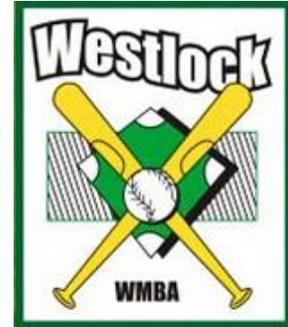


Westlock Minor Ball AGM- Jan 17, 2024



Called to order- 700 pm by Chris Brand

In Attendance- Chris Brand, Chyan Brand, John Montgomery, Adam Dormer, Amie Morkin, Amanda Stoby, Kylan Alderman, Amy Miller, Kyle Beattie, Julia Dunlop, Nicole Krauss, Matt Morkin

Approval of Minutes- Nicole Krauss approved the AGM minutes from Feb 16, 2023. Amy Miller
Seconds

President Report- Alisha Theriault's report is not available at the time.

Vice-Presidents Report:

Chris Brand delivered report below.

2023 was a successful year for minor baseball in Westlock. Our numbers in Softball and Baseball increased. Our Rally Cap to U11 numbers are really promising for a bright future ahead. We are still trying to start conversations with the town about building a new diamond or two for U15 and U13. We started making a little headway in conversations with the Mayor but that has now stopped with the new election that just took place. John, Adam, and I have had recent conversations with counselors to set up meetings about our position with diamonds in town. Hopefully we will continue to make traction.

Last year we partnered up for the 2nd consecutive year with the Westlock Red Lions to provide a baseball camp for our members. I have started a new web site design for our Minor ball program. If you have a chance and have any suggestions, please let me know. I would like to make it a site for our members to use for drills and relative information to our program.

Last year I helped organize the U9 tournament, setting up the curling rink and other items throughout minor ball. I had a fantastic year and I am looking forward to the upcoming.

Treasurer Report: Documentation to be scanned in.

Registrar/ Kids First Report:

Chyan Brand delivered the report below.

110 Baseball Players registered in 2023.

Rally Cap – 48

9U – 27

11U – 17

13U – 18

65 Softball Players registered in 2023.

U9 – 17

U11 – 19

U13 – 21

U15 – 8

We had a successful season. With 4 rally cap teams, 3 9U teams, 2 11U/13U teams.

2023 Prices and Birth Year Information

Kids First	Birth Years	Price
Rally Cap	2016-2018	\$85
<u>Softball</u>		
U9	2014-2015	\$95
U11	2012-2013	\$120
U13	2010-2011	\$140
U15	2008-2009	\$150
U17	2006-2007	\$150
U19	2004-2005	\$150
<u>Baseball</u>		
9U	2014-2015	\$95
11U	2012-2013	\$120
13U	2010-2011	\$140
15U	2008-2009	\$150
18U	2005-2007	\$150

Items Required: Helmet, Glove, Athletic Support Cup (older divisions), Water bottle, Sunscreen.

Make sure items are labelled

Softball Division Report:

Amie Morkin delivered the report below.

Last year for Softball we had 7 teams. 2-U9, 2-U11, 2-U13 and 1-U15 team. The growth made some challenges with diamond space and indoor time slots but we made it work. The girls had a great season

with Westlock Minorball hosting all Softball year end tournaments. With a little hiccup because of weather our tournament was bumped a week but was still a go and had a good wrap up to the season. This year we are looking forward to having some of our Softball teams traveling into StAlbert for a weekend tournament with at least one night hotel stay for team building and fun. As more information is available and teams are formed that information will be presented to players and families. If its a go I look forward to making it happen!

WMBA Softball Rep -Amie Morkin

Baseball Division Report:

Adam Dormer delivered the report below.

This year we were able to field 3 teams between our 11U and 13U age categories. There were some complexities in terms of distributing our players between teams with 3 age categories represented between 11U, 13U and 15U. We were able to place the players on teams where we believe they were able to experience the most growth possible. I am grateful for Brian McMeekin and Jeremy Sanchez who stepped up to coach one of our 13U and our 11U teams respectively. I am also grateful for all the parents who helped with score keeping, with availability during practices to help out as well as driving the players to their games. Without the support of our parents we couldn't provide this opportunity.

As we look forward to the coming year, I hope to provide extra opportunity for players to get more reps in baseball activities. We will be looking to host times at the Spirit Centre before we get to evaluations to getting our gloves on and throwing the ball around.

I want to thank the executive for allowing me to learn the ropes this year and look forward to what this next year has for us as a group.

Adam Dormer

Casino, Uniform, WMBA Apparel Report:

John Montgomery delivered the report below.

1. No casino's last year, hopefully we get the invite email for the upcoming year
 - a. Nothing else to report re fundraising
2. For equipment
 - a. Purchased some new ball bags-last yr
 - b. Purchased some new bats-last yr
 - c. Re-organized the equipment storage room
 - d. Built another bat box to help move to and from the curling rink will have one for baseball and one for softball to keep up more organized
 - e. Ball inventory for baseball and softball looks good
 - f. Equipment looks to be in good shape, but as always open to look at requests for new equipment or training equipment.

- g. Some of the bases we have are getting old and worn out, looking at some storage chests or sheds to have at the diamond so that each team doesn't have to lug around a bases bag.
 - h. Jerseys are in OK shape, getting old, there are some other jersey options in the storage room, but at some point WMBA may have to look at replacement i.84 jerseys handed out, 86 returned, no one was charged
 - j. 17 equipment sets were sent out, all returned and organized back into storage locker.
3. Have been helping Chris in meetings with the town in hopes to find a solution to our lack of facilities for u15 and up age levels
- a. Will leave specifics on this for when Chris does his report

Amie Morkin approved the Reports as read. Kylan Alderman Seconds

Voting of the Executive Board Members:

Nominations and Elections: (procedure: read out description of position, call for nomination 3 times, short speech by nominees, vote)

President- Alisha Theriault is stepping down. John Montgomery nominates Chris Brand. No other nominations. Chris Brand is in by acclamation.

Vice-President- Chris Brand steps down. Chris Brand nominates John Montgomery. No other nominations. John Montgomery is in by acclamation.

Treasurer- Amanda Stoby will allow her name to stand. No other nominations. Amanda Stoby is in by acclamation.

Registrar- Chyan Brand will allow her name to stand. No other nominations. Chyan Brand is in by acclamation.

Softball Division Rep- Amie Morkin will allow her name to stand. No other nominations. Amie Morkin is in by acclamation.

Baseball Division Rep- Adam Dormer will allow his name to stand. No other nominations. Adam Dormer is in by acclamation.

Casino, Uniforms, WMBA apparel Rep- John Montgomery steps down as Rep. There were no nominations. Position remains open.

Secretary- Hannah Skogstad is stepping down. Amie Morkin nominates Julia Dunlop. No other nominations. Julia Dunlop is in by acclamation.

Round Table:

- Questions about new Jerseys for teams.
- Fees will be increased in 2024. Rates still to be determined.
- Softball is looking into one tournament to be played possibly in St. Albert.
- Baseball is looking into "A" provincials.

- Questions of possibly bringing in a pitching coach for the Softball Division.

Meeting Adjournment: Chris Brand adjourns meeting @ 7:47pm