

Bonivital Minor Baseball
Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2016

Call to order

Kevin Crellin called to order the regular meeting of the Bonivital Minor Baseball Association at 7:06 pm on March 14, 2016 at Winakwa Community Center Meeting Room.

Roll call

Dawn Glays, Jamie & Leanne Bates (Glenwood), Jared Hall, Mike Krykewich, Brian Turner (Champlain), Terry Couvier, Ross Sutherland (Southdale), Don Neusitzer, Kevin Crellin, Jen Dickinson, Clare Dickinson (Winakwa), Luc Jubinville (Dakota), Ken Goodwin (Greendell), Kim Teffaine, Glen Agar

Approval of minutes from last 4 meetings

October Minutes

Midget AAA will be holding a fundraising tournament to raise money for the team. Moved by Don, 2nd Mike, accepted

November Minutes

AGM will be switched to the 3rd week of October for 2017. Moved by Kevin, 2nd by Dawn, accepted

January Minutes

-Looking at clothing options for board members with new logo

-Who can charge items at Home Run Sports?

Motion: Only Kevin Crellin, Don Neusitzer, Marc Bissonette and Dawn Glays can charge. A letter will be given to Home Run to put the control in place. Coaches can pay and then be re-imbursed or Kim Teffaine can phone in and pay. Moved by Kim, 2nd by Jared, accepted

February Minutes

-Vote in Jen Dickinson for the Secretary position. Nominated by Kim, 2nd by Dawn, passed by Kevin Crellin

-Child abuse registry check – BV will register and have a package sent out. Coaches will fill in the information and turn in to 1 designated BV member. BV will be responsible for all AAA, AA and Midget teams. It will be suggested that all Community clubs also do it for all teams they are hosting. What if something comes back from one of the background checks? The coach will be removed within 24 hours

Glen moved to accept as policy, 2nd by Dawn, passed

-Guidelines for expenses will be left open until our next meeting

Moved by Kevin, 2nd Ross, Don accepted

Presidents Report

In my last report, I reported that it was -20 well today is +12 and the Blue Jays are in Spring Training. Also we are in the midst of registrations, indoor camps, and all kinds of meetings to prepare for the upcoming season. I will be attending the AGM this coming Sunday at the Holiday Inn 2pm and will be given all the coaches packages. We need to discuss our feeling on the new midget AAA league so that I can vote as they are looking to pass this on for next year. Also there is a coach convention planned for April 15-17th, in Portage. I also want to say that Lynne and Phil have accepted the same roles they had last year with Assignor and Umpire in Chief.

I want to take a few minutes to cover some of the below... are all interrelated...

- **Great working relationships with our community clubs**
- **Increased numbers – at all ages**
- **Financials (controls in place)**
- **A better registration process - that works efficiently and simple**
- **A plan for our diamonds at all ages moving forward, heavy focus on U15 and U18 diamonds**
- **Player development plans for the whole year**
- **Website**

But mostly I want to cover a few minutes on the direction of this board. It is incredible to see the progress that has been made over the last few months. We are about to hear reports on websites, new field possibilities, and tryouts, and branding. The discussions that we need to think about moving forward are very large, we will need to roll up our sleeves and think outside of the box for funding, etc. BUT we cannot lose focus on our current product as we are entering our busiest couple of months. Today we hope to have an idea on, teams, and coaches for AAA and AA. Also that we are a go for

tryouts and team formation plans. Again I want to express my thanks to everyone here for all their time.

Moved by Kevin, 2nd Dawn, Kim accepted

-Introduction of agenda

Vice-President City Report

2016 Calendar

- **City Wide League for 2016 Season are the following Age Group and Levels**
 - **U11AA, U13AA, U15AA, U15A, U18AA & U18A**
- **Declaring Team Numbers in “U11AA, U13AA, U15AA, U15A, U18AA & U18A**
 - **Wednesday, March 16, 2016**
 - **U11AA, U13AA, U15AA & U15A – Murray Weigand & Joe Raposo**
 - **Wednesday, March 23, 2016**
 - **U18 AA & U18A – Joe Raposo**
- **Nights Teams Play**
 - **Monday, Wednesday, Friday & Sunday – U13AA, U15AA & U18AA**
 - **Tuesday, Thursday, Friday & Sunday – U11AA, U15A & U18A**
- **Coaches Meeting**
 - **Wednesday, April 27th, 2016 at Burton Cummings Community Centre**

6:30 pm – U11AA	7:15 pm – U13AA	8:00 pm – U15AA	8:45 pm – U18AA
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- **Thursday, April 28th, 2016 at Burton Cummings Community Centre**

