

## **Wilmot Softball Association**

### **MINUTES - Executive Meeting, Mar 26 2023**

**7:30 PM, Wilmot Recreational Center**

#### **Call to Order / Attendance / Opening Comments (7:30 PM)**

**Executive members present: PJ, John V, Mike C, Ryan, Tim B, Chad C, Kevin R, Jamie H**  
**Twin Centre: Todd Lichty**

#### **Secretary Report - Kevin R (7:30 PM)**

Minutes Read for January and February Meetings

**Motion to approve minutes as read: Kevin R**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jamie H**

**Motion Passes, Minutes for January / February meetings will be posted**

#### **Finance – Mike V / Amy B – Not Present**

#### **Chair Reports – As Necessary / Present – Action Items from last meeting listed here (7:32 PM)**

Blastball, TBall, CP – PJ

- Registration still open
- 4 teams of 6-7 girls only T-Ball

Scheduling – Ryan R

- Still working on scheduling chair replacement

Registration – Susan H / Amy B

- LL Registration update provided by Susan ahead of meeting
- Chad led discussion how many Local League teams will likely exist at each age group
  - Registration still open, Twin Centre and Wilmot reps will meet to figure out where teams and players will land once finalized
- U20 Boys – Needs a coach
  - 13 players registered
  - Need to recruit Head Coach
    - Needs to be a certified coach
    - **Action Item: Ryan R to reach out to previous assistants etc...**

Equipment – Jamie H

- New balls have arrived, wrong balls have been returned and credited
- New Pitching Machine on its way
- LL Bats – Dunny's had no deals, Smash-It in Stratford had some available, need a list of-bats required – **Action Item: Jamie to get a list of teams for U11+ bats**

Uniforms – Tim B

- All rep teams that are set have been ordered
- Still waiting on U17
- LL – Waiting on final numbers, and teams arranged

- 99% sure that girls / ladies will have separate shirt
- Sizing sets for girls is on the way for team fittings

#### Player Development – John V

- Clinics running as expected
- First weekend of spring clinic has been successful – 118 Total, 20-30 not present this weekend

#### Umpires – Lance N – Not Present

- Ryan R – Umpire Clinic is posted – There has been confusion with Softball Ontario on the difference between youth 1 and Level 1 clinic
- Clinic is now a joint youth and adult level 1
- Youth clinic is full, 20 youth, and 35 adults
- Lance has requested this is switched to allow more youth
- Scheduled for April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023

#### Communications / social media – Kevin H – Not Present

Boys LL – Chad C – Complete as part of registration

Girls LL – Heather R – Complete as part of registration

### **Sub-Committee Updates – Members of each subcommittee are listed, action items from last meeting listed here (8:23 PM)**

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

- PJ: Requesting single umpire for Saturday Coach Pitch tournament
- John V confirmed that special permit not required for OASA tournaments

#### Sponsorship – Ryan R, Mike C

- Sponsorship Master: [Sponsorship Master.xlsx](#)
- Ryan R: Added \$2000 sponsor
- Website has been updated with all sponsors by Kevin R
- Ryan R – Outstanding Renewals:
  - o Baden Vet Hospital (Friend) – Chad C
  - o Circle K Baden – Mike C
  - o PJ is working on Stitch – Might be U11 Rep
  - o Baden Dental – Jamie H will see them – NEW OWNERS
- Ryan R Notes we need to start earlier next year for sponsor renewals
- Kevin R to complete “Proud Sponsor for Wilmot Thunder for 2023 Season” signs – 8.5x11 laminated

#### Girls Program – Tim B, Susan H, Heather R

- Discussion completed as part of registration discussion

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

- No Update

### **Action Items from New Business March 5 2023 Meeting (8:51 PM)**

- Stand up banner –Jamie to bring to next meeting for Kevin R – COMPLETE
- Scoreboard – Mike C to meet Kevin R to measure trailer – Not completed

### **New Business (8:52 PM):**

- Scoreboard – Quote is same as last year
  - o PJ – Working on price for trailer
  - o Kevin R to meet with Mike C To discuss so we can order
- Upcoming League Meetings
  - o South Oxford – April 13 2023, 7:00 PM – FOLDENS HALL
    - Will Send Regrets
  - o North Waterloo / Perth Meeting – March 30, 2023
    - Mike C Running meeting, PJ, Kevin H, Ryan R
  - o NW/ Perth Scheduling Meeting – April 19 2023
    - TBD
- Player Releases / NRP Discussion
  - o Discussion about WSA Release policies and past precedent
  - o Suggestion that any change to this precedent needs to be handled at the AGM, and rule changes should be dealt with at OASA as we follow their release policies
- Thunderball Wrap Up - Mike C
  - o Michelle has provided financial summary, money owed to Michelle - \$950 or so
  - o Michelle did a fantastic job organizing.
  - o Some struggles with Cowbell sponsoring
  - o Short about 10 tickets in proceeds
  - o Total Profit: \$ 1,695
- Mike C: Hosting Canadian Championships – 2025
  - o Bid for 2025 would need to be put in this fall, and we need to work with Township as Early as possible for any proposal
  - o Also need to get Title Sponsorship in place EARLY
  - o Ryan: If sponsor found, township on board, and Ad Hoc committee in place, would we move ahead?
  - o Mike C proposes a Subcommittee to investigate further – Mike C to head up, PJ, Kevin R to assist:
    - Budget
    - Sponsorship proposal

- Ryan R: Harv @ Twice the Deal asking as councillor how working with township has been
  - o Ryan's feedback:
    - Great from a staff standpoint, especially since Sandy started
    - Costs have been a concern for facility rentals
    - Harv would be interested in hearing from WSA further to discuss

**Next Meeting: April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2023, 6:30 PM, WRC**

**Adjournment (9:58 PM)**

**Motion to Adjourn by PJ**

**Motion 2<sup>nd</sup> by Susan H**

**Motion passes, meeting adjourned at 9:58 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