

Wilmot Softball Association

AGENDA - Executive Meeting, May 28 2023

6:30 PM, Wilmot Recreational Center, Wayne Roth Meeting Room

Call to Order / Attendance / Opening Comments – 6:38 PM

Executive members in Attendance: Mike C, PJ, Kevin R, Amy B (TC), Kevin H, Mike V, Ryan R, Susan H

Secretary Report - Kevin R (6:38 PM)

Insurance

- OASA additional \$75 for U20 Team
- ORSA (LL/Girls) \$1,440.00 - 48 TEAMS!
- Scoreboard Insurance is TBD – Waiting on OASA – Mike V to review Josslin coverage

Finance – Mike V / Amy B (6:40 PM)

- Cash Position - \$ 110,000
- Expected Expenses: \$25-30k for diamonds, \$20k for umpires etc...
- Mike V & PJ – Can we automate booking for batting cage
 - o Ryan R – We should be able to like available diamonds
 - o Mike C – There will be no filtering or separation of diamonds from batting cages
 - o Ryan R – Lets continue as is, and investigate this for next year
 - **Action Item: Ryan R – Will reach out to Ramp to investigate if this is possible**

Chair Reports – As Necessary / Present – Action Items from last meeting listed here (6:48 PM)

Equipment – Jamie H (PJ / Mike V / Mike C present)

- Balls being damaged in NH – Jamie is investigating with Rawlings
 - Cage requires repair to prevent damage to balls
- Mike V – Do we want to buy another new machine?
 - Kevin H: Baden cage requires work to make it fit
 - **Action Item: 2nd Pitching Machine Purchase to go ahead as per previous meeting approval**
- Amy B to discuss with person she knows to quote repairs to cages

Blastball, TBall, CP – PJ

- No Update

Scheduling – Ryan R

- Kevin R: Is there an LL U13 Midseason Tournament
 - No as we are not hosting U13 Nith River
- Susan R: U11 to U17 girls paid \$350 for tournament for Girls Fastball fest, proposes we refund parents who paid for this tournament up to budgeted amount - Mike C has confirmed \$200 per team as per budget
- Susan R: Can I use RAMP to provide registration refunds? Yes

Registration – Susan H / Amy B

- A couple of late registrations have come in since last report

- U17 LL boys – Coach has had requests for A pitcher to register, but we’ve already turned two other players away. Team is desperate for a pitcher.
 - Kevin H: Exceptional situation, team desperately needs a pitcher. They have a pitcher ready to join, we should allow them to play
 - Mike C: Also note that one player hasn’t shown up to play yet, so team is down to 13 players
 - Ryan R: Team requires a pitcher, player on waiting list is a capable pitcher, and we should allow them to play
 - **Action Item; Susan H to reach out to coach / player to get them started**

Uniforms – Tim B

- U15 Rep uniforms – Concerns with jerseys not showing up yet

Player Development – John V

- Kevin H – HUGE RESPONSE and ACCOLADES for LL pitching clinic
- 60 PEOPLE Registered, well attended and lots of positive feedback
- Amy B: Can we combine our efforts with Twin Centre, and could bring out some pitchers

Umpires – Lance N

- Not Present
- Concerns about umpire availability for June 17th weekend
- Kevin H: Do we have issues with kids umping games at their own age?
 - Ryan: Yes – We should limit to age group directly under them, will work with Lance to confirm
- Kevin H: What about siblings umping siblings games
 - Ryan suggests we should let it roll, and address if we get complaints

Communications / Social media – Kevin H

- Need Website updates
 - Tournament Dates – PJ to send up to date list of tournament dates
 - Volunteer forms – John V / Mike V (7-9th, 28-30th July) for OASA U20 Elims, U15 Provincials)
 - Ryan will reach out to Karen at OASA for scheduling
 - Kevin H to create banner and volunteer form for scorekeepers (John V), Gamechanger, groundkeepers, gate, announcers, 50/50, scoreboard etc..
 - PJ: Should we also do a shout out for New Hamburg Optimists for doing food at tournaments – Kevin H will reach to social media at Optimists
 - Kevin H: Thank you to GOLD Sponsors? - RYAN R to connect once complete
 - Susan H – Will use Nationals script to create scripts for tournaments
 - PJ – Do we want to stream anything for Elims or Provincials?
 - PJ is around for Provincials, but not elims
 - U15 Streaming on Main Diamond ONLY
 - Amy B – Is around to help facilitate volunteers for U15 Provincials, Ryan R will reach out to parent group to discuss

Sub-Committee Updates – Members of each subcommittee are listed, action items from last meeting listed here (7:48 PM)

Tournaments – PJ, John V, Jamie H, Tim B

- U9 June 17th, open to outside teams, \$250 per outside team
- U11 Tournament
 - Amy B: Needs medals for championship – Will see Jamie
 - Ryan is working with Lance for umpires
 - Susan H: Will obtain stickers from Cassio: “Mid Season Classic 2023”
- August Year End Tournament – August 11th Weekend
 - U11 Rep, U15 Perth (Brett and Jon), U17 Girls
 - Ryan: Can we get an approximate schedule so we can get these ready for umpires
 - Ryan and Susan to coordinate Girls, PJ and Ryan to work on U11 and U15

Sponsorship – Ryan R, Mike C

- Sponsorship Master: [Sponsorship Master.xlsx](#)
- “Proud Sponsor” Signs – Completed by Kevin
 - Need to be handed out – Mike and Ryan to address June 9th

Girls Program – Tim B, Susan H, Heather R

- PJ – Girls having lots of fun at TBall
- Susan – Went with sleeveless girls cut shirts, and they looked great at Fastball fest

Past Achievement Recognition – John V, Kevin H, Ryan R, Kevin R (8:07 PM)

- No Update

Action Items from New Business April 2023 Meeting

New Business:

- Mike V: Ayr would be interested in U11, U13, U15 – too competitive for South Oxford, Mike V suggests they should come to North Waterloo. Other teams are also interested.
- Might be able to draw enough teams to see a “Tier 2” of North Waterloo
 - Susan H: Would they be interested in scheduling some exhibition games?
- PJ: Suggests we start canvassing for competitive coaches at lower levels ASAP
 - Concern is U11 for next year
- Mike V: Suggests we could have a U9 rep team that plays at U11LL
 - WSA Exec members to start putting a bug in the ear of U9 coaches
- ORSA / OSSTA – U11, U13, U15, U17
 - Kevin H to send communication to coaches

Other Items:

Next Meeting: June 25th 6:30 PM, 60 Kropf Drive, Baden

Adjournment (8:28 PM)

- **Motion to adjourn by Susan**
- **Motion 2nd by Kevin R**
- **Motion Passes. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM**

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
Need to update with current directors
Do we host a Can Pitch Clinic in 2024 – review in September.
Registration data with positions
RFP for uniforms in fall
Note to add “Announcements” to list of items that sponsors get
QR Code on Signs