

Twin Centre Minor Baseball - Wilmot Softball Association
AGENDA - Executive Meeting, May 4, 2025
6:30 PM, Activities Room, Wilmot Recreation Centre

Attendance: PJ Poirier, Kevin Reich, Mike Van De Wynkle, John Vleeming,, Mike Carey, Kevin Hall, Amy Balatoni, Ryan Roth, Sabrina Reich, Ross Lynch, Ryan Dietrich, Michelle Dietrich, Heather Dubrick, Daniel Lebel, Jamie Hergott, Lindsay Edwards

Regrets: Susan Hall, Todd Lichty

Opening Comments (6:35)

Secretary Report - Daniel / Kevin R.

Review of [Apr 6, 2025 Meeting Minutes](#)

Motion to approve minutes, PJ, 2nd by Ryan D. Motion passes

TCMB/WSA Items

Umpires – Lance / Ryan Dietrich (6:40)

NOTES: Ryan comments that he will be looking to track notes on junior umpires, support growth for the strong umpires to continue to engage with WSA.

Scheduling – Todd/Kevin R (6:43)

- WSA Scheduling Update – Current State
 - o All games have been loaded, few updates still required for any recent changes
- Confirm Team Numbers – U7, TBall, Blastball
 - o Blastball – 4 teams
 - o T-Ball - 8 boys, 2 girls
 - o Coach Pitch - 6 boys, 2 girls teams
- U9 / U11 Girls Tournament Dates – Are we hosting Anything?
 - o ACTION: Kevin will connect with Susan
- Available Diamonds – Looking for Feedback re: Policy for holding diamonds
 - o Kevin R comments that reimbursement for un-used diamond time (i.e. rainout) is not going to be accepted by the Township per his conversations with Chistie.
 - o Policy on the permit mentions that cancellations with 2 days notice should be reimbursed. Sabrina will keep track of the diamond times.
 - o Process – Mike V will receive the bill from the Township and Mike V will send the bill to Sabrina and Kevin to support the validation.
 - o NOTES: John V comments that it could be well received by the Township if we can send a monthly statement showing the actual diamond times used.
- Rental Costs – Township – Review costs, and report on procedure updates
 - o In-season costs will be about \$31,000 this season, up from the prior year
 - o Overall increase in diamond cost will be about \$6K higher than the prior year but some changes with tournaments are finalized

- Township policy re: Diamond Givebacks – Apparently not allowed in-season

Equipment – Todd/Jamie H (6:57)

- Everything ordered has been received
- Jamie to order a lock

Player Development – Todd/John V (6:58)

WSA – Pitching Clinic

NOTES: John V comments that there was a disagreement with pricing for a coaching clinic with a difference of about \$2,200, WSA looking to pay the amount

Tournaments – PJ, John V, Jamie H, Mike C (7:00)

- U15 Provincial Championship – PJ
 - o No significant update
- ORSA – U15 Girls and Boys Provincials – Kevin R
 - o U15 Girls select team not yet affiliated, Kevin R to connect with Susan
- OASA – U9 – PJ
 - o John V will be available
- Wilmot Thunder Annual Softball Showcase – Mike C
 - o Ryan mentions there is an issue that there won't be enough umpires, not yet known how more umpires are needed.
 - o Will look to cancel division if there is an umpire shortage – likely in the U17-U20
 - Effort to increase interest in gathering umpires
- U9 Rep Team Playing in U11 LL Tournaments – Kevin H
- Food at Tournaments
 - o NH Optimist will be available for the NH tournaments

New Joint Business:

WSA Items

Registration – Susan (7:12)

No significant update, and PJ is working on the younger age groups (Blastball – Coach Pitch)
Few outstanding Police Checks

Uniforms – Michelle (7:14)

- Uniforms are in the shop now and needs to be sorted. Looking to be picked up this week (May 5)
- Hats will be in this week and still need to be embroidered

Finance – Mike V (7:18)

Current Financial Position

Still lots of payments to be made, not clear how we are performing vs budget

Blastball, TBall, CP – PJ (7:19)

Coach meeting next Monday will come with equipment

Coaching Development – Kevin

Coaches meeting for LL happened last week, went as planned and the coach material has been shared.

Communications / social media – Kevin H / Lindsay (7:22)

Motion to have Lindsay Edwards appointed as the Chair of Communications and Social Media Coordinator for the remainder of the 2025 season

Kevin H, 2nd by John, motion passes.

Working Group Updates –

Sponsorship – Ryan R, Michelle Dietrich, Mike C (7:26)

- Ryan discussed that the signs can be re-laminated and additional layer to help protect with UV, totalling \$225, and will be the best option rather than constructing new signs.

- Signs need to be mounted in New Hamburg, John V and Heather has volunteered

11:45/12 on Saturday May 10 to meet in New Hamburg (after the pitching clinic) to mount the signs and clean up the storage area

Fundraising - Susan (LEAD), PJ, John V (7:31)

- Grants for Provincial events (PJ, John, Dan)
- Ice machine options (PJ, Mike C)
 - o [Ice Making Machines.docx](#)
 - o Ryan R will discuss with Township on placement of the Ice Machine
- 100 Women of Wilmot Funding / Updating Batting Cages
 - o Ryan mentions that the Township does not have the funds currently however is planing on making minimal repairs on the batting cages
 - o We will order the batting nets for the batting cages
 - o There will be a user agreement with the Township for storage
 - o John V will take the lead on building a shed
 - o Need to confirm the amount that has been donated

Past Achievement Recognition – John V, Kevin H, Ryan R, Kevin R (7:52)

- No update

New Business:

- Key for the Baden storage – Kevin H and Susan to coordinate to share keys with Michelle
- PJ to look on how we can donate damaged jerseys and coordinate with Michelle

Other Items:

Next Meeting:

Tentative Meeting Dates:

June 8

July 6

Aug 10

Sept. 7

Oct 5

2025 AGM Oct 15 7:30 PM

Adjournment:

Jamie motions to adjourn, Mike V 2nd. Motion passes.

Future Agenda Items

Christmas Parade

Policy draft on teams sourcing apparel for fundraising - Kevin H

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

Update by-laws for good standing with lottery license – Dan