

# ISA MINUTES

## Annual General Meeting

*February 23, 2020/1:30 p.m. Meeting called to order by Steve Warmington*

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### Welcome

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Welcome from Steve Warmington, President. Thanks for participating and making our organization successful.

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### Attendants

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**PRESENT:** Alma-Paul Driedger; Arthur-Pete Post; Chepstow-Amy Eddyvean; Drayton-Moorefield-Stacy Fear; Dundalk-Jeremy Henderson, Chris Wight; Grand Valley-Darryl Bell; Kincardine-Matt Tremblay; Listowel-Julie Donaldson; Markdale-Kathy Fraser; Mt. Forest-Scott Corrigan, Ruth Risidore; Ponsonby-Scott Holman, Steve Warmington, Teresa Warmington; Port Elgin-Lynn Pope; Puslinch-Cameron Tuck; Tara-Harold Jackson; Walkerton-Mike Merchant; Wingham-Steve Bourne.

**ABSENT:** Brussels-sends apologies; Durham; Hillsburgh-sends apologies; Mildmay; Minto.

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### Election Of Officers For 2 Year Term

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#### **Vice President – Ruth Risidore:**

- Nominated by President
- Seconded by Walkerton
- Accepted by majority vote.

#### **Secretary – Teresa Warmington:**

- Nominated by President
- Seconded by Mt. Forest
- Accepted by majority vote.

#### **Umpire in Chief – Darryl Bell**

- Approached, accepted and acclaimed.

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### Minutes

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- September 14, 2019 minutes reviewed
- Accepted by Grand Valley
- Seconded by Dundalk.

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### Treasurer Report

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- 2019 Financial Report as of December 31, 2019 reviewed
- Accepted by Mt. Forest
- Seconded by Walkerton.

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## Umpire in Chief Report

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Ball size and pitching distance will remain the same as last year and are not being changed by ISA

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## Proposed Changes To Constitution and Rules (shown in red font)

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### **By-Law 1 B 3:**

A player shall play in at least 50% of scheduled ISA games for the participating municipality, **except for T Ball players. T Ball players must be registered with the center and be listed on the U8 roster as an AP (associated player.)**

**After discussion, this Amendment is accepted and approved.**

### **By-Law 1 B 8:**

Approved over age players cannot pitch, catch, **nor play first base**, in all divisions. (Over age U19 pitchers can pitch when playing U22 Junior teams.) **Over age players should be listed at the bottom of the batting order in all games.**

**After discussion, this Amendment is opposed and NOT approved.**

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## Report On Coaching Issues

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Steve Warmington reminds centers that we are helping young umpires build self-esteem. No aggression from coaches or fans towards umpires is tolerated; the result of such behaviour is game suspension or banning from games. The umpire can report any challenges in the comments section of the game card and/or forward a letter describing the incident to the ISA President—Steve Warmington. After receiving such information, the situation will be investigated, and a decision made.

This is a reminder to all ISA centers that we are a traveling house league. As such, there are no team tryouts or recruiting.

Coaches cannot alter or make up rules. The Rules and By-Laws can only be altered by the council at the Annual General Meeting.

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## ISA UPCOMING CLINICS

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### **Umpire Clinic:**

- Saturday, April 25, 2020 at Centre Wellington District High School
- There is a cost
- Further details to come.

### **Coaches Clinic:**

- Saturday, May 2, 2020
- Further details to come.

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## Trophies and Participation Awards

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Steve Warmington believes all trophies are accounted for. If you do have any trophies or awards, please give to Steve.

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## New Business—Conveners

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### **Convener Volunteers:**

Prior to the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting, convener volunteers are needed. Please consider assuming this role and inform the ISA Executive of your decision.

*It is mandatory for a convener to hold a meeting for coaches before the beginning of the ball season.*

### **Convener Centers:**

Is your center willing to convene a yearend ISA tournament this year? If yes, please let the ISA Executive know of your decision prior to the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

We have a few volunteers already:

**Arthur**—U8 Mixed Mites.

**Ponsonby**—U10 Atom Girls and U12 Squirt Boys.

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## Other Topics

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- It is recommended for centers to have police checks done on coaches.
- If a center wants to have a midseason tournament, this can be discussed at the pre-season convener meeting for coaches.
- Dundalk is having CPR/ First Aid training on March 8<sup>th</sup>. Contact Chris Wight for details.
- Arthur is holding pitching clinics starting March 8<sup>th</sup>. Contact Jeff McKee for details.

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## Next Meeting

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**April 19, 2020, 1:30 p.m., Elora Legion.**

Motion to adjourn was made at 2:34 pm and passed unanimously.