



SCMBA

**September 7, 2022 at 7:30 P.M.
Dickson School**

Welcome everyone.

Meeting was called to order at 7:38 pm.

Present: Liam Choo-Foo, Courtney Leshures, Richard Hildebrand, Garnett Unger, Chad Duckworth, Chad Kozun, Toni Adair, Butter, Joe Carnahan, Craig Kishaw, Erlene Deobald

Last minutes from May 25, 2022 were approved by Chad Kozun.

Division Reports:

T-ball- From Kody Orr- 48 players made up 5 teams. 2-3 coaches per team. Had great weather this year; only 1 or 2 rain delays.

Positives: coaches were very involved, end of year tournament went well, found a sponsor for the tournament day to provide lunch to kids. Jamie (Butter) was awesome. Everything he did was organized and well thought out. The association is lucky to have him, big ALS training guide seemed like a good guide overall (see point below).

Negatives: Can the city provide more than 2 hours notice of diamond status? We discussed and we figure probably not as parents get angry if we cancel too early and the diamonds dry up.

Big ALS was not great for the t-ball division. Most things were too advanced for that level. Overall it was a good year. A lot of the struggles had to do with Kody learning how things are ran and what to do a division head. He expects next year to be a lot easier and smoother.

Rally Cap- From Chad D- 86 kids that made up 8 teams. Mixed all years together, and had the older kids have an additional practise on Fridays. 7 out of the 8 coaches had senior year kids. They had a home and home game against Wymark that went well. The only complaint was someone expected more coaches. The tournament went well. They had 3- 3 inning games. 1 of the coaches lost the extra jerseys. There were probably 6-8 extra jerseys.

11U- From Chad K- 48 kids, but 4 dropped out. There were 4 teams. House teams practiced on Mondays and played games on Wednesdays. The pitching was quite weak, and he recommends a 1 & 1 count next year to speed up the game. AA and AAA were successful this year. There were no complaints. They will need 4 new bags for next year a lot of balls They lost a lot of balls in house league- 6-8 dozen At the beginning of the year AA and AAA each received 2 buckets of balls, and house received 4 buckets an there is barely any left in the house league buckets. (there were 42 balls in a bucket). The Yvonne

Feil estate gave some money to 11U minor ball and Chad thinks it would be a good idea to go towards a new shed as it is quite dilapidated. It could be a bigger shed with lockers on the inside to keep the house league equipment and balls separate from the AA/AAA. The tournament went well. He gave out medals for the winners. The Umps were great, and were very interactive with players and helping instruct them what to do and where to go.

13U- Courtney L- there were around 43 kids registered but a few dropped out and they ended up with 39. They had a AAA, AA and house team. AAA had 12 players and played in the Regina league and they finished second. They hosted Westerns in August. AA had 12 players and also played in the Regina league. They outperformed the coach's expectations. The house league played in the Elks league. They had a difficult time finding coaches. They had 15 kids and lost all of their games and finished last out of 5 teams. There were too many kids for the 1 team, but not enough to make 2 teams. The coaches only took 12-13 kids a game and rotated the kids. The only complaint was that they wished they had more practices before the season, however, the coach only gave his name 1 day before the league started.

13U Westerns- Courtney gives Baseball Canada 0 Stars. It was a "shit show" and was very unorganized. Thankfully they had a great team and a great tournament committee that made the tournament a success. Baseball Canada initially told them they only had 5 teams attending, and then it turned in to 8 teams with very little notice. It was a huge undertaking, and she thinks it should have been voted on as a board and not only by the team. Normally it is bid on 2 years before, but unfortunately that didn't happen. Financials were also a problem as they needed to raise a large amount of money. The team did very well at the tournament and had some very close games.

15U- Craig K – 24 kids. The AA team struggled, and they were done the end of June. The AAA team had a good year, and participated in the Premier league. It was good baseball. They finished 5th out of 13, and were the top in the Regina/South area. They would like to extend the season next year to go into August. They played 24 games, but may change that to 28 games. They hosted a tournament and Provincials. It went very well. It was well organized and the other teams enjoyed coming here. The only issue is that quite a few jerseys were not returned yet, and the coaches/manager/division head are calling people to return them. Joe Carnahan's suggestion was to have the team wear their green jerseys for the last game and collect after the game. Also, Butter would like to see a little better system to keep track of the jerseys. There is no information to know who returned their jersey or not.

