



**STETTLER MINOR BALL ASSOCIATION**  
**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**MARCH 6, 2024 - STUDIO 48 BUILDING IN STETTLER**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Clint Riggins - Baseball President  
Guy Mohn - Baseball Vice-President (via phone in)  
Christie Greiner - Secretary  
Jasmyn Tremmel - Apparel Coordinator  
Lisa Johnson - Raffle/Casino Chair  
Janelle Greiner - Treasurer and Registrar  
Rob Anderson - Softball Vice-President, Board Meeting Chair  
Jerilyne Raab - Website Coordinator

**Board Members Not in Attendance:**

Sarah Tucker - Softball President

- 1) Welcome and Introductions
- 2) Rob called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.
- 3) Treasurer's Report - Presented by Janelle Greiner
  - a. Current General Account - \$8,987.00
  - b. Current Casino Account - \$1,716.00
  - c. Year End has been handed in and completed.
  - d. Open discussion of "Why are SMBA expenses so high?" Clint Riggins gave a break down of all new/ updated equipment that has been purchased over the last year as well as Baseball Alberta fees, Softball Alberta fees, Town of Stettler diamond rentals etc.

- e. Lisa adopted Janelle's report as read, Christy second, all in favour, carried.

4) Registration Report - Danielle Mohn

- a. Current Baseball Registration- for CABL U11(16/17), U13(4), U15(8), U18(0). U11AA(0), U13AA(6), U15AA(26), U18AA(23).
- b. Current Softball Registration for U11(30), U13(20), U15(13), U17(14), U19(15).
- c. U7(33), U9 softball(10), U9 Bball(17)
- d. Clint Riggins went through all of the numbers with parents in attendance and explained that he has been reaching out to other associations for availability for kids that we will not have teams for etc. Open discussion with parents about numbers for different age groups and solutions going forward.

5) Baseball Report - Clint Riggins

- a. Team Evaluations / Tryouts will be March 18 & 21 at the Stettler Agriplex for U15AA and U18AA. U15AA - 5:30 to 7:15pm, U18AA - 7:15 to 9:00pm
- b. **\*\*NO PARENTS PLEASE\*\*** This is due to the limited space in the Agriplex
- c. Open discussion about outside evaluators vs local evaluators.
- d. Early Entry AA is April 1<sup>st</sup>, with rosters handed in by April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- e. Late Entry AA is in May

6) Softball Report - Sent by Sarah Tucker

- a. Potential Tryouts will be at the Stettler Rec Centre April 6 & 7<sup>th</sup> (time to be announced). This will be for U11, U13, U17 & U19 will be combined.

7) Raffle/ Casino Report - Lisa Johnson

- a. SMBA has been granted a casino Q4 this year.
- b. Lisa explained that we rely heavily on these funds for diamond rentals and expenses. We currently have no other specific fundraising for the season other than a 50/50 during our yearly softball

tournament. There has been prior discussion on making fundraising mandatory for all families. Clint brought up having a possible cash raffle for a fundraiser this year.

- c. Danielle adopted Lisa's report, Christie second, all in favour, carried.

#### 8) Equipment Report - Clint Riggins

- a. SMBA had 2 generators stolen last year. There were most likely not be any new equipment purchased this year due to several items were purchased last season.
- b. Clint asked that we please have someone step up for our softball equipment manager and baseball equipment manager.

#### 9) Diamond Schedules - Clint Riggins

- a. Schedules will be released when numbers are finalized for teams and we will try to keep practice times similar to previous years.

#### 10) Meetings / Clinics - Clint Riggins

- a. Coach/ manager meetings will be right after teams have been chosen.
- b. AA teams will need to do their own fundraising this year and SMBA will be asking for \$1,000 up front.
- c. Umpire Clinics - April 20 & 21 @ Stettler Rec Centre
  - i. 8:30am registration, 9:00-4:00 clinic
  - ii. April 20<sup>th</sup> - Level 1
  - iii. April 21<sup>st</sup> - Level 2
- d. Softball Clinics with Kayla Myshaniuk remaining will be U11 and U13 Wednesdays March 13 & 20<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8pm, U15 and up will be Tuesdays March 12 & 19<sup>th</sup>, from 7:45 to 9:45pm. Sessions are at the Stettler Agriplex, enter on the East side.
- e. There will possibly be some time booked at Slash Sports in Red Deer, but there are no confirmed dates yet.
- f. There will also be less time booked for indoor practices this year due to cost. Each team will get 2 indoor practices that SMBA will cover.

11) Bylaw and Constitution Changes - Rob Anderson

- a. Rob explained the attached bylaw and constitution changes brought forward before voting. The updated version will be inserted at the end of these minutes.
- b. Refund Policy - All in favour, none opposed.
- c. Softball Pickup Player - All in favour, none opposed.
- d. Change to constitution - All in favour, none opposed.
- e. All changes will be adopted into the updated bylaws and constitution.

12) Executive positions

- a. A list of currently held executive positions were posted along with the agenda.

