White Rock South Surrey Baseball Association Executive Meeting Minutes Tuesday, Nov 7, 2017 at 7:00pm

Present: Glenn (chair), Randy, Steve, Malcolm, Vernon, Paul, Mel, Kyle, Erika, Daniel, Taylor, Shawn, Ray, Wayne, David, Jordan N., Heather (non-voting), Jordan B. (non-voting)

Call to order: 7:11pm

New Members confirmed or re-confirmed:

- David Hughes, Secretary
- Jeremy Reid, Sponsorship
- Steve Clayton, Challenger Coordinator
- Daniel Sember Co-Treasurer
- Kevin Dalgetty, 7U (Rally Cap) Coordinator

Glenn moved, Executive Approved All

Introduction message from Glenn to Exec.

• Be careful not to speak on behalf of Exec. This group needs to be unified and avoid miscommunication and confusion within the membership or community.

NEW BUSINESS

Position Opening: Bantam Coordinator

- Can we reach out to parents in Bantam to see if we can find someone? Vern to circulate a list
- This group specifically needs attention as we've fallen short in past years.

Calendar of events

- Bring this document to every meeting, so we focus on the right things at the right time. If you need to add an important item to an agenda please send to Heather so we schedule accordingly.
- Important that Heather keeps control of the schedule.

New Positions

- We will be hiring hire a field allocator, looking now.
- We are hiring a web master, applications due Nov 8.

Sub-Groups

- Focus on executing tasks, better served in smaller groups. 5 people on each group. Nominated and elected:
- Administrative Sub-Group—Glenn, Mel, Ray, Vern, Heather, Daniel, David, Wayne
- Baseball Sub-Group –Jordan, Randy, Taylor, Shawn, Todd

<u>Umpires</u>

- Umpire-in-Chief Eddie Greg has stepped up again
- More mentoring and training is however still required.

- Less adversarial approach needed from coaches, more support. These are young kids with very little experience, so we need to support them better to keep them.
- Dress code needs more attention, more professional approach.
- Idea to identify an additional Asst. Umpire- in-Chief to help Eddie. Can we identify a retiree who can devote the time?
- Shawn and Taylor to reach out to the association and identify some candidates. Goal to build more consistency.
- This could be a paid position via stipend if necessary.

<u>Uniforms</u>

- Need to identify age groups who might need replacement. 11U uniforms badly need replacement, both spring and summer. Randy--Mosquito may add 2 new teams this year.
- In future when we order new sets, always order a few extra, and always order 1 of smallest and largest sizes available per team
- Senior and Junior VP to compile a list of All Star teams who may need new uniforms for next summer and review.
- Erika will do an inventory before Christmas. Coordinators please review your numbers and talk to VPs about needs. Cost is approx. \$5K to replace a full set for one age group
- Better communication required for spring teams to parents to ensure uniforms get collected at season end. More diligence required here.
- Suggestion, can we take uniform deposit at time of registration?

Other business

- Decision due on Web Master by Nov 9.
- Randy stats-- younger ages really growing, increasing every year. All the budget items will be going up, fields, uniforms, balls, umpires, etc. Plan accordingly.
- Glenn reached out to the Thunder softball org. to enquire about using some softball diamonds to get extra space. We now have an additional softball field at Crescent and Peach Arch for extra practice space.
- Bakerview fields neglected, needs some attention. Glenn to reach out to City for help.
- Midget field needs a protective pad where bullpen corner protrudes into field. Paul to source and supply. Needed from April to October.
- Crescent Park diamond needs work, we are willing to help. Glenn will speak to City to coordinate something.
- Randy—Tadpole friend requests at registration--very difficult to manage. We advertised last year as 'no friend requests' and it helped some. We need to follow through better this year and enforce. Balanced teams is the objective.

- Evaluations for Mosquito: we are using same format as last year. If you're new to the association, you get an evaluation. If you want a new one, you must pay. If you miss evaluations, you land where you land.
- BC Minor AGM to be held November 18. Glenn to attend and communicate results back.

Adjourned 8:30 Glenn moved, Randy 2nd—Executive Approved