

Kennewick American Youth Baseball

Annual Meeting - Minutes

September 20, 2020 – 5:00 p.m.

Attendees: Bryan Long, Andy Wade, Stephanie Doherty, Tim Doherty, Shawn Harper, Jessica Harper, Kay Mamiya, Brandi Dimond, Trevor Curtis, Jolene Carlson

Meeting Minutes: The prior meeting minutes were reviewed verbally and approved.

Recap and Look forward to 2021 Baseball Year – Bryan emailed all 1,500 people on the KAYB mailing list to inform everyone of the Annual Meeting; and shared the Zoom link for participation. In addition, the meeting was advertised via social media.

There will be some recurring and some unique challenges in 2021 for KAYB:

- As with every year, we will need the participation of the members to make the KAYB baseball season a success. There are 18 Board member positions and there will be a need to actively recruit for open Board Member positions after this meeting.
- Participation in KAYB is usually around 450 players; there were 440 registered in 2020 before the season was cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. However, the trending for KAYB participation has been trending downward the last few years (~5-10 players a year) due to other opportunities for players to join select teams and for-profit sport organizations. In 2021, there will be the additional challenge related to changes in other sports' scheduled seasons (due to COVID-19 adjustments). In 2021, Grid Kids football and other sports are scheduled to overlap the KAYB baseball season. KAYB will need to be able to actively promote the organization and register as many players as possible.

Board Elections: Because the Annual Meeting was held remotely, the KAYB Board Elections were completed with public voting instead of a written vote as required in our bylaws.

President: Bryan Long was nominated by Brandi Dimond; seconded by Tim Doherty. Bryan Long nominated Shawn Harper; Shawn Harper declined the nomination. Bryan Long accepted the nomination. The vote approved Bryan Long as President.

Vice President: Shawn Harper was nominated by Andy Wade; seconded by Brandi Dimond. No other nominations. Shawn Harper accepted the nomination. The vote approved Shawn Harper as Vice-President.

Secretary: Jolene Carlson was nominated by Kay Mamiya; seconded by Stephanie Doherty. No other nominations. Jolene Carlson accepted the nomination. The vote approved Jolene Carlson as Secretary.

Treasurer: VACANT (Everyone is hoping that Joe Crowther will fill the position again.)

Umpire-in-Chief: Glen Stewart was nominated by Brandi Dimond; seconded by Kay Mamiya. No other nominations. Glen Stewart was not present, but pre-accepted the nomination. The vote approved Glen Stewart as Umpire-in-Chief.

Player Agent: VACANT

Communications: VACANT

Marketing: VACANT

League Representative: Jake Henke was nominated by Bryan Long; seconded by Shawn Harper. No other nominations. Jake Henke was not present to personally accept. The vote approved Jake Henke as League Representative.

Sponsorship: VACANT

Equipment Manager: VACANT

Team Parent: Stephanie Doherty was nominated by Andy Wade; seconded by Brandi Dimond. No other nominations. Stephanie Doherty accepted the nomination. The vote approved Stephanie Doherty as Team Parent.

Uniform Director: Brandi Dimond was nominated by Tim Doherty; seconded by Stephanie Doherty. No other nominations. Brandi Dimond accepted the nomination. The vote approved Brandi Dimond as Uniform Director.

Maintenance Co-Managers: Andy Wade and Tim Doherty were nominated by Stephanie Doherty; seconded by Brandi Dimond. There were no other nominations. Andy Wade and Tim Doherty accepted the nominations. The vote approved Andy Wade and Tim Doherty as Maintenance Co-Managers.

Fundraising: VACANT

Tournament Director: VACANT

Major 70s Representative: Trevor Curtis was nominated by Shawn Harper; seconded by Andy Wade. There were no other nominations. Trevor Curtis accepted the nomination. The vote approved Trevor Curtis as the Major 70s Representative.

Major 60s Representative: Eric Anderson was nominated by Stephanie Doherty; seconded by Brandi Dimond. There were no other nominations. Eric Anderson was not present to accept. The vote approved Eric Anderson as the Major 60s Representative.

Minors Representative: Logan Peters was called on the phone and he accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. The vote approved Logan Peters as the Minors Representative.

Volunteer Coordinator: VACANT

Summary of 2021 KAYB Board Members

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Thank you Volunteers!

Thank You Gifts for Mowing Volunteers

The Board expressed its thanks to the volunteers who have been mowing and caring for the fields despite the cancelled season. Renae and Bob Norman, Dustin Baer, and the KAYB Maintenance Co-Managers Tim Doherty and Andy Wade. Bryan suggested sending gift cards and a gift. Tim and Andy both expressed that they would not like to be recognized with a gift, but that they supported a gift for the other volunteers. Bryan motioned and Shawn seconded that KA purchase three (3) \$100 gift certificates for food and have sweatshirts made with a KA (or some other type) of logo. When asked who the gift cards should go to, Brandi suggested that The Sports Page often supports KAYB with in-kind donations of food during tournaments.

ACTION: Shawn Harper took the action to purchase and complete the sweatshirts. Bryan took the action to get the gift cards and deliver to volunteers.

Partnerships with Other League

If local youth football leagues do indeed change their schedule, it is expected that this will greatly impact KAYB participation as many players also play football. The Board discussed that perhaps this would be the year to join together with Kennewick Nationals, Pasco Little League. KAYB would need to figure out how to join Cal Ripken with Little League, and also discuss this potential change in more detail with the organizations, and the State Commissioner. There was a general agreement among the Board Members that this topic should be tabled for another meeting and the new Board.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for October 1, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom and the clubhouse. Bryan will send out Zoom link.
