



BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 29, 2020

Location: Online Meeting (via Zoom)

Board Members Present:

Matt Zimmerman, Rich Hunt, Ryan Villers, Terry Resney, John Bowman, Dan Jasmin, Shawn Whiteley, Mark Dobrowolski, Autumn Young, Dave Woods, Shawn McCart, Connie Pringle.

Meeting Called to Order: 7:02pm

Review of Minutes from Previous Meeting: (going forward)

Motion to Accept: n/a

Seconded: n/a

Carried: n/a

Financial Report:

- *General Account Balance: \$16,357*
- *Bingo Account Balance: \$6,340*
- *Tournament Account Balance: \$8*
- *Bills Paid/To Be Paid:*

Motion to Accept Financial Report:

Seconded:

Carried:

NOTES:

- Budget Review Meeting: January 19, 2021 @ 7pm (via Zoom)



REPORTS OF DIRECTORS

Rep Baseball (Terry):

- *Baseball Ontario:*
- *Niagara District (NDBA):*
 - **Next Meeting:**
- *SCMBA:*
 - *Rep coaches working on team budgets via Excel tool that Rich created.*
 - *Rep Coaches Zoom meeting Jan.3 with Rich/Matt/Ryan to review budget tool & process, and answer any questions.*
 - *HC's to identify Assistant Coaches so that training requirements can be established.*
 - *HC/AC's need to start to obtain/submit VSS Police Checks.*
 - *Rep coaches are currently registering for tournaments and coordinating payment with R.Hunt.*

Select Baseball (Alex):

- *Baseball Ontario:*
- *Niagara Select:*
 - **Next Meeting:**
- *SCMBA:*
 - *Coaches currently identified for 9u, 11u, 13u, 15u, 22u. Need to post for 18u coach.*
 - *Is 22u team feasible for 2021?*
 - *Select coaches need to start to work on their team budgets.*
 - *Select coaches need to start to look at registering for tournaments.*

House League Baseball (Alex):

- *Niagara Interlock:*
 - **Next Meeting:**
- *SCMBA:*
 - *Should start discussions around 22u division. Interest? Park time? Is this division feasible for 2021.*
 - *Should review younger divisions that didn't play in 2020. Improvements in divisions? How to meet COVID restrictions (likely still in play for 2021) — team sizes? Parental involvement?*



Development (John):

- John shared spreadsheet of coach requirements and current levels for all identified coaches. (Need to identify any remaining AC's).
- June 15 deadline for coaches to complete their required training.
- BEC clinic (online): \$990 for 12 coaches to participate. Rep/Select HC's are the main participants. List to be confirmed soon. Deadline to register is Jan12. Clinic runs Jan 15-17. 1 NCCP clinic is included in price, clinic is online, and must be completed by May1. Great speaker lineup.

Umpires (Dan):

- New website has a umpire scheduling platform. Ryan will work to set that up once registration is launched.

Equipment/Uniforms (Taylor):

- Matt met with Buckner's to discuss Rep uniform needs & team sizing process. Discussed updates to Select uniforms.

Scheduling — Parks/Umpires (OPEN?):

- City park allocation process has not yet started (typically starts Oct/Nov). Should start to compile park needs for 2021.
- Currently working with city to tentatively book parks for our tournaments. Discussions ongoing.
- Kernahan Park has had extensive work done. Some work remaining for spring.

Tournaments (Terry/Shawn):

- Reviewed dates for 3 weekends of tournaments. Dates were chosen to avoid conflicts with other tournaments in the region. Dates have been approved by OBA, but are not yet posted.
- Terry/Shawn used a Excel budget tool created by Rich to help plan out tournament operational budgets.
- Projected small profit for 2021 tournaments. Approx. \$500/weekend (2 tournaments) — this is due to smaller size of tournaments — want to do a good job with our first attempt at the tournaments, and grow from there..
- May have to adjust tournament dates in 2022 due to Canada Summer Games being held locally — will have effect on accommodation availability at the very least.

Sponsorships/Fundraising (OPEN):

- Ryan has reached out to Canadian Tire, and to Niagara Golf & Batting Cages to inquire about 2021 sponsorships.

Bingos (Mark):

- Annual bingo permit forms should be arriving in the mail soon.



Registration (Andrea):

- Aiming for Feb1 launch of registration.

Safe Sport (Autumn):

- Police Checks (VSS) are mandatory for all board members, coaches, and umpires (18+).
 - Volunteer positions (board, coaches) will be reimbursed for the police check.
 - Dan: Who will cover umpire police checks expense. Discussed. As umpires are paid positions, they will be responsible for that cost.
- Does SCMBBA need their own VSS police checks, or can we accept ones done for other organizations? Autumn will follow up with NRP.
- Process to obtain VSS: online — approx. \$30. Quick turnaround
 - If fingerprints are required, we can provide a form letter that should waive the fee associated with that.
- Board and Rep/Select coaches should obtain/submit their VSS checks immediately.
- Concussions: Discussed Rowan's Law requirements/updates. CCMi and certified clinics, as well as apps discussed. Autumn to follow up further. Parachute Canada is another good source of information.
- COVID supplies. Will need to replenish supplies, as well as create new buckets (new purchases) for teams/divisions that didn't play in 2020.
- EAP (emergency action plan) documents being created by Autumn. Can post online, as well as in park bins. Can likely upload to mobile app as well.
- Should work to update related policies and post.

Events (Shawn):

- PHR/JrHRD — looking at first weekends in May (usual timeline). If asked to host Sectional (second level), it would need to be held last week of May, or first week of June.
- Blue Jays Instructional Clinic — we were selected in 2020, but they got cancelled due to COVID. Ryan reached out earlier, 2020 hosts should likely be contacted about hosting in 2021 once they have a better idea of 2021 plans.

Social Media/Website (Andrea/Ryan):

- Andrea has been set up on all social media accounts. Can start to post things for us.
- Ryan will work with Andrea to get her up to speed on how to use the websites.
- Ryan is working on creating the new website. Main website is underway, and hope to transition to new website in January. Registration launch is targeted for Feb1. Umpire scheduling platform to be set up after registration is launched.
- Association has a YouTube account. No SCMBBA generated content yet, but have been steadily adding videos to various topic-specific playlists for coaches/players/families/umpires to use. Training/Development focus.



Next Meeting:

- General Board Meeting: January 31, 2021 @ 7pm (via Zoom)

Meeting Adjourned: 9:02pm

Motion to Accept: M.Zimmerman

Seconded: R.Villers

Carried: Yes

Official Recorder of Minutes: R.Villers