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## UPDATED CHANGES REGARDING THE 2020 SOFTBALL MANITOBA BY-LAWS.

### ❖ DIVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 2 Section 2.03 Divisional Membership – b Divisions.

#### CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

##### 2.03 Divisional Membership

- a. Divisions recognized at the Softball Manitoba Annual General Meeting shall be participants of the Association. Each Division shall be responsible for the operation of their specific area of jurisdiction within the guidelines of the Association including the power to pass, amend, and repeal applicable General Operating Rules and applicable Divisional Operating Rules.
- b. **The Divisions are:**  
Minors                      **Adult**                      Officials

### ❖ MEMBERSHIP VOTING STRUCTURE:

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 2 Section 2.03 Divisional Membership – c. Membership Voting Structure.

#### CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

- c. Membership Voting Structure – The voting members for each Division at the Annual General Meeting and any Special General Meeting of the Association will be as follows:  
There will be a total of **28** voters for all association general and special meetings. Any life members eligible to vote will be in addition to the **28** voters.

#### The votes shall be allocated as follows:

1. President
- 2 Minor Director
- 3 Minor Director
- 4 Minor Director
- 5 Minor Director
- 6 Minor Advisory Board Representative
- 7 Adult Director**
- 8 Adult Director**
- 9 Adult Advisory Board FP Representative
- 10 Adult Advisory Board SP Representative
- 11 Provincial Umpire in Chief
- 12 Officials Representative (Rural)
- 13 Officials Representative (Urban)
- 14 Officials Advisory Representative
- 15 -22 Minor Members at Large – (4/4 Urban/Rural Split)
- 23-26 Adult Members at Large – (2/2 Fastpitch/Slo-Pitch Split)
- 27-28 Officials Members at Large (1/1 Urban/Rural Split)

❖ **ADULT DIRECTOR – TERM**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 3 Section 2.03 Divisional Membership – d  
**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

d. The procedure for election/voting within each Division will be as follows:

(1) Adult Softball

This Division includes all Adult Fast Pitch and Slo-Pitch categories. The Adult Directors and all Adult leagues affiliated with the Association shall meet (Adult AGM) and each league shall have one (1) vote to elect each of **two (2)** Adult Directors. **One Director will be elected yearly for a 2-year term** to serve on the Board of Directors.

.....continue on as written – (2) Officials .....

❖ **REMOVING PAST PRESIDENT / ADDING PUIC TO THE BOARD.**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 5 Section 5.01 Directors and Officers  
**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

5.01 The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Executive Director (non-voting), four (4) Directors from the Minors, two that have two-year terms (Rural & Urban) and two with a one-year term (Rural & Urban), **two (2) Directors from Adult with alternate 2 year terms and the existing Provincial Umpire in Chief.**

No organization will be represented by more than 1 member on the Softball Manitoba Board of Directors. An organization for the purpose of this regulation will be a community club, or an 'A' organization of affiliated teams. A league is not an organization. A person will be considered to be a participant of an organization if in the year prior to their nomination to the Board they were a) a player, b) the parent of a minor player c) a coach or d) an administrator within the organization. If a person is considered a participant of more than 1 organization (ie a parent with players in two separate 'A' programs, or a coach at a community club who is also a parent of an 'A' club player etc.) the person will be deemed to represent both at the Board and the two organizations involved will not be eligible to put forward any further representatives to the Board.

❖ **REMOVING PAST PRESIDENT'S VOTE AT THE AGM.**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 6 Section 5.07 Directors and Officers (d)  
**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

5.07 d. Those members having the right to vote at the Annual General Meeting for President will be as follows:

1. The current President;
2. The current Board of Directors;
3. Other Divisional Voting Members (as per section 2.03 (c));
4. Advisory Committee Members.
5. Life Members.

❖ **REMOVING PAST PRESIDENT FROM INTERIM PRESIDENT MEETING ROLE**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 6 Section 5.07 - Directors and Officers (f)  
**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

f. If the President is unable to fulfill the term of office, the Vice- President shall immediately assume the duties of the President until such time an Advisory Board Member can convene a meeting of the Board to elect an Interim President. The Interim President will serve until the next Annual General Meeting.

❖ **REMOVING PAST PRESIDENT FROM DETERMINING INTERIM PRESIDENT ROLE**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 6 Section 5.07 - Directors and Officers (g)

**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

5.07

g. An Advisory Board Member, unless up for election shall preside at this special meeting of the Board to decide upon an interim President and shall break a tie if necessary.

❖ **REMOVING PAST PRESIDENT FROM QUORUM**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 7 Section 6.04 - Proceedings of the Directors

**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

6.04 The quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board shall be **four (4)** directors or such greater number as the Board may from time to time determine. The President (or Chair) shall not be included for purposes of establishing this quorum (voting is as per 4.04). Any Director who misses two (2) Board meetings (33%) may be removed as a Director for the remainder of their term (at the discretion of the Executive) – Effective Immediately.

❖ **REMOVING PAST PRESIDENT FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 7 Section 7.03 – Board Committees d. Executive Committee

**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

7.03

d. The Executive Committee shall consist of:

(a) President

(b) Adult Division Chair

(c) Minor Division Chair

(d) Executive Director (non-voting)

❖ **REMOVING THE DUTIES OF THE PAST PRESIDENT**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 8 Section 8.02 – Duties of Officers Past President

**REMOVE ALL OF 8.02.**

**RENUMBER ACCORDINGLY.**

❖ **UPDATING/COMBINING FASTPITCH & SLO-PITCH TO READ ADULT.**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 8 Section 8.05 & 8.06 – Duties of Officers Adult Division

REMOVE: Section 8.05– Fast Pitch Directors..... AND 8.06 – Slo-Pitch Directors .....

**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

8.04 The **Adult Division** Directors shall promote and direct the game of softball in the Adult Division, abiding by the Constitution and the Rules and Regulations of Softball Manitoba. They shall oversee Provincial Championships and sanctioned tournaments in this Division.

**RENUMBER ACCORDINGLY.**

❖ **JBSC SIGNING AUTHORITIES.**

**Reference:** Handbook – By-Laws Page 8 Section 8.09 – Duties of Officers

**CHANGE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:**

8.07 The President, Executive Director and Operations Manager will be signing authorities for John Blumberg Softball Complex. All cheques must bear the signatures of two signing authorities.