

Twin Centre Minor Baseball - Wilmot Softball Association
AGENDA - Executive Meeting, March 3, 2024
7:30 PM, Activities Room, WRC

Attendance: PJ Poirier, Kevin Reich, Mike Van De Wynkle, Susan Hall, John Vleeming, Todd Lichty, Dan Lebel, Kevin Hall, Amy Balatoni, Ryan Roth

Regrets: Jamie Hergott, Shannon Van Alphen, Sarah Nicholls, Mike Carey

Secretary Report - Daniel / Kevin R. (7:38)

Review of [February 4, 2024 Minutes](#).

Motion to approve minutes. Susan motions, John V approves. Motion carries

Finance – Mike V / Amy B (7:40)

Current Financial Position – WSA and TCMB

No notable update from TCMB

Mike V – in good financial position v. budget

Chair Reports – Action Items from last meeting listed here (7:43)

Umpires- Lance:

- Registration for umpires is lower than expected, mix of new and returning umpires have registered.
- Lance suggests posting signs to sign up for umpiring by the softball registration signs to encourage enrollment. Mike V comments that we are currently under budget for Umpire Clinic and that it is financially viable and turn around for banner generation is also feasible.
- Susan comments that youth Kitchener girls requesting some of WSA umpires, Lance has given the WSA umpires the information to sign up with Kitchener Girls Softball, with little to no incentive for WSA umpires to go to Kitchener
- PJ comments that juniors' umpires are required for tournaments (1) U7 June 7th, 2024, and (2) U9 OASA tournament Aug 10, 2024
- NW update: currently at 40 umpires, Lance expects to require more umpires for the Friday of the NW tournament
- **ACTION:** Ryan to work with Mike V for payroll reports through Ramp
- **MOTION** - to acquire 2 banners with WSA and TC logos, to increase umpire registration
 - o Kevin calls to motion, John V approves, vote carries and motion carries

Uniforms (8:07)

No update

Scheduling – Kevin R (8:07)

Kevin and Ryan have discussed timing of season kickoff

Registration – Susan H / Todd (8:08)

TC - Todd updates on team registration, comments that registration is on pace from PY

WSA – Susan comments LL with Rep 400+ players, PJ expects some scheduling conflicts given the high number of registrants. U15&U17 boys and U17 girls have lower registrants and suggests that social blast can increase registration.

ACTION: Todd & Susan to send executive the list of team registrations to support registration

ACTION: COMMUNICATION to send social blast to increase registration

ACTION: Ryan to reach out to South Oxford to discuss enrollment opportunities for the U17 boys

ACTION: PJ to send Susan H a summary of the tournament dates and have them posted on the WSA website.

TC Registration as of date of meeting:

- T-ball - 3 teams
- U7 - 2 teams
- U9 - 2 teams
- U11 - 21 registered - hoping for 3 more
- U13 - 17 registered - hoping for 5 more

Volunteers – PJ (8:25)

- Volunteer Bond update including finalizing volunteer options
- Ryan suggests that volunteer opportunities can fill out the executive working groups
- **ACTION:** PJ to include spring clinic volunteer registration
- **ACTION:** PJ to suggest and open volunteer opportunities on working group activities

Equipment – PJ / Todd (8:28) ☒

- Equipment Bags for T-ball and Coach Pitch *Presently Short After Inventory
 - Previously Quoted HB60030 -- \$49.50 per bag (10 bags)



- Looking into pricing for this one. SBX27 Grinder – 27” Bag



- Additionally, getting a price on PVC Coated Bags in a 28”, 31”,



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Mike V comments that WSA is currently under budget for the equipment purchases for the year. PJ comments that the 2nd bag (SBX27 Grinder) is better to keep the first aid kits outside of the gear area. R

Thunderball budget: \$3,000 budgeted for expenses and ~\$1,500 has been spent to date.

MOTION: Susan calls to motion to purchase 3 floor standing signs. Kevin R 2nd, vote passes and motion carries.

ACTION: PJ to purchase the 3 floor standing signs through ULine

Player Development – John V / Todd (8:41)

Spring Clinic – John V requires more support from executives for the 2nd weekend of spring clinic. Susan suggests reaching out to coaches once coach registration closes.

