



2018 Baseball PEI Annual General Meeting Minutes

20 October 2018

Sport PEI

1. Meeting called to order by Walter MacEwen at 12:54 pm.
2. Roll call and verification of voting delegates (all with a vote are underlined):
In attendance: Walter MacEwen, Baseball PEI Kris O'Brien, Cardigan
Spencer Myers, Baseball PEI Lisa MacKenzie, Cardigan
Janet Cameron, Baseball PEI Desi Doyle, Northside
Darrel Kirev, Baseball PEI Andrew Cameron, Cornwall
John Munro, Baseball PEI Rudy MacDonald, Bedeque
Kent Walker, PEIBUA Darren Cash, Kensington
Mike Richards, PEIBUA Tanner Doiron, Summerside
Shawn Adams, Summerside Margo Robertson, Souris
Jamie Antle, Souris Jason Monaghan, Eastern Baseball Academy
Randy Byrne, Baseball PEI (E.D.)
 - Associations with no representatives in attendance: Western, Charlottetown, Sherwood/Parkdale, Stratford.
3. Approval for 2018 Baseball PEI AGM Agenda:
 - Motion by Desi Doyle; seconded by Andrew Cameron. **Motion Passed.**
4. Approval of 2017 Baseball PEI AGM Minutes:
 - Motion by Spencer Myers; seconded by Tanner Doiron. **Motion Passed.**
5. Business arising from the Minutes:
 - **None.**
6. Items to be ratified by the Board:
 - **None.**
7. Reports from Board of Directors, CD for NCCP on PEI, and PEIBUA:
 - a. President's Report: Walter MacEwen gave a report after his first year as president. In the report, he highlighted all of the camps, clinics and grassroots initiatives currently undertaken by Baseball PEI, the success of PEI teams at regional and Atlantic competitions, the need for associations to work hard in the offseason to ensure they are ready for growing numbers in the spring of 2019, the need for more work between Baseball PEI and the PEIBUA and the position Baseball PEI is in going forward in terms of organizations and planning.
 - Motion to approve Report by Andrew Cameron; seconded by Darrel Kirev. **Motion Passed.**
 - b. Finance Report: Walter spoke to the secure finances of Baseball PEI, which have been boosted in large part thanks to an increase in membership dues and the Blue Jays Getaway fundraiser. The extra money is being spent wisely in several initiatives, many of which are camps for coaches and players. Also, he spoke to the review engagement of Baseball PEI's finances in 2017-2018 done by MRSB.
 - Motion to approve Report and the review engagement by MRSB of Baseball PEI's 2017-2018 finances by Spencer Myers; seconded by Janet Cameron. **Motion Passed.**
 - c. Skill Development Report: Spencer Myers discussed all of the clinics and camps Baseball PEI accomplished over the past year, some plans for camps and clinics during the upcoming year, and the idea of a recruitment/travel teams to play showcases in the U.S. to get our athletes seen by U.S. scouts.
 - Motion to approve Report by Spencer Myers; seconded by Darrel Kirev. **Motion Passed.**



- d. Provincial Teams: Janet Cameron detailed the coaching staffs for the 2018 Baseball PEI Provincial teams and the work put into their successes. She also stated who is coaching the Provincial teams in 2019 and some recommendations for these teams going forward.
 - Motion to approve Report by Janet Cameron; seconded by Shawn Adams. **Motion Passed.**
 - e. 11U Competitions Report: Darrel Kirev presented a detailed report on the happenings of the 11U “AAA,” “AA,” “A” and 9U leagues in 2018. It outlined the positives that took place in these leagues and some rules and policies that should be looked at going forward into 2019.
 - Motion to approve Report by Darrel Kirev; seconded by Shawn Adams. **Motion Passed.**
 - f. 13U Competitions Report: John Munro spoke to the Provincial and Elimination champions in the 13U “AAA,” “AA” and “A” leagues, how the seasons went at these divisions, and some challenges posed in these leagues and suggestions for improvement.
 - Motion to Approve Report by John Munro; seconded by Desi Doyle. **Motion Passed.**
 - g. 15U and 18U Competitions Report: Randy presented the report on behalf of the absent Allison Macdonald. In this report, Allison gave his report on 15U and 18U competitions, outlining the champion teams and how the seasons went for teams in these divisions. Allison noted much of the season was positive, but there are still areas that need to be examined – getting games played in a timely fashion, and some discipline issues with some teams – over the winter, and presented a couple of recommendations for 2019 and beyond.

