



**Annual General Meeting
November 28, 2022
MINUTES**



In Attendance:

Vince Greco, President (Chair)
Merie Beauchamp, VP Administration
Chris Taylor, VP Operations
Tracey Van Dam, VP Fastball
Andrew Gillan, VP Baseball
Michelle Adriano, Player Agent
Nathan Bird, UIC Baseball
Chris Rathbone, Treasurer
Lori Zehr, Secretary & Senior Women's Coordinator
Monica Hacking, T-Ball Coordinator
Kirsten Jordan, Softball Scheduler
Derek Lind, U9/U11 Coordinator
Caitlin Siska, Uniform Manager
Mikayla Rathbone, Manager of Registration
Matt Playle, Website Manager
Mark Cristante, Mini T-Ball Coordinator

Members:

Andrew Davis	Angela Sawyer	Anita Correia
Anna Reid	Ben Kerr	Brian Catinus
Colin Parsons	Craig Bryden	Chris Gateley
Chris Williams	Dan Pierce	Erin Finlayson
Holly Armstrong	Joe Collins	Katy Diamond
Liam Stokes	Maria Gateley	Marita Panton
Mark Wong	Matt McLean	Roger Young
Shane Edison	Troy Elphick	Tyler/Raven Yager

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS / CALL TO ORDER

The Chair welcomed the members and called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM. There were 40 eligible participants/votes. Quorum was met.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION:

Moved by Chris Rathbone

Seconded by Dan Pierce

That the agenda be approved as circulated. **Carried.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES Annual General Meeting Held November 24, 2021

MOTION:

Moved by Chris Rathbone

Seconded by Chris Williams

That the Minutes of the AGM held November 24, 2021, be approved as circulated. **Carried.**

4. TREASURER/FINANCIAL REPORT (Chris Rathbone)

MOTION: to accept the reports as presented by Chris

Moved by Matt Mclean

Seconded by Michelle Adriano

See attached reports. The Treasurer provided an overview of the financial standing of the association including finishing the year with a positive bank balance. Highlights included:

- The association is financially well
- Prepared upcoming budget with Board input
- Some cash on hand that will be going into restricted account.

Question/discussion: what volunteers do you speak of, do you need? We often have members of our community with skills that they can provide services/work and do it in kind. Member expressed interest to assist work to be done at the park in the future.

That the Treasurer/Financial reports be accepted as presented. **Carried.**

5. DIRECTORS REPORTS

5.1 VP Fastball (Tracey Van Dam)

See attached report. Highlights included:

- U9 registration strong – good foundation
- Winter gym sessions heavily utilized
- 13 teams plus young adult team – close to pre-pandemic levels
- 9 brand new junior umpires, 15 in total
- Hosted 15B invitational and 13B districts playdown tournaments
- Senior ladies were bronze medalists at provincials
- Successful development sessions with Vikes team
- New equipment secured
- Thanks for all the parents support in various roles and cheering

5.2 VP Baseball (Andrew Gillan)

Highlights included:

- Successful winter clinics with Anthony Pluta
- First full spring season since pandemic; additional 50 players or 20% increase to previous year; growth in all age divisions
- Participation in a variety of tournaments (Minors and Majors)
- Hosted Majors City Playdowns
- Successful fundraising: Harbour Cats and during Majors tournament
- Fall ball had 2 Majors and 2 Minors teams
- Preparing for winter clinics and spring registration
- Looking at an academy program for upcoming year
- Thanks to the volunteers

5.3 VP Operations (Chris Taylor)

See attached report. Highlights included:

- Many challenges after the pandemic; many large scale projects
- Facilities are aging: clubhouse, bathrooms
- Working on replacement of D#2 scoreboard; permanent storage shed; pitching machines; D#1 backstop; D#5 backstop netting; D#3 needs attention/adjustments

5.4 VP Administration (Merie Beauchamp)

See attached report: Highlights included:

- Opening Ceremonies to start the year
- Coordinated many volunteers across the season
- Thanks to those who did/do volunteer
- 2 fundraising days with Harbour Cats
- Managed social media accounts

