



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

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### **Special Board of Directors Meeting**

Tuesday Dec 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:42 pm

Meeting was held both Virtually and in Person at Symposium Cafe, using Google Meet video conferencing.

**Present:** Adam Fanjoy, Jeff Hoffman, Steve Marshall, Kirk McNabb, Ryan Herron, OJ MacDonald, Dave Shapka, Jill Gillis, Lindsay Dickerson, Greg Killingbeck, Jenn Leachman, Erik Tremblay

#### **Approval of the Dec 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Agenda**

Moved by Adam, seconded by Jenn, Motion carried

#### **Conflicts**

Jeff, Greg and Steve declared a conflict with the 14U Tier 2 appeal.

Adam declared a conflict with the 9U Select Head Coach selection

#### **President's Report**

##### **GMBA Conduct Policy Signature Sheet**

- Adam reminded members to return signed copies prior to the January board meeting.

##### **Review committee recommendations**

- Special Review Committee reviewed the written appeal by the 14U Tier 2 coach, requesting that his team play in the tier one loop.
- As part of the review, the following 6 recommendations were put forward by the Special Review Committee
  1. This committee recommends overturning the decision of the Rep committee thus allowing the 14U second team to play in the ICBA tier 1 Loop.
  2. This committee recommends the Rep committee diversify their membership and include members from additional age groups.

3. This committee recommends the Rep committee to review the rules around declaring, specifically GMBA Rep Rule 5.5.
  4. This committee recommends the Rep committee to review the rules around the number of players who may be rostered on the first day of tryouts, specifically GMBA Rep Rule 5.11.
  5. This committee recommends the Rep committee review and establish a policy and pathway for teams to move between tiers through recommendations as well as coach requests.
  6. This committee also encourages the Rep committee to examine the following; How tryouts are run, how players are released from teams and the possibility of a standardized set of skill metrics that can be used as a basis for comparison of players.
- The Committee would also like to be updated no later than at the May meeting of the Board of Directors
  - Adam chaired the Special review committee and shared the following ties,
    - Only 2 members of rep committee participated in the initial decision. The rest declared conflict.
    - When looking at the players & composition of the second team, the best position for them to develop would be in the tier 1 loop.
    - The team finished 17-2 and won the ICBA championship in 2021
    - The declarations at tryouts followed GMBA approved policies
    - Considerations were made for the quality of the team, the expect quality of the 14U loops and the impact the Bearcats team had on the top tier talent

**Motion:** GMBA will overturn the decision by the Rep Committee concerning the placement of the 14U second team in Tier 2.

Moved by Adam, seconded by Dave. Motion carried.

**Motion:** GMBA will accept recommendations from the Special Review Committee 2-6 as presented.

Moved by Adam, seconded by Erik, Motion Carried

## **Treasurer's Report:**

### **Budget**

- OJ provided an overview of the Budget and the collaborative process used to build up the numbers.
- Detailed budget was shared prior
- Identified increase in training and development and umpire supervisions.
- Reduced PRC costs as the city of Guelph will be subsidizing them again this year
- Equipment model was modernized to focus on equipment refresh cycles.
- Rep teams budgeted for 4 Doz Baseballs each.
- Sponsorships are not included as not yet confirmed.
- Proposed House League fee structure was presented and is in line with prior years.

**Motion:** GMBA approves the 2022 Budget as presented.  
Moved by OJ, seconded by Jenn. Motion Carried.

## **Programs Report:**

### **House League Fee structure**

**Motion:** GMBA approves the 2022 House League Fee Structure as presented.  
Moved by Steve, seconded by Erik, Motion carried

### **Select Coaches**

**Motion:** GMBA approves the appointment of Corey Brown as head coach at the 9U.  
Moved by Steve, seconded by Jeff, Motion carried

**Motion:** GMBA approves the appointment of Trent Kowaluk as head coach at the 13U (1) .  
Moved by Steve, seconded by Adam, Motion carried

**Motion:** GMBA approves the appointment of Miranda Discano as head coach at the 13U (2),  
Assuming there is enough player at tryouts to support a second team.  
Moved by Steve, seconded by Dave, Motion carried

**Motion:** GMBA approves the appointment of Matt Smith as head coach at the 15U.  
Moved by Steve, seconded by Erik, Motion carried

## **Administration Report:**

### **Auditor Update.**

- Meeting was held Dec 14.
- A full update will be provided at the January meeting.

### **Other Business**

- Board discussed shutting down in person activities due to the increases in Covid-19 cases.
- Was decided to wait until further direction is provided from Public Health.
- Was also decided to cancel the last Wiffle Ball session

## **Adjournment**

Moved by Adam, Seconded by Erik. Motion carried

Meeting was adjourned at 827