

# NORTH DELTA BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

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## **NDBA AGM Agenda**

**June 10, 2015 8:00pm at Mackie Clubhouse**

Present: Debbie MCMurray, Shawn Sabourin, Nancy Bailey, Tim Fehr, Chris Adams, David Woodson, Brent Dingsdale, Carey Dingsdale, Pamela Tregaskis, Tony Deane, Sue Deane, Mike Spencer, Igor Curak, Doug Lutherland, Jason Tregaskis, Kevin Browne, Ryan Semak, Michelle Miller, Cheryl Vas, Gaby Wilson, Kirk Beck, Grant Bulter, Ryan Harmer, Rhinoda Krushel, Paul Gousmen, Kevin Koyanagi, Rob Kustec, Calen Slezash, Leanne Baird,

**Motion to adopt the minutes of June 11th, 2014. Moved by Tony Deane. Seconded by Grant Bulter**

### 1. Correspondence

NIL	
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### 2. Old Business

NIL	
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### 3. Executive reports

## **President's Report 2014/2015**

Wow, in the blink of an eye the spring season is now winding down and play-off schedules are being distributed. Our ND and merged association teams have shared in an extremely successful spring season. Congratulations go out to all Players, Coaches, Volunteers, Parents and umpires. Our baseball community continues to evolve year after year and it is all thanks to all the hard work and commitment we as an Association put in that ends up paying us back big time. I thank you all for your efforts. As a president I was extremely proud of our Association for being named the BC (Minor) Baseball "Association of the Year" for the 2014 season. But more importantly I was ecstatic to hear that our 10U (Mosquito) team was the recipient of the BC (Minor) Baseball "Team of the Year" for 2014.

The Jeff Francis tournament was once again the classy tournament that we've come to expect. This year the North Delta Rockies were the class of the field winning gold after a hard fought battle with the North Delta Mariners. Thanks go out to Brent Dingsdale for organizing a first class tournament and Mike Spencer for showcasing each and every player with accolades, humor, and music that only Mike can provide. Well Done!!

Our 9U Victoria Day tournament was also a successfully run top-notch tournament under the guidance of Brent as coordinator. The North Delta Mariners were in tough against a fierce team in the North Delta Angels. The Angel bats were on fire and a little too much for the Mariners on this day and the Angels

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were awarded the Gold as tournament champions! Once again thanks to all involved for creating such a wonderful event.

Summer season is just around the corner and I can see the excitement building, as the "Rays" will once again take to the field. I wish all of our summer teams the best of luck and win or lose know that they will do us proud!

I would like to thank the hard working executive who are working hard behind the scenes to ensure that all the children within this association are getting the most out of this great game day in and day out, and most importantly returning year after year. You are an amazing group of volunteers and seeing it first-hand I truly appreciate your passion and dedication. I wish the newly elected executive the best as they forge onward and upward doing their very best in keeping the NDBA relevant and successful with the interests of each and every player involved being the top priority. I have nothing but great memories in my role as president and have made many friends and acquaintances. I wish all involved the very best moving forward and appreciate you all for your support and guidance. I am sure the pride and tradition that is the NDBA will only flourish further in the future.

Respectfully,

Tony Deane

President, NDBA

## **Vice President – Ryan Harmer**

## **Secretary – Carey Dingsdale**

As like a few fellow executives this was my first year being involved behind the scenes. This role was not previously filled thus adding more work load to the Vice President; Ryan Harmer and President; Tony Deane. I am glad to be of assistance to both of them and have enjoyed learning more about the game my children love to play.

Aside from taking minutes at each executive meeting I was also involved with booking the delta gyms for our spring evaluations and tryouts. This was a challenging task as there was multiple emails back and forth between myself, the div. reps, and the school board. I quickly learned how time sensitive these booking can be. One recommendation is to have the div. reps (or coaches) who need the gyms booked; fill out the appropriate forms (hopefully we can have this on our website) then forward to me to inquire with the school board.

This year I was also part of the clubhouse committee where we allocated some funds and time (mostly) to "update and spruce up" our half of the Mackie Clubhouse. I; alongside Rhonda Krushel, Brent Dingsdale, and Mike Spencer put in countless hours and man power ensuring the clubhouse represents our association and the children who play within it.