5.5 Presidents Report (Vince Greco)

See attached report: Highlights included:

- Increased number of Board members and participation
- Appreciate those who manage roles and family duties
- Lakehill name change to Baseball and Fastball
- Thanks to some key sponsors: Ben Davidson/Uptime Repair, Island Savings, Ryan Keller, Craig Bryden
- Cash + contra = \$29K
- While many have stepped up, still some holes to fill
- Appreciate the difference makers on the field – the coaches, managers, scorekeepers, field draggers

6. ELECTION OF VOTING POSITIONS

Candidates for a two-year term of Office Board Executive (2022-2023)

6.1 President – Candidates: Vince Greco (16), Matt McLean (22). Matt McLean approved

Candidates for a one-year term of Office Board Executive (2022-2023)

6.2 VP Administration – vacant

6.3 VP Operations – vacant

6.4 VP Baseball – Andrew Gillan

6.5 VP Fastball – Candidates: Angela Sawyer (22), Ben Kerr (9). Angela Sawyer approved.

6.6 Player Agent - Michelle Adriano

6.7 UIC Baseball – Nathan Bird

6.8 UIC Fastball - vacant

6.9 Secretary – Lori Zehr

6.10 Treasurer - Chris Rathbone

7. DIRECTORS AT LARGE (NON-VOTING POSITIONS)

Director at large positions to be appointed by the Board to a one-year term (2022/2023). The following individuals had their names stand. No call for additional nominations took place. This will proceed at the next board meeting.

7.1 Volunteer Coordinator – Candidate: Anita Carreira

7.2 Senior Women's Coordinator – Lori Zehr

7.3 Softball U9-U11 Coordinator – Derek Lind

7.4 Web Manager – Matt Playle

7.5 Registration Manager – Mikayla Rathbone

7.6 Uniform Manager for Baseball – Open for nominations

7.7 Uniform Manager for Fastball – Caitlin Siska

7.8 Sponsorship and Fundraising Coordinator – Open for nominations

7.9 Equipment Manager – Candidate: Shane Edison

7.10 Baseball Scheduler – Alison Love

7.11 Softball Scheduler – Open for nominations

7.12 Umpire Coordinator for Fastball – Karen Ryall

7.13 Umpire Coordinator for Baseball – Alison Love

7.14 Safety Officer – Open for nominations

7.15 Grounds Manager – Open for nominations

7.16 Tournament Director – Open for nominations

7.17 Baseball Director of Development – Ben Davidson

7.18 Baseball Coordinators

7.19 Majors – Ben Davidson

7.20 Minors – Open for nominations

7.21 Mini-minors – Open for nominations

7.22 T-ball – Mary Maldowan

7.23 Mini T-ball – Open for nominations

7.24 Baseball Coach Coordinator – Open for nominations

- 7.25** Fastball Technical Director – Open for nominations
- 7.26** Governance and Policy Director – Open for nominations

8. NEW BUSINESS

No new business

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION:

Moved by Dan Pierce

Seconded by Merie Beauchamp

The Annual General Meeting of November 28, 2022, was adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Management Report

Lakehill Baseball and Softball Association
For the period ended September 30, 2022

Prepared by
Parallel CPA

Prepared on
November 8, 2022

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Notice to Reader

On the basis of information provided by management, we have compiled the statement of financial position of Lakehill Baseball and Softball Association as at September 30, 2022, and the statements for the period then ended.

We have not performed an audit or a review engagement in respect of these financial statements and, accordingly, we express no assurance thereon.

Readers are cautioned that these statements may not be appropriate for their purposes.

Prior to compiling the financial statements for Lakehill Baseball and Softball Association, this accounting firm performed bookkeeping services which included the preparation of journal entries and a trial balance.

