



# Special Meeting of the Members Monday, March 18th via Zoom: 7:00pm

#### **Voting Members**

1.	Scott Willis (Tie Only)		
2.	Dan Mersereau		
3.	Ron Campbell		
4.	Stacy Blois		
5.	Charlie Chiasson		
6.	Gracelyn Kaine		
7.	France Bourque		
8.	Paul Bedford		
9.	Craig Clarkson		
10.	Matt Whipple		
11.	Darleen Sobey		
12.	Ransen Harris		
13.	Blake Lynch		

14. Justin Walls

15. Jamie Kenney
16. Gail Beach
17. Scott Moffat
18. lan Flanagan
19. Hannah Walker
20. Jaclyn Lo
21. Amanda Doherty
22. Shawn Titus
23. Chelsea Craig
24. Marcus Peck
25. Jim Comeau
26. Allan Hilchie
27. Victor Bastarache
28. Dan Desjardin
29. Patrick Thibault

	30.	Michael Caissie	
	31.	<b>Bobby Despres</b>	
	32.	Alex Harding	
	33.	Peter Mersereau	
Non Voting Observers			
	1.	Tim LeBlanc	
	2.	Tim McCarthy	
	3.	Adolphe Hachey	
	4.	Amy Maloney	
	5.	Mike McKenzie	
	6.	Kerry LavioletteRowe	
	7.	Veronique LeBlanc	
	8.	Karen Parker	
	9.	Cameron Rogers	
	10.	Hillary Pineau	

#### 1. Presidents Welcome

- a. Scott Willis (President) welcomed all members for joining the special meeting
- b. Land Acknowledgement
  - i. Dan Mersereau (Vice President) read the land acknowledgement
    - Softball New Brunswick's office is located on the traditional unceded territories of the Wolastoqiyik, Mi'kmaq, and Peskotomuhkati Nations. We honour the traditional lands and homelands of all indigenous peoples and communities across Canada, including First Nations, Inuit, Métis living both on and off reserve, in rural and urban communities.
- c. AGM Rule and Procedures were reviewed.
  - Scott Willis reminded everyone that a simple majority of fifty percent, plus one
    of the votes cast is required to approve all motions.
    - 1. Unless otherwise stated
- d. Hillary Pineau did a streamlined roll call of voting members who have registered.
  - i. 32 voting members
  - ii. 8 Non-Voting Observers
  - iii. 2 Non-Voting staff members were reported.

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- 1. Quorum has been established.
- e. Meeting called to order at 7:15pm by President Scott Willis

#### 2. Notice of Motion

- a. One (1) notice of motion was submitted by Softball New Brunswick Board of Directors, and circulated to members in advance of the Special Meeting of the Members.
- Softball New Brunswick presented the notice of motion (listed below) as well as
  provided supplementary rationale for the proposed changes. There was discussion and
  questions posed by the members, which were addressed by the President, Executive
  Director, and Technical Director)
- c. Matt Whipple left the meeting at 7:39pm. Meeting down to 31 voting members.
- d. Ron Campbell left the meeting at 7:59pm. Meeting down to 30 voting members

#### **NOTICE OF MOTIONS**

**Submitted By:** Softball New Brunswick Board of Directors

Moved By: Dan Mersereau Seconded By: Gracelyn Kaine

**REFERENCE:** (Section, Article, Number, Page, etc.)

Bylaws: Article #2 - Corporate Affairs, Article #3 - Board Responsibilities, Article #4 - Regional

Associations

WHEREAS: (Article as currently written)

**Current Structure:** 

- 1. President
- 2. Vice President
- 3. Umpire in Chief
- 4. Timbits Coordinator Vacant
- 5. Slopitch Coordinator Vacant
- 6. Adult Coordinator
- 7. Minor Male Coordinator
- 8. Minor Female Coordinator
- 9. Region 1 Director
- 10. Region 2 Director Vacant
- 11. Region 3 Director
- 12. Region 4 Director
- 13. Region 5 Director

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- 14. Region 6 Director
- 15. Region 7 Director Vacant
- 16. Region 8 Director Vacant
- 17. Coaching Coordinator Collapsed (As per 2021 AGM Full time TD hired)
- 18. Treasurer Non Voting

BE IT RESOLVED: (Motion - State if New Addition, Revision, Deletion)

#### **Proposed Structure:**

- 1. President
- 2. Vice President
- 3. Umpire in Chief
- 4. Adult Coordinator
- 5. Grassroots Coordinator (Combination of Minor Female, Male and Timbits Coordinators)
- 6. High Performance Coordinator (Combination of Minor Female, Male and Timbits Coordinators)
- 7. Human Resource Coordinator (New)
- 8. North West Director (Combination of former Regions 1, 2 and 8)
- 9. North East Director (Combination of former Regions 6,7 and 8)
- 10. Capital Director (Combination of former Regions 2 & 3)
- 11. Fundy Director (Region 4)
- 12. South East Director (Combination of former Regions 5 and 6)
- 13. Treasurer Non Voting
- \* Please note that the writing above in red text is not to be included in the bylaws, but is purely for transparency and additional clarity of the changes from the old structure to the new structure

Board of Directors Roles & Responsibilities

#### **RATIONALE:**

Softball New Brunswick has done an analysis over the past 5 years of the current structure of the Board of Directors. Considering factors such as # of full time staff in place, other provincial softball organizations, comparable sport organizations board sizes in NB, and changes in the way the organization has done business in the last 5-7 years. We feel a smaller Board is more efficient, will have less vacancies, etc. We believe we have created a model that better reflects the needs of the organization in the modern era as well as created positions (and associated roles and responsibilities) that cover all facets of the membership we serve.

By proposing this motion during a Special Meeting of the Members, if approved it will allow Softball NB to then advertise for the proper positions to be up for elections as of the AGM in April. If the motion is approved, the new Board structure will take effect as of April 20th, 2024 (Day of AGM)



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**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS** (Softball Canada, Softball New Brunswick, Club, Individual, etc.) N/A

FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS: Motion Carried

### 3. Adjournment

a. Motion to adjourn

i. First: Shawn Titus