



## **Guelph Minor Baseball Association Inc.**

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### **Board of Directors Meeting**

Thursday May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm

Meeting was held virtually, using Google Meet video conferencing.

**Present:** Jeff Hoffman, Stefanie Mocuik, Ryan Herron, Iain Durk, Jill Gillis, Adam Fanjoy, Rob Robinson, Heather MacPherson, Steve Marshall, Erik Tremblay, Kirk McNabb, Dave Shapka

#### **Approval of the May 6<sup>th</sup> Agenda**

Edit: Adjust next meeting date to June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Moved by Erik, Seconded by Steve. Motion carried

#### **Approval of the April 1<sup>st</sup> meeting minutes**

Moved by Heather, Seconded by Adam. Motion carried

#### **Declaration of Conflicts**

None

#### **Select Bubbles**

The motion below was moved by Stefanie, second by Adam and carried by email vote on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021

**Motion:** the GMBA select program will operate independently of the house league program for the 2021 season to enhance COVID safety”

Since that vote, new information has been provided to the Select Committee and the Executive would like the opportunity to revisit that discussion.

**Motion:** Re-open the discussion on the 2021 Select Season operational approach.

Moved by Jeff, Seconded by Kirk, Motion carried.

#### **Select Discussion**

Stefanie provided an update to the board on new information since our last discussion.

- Board voted via email to maintain separate bubbles for select and house league to minimize any potential risks due to COVID-19.
- Since that time, the provincial lockdown was extended until May 20, further delaying the selection of our teams and those in the surrounding centres.

- Additionally, OBA has announced there will be no regular tournaments this season which further inhibits our teams and their potential to play games if they remain separate from house league.
- In a meeting with other select locals (Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo, Woodstock, East Mountain and West Mountain) we have learned they all plan to allow their players to participate in house league as well as select.
- This is permitted as the Ministry of Sport has mandated all sports leagues can have no more than 50 players in a league and players can belong to multiple bubbles but intact teams cannot.
- Discussions have taken place with house league, technical and the executive with feedback on some options from the select coaches. Common themes within these discussions included: need to move ahead with planning for season opening, ability to offer program of choice, maintaining COVID safety and minimizing our risks as an association that are not just COVID-related.
- From those ideas, two were selected for further discussion at the board level.

**Option #1: Maintain Separate bubbles**

Select and house league would operate as mutually exclusive programs

**Option #2: Traditional Select**

Select players would be able to participate in the house league program as well as the select one

The board discussed the options, and voted on the following motion

**Motion:** To allow our select players to play both select and house league for 2021.

Moved by Stefanie, Seconded by Kirk, Motion carried.

**Technical Committee Update**

Rob provided an update from the Technical Committee.

- Coach Mentorship program is underway
- House League Development
  - Intention is to use Peak Performance Athletics (PPA) for 10U/11U Development program.
  - General plan is for a mix of indoor and outdoor activity and leverage PPA's facility for indoor training.
  - House League Coach Development will shift from in person to a webinar for this year.
- Rep Program Development
  - Still working on development milestones for players & coaches
  - To mirror the Baseball Canada & Baseball Ontario development timelines.
- Clinics will like be in the fall and are still being worked on.

### **Rep and House League Uniform Update**

- Rep Uniforms
  - Rep uniforms are ready
  - Dave is co-ordinating the delivery with Sportszone
  - Once delivered he needs to sort them and coordinate delivery to coaches.

**Action:** Dave to confirm with Sportzone if this includes Hats, as they were initially delayed.

- House League
  - Hometown still waiting on final HL uniform order and Sponsors
  - Jill confirmed that current sponsor list is likely final list and we can move forward.
- Select
  - To use house League Pants and Jersey ordered from hometown

### **House League Equipment Update**

- Large Equipment is on it's way from Sportszone, to be delivered along with Uniforms, this included new bases and bags.
- Additional order is being held back until Dave confirms need. This includes pitching machine and helmets with masks.

**Action:** Dave to place order for 16 Helmets with masks. Allowing 8/division.

### **Finance**

- Finance Committee had open meeting to model out 3 scenarios for this season. Best Case, Worst Case and Most likely scenarios. Action items have been shared.
- Auditor recommendation has been delayed until the June Board meeting.

### **Food Bank Street Challenge**

- Will be pushed further out.
- Approach will change, will no longer segregate by age group.

### **Other Business**

#### **14U Advanced Development Program Parent Meeting**

- Parent meeting for May 16<sup>th</sup>. All board members will be invited.
- Kirk is working on communication draft and will share with Secretary when ready.

### Constitution Changes

- Constitution changes passed at the may 2<sup>nd</sup> special meeting.
- Finishing this year under current constitution
- Committee will start to work on board recruitment.

### Uniform supplier for 2022

- Dave to put a group together to discuss options/approach and bring recommendation to the board.

### Sportzone Credit

- Currently have 940\$ credit with Sportszone we can use
- VP Finance recommends applying to the next order

**Action:** Dave to apply Sportszone credit to next order

**Action:** Dave to request updated link for purchasing clothing

### File Shares

- Erik reached out to all board members and webmaster to confirm files shares currently in use by GMBA.
- Currently file shares for the President Accounts, and Rep/House League coaches are only ones with active use.
- Recommend all committee create a file share and store documents as needed. This will facilitate committee transition.
- Google Drives can be shared with board mailing list and committee members as needed. Please reach out to Erik if you need any help with this.

### Adjournment

Moved by Jeff, Seconded by Rob. Motion carried

Meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm