



WHITE ROCK SOUTH SURREY BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Executive Meeting Minutes

Date: Jan 10, 2024	Time: 7:00 pm	
Attendees: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Randy McKinnon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Lewis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matt MacDonald <input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Scotland <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amanda Dalgetty <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laura Funk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Funk <input type="checkbox"/> Bob Carpenter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ray Persaud <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kyle Dhanani <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Michael Carriere <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ken Bognar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Dueck <input type="checkbox"/> Kyle Nishi <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nevan Paul <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leif Sigurdson	<input type="checkbox"/> Gabe Embley <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roxanne Blake <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Gibson <input type="checkbox"/> Randy Batke <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shamus Rickerby <input type="checkbox"/> Brad Lauzon <input type="checkbox"/> Steph Mackenzie Non-Voting <input type="checkbox"/> Steve Clayton <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jordan Broatch <input type="checkbox"/> Cheri Tubbs <input type="checkbox"/> Howard Sandrel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sheridan Abells <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Heather Melenchuk <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bruce Ng	
Meeting Chair: Randy McKinnon		
Call to Order: 7:02 pm		

Agenda Item	Discussion	Follow-up
1.0 Adoption of Minutes	Motion to Pass: Bruce Ng	
2.0 New Business	Coaching Convention (Randy McKinnon) Information on the coaching conference is on the website. If anyone is interested in attending, contact Jordan Broatch for registration details. Courses and conference are free (reimbursed by the association) and NCCP courses are required for summer coaches in certain divisions. There are also players' clinics available at the conference (not covered by association).	Division Coordinators to send out the details to those registered as being interested in coaching.
	Evaluation Process Update (Michael Carriere)	

	<p>Continuing with the process used last year and for this year and Michael has generated a report for future coordinators to use to organize. Michael reviewed the format/flow for the session.</p> <p><u>General Evaluation Dates</u> Feb 10 & 24 general evaluations 6pm-10pm (11U, 13U, 15U) - Will be using sign-up genius for booking kids into evaluation time slots</p> <p><u>13U AAA Evaluation Dates</u> Feb 3; call backs Feb 5</p> <p><u>13U AA Dates</u> Feb 10; callbacks Feb 13</p> <p><u>Bantam AA Evaluations</u> Jan 27th 6:30-10pm BMO Jan 28th 4-6pm WR indoor Call back Wed Jan 31 8:30-10pm WR indoor</p>	
	<p>New Online Indoor Booking (Michael Carriere)</p> <p>We are going to proceed with using the swift online booking system. We will still have a parallel system for planned/in advance bookings by emailing Jordan (current state) and then the new system will be for more last minute bookings and you can book and pay in real time. The new system should be live in the next two weeks.</p>	<p>Information to go out about new booking process and website to be updated – Jordan/Michael/Bruce</p>
	<p>Registration Numbers (Bruce Ng)</p> <p>Overall, we have ~ 530 completed registrations and are in good shape. If coordinators want to set limits/cap on registrations, let Bruce know and cc Randy on the email as well.</p> <p>There have been many questions coming in from registrants around days of the week for practices and games – Bruce will send the schedule from last spring as a guide but this will not be finalized until closer to season starting.</p> <p>Group discussion around friend requests and how to reduce emails to coordinators for these requests and embed them into the registration form. No solution decided upon but noted for future registration considerations.</p>	
	<p>Fall/Winter Training (Jordan Broatch)</p> <p>Winter training is sold out and all those on the waitlist have received a spot.</p>	
	<p>Girls in Baseball (Amanda Dalgetty)</p> <p>Amanda discussed the possibility of having all girls’ teams – particularly at the younger age groups – to increase girl</p>	<p>Matt McDonald to connect with division coordinators to send</p>

	<p>participation ongoing in baseball. This aligns with Baseball BC’s mission on girls baseball https://www.baseball.bc.ca/girls</p> <p>Amanda suggests the following strategy:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Directed email reach outs to those who had girls registered in 2023 spring season to let them know we are proceeding with forming all girls teams where possible in younger divisions. Ask them to reach out to their division coordinators if they would like to be considered for an all-girl team (registration numbers pending). 2. We could also share the opportunity out through social channels to see if we can keep girls from drifting to softball just so they can play with more girls 3. Email out to all 2024 registrants about the opportunity and ask them to share broadly <p>Group discussed the idea and as an association we will need to promote, it in the 5/6/7U age groups and this would be something that would develop over time and look to keep girls in the sport.</p> <p>Agreed to start trying to organize this for the 2023 season.</p>	<p>out information. Kevin Dueck & Amanda Dalgetty expressed willingness to help.</p>
	<p>Uniform Update Roxanne has executive jackets – refer to her email for dates for pick up within the next week.</p>	
	<p>Field Update Tractor parts are in and will be fixed in the next week or so. Tractors will be functional for the season.</p>	
	<p>Roundtable Discussion</p>	
	<p>15U Coach Selection Shamus brought some questions forward:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Should we hold off on selecting coaches until after evaluations? - Have we considered paid coaches? <p>Some historical information was shared around paid coaches and questions were settled.</p>	
	<p>Umpire Training Saturday March 2, 2024 is Umpire Training @ WR Baptist Church Gym. Email to come out next week.</p>	
	<p>PeeWee Summer Baseball Question posed whether we would consider having two PeeWee A summer teams for 2024. The association is not opposed to looking at it but it would have to be something we look at when we have registration numbers and evaluation scores.</p>	

	<p>7U (Ryan Gibson) There was a lot of feedback last year around the crossover/conflict with Coastal that it was difficult to get players and coaches to be present as they always had conflicts with Coastal.</p> <p>Ryan shared feedback that Rally Cap Day in 7U was not well received and the coaches expressed that perhaps the day was not valuable. There is room to change it up if it would be better suited for kids and their enjoyment.</p>	<p>Bruce & Ryan to connect to see if there is a good spot in the schedule to avoid this conflict.</p>
	<p>Warming Shelter If anyone has any concerns, please send info to Randy McKinnon to be sent to the city.</p>	
	<p>New Facility Update (Ray Persaud) Revised engineering drawings/plans have been submitted to the city for final review. The hope is to hear back in the next few weeks and then things can start being planned in terms of timing.</p>	
	<p>Portable Scoreboard (Michael Carriere) Proposal put forward to get a portable scoreboard (3ftx 2ft) for Laronde – approved.</p>	<p>Michael to send info to Randy</p>
<p>Meeting Adjourned at: 8:28</p>	<p>Next Meeting: Feb 7 @ Centennial Arena Meeting Room</p>	