

**Parkland Minor Baseball Association
Annual Meeting
10:30am DRCSS
Sunday May 1, 2022**

MINUTES

In attendance

Eric Arp (Swan River), Marc Hazlewood (McCreary), Katie Durston (Dauphin), Rachelle Schau (Dauphin), Darcy Boychuk (Swan River), Marla Johnston (Roblin), Don Sheldon (Ste Rose), Regan Lemieux (Dauphin)

Eric called the meeting to order at 10:35 am

Communities present

All communities are present except for Grandview

Additions to the Agenda

Amendment to the agenda by Don – Under New Business c) ii should read “Dauphin and Ste Rose” not “McCreary and Ste Rose.”

“Motion to approve the agenda as amended” – Marc/Don. Carried.

Fall Meeting Minutes

“Motion to approve the October 3, 2021 meeting minutes.” – Rachelle/Darcy. Carried.

Business Arising from the minutes

Bob Alm will be stepping down as Umpire in Chief and we need to recruit someone for the position.

Treasurer’s Report – Nikki Devonald (via email)

- Balance in bank account as of March 18th is \$4,119.04
- Outstanding payments include \$364.30 to Don Sheldon for website costs. All communities are encouraged to send info for websites to Don.

“Motion to pay Don Sheldon \$364.30 for website costs for the previous two years.”
Regan/Marc. Carried.

Registrar’s Report – Marla Johnston

- A total of 539 players are registered in Parkland Minor Ball

- Community break-down of players
 - Dauphin 124
 - Grandview – 89
 - McCreary – 89
 - Roblin – 99
 - Ste Rose – 112
 - Swan Valley – 48

- Deadline to roster A and AA teams is May 15
- Deadline to roster AAA teams is June 15

Umpire in Chief Report (Bob Alm's report read by Eric Arp)

- Level 1 & 2 umpire clinic was held on April 23 where 12 umps were certified.
- In total Parkland has 27 certified umpires to date.
- Shout out to Mark Griffiths for recruiting the 9 certified umps in Roblin
- A list of current umpires and rates was emailed out to communities.
- Bob is collecting info on how communities recruit umpires (pay for clinics, equipment etc.)
- Bob is suggesting senior umps to attend games to help the new, younger umpires gain confidence.
- Bob suggested ump fee structure and mileage stay the same and encourage umpires to carpool if they are comfortable.
- No rule changes for this year. If any new changes Bob will send out.
- Vic Fron Scholarship – one applicant last year who received the scholarship. Scholarship info has been sent out.

Baseball Manitoba Committees

Competition Committee - Marc Hazelwood

- Province wide AAA leagues have been set up for 13U, 15U and 18U to provide more opportunity for kids to play at AAA level
- Parkland has no AAA teams joining the league and no teams playing AAA level baseball due to lack of coaches.
- Coaching recruitment and certification needs to be a priority this year in order to join these leagues next season.
 - Advertise for coaches at the end of this season and set a deadline of December 1st for AAA coaches.
- Swan River is hosting 15U A Provincials, the only Provincials we are hosting in the region.

Girls Baseball – Don Sheldon for Olivia Sheldon

- 1 week summer camps in Winnipeg and 1 day rural camps. Contact James Zurko for info.
- Try-outs for 14U, 16U, 21U and Sr
- Reminder that girls can play down one age group

Coaching – Don Sheldon

- What's required to coach – Baseball Manitoba has outlined requirements on their website.
- Removed coach checking position with Baseball Manitoba.
- Local communities must ensure coaches are certified – certifications will be checked at provincials.
- My First Pitch course is now online.
- Blue Jays have taken over the Rally Cap Program and are offering online sessions – practice plans are available online.
- Video packages are available online for coaches.
- USA Baseball Mobile Coach App – the app provides good info for coaches.
- Respect In Sport Deadline for coaches is May 15.
- Apprentice coaches – cannot be a parent. Apprentice coaches can be on roster provided they have Respect In Sport and the roster should have experienced coaches to pass on knowledge.

Sport Development – Don Sheldon

- Discussed winter ball, Rally Cap and Grand Slam Jamboree at meeting – Tim Horton's no longer sponsoring Grand Slam Jamboree.
- Possibility that ump clinics may be brought to school gym classes.

Safety Coordinator

- There are currently no Return to Play guidelines. Baseball Manitoba recommends following public health guidelines.

New Business

Update from Baseball Manitoba

- Eric read the 2022 Notes for the Season from Baseball Manitoba – can be found on Baseball Manitoba's website.

Executive position changes this Fall

- Treasurer and vice-president will complete 2 year term. Next communities up – Dauphin and Ste Rose. Reps will need to be decided in the fall.

AAA discussion

- Players must apply to parkland to play out of region

Declaration of teams

- Number of teams in each community are as follows:

Community	Rally Cap	Grand Slam	11U	13U	15U	18U
McCreary	2	2	1	1	0	0
Dauphin	4	2	1	2	2	0
Swan River		2	1	1	1	0
Ste Rose	1	2	1	1	1	1
Roblin	4	1	1	1	0	1

- Discussion regarding use of pitching machine for the first three innings for U13 in order to aid in development of this age group and to ensure appropriate time for games, for 2022 season only. All rules will be the same as 11U. No leading off when pitching is in use. Runner cannot leave the base until the ball has crossed the plate. No stealing home.
- “Motion to implement the use of a pitching machine for the first three innings of each game until June 1, 2022 at the U13 level.” Regan/Darcy. Carried.
- 11U will have 8 game schedule, divided into east and west regions.
 - o East – McCreary, Ste Rose and Dauphin
 - o West – Swan River, Roblin and Grandview
- May 28 – Mega Ball in Ste Rose
- Communities must pay league fees by June 1st.

Provincial/Regional Events

- a. Grand Slam/9U Jamboree
 - i. Regional Host: Dauphin on June 4
 - ii. Provincial Host: Shaw Park in Winnipeg on July 9
- b. Mosquito Mania
 - i. Regional Host: Roblin on June 11
- c. 15U A provincials – Swan River on July 8-10

League Playoffs

- a. \$150 per team participating in League Playoffs

- b. Deadline to withdraw from League Playoff two weeks prior to the start of the league playoffs.
 - c. 11U A & AA
 - i. Host: Ste Rose on June 25
 - d. 13U A & AA
 - i. Host: Dauphin on June 18 & 19
 - e. 15U A & AA
 - i. Host: Swan River on June 18 & 19
 - f. 18U AA
 - i. Host: TBD by Roblin and McCreary
- Coaches scheduling meeting is being held today at 2:00pm
 - Fall meeting – September 11, 2022 at 10:00 am at Dauphin Curlers Lounge

Meeting adjourned at 1:21 pm by Eric.