It is not quiet completed thus far; however, I am very happy with the vision and the execution we have put forth. I encourage all members to stop in and take a look of the pictures, trophies, and memorabilia we have on display.

As my first term come to a close I have a better understanding of my role within this executive. I have enjoyed the conversations, the learning, and witnessing first-hand how this executive volunteers have worked together for the common purpose of the children playing baseball.

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See you next year ☺

Sincerely,

Carey Dingsdale

**Treasurer – Pam Tregaskis**

## **Registrar**

Registration was right on par to previous years, Last year we had 364 players for the spring season this year we ended up with 370 for the spring. We should take this as a success as many of our neighbouring association are struggling to hold numbers. Having said that there were some struggles to get releases this season and I can only see it be more difficult in the upcoming seasons. My advice to those parents out of catchment please starts the process early. Also those trying out early for AA, AAA teams you do need a tryout release from Baseball BC before you may try out.

One thing I and the treasurer found a struggle with this season is the amount of refunds we had to do, whether it was for a change of mind, signing up for a tryout then not making a team and then moving on. I would recommend to at least cut back on this a little is for tryouts yes we need them to sign up so we know who is coming out but maybe they do not pay until they make a team. This I believe would at least cut back on some of the administration of refund's as it does involve two people from the Executive to execute; whereas, if they have not paid it is a simple deletion by one person.

Big thank you to all the Executives this year for all their hard work they do so my son has a fun safe place to play ball.

Regards,

Shawn Sabourin

## **Field Manager – Ryan Semak**

With the help of coordinators and the rest of the association erecting the fences at Westview, Gunderson and upper Annieville was made an easy a smooth process. Construction of the Gunderson storage shed was completed with the help of Steve Chandra.

Future projects;

Pitching screens at Sunbury need attention. We need to decide on doing a quick fix or spending some money and fixing them for the long term.

Westview field could use an upgrade. We should look into having the diamond moved to the South West corner of the field. This would also help us utilize the concession.

## **Marketing Director – Stan Chermak**

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## **Year Book Director- Rhonda Krushel**

This year I found a new contact for printing the yearbooks and as the budget has been increased, I have designed and am printing 370 full colour yearbooks. Collecting information is time consuming and often ignored leaving me without even names for some of the team pictures.

My suggestion for future Yearbook Director's is to have your plan and discuss it early. If you have your plan of what you will need, team parents can be notified early as to what will be required of them.

They look really, really awesome :-)

Rhonda Krushel

## **Equipment Manager – Tom McDougall**

### **Uniform Manager – Sue Deane**

This year NDBA continued with the replacement of uniforms. The U11 Division received new uniforms this year, and U16 received a set of new uniforms also. Next year the replacement of uniforms will be completed with the U7 Division and a new set for the U18 Division.

For the first time North Delta unveiled its new branding for the summer ball teams. This was a sharp new look that drew attention from many other associations, and is creating a new identity for North Delta both on and off the field.

NDBA offered a one day pants sale which included the sale of old jerseys, the sale again was very successful and helped to offset the cost of new jerseys. With our stock almost depleted, the NDBA is hoping to work with Pro stock to continue to offer a reasonably priced pant for members to purchase as a convenient service to our players and families.

The change in how the uniforms are distributed brought in a 98% return rate, and I continue to hear positive feedback on the distribution and will continue with this trend going forward.

I would like to thank the executive and the parents for their continued support. It has been a pleasure to work with and support such a dedicated group.

### **7U Division Representative – Jason Tregaskis**

The 2015 Rally Cap season was an exciting one. This year we had 10 teams and still kept the rosters between 7 and 8 players per team. Each team played 1 game per week and usually had 1 practice as well. Most teams started including live pitching into their games during the season and the players enjoyed the extra challenge. The players have progressed well, with 8 of them having a chance to play games at the 9U Tadpole level. The call-up aspect is great for their development and we should explore the possibility of giving the 7U players more of a chance to play at a higher level during the regular season. A coaches clinic was held at the beginning of the season and the feedback was very positive. I regret that my time was extremely limited this year and I was not able to get to the field as much as I had planned, but from the conversations I have had with parents and coaches, it sounds like the season has been a great success.