Parallel CPA

Chartered Professional Accountant

Victoria, BC

November 7, 2022

Statement of Financial Position

As of September 30, 2022

	Total
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Cash and Cash Equivalent	
Coast Capital - Operations Account (*1252)	3,897.54
Island Savings Account - Gaming (*729-1)	13,775.71
Island Savings Account - Operating (*729)	199,879.75
Island Savings Shares	5.10
Total Cash and Cash Equivalent	217,558.10
Inventory Asset	6,000.00
Total Current Assets	223,558.10
Total Assets	\$223,558.10
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accrued Liabilities	500.00
Unearned Revenue	
BC Gaming Grant - Current Year	6,224.29
BC Gaming Grant - Future Year	20,000.00
Total Unearned Revenue	26,224.29
Total Current Liabilities	26,724.29
Total Liabilities	26,724.29
Net Assets	
Opening Balance	104,472.12
Retained Earnings	57,929.21
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	34,432.48
Total Net Assets	196,833.81
Total Liabilities and Net Assets	\$223,558.10

Statement of Operations - Summary

October 2021 - September 2022

		Total
	Oct. 2021 - Sep. 2022	Oct. 2020 - Sep. 2021 (PY)
REVENUE		
Government Grants	13,775.71	
Program and event fees	97,835.55	61,453.96
Sponsorship and fundraising	23,109.54	14,850.00
Other	2,000.00	1,000.00
Total Revenue	136,720.80	77,303.96
EXPENSES		
Administration	10,008.26	10,578.16
Dues and subscriptions	20,121.27	5,486.49
Facility rental and maintenance	14,116.36	9,350.41
Marketing and communications	8,909.41	1,380.49
Program delivery	49,133.12	36,724.06
Total Expenses	102,288.42	63,519.61
OTHER REVENUE		
Other Revenue	0.10	
Total Other Revenue	0.10	0.00
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$34,432.48	\$13,784.35

Statement of Operations - Detail

October 2021 - September 2022

		Total
	Oct. 2021 - Sep. 2022	Oct. 2020 - Sep. 2021 (PY)
REVENUE		
Government Grants		
BC Gaming Grant	13,775.71	
Total Government Grants	13,775.71	
Program and event fees		
Registration	99,582.68	61,738.49
Registration Refunds	-2,547.13	-284.53
Tournaments	800.00	
Total Program and event fees	97,835.55	61,453.96
Sponsorship and fundraising		
Fundraising	4,136.00	
Sponsorships	18,973.54	14,850.00
Total Sponsorship and fundraising	23,109.54	14,850.00
Other		
Concession	2,000.00	1,000.00
Total Other	2,000.00	1,000.00
Total Revenue	136,720.80	77,303.96
EXPENSES		
Administration		
Accounting and legal	1,428.53	1,509.52
Bank charges	177.00	97.35
Insurance	1,575.00	3,018.00
Office supplies	289.50	400.57
Other Administrative Costs	116.60	648.37
Utilities	6,421.63	4,904.35
Total Administration	10,008.26	10,578.16
Dues and subscriptions		
League and Association Fees	17,422.00	2,571.50
Registration admin fees	2,699.27	2,914.99
Total Dues and subscriptions	20,121.27	5,486.49
Facility rental and maintenance		
Concession Costs	1,463.40	
Fields	7,678.75	6,289.63
Repair and maintenance	4,974.21	3,060.78
Total Facility rental and maintenance	14,116.36	9,350.41
Marketing and communications		
Advertising/Promotional	1,044.80	1,167.40
Meals and entertainment	363.46	213.09
Promotional Clothing	7,501.15	
Total Marketing and communications	8,909.41	1,380.49

	Total	
	Oct. 2021 - Sep. 2022	Oct. 2020 - Sep. 2021 (PY)
Program delivery		
Awards	213.25	
Clinics	13,882.60	7,190.50
Equipment	7,113.34	9,946.52
Opening/Closing ceremonies	558.26	
Supplies		896.12
Team/individual photos	2,806.72	2,206.00
Tournament expenses	3,503.66	1,190.00
Umpire Fees	9,859.25	2,584.79
Uniforms	11,196.04	12,710.13
Total Program delivery	49,133.12	36,724.06
Total Expenses	102,288.42	63,519.61
OTHER REVENUE		
Other Revenue	0.10	
Total Other Revenue	0.10	0.00
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$34,432.48	\$13,784.35

