

Twin Centre Minor Baseball - Wilmot Softball Association
AGENDA - Executive Meeting, July 7, 2024
6:30 PM, Activities Room, WRC

Attendance: PJ Poirier, Kevin Reich, John Vleeming, Shannon Van Alphen, Mike Carey, Kevin Hall, Ryan Roth, Jamie Hergott

Regrets: Mike Van De Wynkle, Susan Hall, Todd Lichty, Sarah Nicholls, Dan Lebel, Amy Balatoni

Opening Comments

Secretary Report - Daniel / Kevin R.

Review of [June 2, 2024 Minutes](#).

No motion due to lack of quorum

Finance – Mike V / Amy B

Current Financial Position – WSA and TCMB – Not present

Chair Reports – Action Items from last meeting listed here - 6:48 PM

Umpires- Lance

- Shannon has proposed a discussion about umpire evaluations to give feedback to WSA, Lance, and umpires for improvement.
- PJ; Suggests a constructive field discussion with umpire
- Ryan / Kevin; Coaches can address specific issues with Lance directly, but the manpower to pull off evaluations doesn't currently exist in WSA
- **Action Item – Ryan R** - Discuss with Lance method to evaluate junior ump performance, especially for next year

Uniforms – Shannon

- Concerns with timeliness, quality, mistakes. Will provide written examples of issues, but is hoping we can evaluate the relationship and possibly go out for tender again.
- Mike C; Suggests that we continue forward with Stitch, but provide support to help our vendor succeed. ie; Ordering in the fall, ordering stock. Would like to meet in August / September to discuss details, and push to order ahead as much as possible
- Shannon; Has some very specific examples that need to be addressed, including fan wear, mistakes in ordering AND Reordering etc...
- **Action Item – Mike C and Shannon** to meet and discuss with Stitch before we make further decisions

Blastball, TBall, CP – PJ

- PJ – Push TBall an extra week due to rain outs, PJ to communicate with Kevin R any necessary changes for Blastball, TBall etc...

Scheduling – Kevin R/Todd

- Action Item; Kevin R has found a volunteer to help with scheduling. Will discuss creating a proper scheduling role at the fall AGM
- Dealing with SOSL U15 Year End Tournament
- **Action Item (PJ); Create a “Standard Response” to emails**

Registration – Susan H / Todd

- No Update

Volunteers – PJ

- Ryan R: Make sure ORSA and OASA schedules are entered on Volunteer website

Equipment – Jamie H (nothing to report) / Todd

- Mike C: Suggests it would be great if we can add some racks etc... to help organize the NH room
- Ryan asks PJ if we can have a volunteer role for building shelves to hang racks etc...
- **Action Item; PJ to add role to volunteer list for fall**

Player Development – John V / Todd – Nothing to Report

Communications / social media – Sarah – Nothing to Report

Working Group Updates – 7:25 PM

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

PJ: Volunteer Roles have been filed – Names to be provided to committee

PJ: Baden booth coordinator volunteer has also signed up, PJ will reach out

Awards Committee Update – no update

Awards Case Discussion

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

- No Update

Sponsorship – Ryan R, Mike C

- No Update

Fundraising - PJ, Susan (LEAD), John V

- No Update

Girls Program – Susan H (Lead), Sarah N, Amy, Shannon, ADD; MIKE C

- U11 Girls are ORSA 2024 Champs

- Mike C; Do we rebrand the girls to another name? Should we do this now, to start promoting for next season? Create a competition to name them?
- Ryan R: The group consensus is that this is a good idea, and that the girls program group should meet to discuss the details. How do we add to our exec to support this?
- Action Item; Girls group to meet and bring back some ideas to the group

Boys LL – Amy, PJ, Todd

- PJ: Having convenors has been GREAT! Takes the load off of exec members, especially with coaching communications

Past Achievement Recognition – John V, Kevin H, Ryan R, Kevin R

- No Updates

New Business:

- Charms
- Local League Draft Policy – Future Item
- Santa Clause Parade – Future Item
- Try out Policy Review – Ryan – August Item
- Update of Association information for Lottery License – Dan to provide update
- Roles for 2025 – Registrar
- RYAN R to send out mass email requesting volunteers for this role
- Keys, Web Access

John V: Suggests using tablets to stream music at diamonds between innings so that announcers can play music when not speaking – **Action Item: PJ to setup tablets**

PJ: Incident report - U9 Player struck by batting cage ball in New Hamburg

Batting Cages;

Ryan: Met with Chris and Jeff from the Township re: Batting Cages. Township has determined due to liability on Township property that the Township should be responsible to fix this, and that repairs will be completed before Spring 2025 Season. Also long term plans to possibly replace and/or refurbish.

Ryan R: Township has given us the go ahead to put in some additional lighting inside the batting cage sheds, as well as perimeter motion lighting.

Action Item; PJ, John V and Jamie to start looking into lighting, turf, netting etc... to upgrade cages

Baden Field Lip;

Mike C: Can Ryan R discuss with the township the condition of the infield/outfield lip at Baden 1 and 2? Feels the lip at Baden 1 is a safety issue.

U11 Rep Team (Ryan); Some concern about diamond time, Ryan and Kevin are actively working to improve this with the team

U17 Tier 1 Team (Ryan); Team finished as runners up at OASA elims. The environment at the tournament was very negative, up to and including a threat of fight. Ryan, Kevin H, and Amy B are working to lodge a formal complaint with OASA due to the situation.

The U17 T1 team has chosen to withdraw from Nationals, and OASA is threatening a fine due to withdrawal. Who would be responsible for this?

Mike C: Initial reaction is that the team is responsible as affiliation documents are handled by coaching staff, along with fees. Feels we will need to update our rep team policy to address this in the future.

Next Meeting:

Aug 11, 2024 @ 6:30 pm

Adjournment: 8:25 PM

Motion; Ryan, Kevin R second

Future Meeting Dates:

Sept 8

Oct 6

2024 AGM Oct 16

Future Agenda Items

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

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