6:30 pm – U15A	7:30 pm – U18A
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- **Season Start Date – Sunday, May 01, 2016 for**
 - **U11AA, U13AA, U15AA, U15A, U18AA & U18A**

Season End Date for

- **U15A – Friday, June 17, 2016**
- ❖ **Standing to Count up to Thursday, June 23, 2016**

- U11AA, U13AA, U15AA, U18AA & U18A
- ❖ Standing to Count to Thursday, June 30, 2016
- Rain Out Make Up Games: Will be left up to Host Association if they want to do this for this season. The Feeling was with a packed schedule for this year that it will be re looked again for next season.
- Mosquito Monster Mania (MMM): Saturday, May 7th, 2016

Red River Valley has an event that day and there is also a Rural Tournament that weekend. If we can switch the date with Baseball Manitoba Approval then Sunday, May 8th, 2016 will be used. Joe Raposo is to contact Baseball Manitoba regarding the date. Location will be held at Little Mountain Sportsplex.

City Playoff Date (League Playoffs)

- U11A, U13A & U15A
 - ❖ Round Robin: Saturday, June 25th & Sunday June 26th
 - ❖ Tiebreaker Game: Monday, June 27th
 - ❖ Championship Game: Wednesday, June 29th
- U11AA, U13AA, U15AA, U18AA & U18A
 - ❖ Round Robin: Saturday, July 02nd & Sunday, July 03rd
 - ❖ Tiebreaker Game: Monday, July 04th
 - ❖ 3rd & 4th Place Game: Tuesday, July 05th
 - ❖ 5th & 6th Place Game: Wednesday, July 06th
 - ❖ 1st & 2nd Championship Game: Wednesday, July 06th

Much Discussion was made on the July Cities being on Canada Day. After talking about alternate dates to have these cities it was best to use this weekend as Provincials for "AA" is on July 16th & 17th weekend. If we would host cities on July 9th & July 10th weekend it would not give enough time for teams to rest players to go to Provincials. Also if it was to rain on July 9th & 10th weekend then we wouldn't have time to have city playoffs. This will be an issue again for 2017 & 2018 Season with Canada Day being on Saturday and Sunday in those years. City Coaches Meeting for playoffs will be held **Wednesday, June 29th, 2016**

1. Host Cities for the 2016 Season

Association	10 Team Pool	5 Team Pool	Total Number of Teams
Bonivital	U11 AA	U13 A	15 Teams
North Winnipeg	N/A	U13 A & U15 A	10 Teams
Red River Valley	U13 AA	U15 A	15 Teams

St. James	U15 AA	U18 A	15 Teams
Winnipeg South	U11 A	U18 AA	15 Teams

2. Number of Teams City League will be sending to Provincials 2016 Season:

- 05 Teams - U11AA, U13AA, U15AA
- 50% of the Teams - U18AA

Age Convenors for 2016 Season

3. Age Convenors for 2016 Season

Age Level	Season	Cities
U11 A	N/A	Winnipeg South
U11 AA	Bonivital	Bonivital
U13 A	N/A	North Winnipeg
U13 AA	Red River Valley	Red River Valley
U15 A	North Winnipeg	North Winnipeg
U15 AA	St. James	St. James
U18 A	Chair-Joe Raposo	St. James
U18 AA	Winnipeg South	Winnipeg

The website that will be used for the 2016 season is **winnipegsouth.net** for all League Rules and Regulation, Schedules and Standings.

The seasons for Mosquito, PeeWee and Bantam A should end by June 17th as City Championship will start June 25th.

As for umpire fees, I suggest that we raise the fees when an umpire is alone. This is what I propose for 2016.

Bonivital Umpire Fees 2016		Actual fee	New Fee
Mosquito 11U	Plate	\$35,00	
	Base	\$25,00	
	Alone	\$40,00	\$45,00
PeeWee 13U	Plate	\$35,00	
	Base	\$25,00	
	Alone	\$40,00	\$45,00
Bantam 15U	Plate	\$40,00	
	Base	\$30,00	
	Alone	\$45,00	\$55,00
Midget 18U	Plate	\$45,00	
	Base	\$35,00	
	Alone	\$50,00	\$60,00

VP of High Performance (Don Neusitzer)