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## 9U Division Representative – Calen Slezash

The Tadpole division began work with the 2014 Winter Training, helmed by our Coaching Director Tim Fehr. Sixteen players registered for the training which ran weekly for the month of February. The event was highly successful and both parents and players commended our association on a job well done. The Spring 2015 season began with a search for other associations to interlock with. Historically this has been Newton, but initially they abstained from joining us. After no luck in joining with Tsawassen or Ladner, the Newton Executive reversed their previous decision and we began the interlock season with them. There was much work to do in drafting the Interlock Rules for 2015, as well as the interlock schedule, but with great effort we managed to finalize this to everyone's satisfaction. This year we took extra measures to ensure that both associations were in agreement and always on the same page, with mutual combined announcements made to both associations. This seemed to set coaches minds at ease in seeing that our two associations were willing to work together.

In late February and early March, we held two Spring Evaluations for a total of 74 registrants. This was also the first year that we decided to utilize a standardized Ballplayer Assessment Tool (BAT). The evaluations went very well, and we learned how we could further define the evaluation process using the BAT process.

In early March we held our Tadpole Coaches Meeting. This was a great chance to communicate to coaches what the season would look like, and the expectations of coaches and parents. There was a bit of "hand-holding" and extra attention needed for many of the coaches as most were either new or near-new coaches. Some had not experienced the Manager role for a team. There was also much effort required to have coaches of both associations understand the rules, as well as the priority of rules (i.e., Interlock Rules, NDBA Rules, BCBA Rules, and Baseball Canada Rules). It is my recommendation that in the future we try to limit the number of rule books down to one or two.

Soon after the coaches meeting, we held our Tadpole Draft. Again, this went very well and we were able to field six teams. Adding this number to the four Newton teams gave us an interlock season of ten teams.

The Victoria Day Tadpole Tournament (VDTT) was efficiently organized and run by our Tournament Director (Brent Dingsdale). This tournament consisted of only our own six ND teams who found themselves playing an umpired game for the first time. No 'umpire incidents' took place, and much fun was had by all. The North Delta Angels took the cup in a hard-fought final game.

Near the end of the season, we began work on assembling an Interlock Playoff schedule. This quickly turned into a lesson in futility as there was much ado about the balancing of fields, home games, and again the rules. Due to the limited amount of time and resources, we made the decision to dissolve the interlock for the playoffs, with North Delta and Newton each hosting their own 'intra-association' playoffs. This met with no disagreement from the North Delta coaches, but some of the Newton coaches were upset at not determining an interlock champion between the two associations. A suggestion went out to hold a final Interlock Championship Game – organized and co-ordinated by the two winners. No response was received by Newton on this, while all North Delta coaches abstained from the invitation. The North Delta Spring 2015 Tadpole Playoffs schedule was then drawn up with six ND teams participating. The event commences on June 11<sup>th</sup> (the day after this AGM).

Work is currently under way for our Summer program. Two tryout dates were set with a total of sixteen 8U registrants and twenty-one 9U registrants. The first date of our tryouts went well, with our final date in the near future (June 13<sup>th</sup>). After Closing Ceremonies, we will be choosing one 8U and one 9U team for the summer.

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Two 'sideline' projects merit mention here as well. Our 2015 Scorekeeper Clinic was a smashing success with a full room of parents. This was the first year that I strayed from the historic "speak and provide hand-out" format, and instead created a presentation (with projector and slides) and supplemented this with a hand-out booklet. I was able to witness first-hand of the effects of the clinic and I am happy to report that scorebooks appeared to hold much more valuable information with the knowledge that this information would greatly assist coaches.

A second project is under way: The Electronic Document Management System. We are working to move to a centralized online document storage system which will greatly increase our efficiency, accountability, and ability to track our history. Due to the immensity and complexity of the project, the decision was made to continue this project with the hopes that we may implement it for the 2015/16 season.

## **11U Division Representative – Rob Kustec**

For 2015, the Mosquito division started off with pre-season player clinics that lasted for 5 weeks. It was well received by the parents. These clinics lay a great foundation for skill development for the spring & summer seasons.

