

**Parkland Minor Baseball Association
Fall Meeting Minutes
Dauphin High School
Sunday, Sept 10, 2023**

Call to Order – Eric called the meeting to order at 10:12 am

Communities present – all communities were present

In attendance – Marc Hazlewood (McCreary), Don Sheldon (Ste Rose), Eric Arp (Swan River), Kelli Evans (Grandview), Tanya Skrypetz-Barker (Swan River), Jazz Laroque (Dauphin), Katie Durston (Dauphin)

Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Addition of Vic Fron Scholarship – Darian Giasson from Grandview was the recipient.

For committees, Girls Baseball and Coaching should be removed from agenda as these committees are no longer active.

Adoption of the Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda – Don Sheldon/Marc Hazlewood. Carried

Approval of Meeting Minutes – Spring Meeting – April 23/23

Motion to approve the April 23, 2023 meeting minutes – Marc Hazlewood/Tanya Skrypetz-Barker. Carried.

Business Arising

Google drive has been created. Meeting minutes and other documents will be stored here. Email is pmba.executive@gmail.com. Don has the password.

Treasurer's Report – Rachelle Schau (Eric read submitted report)

Balance in bank account = \$6,432.62. All invoiced bills have been paid. Total expenses for the season include:

\$2,800 to Baseball MB for Provincial fees

\$300 to DRS for AAA diamond use

\$500 to Darian Giasson for scholarship

\$784 to Sign Here for Regional banners

\$16,482 to Baseball Manitoba for 2023 season fees

\$1,550 to Baseball Manitoba for overage fees.

We would like to see a more detailed report showing a break-down of revenue and expenses. Eric will request from Rachelle.

Diamond rental for AAA practices should be covered by the community where the practice was held and not Parkland Minor Ball.

We will hold off on adopting the Treasurer's report until a more detailed report can be provided.

Registrar's Report – Marla Johnston

Registration numbers were as follows:

Club	2023	2022
Grandview	112	89
Dauphin	157	121
McCreary	40	63
Roblin	110	101
Ste Rose	77	109
Swan Valley	78	64
Totals	574	547

Overall total number of players increased from previous year, with some associations seeing an increase of players, and some seeing a decrease.

Everything went well with the RAMP online registration system.

Umpire in Chief Report – Mark Griffitts

No report was provided at meeting, but a report was emailed out at a later date by Mark.

Summary is as follows:

- Parkland had a total of 37 umpires – Roblin (8), Ste Rose (3), Grandview (9), Swan River (4), McCreary (2), Dauphin (11).
- Each local UIC needs to ensure we retain the umpires that will not be graduating and/or leaving.
- Mark would like to see Swan Valley, McCreary, and St. Rose double their 2023 certified umps going into 2024. It's important to ensure we have 2 umpires per game. Baseball Manitoba, along with Manitoba Umpires association, are re-enforcing that umpires at the grass roots level do not work alone.

- **Proposed pay structure for umpires for 2024:**
 - Level 1 & 2 's \$40 (plate or base), \$75 if they work alone.
 - Level 3's & 4's \$60 (plate or base), \$85 if they work alone.
 - Mileage @ .60c/km both directions
- We as an organization should ensure that each association has a local UIC. This UIC would handle basic disputes and would be in support of their local umpires.
- An incident report was also included in Mark's report.

Baseball Manitoba Committees

a. Competition-Marc Hazlewood

Baseball Manitoba is revamping the Provincials system, realizing that the current system is not working for all communities. For Parkland, out of 17 total games played at Provincials for all age levels, Parkland won 2 games. Baseball Manitoba is looking into tiering Provincials and possibilities include AA, A1 rural, A rural, possibly B or C. Provincials may now be smaller, eliminating the 3 diamond rule, allowing for smaller communities to host Provincials.

The showcase was held in Brandon this year. A team of fifteen 11U players attended the showcase, coached by Marc. An email was sent out to communities regarding a 13U team, but there was not enough interest. Next year we will look at implementing a better way for players to sign up.

b. Sport Development-Eric Arp

No update

c. MBA Meeting and Awards

Baseball Manitoba's meeting and awards is being held on Oct.20-22 in Winnipeg. Marc and Don will attend. Reminder that we can nominate individuals from the Parkland for awards.

Year in Review

a. Grand Slam (9U) Jamboree held in Dauphin

Grandview attended the Provincial Jamboree in Winnipeg. A question was raised regarding how Grandview was chosen to attend. A reminder that a draw needs to be held at our Regional Grand Slam Jamboree.

A question was raised regarding a team from Winnipegosis attending the Provincial Grand Slam Jamboree. They didn't have a team registered through Parkland this year.

b. Mosquito (11U) Mania held in Grandview

Everything went well.

c. 11U Regionals held in Roblin

Winners were: AA-Roblin A-McCreary

Everything went well. There were some challenges with tie-breaker games, however it was all figured out.

d. 13U Regionals held in Swan River

Winners were: AA-Roblin A-Grandview

Everything went well.

e. 15U Regionals held in Dauphin

Winners were: AA-Roblin A-Dauphin

Everything went well.

f. 18U Regionals

Dauphin's team folded and Roblin's team automatically went to A/AA Provincials.

g. AAA report for 2023 - Jazz Larocque (coach)

- The team folded before Qualifiers as they felt the team would be unable to compete.
- The AAA team set up their own bank account. More communication early in the season regarding how the management of funds should be handled would have been appreciated.
- Will need to recruit coaches for next year. Coach application deadline for the 2024 season is December 8th. Final board decision will be made by Jan 1, 2024.
- Challenges throughout the year included:
 - getting kids together early in the spring for practices as kids are busy with other sports and activities.
 - pitching and hitting was a challenge for the team throughout the season.

New Business

Google Drive – has been set up

PMBA web-site – Don will submit website maintenance costs.

Reminder to communities to send info regarding their associations in the spring so it can be posted on their respective page of the PMBA website.

New & Returning Executive

- a. President – McCreary - Marc Hazlewood
- b. Vice President - Ste Rose - Don Sheldon
- c. Treasurer – Dauphin - Rachelle Schau
- d. Secretary/Registrar – Grandview – will choose an individual at a later date
- e. Umpire in Chief - Mark Griffitts
- f. Competition – Marc Hazlewood
- g. Sport Development – Eric Arp

Summer Games in Dauphin

The 2024 Summer Games are being held in Dauphin on August 11-17, 2024. The organizing committee will be seeking volunteers from associations to help with umping, scorekeeping and pitch count for the baseball games. Baseball Manitoba has suggested that Dauphin host 15U Provincials this year as a trial run for Summer Games. There will be one baseball team participating in the Summer Games at the 14U level (players born in 2010 and 2011). Parkland players will be trying out for the “West” team. There will be 2 teams from this area and will consist of players from the Brandon, Midwest, Oildome and Parkland regions.

Adjournment

Eric adjourned the meeting at 11:50 am.

Spring meeting will be held on April 21 at 10:00 am in Dauphin.