Statement of Cash Flows

October 2021 - September 2022

	Total
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Excess of Revenue over Expenses	34,432.48
Adjustments to reconcile Excess of Revenue over Expenses to Net Cash provided by operations:	
Inventory Asset	-6,000.00
Prepaid Expenses	2,699.27
Accounts Payable (A/P)	-83.80
Accrued Liabilities	-250.00
Unearned Revenue:BC Gaming Grant - Current Year	6,224.29
Unearned Revenue:BC Gaming Grant - Future Year	20,000.00
Total Adjustments to reconcile Excess of Revenue over Expenses to Net Cash provided by operations	22,589.76
Net cash provided by operating activities	57,022.24
NET CASH INCREASE FOR PERIOD	57,022.24
Cash at beginning of period	160,535.86
CASH AT END OF PERIOD	\$217,558.10

Budget vs. Actuals

October 2021 - September 2022

				Total
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
REVENUE				
Government Grants				
BC Gaming Grant	13,775.71		13,775.71	
Total Government Grants	13,775.71		13,775.71	
Other				
Concession	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100.00 %
Total Other	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	100.00 %
Program and event fees				
Registration	99,582.68	66,000.00	33,582.68	150.88 %
Registration Refunds	-2,547.13		-2,547.13	
Tournaments	800.00	500.00	300.00	160.00 %
Total Program and event fees	97,835.55	66,500.00	31,335.55	147.12 %
Sponsorship and fundraising				
Fundraising	4,136.00		4,136.00	
Sponsorships	18,973.54	10,000.00	8,973.54	189.74 %
Total Sponsorship and fundraising	23,109.54	10,000.00	13,109.54	231.10 %
Total Revenue	136,720.80	78,500.00	58,220.80	174.17 %
EXPENSES				
Administration				
Accounting and legal	1,428.53	3,000.00	-1,571.47	47.62 %
Bank charges	177.00	300.00	-123.00	59.00 %
Insurance	1,575.00	3,500.00	-1,925.00	45.00 %
Office supplies	289.50	350.00	-60.50	82.71 %
Other Administrative Costs	116.60	1,000.00	-883.40	11.66 %
Utilities	6,421.63	5,000.00	1,421.63	128.43 %
Total Administration	10,008.26	13,150.00	-3,141.74	76.11 %
Dues and subscriptions				
League and Association Fees	17,422.00	10,000.00	7,422.00	174.22 %
Registration admin fees	2,699.27	3,000.00	-300.73	89.98 %
Total Dues and subscriptions	20,121.27	13,000.00	7,121.27	154.78 %
Facility rental and maintenance				
Concession Costs	1,463.40	500.00	963.40	292.68 %
Fields	7,678.75	5,000.00	2,678.75	153.58 %
Repair and maintenance	4,974.21	5,000.00	-25.79	99.48 %
Total Facility rental and maintenance	14,116.36	10,500.00	3,616.36	134.44 %
Marketing and communications				
Advertising/Promotional	1,044.80		1,044.80	
Meals and entertainment	363.46	350.00	13.46	103.85 %
Promotional Clothing	7,501.15		7,501.15	
Total Marketing and communications	8,909.41	350.00	8,559.41	2,545.55 %

	Total			
	Actual	Budget	over Budget	% of Budget
Program delivery				
Awards	213.25		213.25	
Clinics	13,882.60	7,000.00	6,882.60	198.32 %
Equipment	7,113.34	10,000.00	-2,886.66	71.13 %
Opening/Closing ceremonies	558.26	500.00	58.26	111.65 %
Supplies		1,000.00	-1,000.00	
Team/individual photos	2,806.72	2,500.00	306.72	112.27 %
Tournament expenses	3,503.66	2,500.00	1,003.66	140.15 %
Umpire Fees	9,859.25	5,000.00	4,859.25	197.19 %
Uniforms	11,196.04	10,000.00	1,196.04	111.96 %
Total Program delivery	49,133.12	38,500.00	10,633.12	127.62 %
Total Expenses	102,288.42	75,500.00	26,788.42	135.48 %
NET OPERATING REVENUE	34,432.38	3,000.00	31,432.38	1,147.75 %
OTHER REVENUE				
Interest earned		20.00	-20.00	
Other Revenue	0.10		0.10	
Total Other Revenue	0.10	20.00	-19.90	0.50 %
NET OTHER REVENUE	0.10	20.00	-19.90	0.50 %
NET EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENSES	\$34,432.48	\$3,020.00	\$31,412.48	1,140.15 %

