

Wilmot Softball Association – Committee Meeting

MINUTES

MARCH 15, 2020

6:30PM

EXPRESSWAY/CONFERENCE

MEETING CALLED BY	WSA
TYPE OF MEETING	Regular
FACILITATOR	Mike
NOTE TAKER	Jason
TIMEKEEPER	Jason
ATTENDEES	Tim, Susan, Greg S, Kevin, Sue, PJ, Mike V, Mike C, Jason, Scott, Dwight, John, Deanna C, Ryan, Greg Z
ABSENT	Mark M, Natasha C, Hayley M, Michelle D

Call to Order

TIME: 6:32

REVIEW OF LAST MEETING MNUTES

[JOHN]

DISCUSSION	REVIEW OF LAST MEETING MNUTES		
Quick review of previous meeting minutes from Feb, 2020			
CONCLUSIONS	Minutes read, with no exceptions		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Motion to Accept previous meeting minutes	Scott		
Seconded by	PJ	Carried	

TIME: 6:43

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

[MARK]

DISCUSSION	- Mark not in attendance and no update		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	

TIME: 6:44

THUNDER BALL UPDATE

[MICHELLE]

DISCUSSION	- Michelle not in attendance, no update		
CONCLUSIONS	Need to compile expenses and sales into file		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Follow up with Michelle	Jason	Next meeting	

TIME: 6:47

SPONSORSHIPS

[JAY/RYAN]

DISCUSSION	- Final calls coming this week – where are we at?		
CONCLUSIONS	Here is the current list:		

Stitch Graphics	200.00
Excalibur	100.00
Town Pantry	200.00
New Hamburg Veterinary Clinic	200.00
Kindred Credit Union	1,100.00
SAF Drives Inc.	1,200.00
Val-Dor Industries	100.00
NH Home Hardware	200.00
Riverside Brass	200.00
Imagine Travel	100.00
Happy Explorers Learning Academy	200.00
Pizza Arca	100.00
KR Tax	200.00
Herrle's Country Farm Market	200.00
Town Square Pharmacy	1,200.00
Cook's Pharmacy	1,200.00
Total	\$6,700.00

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Update website logos to current	Jason	ASAP

TIME: 6:58

NEW DUNDEE BATTING CAGE

[MIKE]

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mike met with ND optimists and at first discussion there was no interest to work with us - Subsequent follow up call from them and they are now interested in working together on hut for batting cage 		
CONCLUSIONS	ND Optimists will help support the project		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Mike to form plan for constructing batting shed and report back	Mike	Next meeting	

TIME: 7:06

UNIFORMS

[TIM/JAY]

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Girls rep ordered - Boys need proof approved - Local league proofs approved just need final registration #'s and sizes 		
CONCLUSIONS	Continue working through the items with Dunny's		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Send LL list to Dunny's once registration is closed	Tim	March 15	

TIME: 7:18

REGISTRATION

[SUSAN]

DISCUSSION	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. H/L registration – update b. Spring Clinic Registration update <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Sitting at (82) participants ii. No Tball or CP level due to lack of players c. Coaches – Where are we at with coaches? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Girls U14 need coach, U19 boys need coach, Tyke may have issue ii. At point now to send email “no coach, no team”
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- d. Coach selection committee – when will we have this done?
 - i. Not required
- e. Set dates for Player draft
 - i. Mike and Sue to set date later once coaches are set
- f. Where will teams play for U14 boys?
 - i. South Perth vs. Wilmot Local League
 - ii. Last year 7 teams – some towns are 1 hour away
 - iii. With 4 Wilmot teams there would still be 1/3 of games played in Wilmot
 - iv. Mike to send communication that they will play South Perth
- g. Inter-association meeting – Date to be confirmed – Ayr is attending so far.
 - i. PDP still on the fence
 - ii. TC will have Tyke, Atom, Squirt
 - iii. Ayr/Paris will find out tomorrow

Registered			MAX		
Division	Boys	Girls	Division	Boys	Girls
Blastball	26	N/A	Blastball	N/A	
T-Ball	63	N/A	T-Ball	N/A	
Coach Pitch	34	N/A	Coach Pitch	N/A	
U8 Tyke	40	14	U8 Tyke	N/A	22
U10 Atom	47	23	U10 Atom	44	22
U12 Squirt	29	10	U12 Squirt	44	11
U14 PeeWee	44	17	U14 PeeWee	44	22
U16 Bantam	5	11	U16 Bantam	11	11
U19 Midget	12	0	U19 Midget	22	

***U8 Girls - 1 will move from boys, 1 x 2012 on Atom waitlist likely to move back down = 16 total**

***U10 Boys - 3 on waitlist**

***U10 Girls - 1 on waitlist (2012 age)**

***U12 Girls - 1 confirmed that they will be registering, 2 more also interested**

***Registration extended to March 22: U8 Tyke, U12 Squirt, U14 Girls, U16 Boys**

- Discussion surrounding Tyke all Girls team regarding logistics of who they might play, potentially ease pitching into games at a different pace than normal
- Current numbers overall 486 (last year was approx. 600)