From this report, there was a discussion about the Stratford team forfeiting their quarterfinal game at the Provincial 18U “A” Championships, and the problems that caused (giving an advantage to the teams they were supposed to play). The thought amongst the group was that perhaps more deterrent should be posed to teams and associations that do this type of thing; how far that deterrent should go is something few are sure about at this time.

 - Motion to approve Report by Spencer Myers; seconded by John Munro. **Motion Passed.**
 - h. Coaching/NCCP Report: Desi Doyle gave his report, and it discussed the excellent year in NCCP coach certification on PEI – with numbers from each clinic – and progression of several coaches along with their path to certification.
 - Motion to approve Report by Desi Doyle; seconded by Spencer Myers. **Motion Passed.**
 - i. Umpires’ Report: Kent Walker presented his report to the room, stating it was a good year for the PEIBUA. Numbers were up – thanks to getting the message out that more umpires were needed in the media – plus the PEIBUA hosted MLB umpire Stu Scheurwater and WBC umpire Trevor Grieve in a clinic early in 2018. Other positives were more umpires from PEI than ever umpired at Baseball Canada National tournaments and the PEIBUA is, going forward, in a good position in several respects.
 - Motion to approve Report by Kent Walker; seconded by John Munro. **Motion Passed.**
 - j. Executive Director’s Report: Randy Byrne touched on the overall success of the 2018 season, Baseball PEI’s growth and success at the regional level, and the development of many players on PEI to play at higher levels. He also mentioned the need to improve the umpiring situation – in terms of getting games covered – plus need for growth in infrastructure and creativity and innovation from associations.
 - Motion to approve Report by Shawn Adams; seconded by John Munro. **Motion Passed.**
8. Walter MacEwen submitted the financial forecast for the rest of the 2018-2019 fiscal year and a proposed budget for 2019-2020.
 - Motion to approve the 2019-2020 budget by Margo Robertson; seconded by John Munro. **Motion Passed.**
 9. Twenty amendments to the Baseball PEI Constitution and Bylaws were presented (they are attached to these minutes).
 - Motion to Approve the twenty amendments to the Constitution and Bylaws presented by Kris O’Brien; seconded by Darrel Kirev. **Motion Passed.**



10. Election of Directors whose positions are up for election in 2018:
 - a. Director of 11U Competitions: Darrel Kirev – **Passed (reoffered; two-year term)**
 - b. Director of 13U Competitions: John Munro – **Passed (reoffered; two-year term)**
 - c. Director of Provincial Teams: Janet Cameron – **Passed (reoffered; two-year term)**
11. New business arising from the meeting:
 - **None.**
12. John Munro moved that this meeting is adjourned at 1:43 pm.



Appendix A: Changes to the Constitution and Bylaws

Changes to Entire Document:

- 1) Change:
 - Any place that says “Executive” is changed to “Board of Directors:
- 2) Change:
 - Any player that says “Mosquito,” “Peewee,” “Bantam” and “Midget” to “11U,” “13U,” “15U” and “18U”
- 3) Change:
 - “High Performance” to “Skill Development”

Change in Constitution Section:

- 4) Change:
 - 3.1 Baseball PEI shall be incorporated with its head office at P.O. Box 302 (physical address 40 Enman Cres.) in the City of Charlottetown in the Province of Prince Edward Island;

To:

 - 3.1 Baseball PEI shall be incorporated with its head office at 40 Enman Crescent in the City of Charlottetown in the Province of Prince Edward Island.

Changes in Bylaws Section:

- 5) Change:
 - 1.1 Executive – the President, Vice President Administration, Vice-President Competitions, Vice President High Performance, Past President, and Executive Director.

To:

 - 1.1 Board of Directors - the President, **Director of Administration and Skill Development, Director of Provincial Teams, Director of 11U Competitions, Director of 13U Competitions, Director of 15U and 18U Competitions, Supervisor of Umpires – PEIBUA (ex-officio)** and Executive Director (ex-officio)
- 6) Remove:
 - 1.1 Technical Director - an employee of Baseball PEI responsible for technical matters and affairs of Baseball PEI;
- 7) Change:
 - 2.4.3 The annual membership fees must be paid on or before June 15 of every year.