18U- Dawn R sent in an email. AAA had 13 players, AA had 14 players. AAA struggled in the Premier league. AA played in the tier 4 for provincials. Some questions for next year will be if we should do 2 AA teams instead of a AAA and AA. This may have to be determined next year once the number of players are more set in stone. There was a minor complaint about the playing time for a player. He didn't make the 15UAAA team so the 18U AAA team AP'd him. He played quite a bit more than he probably should have.

It is suggested for next year to pick this team a little earlier because other places like Moose Jaw and Saskatoon already have picked theirs.

Other-

We should meet every month during the season just to make sure everything is running smoothly. Even a quick zoom meet would be great.

Butter- we need do better with keeping track of all the balls. We should not be losing 6-8 dozen in 1 division. All the other divisions were pretty good, just the 11U. Also for jerseys, he would like to do like minor hockey does- every team gets a set of jerseys, they collect a post-dated check for \$100 from each player, and the cheque is ripped up when the jersey is returned. Extra jerseys that are not used are returned to Butter right away.

We may need another set of jerseys for next year if 11U has 2 AA teams.

18U will need more larger jerseys.

Due to the colour error, the jerseys were only \$35 instead of \$42.

Umpires- We need to keep trying to recruit more. We lost a lot of the senior guys to C-vid. We only have 7 umps, and only 3 of them can do midget AAA. The 15U level only have 4. Clayton Wicks is staying on as ump head.

Coach reimbursement- We will reimburse all house coaches from 13U down. 100% reimbursed for the head coach and 50% reimbursed for the assistant coaches. Chad K made the motion to reimburse the coaches, Butter Seconded. All in favor. Liam will e-transfer the money when he gets the list with their email addresses.

A big congratulations to Quinton who recently got married.

Board members-

7U- Cody is staying on

9U- Chad D- he would rather not as his son is moving up but will help until we find someone

11U-Chad K is staying on

13U-Courtney is leaving

15U- Craig is leaving

18U- Dawn is leaving. Craig K will take over

Richard- done

Laim- done as treasurer. Conrad Funk will take over

Kevin- done

Pat- haven't heard from

Butter- staying

Joe Carnahan- staying

Toni- staying

Erlene- staying as secretary

Garnett- staying

Thank-you to all members that are leaving. We appreciate your commitment to minor baseball.

Chelsea Burnett may consider taking on the 9U division.

Financials-

Operations- \$40,952

Savings- \$31,166

Umps are all paid, and there are no August games to be billed. There should not be any big bills coming up. He is projecting a loss of \$25,000-\$30,000 for operations due to the \$10,000 in sheds, \$6000 in tractors, \$7000 for Westerns, and all the other equipment upgrades.

Our fiscal year is September 30, and Liam will leave on October 31. He will sit down with Conrad to teach him all he can, and will help him get access to the Innovation CU app, and will help him with key dates to apply for the grants.

\$500 was given to the big 57's for use of the logo.

There is a loss showing of around \$6000 for clothing however there is a lot of inventory left over. Offering the whole package for the players was a great idea and he recommends we offer that again. There is still a \$12,000 e-transfer for Al Anderson that has not been acknowledged yet. With our healthy amounts in the accounts, it doesn't look like we need to increase registration fees. He thinks it is a good idea to keep updating the house teams equipment and clothing to keep the interest on those teams.

Score Clock- We do have another score clock and are deciding if we should put it on the Kinsmen or the Mosquito Field.

To-Do List:

Remind each team if there is any extra money to e-transfer it to registration@swiftcurrentminorbaseball.ca

Joe Collinson- could you please send out the Google Review for the Coaches soon.

Could you also send out a mass email to everyone informing them about our AGM and that we are looking for board members and division heads.

Next meeting- AGM- October 17th

Our regular meetings will happen every second Monday of every month. November 14th will be our next regular meeting

Meeting was adjourned at 8:53pm