CONCLUSIONS Group supports the discussed approach

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Reach out to parents and coaches for feedback and interest	Kevin	ASAP
Reach out to Waterloo / Kitchener regarding	Kevin	ASAP

TIME: 7:54

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

[COMMITTEE]

DISCUSSION

- a. Grand Valley Ladies Softball opening weekend for U12 May 7/8
 - a. Dwight and John met with NH Optimists and they are interested in running booth during tourneys
 - b. The guy that did the meat at Thunderball wants to meet with Exec to discuss potential
- b. Local league mid season tournaments – hosts and invitational?
 - iv. May 30/31 – Squirt and Mite – hosted by Twin Center
 - v. June 6/7 – Tyke and Peewee – Hosted by Wilmot
 - vi. June 20 – Coach Pitch
 - 1. Opening invitation to surrounding centres – hoping for 8 teams per age
 - 2. Discussion on skills competition for CP in addition to tourney, Kevin to reach out and get info on other association that currently does this
- c. Year end
 - vii. July 18/19 - Squirt and Mite - -- hosted by Twin Center

	viii. July 25/26 - Tyke and Peewee – Hosted by Wilmot d. NW - - Tournament hosts – hosted Mite and Squirt in 2019- TBD e. OASA Provincials – Aug 7,8,9 f. Grand Valley year end for U14 – Aug 14-16		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Follow up with NH Optimists regarding running booth for tournaments	John	Next meeting	
Sub-committee to continue planning	Sub-committee	Ongoing	

TIME: 8:06

VOLUNTEERS

[NATASHA]

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide schedules for a few tournaments to Tasha so she can start working on volunteers. - Tasha has forfeited the position due to personal reasons 		
CONCLUSIONS	Require another volunteer to fill the position – tournament sub-committee to cover in the interim		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Recruit new Volunteer coordinator	Exec	Ongoing	

TIME: 8:13

COACHING CLINIC

[MIKE]

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Should we host a coaching clinic? We have several coaches that need to take the clinic still. Weekend 1, 2 and 3? - Clinics are all TBA based on facility cancellations 		
CONCLUSIONS	Await word from Softball Ontario on resumption		

TIME: 8:18

SPRING CLINICS

[JOHN/RYAN/GREG]

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Spring Clinic – update - John V <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Volunteer reach out ▪ Drills and schedule -how's it coming along, any help required? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First weekend cancelled, hoping second weekend happens, shirts have been put on hold, • John to email registrants with update on Friday, may restructure the clinic to be all batting for the one weekend, may also look at adding a later weekend outdoors • Final decision in two weeks - Umpire clinics – Greg Schenck and Ryan Roth <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Clinic dates – do we have confirmation yet? ▪ Emails need to go out, who is doing it? ▪ Include communication regarding direct pay vs cheques this season ▪ Concussion awareness – need all umpire new and old to re-register through the registration side so we can get this item taken care of. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First clinic cancelled and second TBA ○ Greg to communicate with Softball Ontario 		
CONCLUSIONS	Awaiting direction from Township on availability of arena for Weekend 2		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Follow up with Township	John / Ryan	April 1	

TIME: 8:29

TOURNAMENT 2020

[RYAN]

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grand Valley opening weekend – Chris/Greg update on U12 - Tyke, Mite and Squirt Local League – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ May 30/31 – Squirt and Mite 		
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ June 6/7 – Tyke and Peewee ▪ June 13 – Coach Pitch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Year end <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July 18/19 - Squirt and Mite ▪ July 25/26 - Tyke and Peewee - NW - - Tournament hosts – hosted Mite and Squirt in 2019 - Do we want to host a 1-day OSSTA event next season or a 2-day provincial event? - OASA – U12 Provincial – Aug 8/9th 	
CONCLUSIONS	Dates are booked with Township	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

TIME: 8:32

AWARDS

[MIKE]

DISCUSSION	- Update on custom medal order	
CONCLUSIONS	Proofs have been approved, cheque has been mailed and medals are in production	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

TIME:8:52

NEW BUSINESS

[OPEN]

DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Greg requesting exception for team budget to exceed set amount – ask is for \$6,000 - Request also applies to the other Girls Rep teams - Player fees unchanged, raising limit of sponsor/fundraising - Greg motion to increase the fundraising maximum to \$4,000 – second John, all in favour <p>Scoreboards update – Lions Club sent quote for \$50k video board no feedback, reaching out to electrical companies, discussion around potential sponsorship opportunities for signs on scoreboards</p> <p>Ryan had contacted John Baker from Nith River Monsters in regard to potential skills camps</p> <p>April 5th decision on direction of uniforms based on the season outlook</p>
CONCLUSIONS	

APPROXIMATE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE	15
RESOURCES	Agenda
SPECIAL NOTES	
NEXT MEETING DATE:	April 5 @ 6:30 Expressway
MOTION TO ADJOURN:	Scott
SECOND	PJ
CARRIED	All in favour 8:57