaments will be held on the second weekend after the long weekend in July.

c) Minor category Provincials ‘C’ tournaments will be held on the first weekend after the long weekend in July.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADDITION:

(d) Senior Provincial Tournaments will be held after the minor Provincial dates.

RATIONALE:

With so many teams being coached by active senior players/coaches, hosting a Senior Provincial on the same date as a minor causes these senior players/coaches to choose whether to play or coach. In some cases, the decision could cause a senior team to not participate in a Provincial or have a minor team not have a head coach.

The softball community is also having trouble finding coaches for some teams and we are trying to get more senior players/coaches more involved in the minor division in order to keep kids playing. If these senior players/coaches have to make a choice – some will choose not coaching.

Some senior teams have 1/2 their team of women coaching at the minor level.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 81

CATEGORY: Provincials

Submitted by:

District 7

Moved By:

Rob Upton

Seconded By:

Lavaughn Larson

REFERENCE:

Article 17 – 17.10 – page 96

WHEREAS;

17.10 U12 Rep boys and U14 Rep Boys will be played on the ‘B’ weekend at the same venue. This will be in effect until the year following a combined registration of 25 teams is achieved.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE: 17.10 remove completely

RATIONALE:

There is no ‘rep’ at the U12 Boys level – boys provincials are held U12 & U16 same weekend and U14 & U18/U19 same weekend.

Financial Implications:

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 82

CATEGORY: BOTH MR & SR

Submitted by:

District 5

Moved By:

Zeone Andrijaszyn

Seconded By:

Ann Holmes

REFERENCE:

Article 18.4 – Western/Canadian Bids - Page 97

WHEREAS;

Softball BC will, upon receipt of a financial statement from the host, supply a maximum of \$2,500.00, should the host report a loss. The grant will be prorated based on the amount of loss, as determined by the Softball BC Director.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE 18.4 in its entirety

RATIONALE:

As Softball BC does not benefit financially from any profits a host may realize from hosting a Western or Canadian, Softball BC should not be responsible for any financial losses.

Financial Implications:

Potential saving of up to \$2,500 per Western/Canadian

WITHDRAWN

NOTICE OF MOTION NO. 83

CATEGORY: BOTH MR & SR

Submitted by:

District 1

Moved By:

Lori Skinner

Seconded By:

Susan Strafford

REFERENCE:

Article 19.1 to 19.3 – Page 97 and Page 98

WHEREAS;

Protests – Non Provincial Championships

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

DELETE 19.1 to 19.3

CHANGE :

19.4 to 19.1

19.5 to 19.2

19.6 to 19.3

RATIONALE:

Duplicate of the Softball Canada Rule Book

Financial Implications:

DEFEATED

NEW BUSINESS

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS OF THE MEMBERS (C. Kreiger/B. Joe)

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:

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.

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

MOTIONS FROM THE FLOOR
Voting Strength: 71

Notice of Motion No. 84

‘to bring motion to the floor’

CARRIED

Moved by: Ann Holmes

Seconded by: Joni Frei

REFERENCE:

Page 53, Article 12.6 Cross Boundary Permits

WHEREAS;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Article 12.6 be deleted in its entirety

RATIONALE:

Players should be able to choose where they wish to play. This will eliminate need for Cross Boundary Permits

CARRIED

SOFTBALL CANADA

Notice of Motion No. 85

Submitted by: Softball BC

REFERENCE: SOR Fastpitch Part Four – Canadian Fast Pitch Championships, Article 1.1, Page 252

WHEREAS;

a) Softball Canada will organize and supervise Canadian Championships in categories determined by the Annual General Meeting provided that...

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

ADD

D) Softball Canada be required to notify the Province/Territory 10-12 months in advance of the Championships of the number of teams from each P/T that will be allowed to participate in each respective Canadian Championship.

RATIONALE:

This is to allow more teams time to prepare, fundraise, etc. This was the concept of the Open Championship – to allow and promote as many high caliber teams as possible the pathway to participate in our nation’s most prestigious championship tournament.

It is a goal to allow teams time to prepare, fundraise, etc as far in advance as possible of a Canadian Championship.