To:

 - 2.4.3 The annual membership fees must be paid on or before 15 June **or a date designated by the Board of Directors of Baseball PEI** every year.
- 8) Change:
 - 2.6.1 Any Member may resign from Baseball PEI by sending or delivering a written notice to the Secretary or President of Baseball PEI.

To:

 - 2.6.1 Any Member may resign from Baseball PEI by sending or delivering a written notice to the **Executive Director** or the President of Baseball PEI.
- 9) Change:
 - 2.7.1 (d) if the Member has done or failed to do anything judged to be harmful to Baseball PEI.

To:

 - 2.7.1 (d) if the Member has done, or failed to **stop**, anything judged to be harmful to Baseball PEI.



10)Change:

- 2.7.3 The affected Member will receive written notice of the Board's intention to deal with whether that Member should be suspended or not. The Member will receive at least two (2) weeks notice before the special board meeting.

To:

- 2.7.3 The affected Member will receive notice of the Board's intention to deal with whether that Member should be suspended or not. The Member will receive at least **one (1)** weeks notice before the special board meeting.

11)Change:

- 2.7.4 The notice will be sent by single registered mail to the last known address of the Member shown in the records of the organization. The notice may also be delivered by an Officer of the Board.

To:

- 2.7.4 The notice will be sent by **either mail, electronic mail or telephone call** to the last known address of the Member shown in the records of the organization. The notice may also be delivered by an Officer of the Board of Directors.

12)Change:

- 3.3.1 (b) on the written request of at least seven (7) Directors. The request must state the reason for the Special General Meeting and the motion(s) intended to be submitted at this Special General Meeting; or

To:

- 3.3.1 (b) on the written request of at least four **(4) Directors**. The request must state the reason for the Special General Meeting and the motion(s) intended to be submitted at this Special General Meeting; or

13)Change:

- 3.3.2 The VP Administration **mails or** delivers a notice to each Member Association/League at least twenty-one (21) days before the Special General Meeting. This notice states the place, date, time and purpose of the Special General Meeting.

To:

- 3.3.2 The Director of Administration and Skill Development delivers a notice to each Member Association/League at least **fourteen (14) days** before the Special General Meeting. This notice states the place, date, time and purpose of the Special General Meeting.

14)Change:

- 3.5.3 The President chairs every General Meeting of Baseball PEI. A Vice-President chairs in the absence of the President.

To:

- 3.5.3 The President chairs every General Meeting of Baseball PEI. **The most senior Director – in terms of years on the Board of Directors** – chairs in the absence of the President.

15)Change:

- Add "Supervisor of Umpires – PEIBUA" to the Board of Directors (5.1.1)

16)Change:

- 5.3.3 Any person may be nominated by a member or director and nominations may be made from the floor.

To:

- 5.3.3 **Any person wishing to run for election to a position on the Board of Directors must**



declare his/her intention to the Executive Director by no later than one (1) week prior to the Annual General Meeting.

17)Change:

- 5.3.5 Any candidate running for election for a position on the Board of Directors shall be given a maximum 5 minutes to speak to the voting members prior to the vote being taken. The candidate may decline to use this opportunity if he/she wishes.

To:

- 5.3.5 Any candidate running for election for a position on the Board of Directors shall be given a maximum **two (2) minutes** to speak to the voting members prior to the vote being taken. The candidate may decline to use this opportunity if he/she wishes.

18)Change:

- Add 5.5.7 Supervisor of Umpires – PEIBUA: May attend all general, special and board meetings, and shall be the Prince Edward Island Baseball Umpires Associations voice on the Board of Directors but will not have a vote.

19)Change:

- 6.1.2 A third party independent review or an audit of the financial records of Baseball PEI shall be done annually.

To:

- 6.1.2 A third-party independent **review engagement** of the financial records of Baseball PEI shall be done annually.

20)Change:

- 9.1.2 No addition, amendment, or alteration to the bylaws shall be in order unless notice thereof has been duly given to the Director of Administration of Baseball PEI and the membership at least fifteen (15) days before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting or for a specific general meeting called for that purpose.

To:

- 9.1.2 No addition, amendment, or alteration to the bylaws shall be in order unless notice thereof has been duly given to the Director of Administration and Skill Development of Baseball PEI and the membership at least **seven (7)** days before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting or for a specific general meeting called for that purpose.