Notes to the Financial Statements

Revenue

- **Concession** - The club received \$2,000 in value from concession operations, income that was reduced by \$1,463.40 in recognition of the cost of opening ceremonies hot dogs for members, umpire meals, and tournament costs.
- **Registration** - Revenue from registration (clinic and season) exceeded forecasts, generating income that covered unanticipated additional expenses during the season.
- **Sponsorship** - Lakehill received generous financial and in-kind support from businesses across our Community, and we are very grateful for the support. In addition to financial support, the Club received more than \$7k of in-kind sponsorships. Many sponsorship dollars were targeted for specific initiatives such as development nights and the \$15 hoodie program.

Expenses

- **Clinic Costs** - Costs were higher than initially expected as additional clinics were added and approved by the Board. These costs (including development nights) were offset by sponsorships and increased registration fees. Baseball winter clinic registration covered costs, while softball winter clinic registration fees exceeded costs and generated more than \$2000 in revenue for the club.
- **Equipment** - Expenses exceeded the amount budgeted due to 1) inflationary and supply chain pressures, and 2) Board approval to increase the annual budget in 21/22 in order to pre-buy equipment for the 2023 season and avoid supply chain issues. The estimated cost to purchase 2023 equipment of \$6,000 has been recorded as Inventory on the Statement of Financial Position.
- **League and Association Fees** - Higher than budgeted because Softball BC invoices for 2021 were received after the end of Lakehill's fiscal year. Therefore, this category reflects two years worth of Softball BC league fees.
- **Opening Ceremonies** - In addition to the \$500 shown in the year end, approximately \$800 was included in concession costs.
- **Tournament Expenses** - Exceeded forecast due to hosting of Majors baseball tournament, which occurs once every 7 years and D7 rules do not allow for the park to charge entrance fees.
- **Umpire Fees** - Because of the pandemic, forecasting umpire costs was difficult this season. Umpire fees were increased to \$35 to remain competitive, and Lakehill hosted more games and tournaments than expected. Some of these costs were offset by Tournament fees.
- **Utilities** - Exceeded forecast primarily due to a) increased frequency of garbage/recycling pickup, and b) increased electricity costs. Both of these increases are associated with increased concession utilization.

Government Grant Revenue

- The year end report includes revenue of \$13,775.71 which represents the total transactions that flowed through the Gaming bank account; the remaining \$6,224.29 is shown as Unearned Revenue for the current year on the Statement of Financial Position. In addition, the \$20,000 payment received for the 2023 season is represented in Unearned Revenue for future year.

Lakehill Baseball and Softball Association

Budget Overview: Fiscal 2022-23

October 2021 - September 2022

	TOTAL
Income	
Government Grants	
BC Gaming Grant	20,000.00
Total Government Grants	20,000.00
Other	
Concession	2,500.00
Total Other	2,500.00
Program and event fees	
Registration	93,635.00
Tournaments	500.00
Total Program and event fees	94,135.00
Sponsorship and fundraising	
Sponsorships	12,000.00
Total Sponsorship and fundraising	12,000.00
Total Income	\$128,635.00
GROSS PROFIT	\$128,635.00
Expenses	
Administration	
Accounting and legal	3,000.00
Bank charges	300.00
Insurance	3,000.00
Office supplies	400.00
Utilities	7,500.00
Total Administration	14,200.00
Dues and subscriptions	
League and Association Fees	13,000.00
Registration admin fees	3,000.00
Total Dues and subscriptions	16,000.00
Facility rental and maintenance	
Concession Costs	500.00
Fields	13,000.00
Repair and maintenance	20,000.00
Total Facility rental and maintenance	33,500.00
Marketing and communications	
Advertising/Promotional	1,000.00
Meals and entertainment	400.00
Total Marketing and communications	1,400.00
Program delivery	
Clinics	15,000.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Opening/Closing ceremonies	1,000.00
Team/individual photos	3,000.00
Tournament expenses	3,500.00
Umpire Fees	9,000.00
Uniforms	10,000.00