13) Open Positions up for Election

- a. SMBA President - currently open, no volunteers
- b. President of Softball - Rob nominated Sarah Tucker, all in favour, carried.
- c. President of Baseball - Clint nominated Guy Mohn, Rob second, all in favour, carried.
- d. Vice President of Baseball - Christie nominated Clint Riggins, all in favour, carried.
- e. Baseball Equipment Manager - currently open, no volunteers
- f. Baseball Umpire Allocator - Rob nominated Jerilyn Raab, Lisa seconded, all in favour, carried.
- g. Registrar - Rob nominated Danielle Mohn, all in favour, carried.
- h. Secretary - Rob nominated Christie Greiner, all in favour, carried.
- i. Treasurer - Rob nominated Christy Comte, all in favour, carried.

14) Directors/Managers

- a. This will usually happen after teams are made. Coaches will usually go ahead and pick their managers. Current U7 Director - Brooke Watson.

## 15)AA Baseball

- a. Clint brought up that all dates/calendar will be on the baseball Alberta website. There are different forms this year if a player is going to another association, and it is up to the parents to fill this out and provide to the association.
- b. April 29<sup>th</sup> - Players born 2008, 2009, 2010 - Alberta Amateur Baseball Counsel ID Camp for Summer Games will be held from 5:00pm to 8:30pm at West Stettler #2. We will move inside if weather is not cooperating.

Rob adjourned the meeting at 8:52pm, all in favour, meeting adjourned.

**\*\*Winner of our free registration was Jolene Hollman\*\*\***

### Action Items

- Jerilyne to post U15AA & U18AA Try out Dates which are March 18 & 21. U15AA - 5:30 to 7:15pm, U18AA - 7:15pm to 9:00pm. \*NO PARENTS PLEASE\*
- Jerilyne to post March softball clinics with Kayla Myshaniuk
- Jerilyne to post Umpire Clinics - April 20 & 21 at SRC. 8:30am registration, Clinic both days 9:00am to 4:00pm. April 20<sup>th</sup> is level 1, April 21<sup>st</sup> is level 2.
- Christie to update approved new bylaws and constitution changes and send to Jerilyne to be posted on website.
- Jerilyne to post AABC ID camp on April 29<sup>th</sup> for 2008,2009,2010 players. ID camp will be held at West Stettler #2, from 5:00pm to 8:30pm. Will move inside if weather is not cooperating.

## **Bylaw and Constitution Changes/Wording below:**

### **Constitution 7.03 Change:**

Current Wording 7.03 An invitation, to the Annual General Meeting, will be offered to all members of the association in a mail out to members prior to registration. Alberta registries also requires and invitation to the general public be advertised in a local paper for 2 weeks prior to the meeting. Replace with: 7.03 An invitation, to the Annual General Meeting, will be offered to all members of the association via social media (Facebook, SMBA Website, etc) at least two weeks prior to the AGM.

### **Softball Pickup Player Policy:**

Pick up players are permitted for provincial championships and post provincial championships. Pick up players are not permitted to replace suspended players. For each pickup player, the head coach must fill out the proper Softball Alberta Pick up form. All forms must be approved by the associations (where player is coming from) head coach and President, player must be only from zone 4. Forms then must be Returned to the Head coach and President for approval from SMBA. Once all steps are followed and Softball Alberta has signed off the player is able to play as a pickup player.

### **Refund Policy**

#### **Overview**

The following outlines the SMBA Refund Policy for registration cancellations/program withdrawal. The policy is intended to fairly deal with extenuating circumstances, while at the same time underscore the need for the commitment to the game and in particular to teammates once the season begins. In order to withdraw a player from the program and request a refund, the parent/guardian of the player (hereafter referred to as the player) must submit a letter (along with any supporting documentation) to SMBA stating the reason for the request. Letters can be emailed to [stettlerminorball@gmail.com](mailto:stettlerminorball@gmail.com)

#### **Request for Refunds - Prior to the Start of Team Selections:**

A request for refund received prior to the beginning of the team selection process will be subject to a full refund, less a \$50 cancellation fee retained to cover the registration/administration costs.

- A request for refund received after the beginning of the team selection process and prior to team roster submission will be subject to a 50% refund of registration fees.
- A request for refund received after the team roster has been submitted to Baseball Alberta/Softball Alberta will **NOT** be eligible for a refund unless the request falls into any of the below described scenarios.
- The player's family is required to move to another town or city (the new residence of the player must be outside of the registration boundary). This request for refund will be subject to a 50% refund of the registration fees.
- The player is not cleared to participate due to medical reasons and must be accompanied by a signed doctor's certificate. This request for refund will be subject to a 50% refund of the registration fees.

**A full refund will ONLY be provided in the following scenarios.**

- There are not enough registered players to create a team for the age group that the player has registered for.
- The player is not selected to a team in their age division and there are not enough kids to create another team (Example: the player try's out for the AA team and is not selected to the team and there is not a second AA or A team available for them to play on).

**\*\*\* Any requests for refunds that are not described in the above scenarios will be evaluated by the SMBA board and dealt with on a case-by-case basis**

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