

**Kelowna Minor Fastball Society
Annual General Meeting
October 18, 2011**

KMFS Members Present: 12 attendees (quorum requirements met)

Meeting called to order by Bernie Penner @ 7:06 pm.

Minutes for the previous AGM 2010 meeting read by Tracy Light. Tracy Light motioned to adopt and seconded by Paul Lumsden. Approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Kevin Fedorak distributed copies of the unaudited financial statement. Each line item on the financial statement was addressed and reviewed.

Paul Lumsden motions to adopt and seconded by Bob Milan. Approved.

Rhonda Pearson motioned to waive a formal audit for 2011. Seconded by Bob Milan. All approved.

Paul Lumsden updated the attending members / executive on the Gaming Funding. Currently we have been denied gaming funding for 2011 season. Paul has appealed that decision and feels that it is a misunderstanding / misinterpretation of KMFS's financials and should be rectified.

President's Report:

A brief year in review was presented by Bernie Penner.

2011 Year in Review

November – December once a week pitching training at the Capital news center (CNC). These are open session to teach new pitchers the skills to become a pitcher and existing pitchers can also attend to work on their development.

Jan – April we have twice a week indoor training at CNC for the Squirt – Midget age groups.

We hosted 2 camps in the off season

Winter camp (Hitting) Dave Paetkau from Powerzone academy in January for a hitting camp.

Spring Camp with the Canadian national team coaching staff running the 3 day camp. This was a very successful clinic and profitable for KMFS.

Teams for 2011: JR & SR LTP, 2 Squirt, 4 Peewee, 3 Bantam, 4 Midget.

Sent record 9 teams to Provincials (one in every category)

Squirt C (Bob Harris),

Pee Wee C (Bob Milan),
Pee Wee B (Doug Fisher),
Bantam C (Denise Swabey),
Bantam C (Russ Rieger),
Bantam B (Tracy Light),
Midget C (Rhonda Pearson),
Midget B (Maurice Blanleil),
Midget A (Bernie Penner)
Medals: 2nd Pee wee C to Bob Milan's Edgecombe Homers, 3rd place Kelowna Heat Bantam B
(Tracy & Darran Light)

Tournaments: We had 8 tournaments:

- House Ice Breaker
- Midget B
- Midget A
- May Days (Squirt – Bantam House)
- Bantam B
- Pee wee B
- 2 Districts

Coaches: Thank you to all our volunteer coaches and managers for stepping up we know you are the key to making the season successful and bringing the players back.

Umpires: Once again Kyle Meek did an excellent job of coordinating umpires required.

Scholarships: 2 players from the Midget A Heat are playing ball south of the boarder on softball scholarships. Allie Lumsden in the Lindenwood University in the St Louis area and Christine Dewitt at Winthrop University in South Carolina. Both players are doing well.

Funding: Our Executive was off to a difficult start trying to determine how it would fair with a reduction of \$16,000 in gaming revenue and the end of the 3 year gaming commitment. We had many, many meetings with the city to see if we could receive funding assistance to compensate gaming revenue loss and additional funds to get the park in better condition. The meetings were successful with council approving \$45,000 in funding to cover; lawn moving, irrigation repairs, washroom upgrades and operating funds. \$20,000 has been used and remainder in progress.

Some items that required upgrading

- Irrigation System \$13,000
- 6 new temp outfield fences
- New covers for the canopies
- Washroom upgrades that Kevin Edgecombe spearheaded.

For the go forward for 2012 we are in the midst of taking it one step further the city with water supply upgrades & field maintenance program and long term commitment. This could be 80 - \$120,000

Would like to thank a couple of long serving outgoing members of our executive.

Paul Lumsden served 6+ numerous years as treasurer and board member and his 2 daughters have now graduated from KMFS. His youngest Allie is playing on a scholarship at Lindenwood University-Belleville. Thank you Paul for your many years of volunteer service.

Maurice Blanche has been involved with KMFS for 15+ years as coach and on the executive. Mo provided many countless volunteer hours looking after the park and was the key push behind setting up the batting cages, building our original temp outfield fences and spearheaded the installation of power to the lower fields among many other maintenance items. Like Paul both of Mo's daughters have now graduated from KMFS and his years of hands on service will be truly missed.

That concludes the year in review but the departure of Paul and Mo emphasis' that we need new people to step forward to lead KMFS into the future.

2011 Business:

The notes / changes from the SoftballBC meeting were briefly discussed. Some of the upcoming changes are:

- Categories have officially change to U10, U12, U14, U16, U18rep, U19C (all words Squirt, Pee Wee, etc have been removed).
- Softball BC fees are going up (\$ 5 per player plus \$? per team)
- Umpire fees at the district and provincial level have gone up to \$23 per game. Will likely go up a couple more dollars next year.
- If a player played midget C the year before (their second year), they can continue to play midget C for their third year. It is their choice, they can play ladies as well.
- Squirt C females have gone to a regional jamboree and there is not longer a provincial championship.
- There are now consequences in the handbook for teams not having a properly certified coach on their roster and on the field of play at the start of a game.
- At U12 and under, a female may register on a male team. Max 3 girls per male team. The female player is only eligible to play on either a male or female team (not both).
- U12 pitcher is only allowed to pitch 3 innings per game starting this 2012 season
- U14 pitcher is only allowed to pitch 3 innings per game starting in 2013

After the elections it was discussed that the signing authority will need to be changed with the Royal Bank. It was the Executives decision to assign Kevin Fedorak and Robin Gabert as signing authorities for KMFS. Bernie Penner will also remain as a signing authority for the association. All other signing authorities should be removed.

2011 Executive Elections:

The following are the 2011 / 2012 Executive:

Bernie Penner	President	1 year term
Robin Gabert	Vice President	2 year term
Kevin Fedorak	Treasurer	1 year term
Tracy Light	Secretary	1 year term
Bob Milan	Director	2 year term
Ron Koch	Director	1 year term
Rhonda Pearson	Director	2 year term

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:19 pm.

Next Executive meeting will be held November 10, 2011 @ 6:00 pm @ CNC.