In March, we held evaluations for all registered players. This season, we had 65 players registered for Mosquito. We had 5 teams. North Delta interlocked with Newton, Surrey & Langley. The interlock division consisted of 16 teams. The regular season finished up strong with all 5 of our ND teams finishing in the top 8. Interlock playoffs are now underway and will conclude on June.14<sup>th</sup>.

The winner of this year's Jeff Francis Tournament were the North Delta Rockies, who defeated the North Delta Mariners in a hard fought final game. As always, all the teams in the tournament played some great baseball.

Currently, tryouts are being held for the upcoming summer ball season. 35 kids have registered to tryout with the opportunity to represent our community in the Provincials.

This was my first year being on the executive & being Mosquito coordinator. It was definitely an eye opening experience for me. I have learned a great deal in such a short time. There is a lot of work behind the scenes to organize teams & schedules but I take pride doing it to the best of my ability, proudly representing my community in the process.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone on the executive for providing me guidance along the way, especially Ryan Harmer & Tim Fehr.

North Delta Baseball is in great hands for the years to come.

Regards,  
Rob Kustec

## **13U Division Representative – Mike Spencer**

The 2015 version of the 13U Division, still affectionately known as "PeeWee", was by all accounts a successful one. Without going into too much painful detail, the season went as follows:

North Delta fielded a AA team, consisting of 12 players and was able to field 3 more single-A teams on top of that. The 1<sup>st</sup> year / 2<sup>nd</sup> year ratio of the 50 kids registered in 13U this year was approximately half-and-half. Of the 12 kids selected to the AA team, 5 were first year PeeWee players.

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The AA season had the ND Athletics finished middle of the 18-team pack, while in Single-A the ND Angels were the top team in the 20-team division, ranking 6<sup>th</sup> – and the Yankees and Cubs were 12 & 13<sup>th</sup> respectively.

Mother Nature was a rockstar this year and all teams appeared to get in all of their games.

This season the new 'call-up' procedure was used and the Bantam Single-A teams, particularly the Giants, kept the 13U Coordinator very busy. I'm happy to report that the four Peewee teams all had a comparable number of opportunities and no player was used a twice (with the exception of one player due to the fact his first callup was shortened by a rainout called in the first inning) and the Bantam Call-up wealth was definitely spread out.

A special thanks to Larry Weeks, Calen Slezash and Jason Tregaskis – all of whom stepped up to manage teams at a time when they had all hoped to take a step back. A shout-out to Chad Miller, Rob Kustec and Jimmy Walker – all of whom agreed to step up to help coach with their managers. Without these guys, we were in serious jeopardy of not having 3 Peewee teams.

13U summerball is rolling along with the AA team likely being identical to the Spring version and ND will also be entering a Single-A summer team into the summer fold.

Thanks,  
Mike Spencer

## **15U Division Representative – Kevin Koyanagi**

This year we had 36 kids register for Bantam of which, 9 of them are second year which will make it a challenge for Midget next year.

Last year, we set the groundwork for the Bantam AA/AAA program and this year we were able to pull it off. The AAA program is a merging of Ladner, North Delta and Tsawwassen. The AA program is a team comprised of North Delta and Tsawwassen players. To round out the program, we have merged all 3 associations to form a single A summer ball team. The teams are called the Delta Tigers.

Six North Delta kids made the AAA team, 9 made the AA team and the remaining 21 kids formed 2 single A teams in the Spring. The summer single A team consists of 7 North Delta kids. Any player not making the team can play on a second merged team that we have with Richmond, Ladner and Tsawwassen. So this season, any North Delta Bantam player that wants to play summer ball, can!

The AAA team is currently 4<sup>th</sup> out of 16 teams with a record of 5-8-0. The AA team with mostly first year players had a respectable record of 8-9-1. The single A Giants tied for 6<sup>th</sup> out of 13 teams with a 9-6-1 record. This is with a 2<sup>nd</sup> year player out for a month with a wrist injury. The single A Diamondbacks finished 12<sup>th</sup> (2-13-1) but we have 2 wins and a tie so far in the tier 2 playoffs.

Thank you to Coach Frick, Browne, Sabourin and Dickson for managing the 4 teams as well as all of the assistant coaches. Thank you for your time and commitment to the players.