CARRIED by SOFTBALL BC MEMBERS

Motion will be presented at the Softball Canada AGM November 14, 2015

Notice of Motion No. 86

Submitted by: Softball BC

REFERENCE: Part Four, Canadian Fast Pitch Championships, Article 1.3, Page 252

WHEREAS;

- a) Team Representation
 - i) The U18 Boys and Girls...

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Delete U18 Boys and Girls

RATIONALE:

It is an increasingly expensive proposition for teams from the diverse Provinces and Territories of our Nation to plan, travel and compete in Canadian Championships; and whereas Softball Canada has endorsed the concept of Open participation in such Championships.

Softball Canada adopt the current U14, U16 5 day Canadian Championship format in the U 18 Category as well. The method of pre-seeding teams into Championship pools should be common in each of the U14, u16 and U18 categories.

CARRIED by SOFTBALL BC MEMBERS

Motion will be presented at the Softball Canada AGM November 14, 2015

Notice of Motion No. 87

Submitted by: Softball BC

REFERENCE: Part Four, Canadian Fast Pitch Championships, Article 1.3 Page 252

WHEREAS;

- a) Team Representation

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Addition

vi) A 5 –day open U18 Boys and Girls Championship with the number of teams being determined by the host venue availability

RATIONALE:

It is an increasingly expensive proposition for teams from the diverse Provinces and Territories of our Nation to plan, travel and compete in Canadian Championships; and whereas Softball Canada has endorsed the concept of Open participation in such Championships.

Softball Canada adopt the current U14, U16 5 day Canadian Championship format in the U 18 Category as well. The method of pre-seeding teams into Championship pools should be common in each of the U14, u16 and U18 categories.

CARRIED by SOFTBALL BC MEMBERS

Motion will be presented at the Softball Canada AGM November 14, 2015

ELECTIONS FOR EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF SOFTBALL BC

POSITION: 1st Vice-President

In Nomination: Jeannie Connors

ELECTED: Jeannie Connors – by acclamation

POSITION: VP, Finance

In Nomination: Zeone Andrijaszyn

ELECTED: Zeone Andrijaszyn – by acclamation

POSITION: Provincial Umpire-in-Chief

In Nomination: David Brewer

ELECTED: David Brewer – by acclamation

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE 2015 INDIVIDUAL MEETINGS

MINOR:

1. Annex 'A' page 113-115 – remove times
2. That Softball BC endorses and supports the open concept for Canadian Championships.
3. Committee struck to investigate and recommend the physical/geographical northern border for District 1 and Southern Border for District 2 to be established.
4. Put resources into marketing program to potential members.
5. Add birth years to Age Chart on Page 6
6. Contact list of coordinators to be put back into printed version of the Softball BC Handbook.

7. Softball BC changes District and Provincial oversight structure so that all Supervisors have a central authority to call with rule questions, interpretations, and final authority.
8. The Softball BC Office be open during hours more in line with the hours of the sport. Because our sport is largely volunteer supported, it seems to be a necessary adjustment that Softball BC is open until 9:00 pm during Softball season, April 1 through August 31. This would allow better communication with membership, faster and more concise response to volunteers.

SENIOR:

1. Motion No. 21 to include Seniors
2. SportSavvy to flag duplicated registrations so they can be identified and investigated.
3. Back to Minor/Senior Meeting before Sunday morning of the AGM.
4. Senior Coordinators be informed of minor teams/players advancing into Senior Program.
5. Office to identify all graduating players and to notify them of senior teams and copy the coordinators.
6. Market survey for player's season and their feedback on their experience.

UMPIRES:

1. That as we are hosting the Blue Convention that a Leadership Meeting not be held in 2016.
2. Umpire Application process for Canadian Championships, Western Canadian Championships, BC Summer Games to have deadline moved from January 31st to January 15th
3. Softball BC Umpires attending the Blue Convention will not be required to attend a clinic in 2016.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

SOFTBALL BC 2015 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AWARD RECIPIENTS

Awards handed out during the Annual General Meeting were:

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

Stefanie Caplette, District 12
Derek Hipwell District 10
Bill Yerdon, District 6