

**Guelph Minor Baseball Association Inc.**

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**October 3rd Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**Welcome** – 709pm start

**Approval of October 3rd agenda**; motion from Adam Fanjoy, 2nd by Sean Staniforth, carried.

**Approval of September 5th minutes**; motion from Adam Fanjoy, 2nd by Koko Gillis, carried.

**President’s Report** – Adam Fanjoy

* Lots of teams to be recognized this year for their achievements
  + Regular season pennants – Rookie T2, Midget T2
  + Playoff pennants – Rookie T1 & T2, Minor Mosquito T1
  + Playoff finalists – Mosquito T1, Midget T1, Midget T2
  + OBA Champions – Midget T1
* Dates to be aware of
  + GMBA AGM – October 22
  + ICBA Gala – October 10 in Cambridge
  + ICBA AGM – November 6th in Woodstock
  + OBA AGM – November 15-17 in Guelph

**Sandlot Baseball Proposal** – Brodie Richards

* Programs directed towards house league players
* A way of organizing house league kids on a diamond but in a very different way than typical league play.
* Offering logistical help to associations by running tournaments, clinics due to lack in manpower, knowledge and volunteers
* Not meant to compete with PPA, or GMBA
* These programs can work on any diamond and will not interfere with house league league play
* Looking at minor rookie to peewee aged groups
* Customizable to the kids who are interested and their skill level as Sandlot will be very developmentally focused
* Insurance will not be an issue. Will either purchase on own or once diamond is rented
* No umpires are necessary and there will be paid instructors

Marden Proposal – October to December

* History of GMBA clinics run by PPA in the past but Marden contract from October to December is difficult to fill.
* Sandlot would run clinics to help recover this typically empty time at Marden for 2019
* Motion put forward by Adam Fanjoy to accept the proposal from Sandlot Baseball to run Marden Clinics as outlined in proposal (see Appendix)
  + 2nd by Sean Staniforth
  + Questions asked about information sharing and that GMBA would like to maintain control over the registration
  + Friendly amendment to the motion
    - Motion put forth by Adam Fanjoy to accept Marden proposal from Sandlot Baseball with GMBA controlling the registration for the clinics
    - Motion carried

Sandlot Tournament proposal

* This would have Sandlot running all Rival Tournaments and any others GMBA would like
* This will be left as an **OPEN ITEM** for the November meeting once the new Board is selected

**ICBA Report** – Stefanie Mocuik

* Ancaster will not be considered as an Interlock to ICBA
* ICBA Coach meeting will now be a webinar debriefing
* No rule changes for 2020 season
* 42 total ejections in ICBA with 9 coming from Guelph and 14 happening in Guelph
* Pitch count app is expected to be functional soon
* Only 2 games in tournaments per day due to pitch count rules
* Locals will need to purchase plate extenders as they will not be provided by ICBA/OBA for Minor Mosquito
* Best Ever clinic tickets and spots will no longer be help without a cheque
* EBLO pipeline will now not require a 15U team
* 24hr pass through release instead of a 5 day
* ICBA will adopt OBA tournament formats
* 18U ICBAs will now be a play off series instead of a tournament

**Rep Report** – Brodie

* 20 teams in Rep for 2020 season which is 3 more than last year
* Rosters are being prepared by coaches
* Getting things ready for the new Rep chair

**House League Report** – Jim Price

* See handout from Jim about proposed House League rule changes for 2020
* Motion to accept all House League rule changes
  + 2nd by Jeff Hoffman
  + Motion carried

**Tournament Report** – Brodie Richards

* Reports are in to OBA
* Financials are in to Donato
* Small loss this year due to attendance and late getting tournaments on OBA website

**Equipment** – Vicki Marshall

* Some outstanding house league equipment
* Moving forward with Hometown Sports and house league uniforms for 2020

**Special Events** – Heather Sutcliffe

* Communications and Special Events should be considered one
* Propose a yearly calendar put together with anything happening within GMBA to be proactive

**Sponsorship** – Jeff Hoffman

* 1 outstanding sponsorship

**RAMP vs GOALLINE** – Adam Fanjoy and Libby Malott

* RAMP has not lived up to what we had hoped. There are too many issues and poor support from RAMP has prompted us to begin looking elsewhere for registration/umpire and scheduling programs that work together and function efficiently
* GMBA has used GOALLINE in the past and will be revisiting it to see if they are the right option for what we are looking for
* Adam has been in contact with a representative from GOALLINE and will be comparing the two companies
* Updates to come

**Financial Report**

* Donato reviewed the 2019 budget with the Board members
* Discussion of 50/50 Guelph Storm fundraisers and which teams would be doing them for regular season games. We have 4 so far this season.
  + Minor Peewee T1 and T2 will take 2 as typically with Cooperstown years this is what GMBA has done
  + The 3 minor Rookie teams will take 1 and the new Board will decide how the 4th is dealt with
  + The Board will purchase the 1000 vouchers which need to be sold along with the 50/50 fundraisers

**Open Items**

* Investigation process with Grievance committee to be reviewed and Cory Hanley has provided a starting point for consideration with the report that was sent out to board members
* Diamond concerns should be sent to Adam so they can be taken to the City for discussion

**Motion to adjourn** put forth by Adam Fanjoy at 1022pm. 2nd by Sean Staniforth. Carried

**Next meeting will be November 7th at 7pm**