Thank you to Wayne Laviolette, my counterpart in Tsawwassen for making the Delta Tiger program a success. Also, thank you to Tim Sanders, the Ladner Bantam Rep. Our next target is a Delta Tigers Bantam Fall Ball program that will be run by the AAA coaches.

Finally, thank you to all the executives, parents and players for making this a fun and rewarding year.

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Kevin Koyanagi

## **18U Division Representative – Terry Nugent**

The Midget division numbers were down again this year with only 16 kids registered. There was 1 AA team.

The AA team held its own throughout the spring season however finished in the lower tier for the playoffs.

Unfortunately there was not enough interest to field a summer ball team; this was a first for this division for as long as I can remember. Some kids were directed to other associations for the summer.

I would like to thank all the coaches for stepping up, as we could not continue as an association without your commitment and the volunteering of your time.

I would also like to thank all the parents out there for all your hard work with concession duties and field preparation; your assistance is greatly appreciated.

I hope you all have a great summer and look forward to seeing you all again next season.

Terry Nugent

## **Umpire-in-Chief – Brad Woof**

The North Delta Baseball Association Umpire Development Program ran for another successful year, in 2015, with several achievements. Overseen by Brad Woof, Umpire-In-Chief the program was supported by 39 Official Umpires, 9 of which are also Mentors, 1 Allocator, 1 Emergency Allocator, and the North Delta Baseball Association Executive.

The NDBA UDP ran a Level 1 & 2 Umpire Clinic before the season began & it was well attended, we had 14 new umpires and 3 new mentors join our program this season. In addition, the British Columbia Baseball Umpires Association (BCBUA) offered 3 senior clinics this year: the Umpire Academy for Level 2 Refresher, the SuperClinic for Level 3, and the National Clinic for Level 4/5 all of which were well attended by our Umpires.

Allocation began Sunday 29 March, allocated by Brad Woof. Allocation efforts were again above average primarily due to the continued use of Scheduler.ca & the large number of new umpires that again joined our program this season. The Scheduler.ca allocation program continues to work very well and greatly aid in our administration abilities. Since allocation began to Sunday 21 June, 180 games will have been allocated in the NDBA UDP, approximately 360 total umpire allocations for our local crew all very seamlessly. There were 0 no shows which resulted in 0 one man umpiring games and only a few lates primarily because of the Scheduler.ca allocation program: its' accessibility and auto-reminders. 0 fines in regards to no shows or lates were issued, as there were 0 no shows and only a few lates. However, there were 4 games where 1 or both teams did not show, notification of the cancelled or rescheduled game was not provided to the Allocator, and therefore the Umpires went to the field unnecessarily and had to be paid.

Some e-mails and phone calls were received throughout the year in regards to the Umpires: some complaints, some compliments, no ejections and no protests. All correspondence was dealt with internally; no suspensions in regards to ejections were issued, as there were no ejections reported. There were 2 Coaches Code of Conduct violations that were forwarded to the NDBA and dealt with by the NDBA Discipline Procedure. Some rules clarifications also arose throughout the season and explanations were provided.

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The NDBA UDP Account was a couple hundred dollars overbudget, set in 2014, due to more new umpires than initially expected & equipment purchases. A large number of stale dated cheques were brought up to date. Equipment purchases continue to be offset by sales or held over in inventory value.

Umpire Awards are pending, to be Awarded at next year's Umpire Clinics to the most proficient Umpire for Level 1 and Level 2 along with certificates for Honorable Mention.

The Mentoring/Shadowing program continues to be effective and all senior umpires in North Delta are onboard with the program as per three seasons ago. Many officially documented Mentorships have taken place this season.

Overall, another positive year with a positive outcome, next year's outlook is also positive with continued focused growth in Umpire enrollment at the entry levels, the upgrading of several senior Umpires to Level 3 and 4/5 along with the continued development of all Umpires. If more information is required, or if you have any questions or comments, feel free to call me at; (778) 928-9663, or e-mail me at [umpire\\_in\\_chief@ndbaseball.com](mailto:umpire_in_chief@ndbaseball.com).