St Clements Pitching Clinic – Todd comments that approval from township has come through successfully

Coach Selection Process: Process is progressing, and Todd has reached out to coaches for the coach selection process.

Communications / social media – Sarah (8:45)

No update

Working Group Updates –

Awards – Ryan, Kevin R, Kevin H, Mike C

Kevin H has set up the initial meeting to take place on 3/26 - update and ideas for 2024 to follow.

Tournaments – PJ, John V, Jamie H, Mike C, Ryan R, Todd

We are hosting OASA U15 Eliminations

- Need to Book hotel rooms for U15 Eliminations July 5-7
- Need Jr. Umpires for U9 Tournament Aug 10 – To be paid by OASA
 - Require 1 per game
 - Required to run a skills competition

North Waterloo Update - Mike Carey:

- U13 - 12 teams confirmed
- U15 - 12 teams confirmed
- U17 & U20 - 5 teams confirmed (might shorten to 8 teams at these levels and increase U13 similar to U15 but waiting on information from our umpire coordinators. Update in a few weeks
- Hotel blocks are secured, and I have changed the number of them to include Thursday night as well.
- 1st draft schedules are completed for U13 and U15. These have been sent to Umpire coordinators, team captains and PJ and Ryan to include in the volunteer schedule.
- Medals are ordered - Should be received in March sometime.
- To do: Bat stickers, possible event T-shirts, Stickers for medals.

Sponsorship – Ryan R, Mike C (8:52)

Ryan has reached out to sponsor that have balances are due

ACTION: PJ to hand over printouts to Ryan

Fundraising (8:52)- Thunderball Committee - PJ, Susan (LEAD), John V

No further update

Girls Program (8:52)– Susan H (Lead), Sarah N, Amy, Shannon

No update

Boys LL (8:54)– Amy, PJ, Todd

No update

Past Achievement Recognition (8:55)– John V, Kevin H, Ryan R, Kevin R

- No report

New Business:

- Update list of directors - Action: Mike C
- [Scorekeeping Reference Manual](#) - John (8:56)
 - John suggests a scorekeeping session for volunteer options and would be in compliance with OASA for tournament purposes.

- [NRP Policy](#) Update – Mike C, John (8:58)

Next Steps: to review NRP policy at the following executive meeting

- Coaching Clinic – LL - Amy/Todd/PJ (9:08)

PJ still in progress, no significant update

- U20 Update – Ryan (9:09)

Ryan still in progress, no significant update

- OASA AGM – February 10 John and Ryan attended (9:10)

- Release motion defeated
- WSA recipient of Association Award of Merit

- Discussion of Guidelines regarding releases – Ryan (9:12)

Kevin H discusses following the WSA mission statement to encourage players to play locally. Current WSA practice is to have WSA president to sign off on player releases.

- Township of Wilmot Community Master Plan – Ryan (9:30)

Community public engagement workshop for the Master Plan:

Wilmot Recreation Complex - Community Centre Room, Tuesday, March 26th 6:30pm

- Keys, Web Access

Action: Ryan and Kevin R (Send email out to group), Kevin H, Susan, PJ

Other Items:

PJ (9:38) – showroom for personalized Thunder gear is up

ACTION: communication blast to show showroom has opened up for viewing

Wilmot Thunder Stickers

ACTION: Jamie to determine the number of stickers there are, and plan to disperse

Disrepair of Baden shed and batting cages in Baden and New Hamburg. Mike V discusses charging team use the batting cages to fund repairs.

Next Meeting:

April 7, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Adjournment (9:53) Kevin H calls motion to adjourn, PJ seconds. Motion stands

Future Meeting Dates:

April 7

May 5

June 2

July 7

Aug 11

Sept 8

Oct 6

2024 AGM Oct 16

Future Agenda Items

Review NRP Policy

Update bylaws to state we can vote via email

Update maximum terms for positions – Need to be updated for AGM

Update list of directors at end of year, and provide directors reports to those listed

Registration data with positions

Note to add “Announcements” to list of items that sponsors get

QR Code on Signs