Lakehill Baseball and Softball Association

Budget Overview: Fiscal 2022-23

October 2021 - September 2022

	TOTAL
Total Program delivery	51,500.00
Rent or Lease of Buildings (deleted)	2,500.00
Total Expenses	\$119,100.00
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$9,535.00
NET INCOME	\$9,535.00

1. As Softball BC transitioned to age divisions to “odd” years, this allowed Lakehill to welcome girls into softball with a new U9 age division which is a year earlier than in the past. The U9 program was extremely successful, with amazing coaches. I expect a steep increase in U9 registration numbers as the word that we have the age division has spread.
2. Our winter clinics were extremely successful, as we utilized both Royal Oak Middle School and Doncaster. Due to the strong numbers, Doncaster did feel a bit tight, but the coaches again, were great and overcame the close quarters to offer fun, technically sound sessions.
3. Lakehill had 13 teams from U9 to U20, and the young adult team. This put us very close to pre-COVID numbers.
4. Had over 15 junior umpires; and 9 umpired for the first time in 2022 – they all did great. Again, a significant increase from last season. I also expect this number to continue to grow as many young players have mentioned they would be interested once of age.
5. Lakehill Fastball successfully hosted a U15B invitational tournament, and hosted the U13B District Play down Championships. Both tournaments were successful thanks to many, many hours of volunteer work by a few. We are hoping future tournaments will attract more volunteers, as running tournaments with such few volunteers is unsustainable.
6. Our young women’s senior B team were bronze medalists at provincial championships, so a huge congratulations to them... again 😊
7. Half a dozen coaches attended coach education and certification courses – first time in person since COVID. This number would’ve been much higher, but unfortunately the Community Coaching Clinics were canceled this past season.
8. We hosted player development sessions put on by the Vikes Women’s Softball team – over 45 different participants attended with an average of 20 participants across each session. A very successful player training opportunity. The young players loved working, and learning from the UVIC players.
9. We benefitted from some new equipment and look forward to more in 2023 in order to provide players and coaches with the tools to support long term player development and success on the field.
10. Finally, feedback from coaches with regards to parent support was overwhelmingly positive. So, a huge thank you to all of Lakehill Fastball parents, guardians, and families!

Lakehill Little League VP Operations 2022 Report

Lakehill was able to put forward a successful program for both baseball and softball in 2022. Coming out of the pandemic, the past season had its share of challenges for the board, especially those of us with little experience in our positions. As a group we put forward a strong program and laid the foundation for future growth. When I took over this position, we were in the middle of a pandemic with a goal of reviving the organization. We followed through with this and put forward a 2022 season like no other with more registrants than in the past 5+ years. I am happy to leave my position knowing the organization is in good hands.

I would like to provide a brief summary of ongoing projects and future projects that will require attention for this position.

Project Summary:

- Diamond 2 scoreboard replacement. The scoreboard has been chosen and a supplier is lined up. Installation costs tbd, but we have a couple bids on this coming in.
- Bathroom & facility upgrades. The bathrooms continue to be an issue for the club. The clubhouse building is aging and will require much attention in the next few years. The greater question for the club is if there are funds to completely renovate the building or complete esthetic upgrades to the bathrooms.
- Permanent storage sheds. Storage has been an issue and will continue to be an issue without permanent structures to house equipment. This has been identified by the park, however through discussions with Saanich, it is apparent they are not willing to allow the construction of any additional storage facilities.
- Diamond 5 Backstop Netting. This has been prioritized by Lakehill Fastball and is a project that needs attention.
- Diamond 1 Backstop. Diamond 1 is the main baseball diamond and requires a solid backstop installation. Discussions with suppliers are ongoing.

