

The Mabel League

Executive Meeting Minutes

12, December 2022

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned: 8:20 pm

Where: Google Meet - meet.google.com/hza-zxtw-hxm

11 In Attendance:

Ashley Fehr (Chair), Nat Gingerich (Co-Chair), Grace Mathisen (Secretary), Jaydeen Williams (Treasurer), Malloreigh Hamilton (Statistician), Amy Adams (Registrar), Kate Peterson (Fields), Jay Geeraert (Social Media), Cynthia Beebe (Member-at-Large), Angel Pederson (Member-at-Large)

1. Call to order at 7:00 pm

- a. Land Acknowledgment.
- b. Motion to approve agenda. Unanimous approval.

2. AGM Follow up

- a. **Division split changes:** No motion on the division split came forward at the AGM. Connaught is not ready to coordinate with us this year. They will talk to their own exec about next year. Cross-Divisional Play is a post-covid discussion to be had with first exec meetings with teams. Where we want to put various teams is up to us. Rec teams also to move up to intermediate. There's already one new intermediate team and one new competitive team.

We need to get fields booked early. February is the ideal date to figure out when we should know what the teams are returning. Draft schedule. Tournaments. Overlap. Requests for specific dates.

League calendar: Registration starts February 6th and ends March 13th. Returning teams, we should know by February first rep meeting.

- a. **Special AGM:** Motion to have a Special AGM. Give people 2 weeks notice. **Send out a 2 week notice on January 9th. Host Special AGM January 23rd.**

2. Scheduling

a. New Teams

Sway Competitive Colour: Baby Blue

Sway Intermediate Colour: Grey and Red

Grizz Competitive Colour: Also wanted Baby Blue. INCONCEIVABLE!

Confirmation needed for what teams are returning regarding colours and what divisions they will be playing so there's no cross-division issues with uniforms.

2. Calendar Discussion

a. Considerations

- **Registration Deadlines:** SPN insurance informs this in the beginning of January. 18 teams last year, place hold for 20 or 21 teams this year. Make place for the Victoria team for the Lil. 21 teams for now. Needs to have the roster now. Nat and Kate need this for the permits. Insurance is needed before figuring out the fields. Amy can have that ready by the beginning of January.

Amy will ask about Americans.

Americans would probably have their own travel insurance. SPN only covers major injury. Exec has insurance for personal liability.

Wait until after Christmas to reach out to teams.

- **Scheduling Deadlines:** can't be decided until we know who's coming back.
- **Fields Deadlines:** pay in full in March. Due 10 days, 2 weeks before the first booking. We can pay early.
- **Payment Deadlines:** discussed. There's lots.
- **Pre Pre-season Clinics (team management):** first week of February.
- **Pre-season skills clinics:** have them in early march. Lots of facilities aren't open yet.

Action: Ashley will present the full schedule at the first meeting in January.

2. Budget

- a. **Forfeit Bonds:** McGlovin had theirs refunded. Everyone else is in it still.

Check with AM about forfeit bonds.

- a. **Budget Requests:** No budget built for this upcoming season. Similar fees to years past,

Suggestions that would affect the budget: kids stuff, video for the anniversary. Hire a photographer to photograph the original players. Scoreboard professionally printed for the lil and finals. Can we build up a timeline for this?

Jaydeen will work with Amy and Jay regarding the budget for special requests.

Check the printing cost of scoreboard for the first week of January.

- a. **Increase in SPN insurance fee:** it is increasing by \$100 per team.
- a. **Community Fund:** We still have money for the 50/50. We can help new teams buy equipment. We have money for new teams. It's important to reduce barriers for low-income players.
How do we want to use this fund and it would be best if decided by a sub-committee. Would allow more privacy for individuals seeking access to these funds. Maybe include a lottery. Put together an application for some of the community funds. Potentially support 5 players per year and subsidized commitment?

Jaydeen will be involved in fleshing this out with someone else to come up with ideas and bring this back. Nat on board. Sub committee of 4.

- a. **Vancouver Canadians:** We got \$183 bucks from the pride night. Jay may have the contact for who we talked to with them. Jaydeen will ask Jay to send a thank you email.
- a. **Bank:**
MOTION TO APPOINT AND REMOVE the following players regarding bank matters.

RESOLVED that the following persons be and they are hereby appointed as officers for the Mabel League regarding bank matters:

Ashley Fehr
Grace Mathisen

RESOLVED that the following persons hereby be removed as officers for the Mabel League regarding bank matters:

Shelley Larson
RR
Malloreigh Hamilton

None are opposed.

2. Merchandise

True North Screen Printing to get back to us. We have not heard back since September 17th. A bunch of merch was ordered and most of it was not delivered. Did we pay in full?

Contact Malloreigh regarding personal emails conversing with True North Screen Printing and what value of Merch was not delivered.

Options going forward:

Authentic T-Shirt Company (recommended by Kate, unsure if they do up to 5X).
Kate will reach out to their teammate who is a contact.

The Goods Apparel on Hastings (recommended by Angel, can do up to 5X),

Would Malloreigh want a say for designs this year?

Possibilities that excite the Exec:
Pet merch. Baby merch.

3. Mabel Mentors Idea

Amy Adams- Ask for experienced Int & Comp players to volunteer time with new teams for a few practices before first league game.

Look for a core amount of people to consistently help a certain team. Team of 10 people to join up and distribute help for new teams. Timing, gear you need. 5 sets of cones for loaning. Base coaching is helpful. Scorekeeping would be helpful to go over.

- Preferably with same team for consistency.
- Practice plans provided by exec.
- Takes pressure off exec to provide this for rec league expansion to clear new player list (50-60 new players min every season).

Where could we store this stuff in the future is something to keep in mind. Or maybe renting things out? Amy Adams is happy to be the hub for this stuff.

Amy will spearhead this for future teams. Amy will also put together a bit of a budget for this.

4. **Field Caretaking:** Teams volunteer to provide some field maintenance throughout the season, especially in the beginning with regards to Spring weather and the R.O.U.S.'. Staying on top of this. Maybe getting ahead of this, getting rakes, buckets, shovels, offering teams participation points for this.

For Future Discussion: Participation Points

Who gets discounts? Exec gets to decide how they are used. Spreadsheets to decide the dollar value of points. In the past, volunteering events, individuals get points, accumulated over the season, top 3 teams get discounts. Now thinking about redistribution of responsibilities and we discuss this again in January.

5. **Grant application:** Nat applied for a Grant, Reaching Each and Every One: A Community Sports Intervention with Parks and Rec from the Canadian Parks and Recreation Association. Nat applied for the maximum benefit of \$50,000.00 after talking to Lily, a founding member of the League about how to make our organization more inclusive. Funding decision in 10 days, December 22nd. We find out if we get the full amount or a portion of it. Put all the goals down on paper.

Fix the wording on the website for the Inclusion Statement.

6. **Other business:**
 - a. **Events.** Meet Mabel, we should maybe find a different date for this and find a location. No set day. It happened on a Thursday last year and it was well attended.

January 9th is our next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.