



April 25, 2023 Zoom Meeting – Minutes

Attendance: President White, Vice-President Fafalios, Past President McIntyre, Secretary Anderson, Statistician Kinghan Treasurer Gowan, Barrie Sr. Bolton, Clarksburg, Creemore Sr., Ivy, Lisle, Mansfield Sr., Midland, New Lowell, Orillia Sr., Owen Sound, Creemore Jr., Georgina, Innisfil, Mansfield Jr., Orangeville, Orillia Jr.

Absent: Clearview, Barrie Jr.

- President White welcomed everyone to the meeting at 7:04 p.m. and noted the purpose of the meeting is to review some important information with all teams and to allow for questions prior to the start of the 2023 season.
- Treasurer Gowan advised all fees are to be paid prior to your first game. E-transfers can be made to Scott (secretary@ndbl.ca) or paid by cheque and sent by mail (Sr. teams \$450.00 Jr. teams \$400.00) OBA fee of \$100.00 can be collected later.
- Secretary Anderson asked all teams to submit a preliminary roster this week so the website/team pages can be updated. A final roster on the prescribed form will be due at the roster meeting.
- Secretary Anderson explained the player release process - Any player moving from a team in the same division requires a release. Email releases will be accepted – please send to Scott. A player must have a release prior to playing a game with the new team. Should there be any financial or uniform obligations please address and if not resolved can be directed to the executive.
- Statistician Kinghan noted the number of games required to qualify for the playoffs are 7 for the senior division and 6 for the junior division. Only players who actually made an appearance in the game (pinch run, at bat, defensive position, etc.) are to be recorded on the score card.
- Statistician Kinghan advised all game changes, dates and/or game times, must be given to him by text (705-623-3858 or email stats@ndbl.ca) Rescheduling of games should be made 2 weeks before the game.
- Statistician Kinghan requested all game scores need to be sent either by text or email to him following a game so the standings can be updated on a regular basis. The league receives a lot of press coverage and they rely on our website to be up-to-date. The home team of each game must send in the score card summary as soon as possible with all stats completed. If there are any ejections in a game, the ejections must be reported on the game card and to the Statistician.
- Vice President Fafalios gave an overview of a few rules – Our only mercy rule is 10 runs after 5 innings; Teams are required to provide at 3 new baseballs for each home game, baseballs cannot be 80cc, full list of approved baseballs on OBA website; We allow for DH in both

divisions; No re-entries are allowed unless of injury; single ear flap helmets are permitted; Pitch Count app is to be used in the junior division for junior teams who are planning to go to provincials. No other teams will need to use the app at this time; Consult the NDBL By-laws for additional rules.

- General Discussion / Questions
 - York-Simcoe is having issues with uploading rosters. Teams going OBA are to contact YSBA directly to get their roster uploaded correctly.
 - Owen Sound will have Rogers TV broadcast the All-Star Game. It was noted fines will be imposed for players who are selected and do not go to the all-star games
 - Proper conduct of player and coach behaviour is encouraged on the diamond. The league has a good following of fans and press and our conduct on the field matters.
 - 25 players are allowed on each roster- only players listed on the roster can play and this includes call-ups.
- President White wished all teams' success this season and closed the meeting at 7:33 p.m. The next meeting will be in person – May 29 (roster and OBA declaration meeting)