- Diamond 3 Field Upgrades. Mainly used as a Fastball diamond, D3 is in need of upgrades to the fencing, dugouts and infield. Material was brought in last year to the infield, additional material may need to be brought in next year and the idea of a more permanent outfield fence should be pursued.
- Pitching machine replacements. We made it through another year with our dated pitching machines. It is time to replace them with newer technology.

To summarize, the park is ready to host another year of baseball and fastball, but is in need of upgrades throughout. A lot of the facilities are showing their age and a new VP Operations will have several projects that require attention. I thank the board for their assistance the past two years and look forward to working with the potential new VP Operations.

Chris Taylor
VP Operations

Lakehill Little League

This has been a busy year my first year learning the Admin Director role. We started off with a successful Opening Day Ceremonies that was pared down from previous years' but the important things were celebrated by the kids. Players running to the field, bouncy castles and hot dogs were the event highlights. We have already set the date for next year's Opening Day, for planning purposes, which will be April 15, 2023.

Much of my time this year was spent trying to find volunteers for baseball/softball tournaments, picture day or events. Being entirely volunteer led as an organisation, parents must continue building the culture of pitching in. We need a lot of volunteers to run events or tournaments, and even games, so please consider asking yourself what contribution you can make to the next following year. Though not reflected in the financial report, we did have at one time, 10K in unpaid volunteer fees owed to the club.

In June, we participated in two fundraising days with the HarbourCats which brought in a healthy amount of club spirit and funds. It is community building events like those that really bring the social aspect of this sport home for kids. It was heartwarming to see a sea of Lakehill blue and people visiting with old friends from their baseball/softball days.

As always, if there are any pictures or stories that any teams want to share on our social Media pages, I encourage you to please pass them up so they can be posted.



Lakehill Baseball & Fastball AGM

Monday November 28/2022

Zoom

Presidents Report

What a difference a year makes. At this time last year, we had a much smaller Board with fewer people doing more work. I am personally happy to give a President's Report as opposed to adding in a Player Agent Report, a VP Admin Report, and a Tractor riding Report.

So having said that – it was great to have Michelle Adriano step up as our Player Agent, and Merie Beauchamp as our VP Admin. Both roles are busy, and they both have done a fabulous job in their first year of their 6 year contract !!!! 😊 As some of you know, Board work can be very challenging with different dynamics – especially as we are all volunteers and have outside of ball lives. Coudos to all Board members that are able to keep up with Lakehill Ball duties as well as managing their own families. Our park and kids will reap those rewards from hours put in.

Along the Association line of things – you will start seeing more things with an adjusted name. We have finally moved on forward and are called Lakehill Baseball & Fastball.

More Association news – as was mentioned in the Financial Report – a HUGE thanks to our sponsors. Our entire listing can be found on the website, but again this year, a few stand out and are exceptionally awesome.

Ben Davidson with Uptime Repair – allowed us to have even better coverage on Development for players.

Island Savings for their involvement with Opening Ceremonies and hoodies.

Ryan Keller of Pemberton Holmes Realty & Craig Bryden of Harbour City Kitchens – making those blue hoodies a great thing for all members.

We look forward to future involvement of sponsors, and some better ways to report these to you at the next AGM so those records are locked in for years to come. With cash and contra donations, we were just under \$29,000.00 this year. Just an awesome community feeling !

While more people stepped up this past year, we still have holes to fill. Some Board members are retiring, and some are too busy. Please consider stepping up to put some time in and maybe use your expertise for a great cause.....but really, it is your time that we would love to have.

I really believe that while the Board is to take care of the business side of things, and make sure we are in compliance with the Societies Act and parent organizations – some big difference makers are on the field coaching our kids and being positive role models. Our Coaches have done an amazing job this year and we can tell by seeing the smiles on kid's faces. A huge thank-you to all the Coaches/Managers/Scorekeepers, field draggers, and anybody else that helped out with everyday team functions – it doesn't happen without you.

I am happy to let my name stand for election to another 2 year term, but regardless of the direction we go and who is steering, please support the Board and the park as we are super lucky to have a great place for kids to play. As always, my door is always open for a chat with any member, and I will always reply to a question via email.

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