Yours truly,



-Brad Woof, Umpire-In-Chief -

North Delta Baseball Association Umpire Development Program

## **Concessions – Nancy Bailey**

Concessions having been going well with an amazing amount of hot dogs and candy bags being sold! The concessions continue to contribute the needed support to successfully operate the NDBA activities. Thank you to all the parents who have run the concessions, from collecting the key to stocking the shelves. You have done the work to make the concessions a key factor in the players, coaches and fans enjoying the baseball games! Thank you!

I would also like to thank Harmony Sutton for managing the Gunderson Concession, thanks for doing a great job!

Regards, Nancy Baily

Concession Manager

## **Publicity Director – Ryan Harmer**

## **Social Director – Katie Harmer**

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## **Tournament Director – Brent Dingsdale**

2015 was the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Victoria Day Tadpole Tournament (VDTT) and the 11<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Jeff Francis Tournament (JFT).

The VDTT included the 6 North Delta 9U teams. I held a coaches meeting prior to the start of the tournament to discuss rules and acceptable behavior towards the umpires. The meeting was well attended and led to an umpire incident free tournament. Thanks to all the 9U coaches! The VDTT format consisted of a round robin with the top 2 teams playing in the finals. The Angels took the VDTT trophy with a win over the Mariners.

The JFT included 5 North Delta 11U teams plus the Richmond Jr Chuckers, North Langley Padres and Cloverdale Padres. I would like to hi-lite the extra ordinary volunteer efforts put forth by concessions (Nancy Baily and Harmony Sutton), Mike Spencer for running the mike and music and Brad Woof for mentoring our young umpires. The final had the North Delta Rockies beating the North Delta Mariners.

The upgrades made at the Upper Annieville #2 park this season benefited both tournaments. We tried MVP t-shirts instead of the traditional medals with mixed results.

Looking ahead to the summer, North Delta will be hosting (July 23-26) the 8U Summer Tournament. This tournament will be held at Annieville Park (Upper Annieville #2 and Bob Bunnnett).

It has been a pleasure to serve the NDBA and community of North Delta.

Sincerely,

Brent Dingsdale

## **Coaching Director – Tim Fehr**

As I write this, Spring season is in playoff mode and Summer ball is just around the corner. Coaches, players and executive members alike are full of enthusiasm and energy to make 2015 a memorable year.

My real involvement as Coaching Director started in January when winter clinics were held for the Pee Wee, Mosquito and Tadpole divisions. The sessions were very well attended at all age groups. We received a lot of positive feedback from both players and parents. Many thanks to all the NDBA volunteer coaches that gave up their Friday evenings to ensure we could offer an organized and effective product to our members.

With the support of Baseball BC and their Grass Roots Coordinator, Shawn Schaeffer, we were also able to introduce a Baseball Canada pilot program “My First Pitch” to our Tadpole and Mosquito participants.

To run the various clinics successfully we purchased some extra equipment for the Association. When the clinics were completed, we sold off this equipment to coaches within our own association at half of the original value. This program proved to be hugely successful: we were not only able to put hitting nets into four different divisions this year, but also have a waiting list of coaches wanting to benefit from similar opportunities next year.

This year’s spring tryouts and evaluations saw the introduction of a new evaluation tool, BAT. It is designed to give players, parents and coaches a comprehensive and consistent breakdown of each player’s strengths and weaknesses. One of the other benefits of this program is taking some of the responsibility off of the individual coaches when selecting a team. As a follow up we have also asked the Pee Wee, Mosquito and Tadpole spring coaches to submit a team evaluation which will be used in part to select our summer teams. A big “thank you”

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to Ryan Harmer, who not only researched this program, but was the driving force behind its successful implementation.

Unfortunately, not all of the news from the diamonds was of a positive nature this year. We have had a number of on-field incidents with some our coaches at various levels, as we struggle to adapt to the implementation of rule 15.11 and the spirit of our own Coaches Conduct. This will need to be an area of greater focus going forward, and NDBA needs to do a better job of conveying the “spirit and intent” of these rules and guidelines. Let’s not allow ourselves to focus on technicalities, but rather, on delivering a happy, healthy environment of learning and development for our players, umpires, coaches and families alike.

I personally want to thank the individuals that sat on various discipline committees with me this year. It is a thankless, time-consuming but unfortunately necessary role. Hopefully your efforts this year will be paid forward.

