**July 4, 2019. Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 pm.

**Members Present:** Adam Fanjoy, Jim Price, Rob Robinson, Stefanie Mocuik, Jeff Hoffman, Koko Gillis, Dave Shapka, Sean Staniforth, Harrison Young, Heather Sutcliffe

**Members Absent**: Cory Hanley, Vicki Marshall, Brodie Richards, Iain Durk

**Late Arrival:** Shawn Malott, Libby Malott

**Approval of Agenda-** Motion Adam Fanjoy, seconded by Rob Robinson. Carried

**Approval of Minutes-** from June 6 meeting. Motion Adam Fanjoy, seconded by Jeff Hoffman. Carried.

**Nominations to Fill Current Vacancies.**

Adam outlined the constitutional guidelines when vacancies arise for board and executive members. Mark Ferarro has submitted his resignation to the board. We thank him for his many years of service and commitment to GMBA. Deb Raco has also has submitted her resignation – we thank her for her many years of support as a volunteer with GMBA.

As per the constitution, the 1st VP fills in as president role as per constitution when president resigns. Until a vote can be held among the current board members to select a new president.

Other vacant roles will be filled after the AGM and the new board is in place.

**Nominations for President-**

Adam Fanjoy has been acclaimed.

**Nominations for Secretary**

Libby Malott has been acclaimed.

**Presidents Report- Adam Fanjoy**

Adam outlined his approach moving forward that as a board, we are charged with running the organization for youth in Guelph and have a responsibility to do this with open clear communication.

Current activities that are in progress:

* Marden contracts- will continue with current usage plan
* Nighthawks- Guelph BB discounted tickets for membership, promotion of GMBA through their events
* Renaming of U18 division- revisit this change in language
* New Board Structure- Adam is working on new structure options
* Accessibility at Norm Jary- issue with a young player with walking crutches, issue has been addressed with the city. Complaint acted on.
* Rep teams with outstanding balances- 7 teams with fees outstanding. Sean and Donato have taken action on this.
* Photo Day-talk of possible change in company moving forward.
* Howitt- complaints from neighbourhood, driving fast, garbage ++, parking in cul de sac.
* Bantam rep playdowns- Guelph to host
* ICBA-Guelph to host
* Security system-outstanding invoice for service not used. Outstanding owing invoice.
* Hometown sports- great partnership with intention to grow this further moving forward.
* Baseball diamond improvements- please communicate deficiencies to Adam
* Tryouts- Libby is working to book diamonds, Brodie is looking at efficiencies around tryouts and how we can do things better
* AGM- 2 months to give notice of AGM to membership, suggestion to move ahead to October.
* Registration- opening up early registration to help with flow through funds, planning
* Communication- enhanced use of google drive

**Financial report-** defer

**Appointment of Grievance Chair-** There is a conflict with Adam in role of president as well as umpire in chief. Harrison has been involved in grievance committee this year, and moving forward he will take the lead for this work.

**ICBA Report- Stefanie Mocuik**

* Feedback request re umpire supervisor role
* Brian Holley- standardized evaluation tool for all umpires
* Outstanding fees need to be paid.
* Forfeit rule reminder- 7 day in advance to cancel a game or teams will be fined.
* Email and social media- reminder that you need to keep it professional
* All star team coach selection is underway.
* Ancaster would like to join ICBA as an interlock partner- fees outstanding from 10 years ago
* Classifications- OBA meeting on Sunday July 7, more information to come from OBA on July 8
* $450/$500 for classification tournaments
* End of year coaches meeting to be held as part of season evaluation
* Pass through release process- 5-day window for approval. Is this still needed, would require a constitution change? If pass through release is gone, open release would be the new process moving forward.
* OBA- policy coming regarding team names and division names
* Pitch count rules will move forward, many issues with the app
* Rowans Law- no player under age 26 without education module completed will be able to play. Expectation for this season, rep and select coaches and umpires to complete an online module, code of conduct acknowledgement.

**Registration report-** house league 2 outstanding waiting for funding to come through. Online payment has helped greatly with this.

**EBLO- Adam Fanjoy/Jeff Hoffman**

Vote results 9 In favor, 6 against, 1 abstain, 1 conflict

* Coach recruitment/selection- notice went out for both 15U and 16U. Application must be in by July 7. No interest in positions at this time. Brodie is not interested in this role for 16U or 15U.
* Coach selection committee- Rich Moccia, Jamie Killingsworth, Adam Fanjoy, Brodie Richards, Jeff Hoffman.
* Interest is still not fully understood from the membership.
* Email, social media, website has had information provided re EBLO.
* Lots of work to be done in EBLO in further developing league structure, rules, guidelines.
* John Lanutti, Jamie Killingsworth, Rich Moccia are committed to supporting the development of an EBLO framework.

**Motion**- To appoint the selection committee of Jamie Killingsworth, Rich Moccia, Brodie Richards, Adam Fanjoy and Jeff Hoffman for the 2019/2020 season. Motion put forward by Jeff Hoffman, seconded by Koko Gillis. Carried

**Rep Rule changes**- All

Discussion around wording and potential timeline issues.

Decision to send the rule changes back to the Rep committee for further discussion and the next board meeting when the Rep Chair is present and able to provide further details and rationale for changes.

**Committee Reports**

**House league-** Jim Price

Will bring back coach of the year awards, will be done at final game, not at the AGM. Criteria has been developed to help in the selection of these awards.

**Select-** Jeff Hoffman

SWOBA going well, no issues to report. Teams moving towards loop tournaments. Select awards done as similar to OBA awards.

**Technical-** Rob Robinson

Working on securing the Marden contract for Tues 7-9, Sat 8-12. Will remain at past facility use. Jan – May used by rep, select tryouts, clinic and umpire clinics. Oct- Dec. need to be creative in how we use this space during the fall months.

**Risk-** Stefanie Mocuik

Working on collecting the outstanding PRC for coaches.

**Grievance-** Harrison young

Nothing to report. 1 outstanding pending process.

**Special events-** Heather Sutcliffe

* Children’s Foundation Update- the Children’s foundation is looking to GMBA to provide open sponsorships for players moving forward. More information to be gathered to inform process and potential financial implication for the association.
* Rotary Grant- Discussions have progressed with the city to look at the installation costs for covered dugouts at Pearson. Ian Ferguson at the city is working on getting costing to support the proposal for Rotary funds. Images of cover suggestions have been forwarded to him as examples of what would be a good solution.

**Communications-** Libby Malott

Working on getting tournament wins on website, and on social media. Please forward stories to Libby for publication.

**Sponsorship-** Jeff Hoffman

2 outstanding invoices

**Open items**- none

**New business**- none

Meeting adjourn 10:46 Adam/Rob