



Guelph Minor Baseball Association Inc.

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Board of Directors Meeting

Sunday April 3rd, 2022

Meeting was called to order at 8:01 pm

Meeting was held both in person and virtually using Google Meet video conferencing.

Present: OJ MacDonald, Dave Shapka, Lindsay Dickerson, Greg Killingbeck, Jenn Leachman, Erik Tremblay, Jill Gillis, Adam Fanjoy, Ryan Herron

Delayed Jeff Hoffman

Absent: None

Approval of the April 3rd Agenda

Friendly amendment to include House League Rules under Programs section
Moved by Adam, seconded by Erik, Motion carried

Approval of the March 6th Minutes

Moved by Adam, seconded by Dave, Motion carried

President's Report

2022 OBA Government Subsidy

- OBA received a large government subsidy to offset the impact of pandemic.
- OBA will be dividing across all locals based on registration.
- GMBA's portion is expected to be close to 5K.

City Diamond Contracts

- The City of Guelph has still not approved about 50% of the diamond contracts
- This was initially expected in February
- The city moved the date to March and the city has missed that deliverable
- Multiple follow ups have occurred, and we are now looking at mid April approval targets
- GMBA is disgusted with the progress on this as it has the potential to directly impact the youth of our community.

Committee List

- Adam apologized for the delay in sharing the central list, he is still working on it.

- Adam is concerned that outside of House League and Rep, we are missing committees.
- More information to follow.

1-1 Conversations follow-up.

- Lots of great feedback and ideas on projects.
- Common theme, lack of information on certain pieces.
- Don't be afraid to follow up if needed.
- If you don't get anywhere with emails, call.

Less than a month away from being on the diamonds.

Treasurer's Report:

Statement of Accounts

- 294K in primary account.
- Increase due to registrations
- 17K out in expenses this month.
- Largest expenses will be diamonds and umpires, which will start flowing once the season begins.
- Sponsorship invoices have been sent out to most sponsors.
- Peak invoice to be sent out this week.
- NCCP course payouts are in progress, all cheques are being printed and will be ready this week.
- Adam volunteered to be in the office Sunday 2-6pm for in person pick up
- OJ noted that he will look into a more structured process for coach reimbursement next year.

Admin Report

Insurance update

- Repair company will begin repairs in the next couple of weeks,
- Last pending items is the relocking of the building. OJ expects to coordinate answer via email in the next week.
- Additional Cameras have been installed
- Replacement Generators have been ordered and will arrive soon.

GMBA Covid Protocols

Motion: GMBA remove all COVID protocols and follow public health requirements.
Moved by OJ, Seconded by Jenn, motion carried.

Action: OJ to update Office use Policy document and share with he board.

Equipment update

- Equipment and uniforms are coming in from Mac.
- Players are being contacted to come pickup their items
- Select Uniform orders are in.
- Expected to have most of the equipment in by next week
- Dave will be looking for help in April to organize House League equipment.

Action: Dave to set the dates and communicate out for volunteers

Action: Dave to coordinate with Fiona on keys process.

Programs Report

Registration

- 85% registered
- 19U is full
- 85% is based on revised numbers including increased groups.

House League

- House League registration to Close April 18th.
- Goal to Finalize Coaches by April 16
- Play-up evaluations this weekend.
- 3 divisions are still looking for convenors.
- Hoping to have the schedules uploaded to the website for April 19th.
- House League meetings & Coaches meetings to follow afterwards
- We will record the sessions so we can post to YouTube

Action: Jeff/Adam to activate the Zoom Account for recording option.

Action: Erik to update list of convenors on the website

House League Rules

Jeff walked the board through the proposed changes to the House League rule book

- Large focus on Pitch counts and rule revisions
- Pitch counts for house league pitchers are not tracked, but on average they pitch to the mid point of 40-50 pitches.
- Reducing the number of innings pitched should help ensure we stay inline with Baseball Ontario Arm care rules and rest periods.
- Jeff opened the floor for discussion.

OJ noted that as a coach and convenor later year, it was a big challenge to try and play games with existing rules and has concerns that the reduction in innings will add further complications.

OJ also noted that it is hard to handle the conflict with Select.

Jeff noted that we expect more players per team this year, as registration is up. Jeff also stressed that it is important for coaches to ensure all players have opportunities to pitch.

OJ requested that Convenors be included in the training for coaches.

Motion: the board accepts the House League rule changes for 2022 as presented. Moved by Jeff, seconded by Greg. Motion carried.

Select update

- Select Program is moving along
- One team does not have their roster submitted as they are missing a signature.
- Uniform orders are into Mac, will have a different hat due to sourcing issues with New Era.
- Practices have started
- Tournament is filling up nicely and is expected to be full
- Only 2 open spots are left, and a few teams have reached out with interest.
- As part of the OBA Select Town hall, they informed us that a 9U House League tournament is being piloted, more info will be shared as it becomes available.

Motion: Extend the meeting by 10 minutes:
Moved by Adam, Seconded by Dave. Motion carried

Rep

- Last Rep committee meeting was postponed due to Covid. Now scheduled for April 10th.
- Coaches are completing their courses.
- 15U Tier 2 team had two players depart, additional Open Tryouts to all players born in 2007 are to be held this week.
- Based on the outcome of the tryouts, Rep Committee will assess the next steps for the team.

Other Business

None

Adjournment

Moved by Adam, Seconded by Erik. Motion carried
Meeting was adjourned at 9:09pm.