- AAA coaches have been selected
 - 13U – JM Habeck
 - 15U – Jeff Bouchard (returning)
 - 18U – Brady Bouchard and Robbie Lebleu are co-coaches
- **FYI Midget AAA will charge a \$100 volunteer bond to Midget AAA parents as incentive to volunteer their time at the WABA tournament at Whittier Park.**
- **The Baseball Manitoba AGM is being held 2PM Sunday March 20, 2016 at the Holiday Inn Airport West. BoniVital needs to vote to accept or reject the proposed AAA Midget Provincial league. BoniVital delegates will vote as directed at the AGM on behalf of BoniVital.**
 - *Bonivital votes not in favor of the league until Bonivital has their own team*
- **Preliminary work is underway on the AAA team budgets**

- **Will be meeting with all AAA coaches to determine the current state of team equipment.**

Past President – Terry Couvier

- There is a 2017 start date for the new midget league. There will be a camp in late August 2016 to make the teams, which will be followed by a showcase tournament
- Terry has a concern that 50% of the players are out of the program by this age
- bingo fees are up to \$400
- AAA coaches will be providing the drills to Wesmen for running the tryouts
- BV needs to provide 2 First Pitch Ambassadors who would go and learn this at a clinic and then run a clinic for all 1st year mosquitos
- All AAA coaches need uniforms by 2018

Moved by Don, 2nd Jared, Terry accepted

VP of Policy and Infrastructure (Glen Agar)

- nothing new with policy
- Jamie is dealing with the City on a new area near Warde/St.Anne's/South Perimeter
- Dakota is possibly thinking of a baseball academy
- Grand Pointe has 3 diamonds with a grass infield, fees for it are not known
- Blue Jays Academy hands out grants. Committee to be formed of Kevin, Jamie and Glen to figure out a way for Bonivital to get some form of a grant from them
- Southdale may be looking into building a 3rd rink which would mean lost diamonds

Moved by Kevin, 2nd Ross, accepted

VP of Registration and Branding – Dawn Glays

- needs each club's registration numbers ASAP
- Online roster system will be used again this year, child abuse registry forms will be due for roster deadline

-Tryout shirts have been ordered

-Looking at ordering uniform shirts and hats specific to each team for numbers and sizes

-Rather than charge all teams for 20 shirts, looking at dropping the number to 15

-Midget A – looking at ordering jerseys using the new logo in blk/gry/ylw

-Branding – looking to have helmet stickers made with the new logo - \$2

-Banquet – Looking to host an end of season Bonivital Banquet for AAA and AA teams. Players would be responsible for selling x number of tickets or the ticket cost would be built into the cost of parent fees. The event would be catered and would include awards. Possible dates of availability for this event are the weekend of September 9-10 and Sept 30-Oct 1. Dawn to follow up

Moved by Kim, 2nd Glen, accepted

Treasurer - Kim Teffaine

Current bank balance as of today - \$20,050.90

Outstanding payables - \$14,106.31

General Ledger Balance \$5,944.59

-discussion regarding having AAA registration receipts mailed out as many were missing this year.

-Wants all coaches to make sure they are telling people to write cheques out to BVMBA

-Ideally if we had a formal AAA registration night, these problems could be alleviated

-Would like to make sure that all registrations are paid in full this year and that no deals are made with companies to offset a child registration fees

-Would like to collect NSF fees and bank fees for all bounced cheques. Once a cheque has bounced, would like payment in cash for future transactions

Motion by Kim, 2nd Dawn, passed

Community Club Reports

Southdale- Ross Sutherland – Last year's registration was at 220, this year at 185 so far

Winakwa – Clare Dickinson – Last year's registration was at 101, this year is at 81 so far. Of the 81, 19 are brand new to baseball

Champlain – Brian Turner – Going to check Bertrand field for possible use. The city was taking over that field and was taken over by Champlain

Dakota – Luc Jubinville

-added a few things to the Dakota website to make things easier

-nothing has changed with fields in the area for this year

-Will be setting up an Umpire clinic in April, Kevin will check with Phil in regards to this

-Will set up a meeting on April 18th at Dakota. This meeting will be once the AAA and AA tryouts are complete. All left over players will be placed on A teams on this night

Website Committee

-no report

Tryouts

-Dawn submitted 3 types of informational handouts for parents at AAA and AA tryouts, almost everyone generally likes them. Kevin wanted one to be carefully worded, because he wants to attract the best athletes to ball. Dawn to revise

-Suggestion for a list to be posted at the AAA tryouts with a breakdown of fees for parent's info

Next meeting will be on Monday April 18th, 2016 at Dakota Community Center, 7:00pm

Adjournment

Kevin Crellin adjourned the meeting at 9:41pm.

Minutes submitted by: Jen Dickinson

Minutes approved by: [Name]