In closing I want to thank both Tony Dean and Ryan Harmer for walking me through much of this year. It was a steep learning curve; you gave me guidance and reference when I needed it and the freedom and confidence to run with some of my own ideas. The time and effort that you have put into the Association will be difficult to replace.

## **Director at Large – Jason Tregaskis**

As the ND Baseball 2015 Blastball season comes to an end, I can say that all of the players are sad to see their last week of games. There was great enjoyment on the field Wednesday nights for the past 10 weeks.

This season we saw an increase in the number of teams from 6 to 7 and also were able to continue to keep the number of players per team at a manageable level. Keeping the team roster numbers low is critical for the coaches, many of whom are doing this for the first time. I'd like to thank the coaches and assistant coaches for volunteering their time, without them we would have not had a successful season. For many of them, this was their first time coaching baseball. A basic coaches clinic was held before the season started. We need them to be able to instruct kids the proper mechanics of throwing and receiving the ball and this was a great start. Continuing to instruct the coaches before and during the season would help give them the confidence and tools to be successful as well as continue coaching in North Delta.

Jason Tregaskis

## **4. New Business**

Bringing up the newer (younger level coaches) to speed. What is expected, what we as coaches would like to see. More focus on player development, and what the players are looking for vs. what the coaches are looking for. Suggestion would be to match a senior coaches a mentor to some of the younger coaches. Even watching a higher level game to witness what is expected.

When do we ask coaches to get initiation training – Tadpole level! Give the tools to manage situations. Hockey has a online program perhaps we can look into something like that.

Beneficial for the players and the association. Suggestion would be to inforce (initiation training) this for all coaches.

Coaches’ caravan – highly recommended.

Encourage the coaches as the budget allows (and is currently underfunded – i.e we have money allocated for this).

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Need volunteers for the closing day ceremonies "Run/Pitch/Hit" program. Email [coachingdirector@ndbasebal.com](mailto:coachingdirector@ndbasebal.com)

## 5. New 2015/2016 Executive

<b><u>POSITION</u></b>	<b><u>CANDIATE</u></b>	<b><u>TERM</u></b>
President	Brent Dingsdale (Elected)	2015-2016
Vice President		2015-2017
Secretary	Carey Dingsdale (holding)	2014-2016
Treasurer	Pam Tregaskis  (Succession plan is to have Michelle Miller to shadow and take over for Pam when needed. Aug 2016 take over date – but shadow will be March 2016)	2015-2017
Past President	Tony Deane (Appointed)	2015-2016
Registrar	Calen Slezash (Elected)	2015-2016
Field Manager	Ryan Semak (Elected)	2015-2016
Fundraising Director	Rhonda Krushel (Elected)	2015-2016
Marketing Director	Stan Cherak (Elected)	2015-2016
Yearbook Director		2015-2016
Equipment	Rob Kustec (Elected)	2015-2016
Uniform	Sue Deane (Elected)	2015-2016
7U Representative	Chris Adams (Elected)	2015-2016
9U Representative	Jason Tregaskis (Elected)	2015-2016
11U Representative		2015-2016

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15U Representative	Shawn Sabourin (Elected)	2015-2016
18U Representative	Kevin Koyanagi (Elected)	2015-2016
Umpire-In-Chief	Brad Woof (Elected)	2015-2016
Gunderson Concession	Harmony Sutton (Elected)	2015-2016
Annieville Concession	Nancy Baily (Elected)	2015-2016
Sunbury Concession	Nancy Baily (Elected)	2015-2016
Westview Concession		2015-2016
Mackie Concession	Nancy Baily (Elected)	2015-2016
Publicity Director	Calen Slezash (Elected)	2015-2016
Social Director	Rhonda Krushel (Elected)	2015-2016
Tournament Director		2015-2016
Coaching Director		2015-2016
Director At Large (Blastball)		2015-2016
Director At Large (Challenger)	Jana McGuire (Appointed)	2015-2016

6. **Motion to adjourn: Shawn Sabourin**      **Seconded By: Jason Tregaskis**

**Next meeting September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015. Mackie Clubhouse 7:00 pm – say good bye to outgoing executive members, and welcome new executive members**