



**West Kelowna Minor Baseball Association
PO BOX 26080 Westbank, BC V4T 2G3**

MINUTES

February 27, 2017 – 7:00 pm at the Best Western Inn, West Kelowna BC

Attendance:

Don Klettke

Tom Katelnikoff

Patrick Wielders

Trish Carefoot

Shawn Vodarek

Marlon Zaleschuk

1. Meeting called to order @ 7:09
2. Minutes for last meeting were reviewed by Director's. Motion made by Patrick to accept the minutes of the January 30, 2017 meeting, seconded by Marlon: passed unanimously.
3. Financial Report (Dustin Joslin) - absent
 - No current financial statements, but registration fees are coming in for the spring season.
 - Will need to defer the financial statements presented at last meeting approval until next meeting.
4. Directors Reports:
 - a. 7U T-ball (Marlon Zaleschuk) – 52 cap on the division
 - 34 registered with a lot of phone calls
 - Have an under-ager that may move up depending on space in the division
 - Rally Cap (7U) now sponsored by Dairy Queen
 - 4 coaches returning
 - b. 9U Tadpole (Crystal DeVries) – absent
 - 48 or 60 cap – need to have even number of teams (if 6 teams, need to do another coaching bag)

- 41 registered so far
 - Tournament in Salmon Arm May 25
- c. 11U Mosquito (Shawn Vodarek)
- 41 registered
 - Salmon arm tournament – 2 teams booked
 - Rutland tournament – 2 teams booked
 - Penticton tournament – 2 teams booked
 - Use same schedule template as last year – will work well if we have 6 teams
 - May 25th weekend – tentative 11U – home tournament
 - Penticton has approached us to see if we want to run a “prospect” team.
 - Patrick mentioned that there are some issues associated with playing on home and prospect team (ie, home team pitchers being pitched out during prospect games, so not available to pitch for their home games)
 - Meeting held in the Interior that will discuss the prospect team
 - 6 team cap
- d. 13UPee Wee – Director position vacant
- 60 cap, 47 registered
 - Chris is an option for Director if we can't find anyone else. We should try to get him an assistant coach to help with the load.
 - Will be sending out an e-mail detailing what Director and other volunteer positions still need to be filled.
 - Field by Shannon Lake Daycare may be available, but the current schedule is inconsistent – Tom has asked the booking person to let us know if a consistent weekly timeslot becomes available.
 - Still looking at Hudson Road option
- e. 15U Bantam
- 29 registered
 - Patrick has asked people to step up for director position, fill out coaching applications etc, and nobody has stepped up yet.
 - There are 6 kids interested in AA – will pull out of that program
 - Offer the AA kids the option of applying to another association
- f. 18U Midget
- 8 registered
 - Sunday try-outs for College Prep team – once that is completed, the rest will likely register
 - Once AAA schedule is confirmed, will forward to Patrick

- g. Uniform
 - U9 jerseys have been ordered
 - h. Equipment (Patrick Wielders)
 - Need to ask for a budget of \$8000
 - Maintenance on tractor, and also replace some gear
 - Motion made by Patrick to have equipment budget set at \$8000 for 2017 – seconded by Shawn, passed unanimously
 - i. Head Coach (Tom Katelnikoff)
 - Attended coaches conference in Langley – great weekend. Tom House has taught Morgan Reiter, so our kids get some great coaching.
 - Talked a lot about baseball vision. Check if the kids can actually see the ball.
 - Winterball – 25% of enrollees are taking part in program
 - Morgan Reiter is here April 1st for inside pitch.
 - Ultimate Hockey will be taking over the batting cages, will need to do another option for batting practice
 - NCCAP – April 1st weekend
 - Good Friday, host interior tryouts for the select team 13U, 15U & 16U – open tryouts
 - If a kid makes a cut, will go to a development camp.
 - Is a provincial team, so is a tough team to make.
 - j. Umpire in Chief (Don Klettke)
 - Still waiting on dates for courses – may have one on a weekday, one on a weekend.
 - May be in Kelowna
 - k. Concession - Open
 - Could be used during tournament weekends for fundraising
 - l. VOC rep
 - Shawn would like to attend one of the early VOC meetings
 - m. Registrar/Webmaster
5. 1st Vice President (Patrick Wielders)
- Working on packages to send out to sponsors detailing the levels of possibility for sponsorship.

- COMBA has a rule in place that if a parent brings a sponsor, 60% of the money go to the association, and 40% goes to offset their registration fees.
- Would have to check the Societies Act to make sure something like that could work – Patrick to verify that it is possible.
- Needs to be very simple so that all businesses could understand exactly what they are getting.
- Discussion regarding whether we should be sending a sponsorship letter out for plaques on the new building
- People have checked off yes to giving \$300 sponsorship during registration process – team sponsorship is \$600, need to update website
- \$500 – get own banner
- \$300 – get group banner
- \$600 uniform sponsorship
- \$100 name and logo on website
- Suggest only uniform sponsors as banners are a pain – would do a post to social media recognizing the sponsors
- We should try to get sponsorship for 11U and up to replace jerseys if possible
- Platinum – division
- Gold – team
- Silver –
- Should be doing more with social media

6. 2nd Vice President (Don Klettke)

- Nothing to report

7. President's Report: (Tom Katelnikoff)

- Attended spring field meeting with WK – talked about repairs, maintenance etc, everyone got same fields as last year
- Getting lights at Boucherie - \$400,000 -Tom put a letter to Canada 150 to potentially get a grant stating that we would be committed to fundraise \$20,000 over 5 years to show support. 12 months is the time-line on completion. Grant was granted
- Should bring picnic benches out for opening day
- Daroche getting new roofs on dugouts, and new benches
- Isler/Ranch – new benches
- B2 getting new roof
- Overseed outfield
- We have approval to do a shale holder on each of the fields (B2, and Daroche).

- It would be difficult to get approval for upper Boucherie as there isn't much room available.
- Could be right behind the backstop – Tom to check on possibility.
- Jessie McKay from WKMBA was named BC baseball top Female player
- Interior meeting, Interlocking meeting this Saturday 11:00
- Shawn asked about options for batting given the cages will be not available – possible Sensishusten. Soccer may be putting a dome over one of the fields – could be a possibility. Possibly covering our existing cage – Shawn would run heating if we wanted to consider it.

8. New Business:

Fields – need number of teams to work on schedule – have directors/coaches meeting to work out the details.

AA – Motion made by Patrick to withdraw from the AA program due to lack of interest. Seconded by Shawn, passed unanimously.

9. Meeting Adjourned at 8:49. Motion to adjourn by Patrick, seconded by Don, Unanimous

10. Next meetings:

DATE - 2017	TIME
Monday, January 30	7:00 pm
Monday, February 27	7:00 pm
Monday, March 27	7:00 pm
Monday, April 24	8:00 pm
Monday, May 29	8:00 pm
Monday, June 26	8:00 pm
Monday, July 31	7:00 pm
Monday, August 28	7:00 pm
Monday, September 25	7:00 pm
Monday, October 30	7:00 pm
Monday, November 27 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	7:00 pm
Monday, December 18	7:00 pm