

## WHITE ROCK SOUTH SURREY BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

## **Executive Meeting Minutes**

Date: Feb 7, 2024	Time: 7:30 pm
Attendees:	Gabe Embley
Randy McKinnon	🖾 Roxanne Blake
<b>⊠Jeff Lewis</b>	🖾 Ryan Gibson
Matt MacDonald	□Randy Batke
<b>⊠Jeff Scotland</b>	Shamus Rickerby
🛛 Amanda Dalgetty	Brad Lauzon
🖾 Laura Funk	Steph Mackenzie
⊠Greg Funk	🛛 Haley Workun
□Bob Carpenter	
Ray Persaud	
🖾 Kyle Dhanani	Non-Voting
Michael Carriere	Steve Clayton
🖾 Ken Bognar	⊠Jordan Broatch
🛛 Kevin Dueck	Cheri Tubbs
□Kyle Nishi	Howard Sandrel
⊠Nevan Paul	Sheridan Abells
□Leif Sigurdson	Heather Melenchuk
	⊠Bruce Ng
Meeting Chair:	
Randy McKinnon	
Call to Order:	
7:35 pm	

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up
Welcome & Introductions	<ul> <li>Welcome Haley Workun – 5U Coordinator nominee</li> <li>Motion to move to vote: Stephanie Mackenzie</li> <li>Motion unanimously passed</li> <li>Hayley Workun voted on to the executive as the 5U coordinator</li> </ul>	
1.o Adoption of Minutes	First: Michael Carriere Second: Greg Funk	
2.0 New Business	<b>BC Minor Coaching Convention Update</b> WRSSBA had a good amount of coaches represent (19). The feedback was good from those who attended.	

<ul> <li>Hitting Clinic &amp; Coaching Seminar <ul> <li>Feb 19 by Eric Owens</li> <li>\$60 fee for each player for hitting clinic</li> </ul> </li> <li>National Pitching Clinic <ul> <li>Feb 24/25 @ Elevation Fitness by Eric Reuben</li> </ul> </li> <li>BLE – Shea Hilenbrand March 10, 2024 <ul> <li>Come to do a talk for players</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Info on the website Info to be put on website
<ul> <li>Evaluation Update <ul> <li>General evaluations and 13U AA begin this weekend</li> <li>15U AA, 13U AAA evaluations complete</li> <li>Sign up genius was used for the general evaluation sign up – there is a fee for an ad-free version (\$40)</li> <li>We may need to explore a fee increase for future evaluations</li> <li>A reminder that evaluation scores are not to be shared with anyone</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Sign up genius to be used for future years
<ul> <li>Laronde Scoreboard</li> <li>Scoreboard purchased for Laronde</li> <li>Stand for the scoreboard to be built by a volunteer</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Indoor Booking System Update</li> <li>Current state the online system and traditional system are both being used</li> <li>Bruce will add the booking procedure and info to the website under the indoor training facility page in the next few weeks</li> <li>Payment for booking will be handled through stripe and users will need to pay in real time when they book the space</li> <li>Longer term bookings to be handled through Jordan via email and booking guidelines will be developed and added to the booking confirmation email (i.e. terms of use)</li> </ul>	Bruce to create the page and it will be reviewed by a few members and then will go live.
<ul> <li>Centennial Field Update         <ul> <li>Pitching mound to be re-built</li> <li>Irrigation is still poor but when the new indoor facility is built we will be able to install extra hose bibs</li> </ul> </li> <li>Crescent Park Optimization         <ul> <li>Idea raised as to whether we could remove the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
permanent mound and use a portable mound to have bantam and pee wee practice there	

	Coach Training	
	<ul> <li>Coach Training</li> <li>If instances come up where coaches need support (ex. Hitting, pitching etc.) there will be a process for coaches to reach out through Heather to have them come help</li> </ul>	When the process is in place, information will be sent through to coordinators to the coaches
	<ul> <li>15U Registration Update         <ul> <li>15U House = 45 registrants but only 3 coaches</li> <li>Will need to decide if they will join an interlock or just play in-house</li> <li>If we have a few more players we could field 4 teams but we will need additional coaches</li> </ul> </li> <li>11U Registration Update         <ul> <li>Currently at 162 – will increase capacity to 177 and run 5 AL teams and the remaining NL teams</li> <li>9U Registration Update                 <ul> <li>9U is almost full, 8U is full with waitlist</li> <li>Is there a way to have people be directed to the coordinated when they are waitlisted or be</li> </ul> </li> <li>15U Registration Update</li> <ul> <li>Station Update</li> </ul> </ul></li> </ul>	Stephanie to connect with Bruce to see if this is possible for next year
	<ul> <li>'registered' on a waitlist?</li> <li>Player Release         <ul> <li>Generally, WRSSBA does not give player release within programs we offer; it is only if we do not offer the program (ex. AAA).</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Equipment Update</li> <li>Equipment pick up will be before Spring Break</li> <li>We need to look at pre-made first aid kits that can be purchased and handed out</li> </ul>	Ken to explore
	<ul> <li>Uniform Update</li> <li>PeeWee A replacement jerseys are ready as many were damaged/worn</li> <li>Bantam jersey sizes expanded to properly fit players in that age</li> </ul>	
	Tournament Update - Tournaments have been booked at all levels except 15U and 18U -	
	<ul> <li>Umpire Update</li> <li>Should be 65 umpires for this season so we are in good shape</li> </ul>	
3.0 Old Business	<ul> <li>Indoor Facility Update</li> <li>50x90 ft Facility will be built in the current Centennial batting cage space</li> </ul>	

Meeting Adjourned at: 9:15 pm	Next Meeting: March 6, 2024 (virtual)	
	<ul> <li>Group Discussion RE How to keep interest in the sport between 13U → 15U transition</li> <li>Discussed options that you could explore to engage players more through increased rep offering or development programs to engage the players</li> <li>Explored perhaps considering having additional summer teams at the 13U A level or exploring a 13U A interlock with a neighboring association</li> </ul>	After we complete the evaluations and look through Spring and if it seems as though the talent/skill is there, and the summer interest is high, we can explore this more at a future meeting.
	<ul> <li>Update on girls in baseball →</li> <li>an email was sent out through rally cap registration and there are girls registered but there isn't 100% interest in being on an only girl team         <ul> <li>6U - 10 girls registered</li> <li>7U - 11 girls registered</li> </ul> </li> <li>Will need a follow up from Matt RE next steps for whether we create girls teams or not</li> </ul>	Ryan to connect with Matt Jordan is happy to reach out to Baseball BC to see about what they could offer for interested girls
	<ul> <li>The final specifications required by the city will be submitted in the next few weeks – this should be the final approval</li> <li>Once approved the building permit can be issued</li> <li>Servicing agreement will need to be worked out in the future (heat, power, water etc.)</li> <li>Potential timeline would be Oct 1 2024</li> <li>If anyone has any leads on contractors please connect with Ray.</li> </ul>	