SMBA Meeting Minutes Sept. 29, 2025

Present: Michelle Morley, Lauren Bonder, Amanda Nieson, Annette Buonomo, David Watson, Felix Buonomo, Michael Schoenauer, Celia Bychko, Paul Bychko, Stephanie Schoenauer, Lincoln Louttit, Jordan Tibbles, Sarah Lukacena, Jason Rooley, Melanie Bykkonen, Mary Breton, Victoria Aceti Chlebus, Tom D'Ulisse, Aaron Erickson, Scarlett Erickson, Jeff Leonard, Chris Walls, Paul Hapanovich, Laura Rosbottom, Adam Rosbottom, Tyler Hankinson, Pat Henderson, Brooke Suurna, Frank Guzzo

1. Review Minutes from 2024 AGM

Chris Walls motioned to pass the minutes as presented, Jordan Tibbles seconded. All in favour, motion carried.

2. 2025 President's Report – presented

Jeff Leonard motioned to pass the report as presented, Chris Walls seconded. All in favour, motion carried.

3. 2025 Treasurer's Report

a) The financials presented are as of Sept. 20, 2025, but fiscal year ends on Dec. 31st, overall profit sitting at $7400
b) Nevada money will be coming in, approx. $8000, down 52% from 58% last year
c) Oct. 15th – payroll will come out
d) Summer jobs – 3 positions - $20,000 still coming in, after a total of $12000 paid
e) Canteen up 25% from previous years
f) Team pictures are complete, and prints will go out to sponsors
g) Accounting fees are new – auditing books for last year and this year – so will have two full years of fully audited books
h) Fixed assets were zeroed out as advised by Legal
i) Black Sox hats – show in revenue
j) Scorebooks are in stock for the next two years
k) Current New income - $7481.05

4. Constitutional Amendments

Proposal 1 Mike – remove $10 fee – passed
Proposal 1 Board – Carried, passed
Proposal 2 – Board Carried
Proposal 2 – Remove – defeated due to redundant motion with proposal 2 from board that was passed
Proposal 3 – Board - remove
Proposal 3 – Mike –
Proposal 4 – Board – removed
Proposal 5 – Board – carried
Proposal 6 – Carried Board
Proposal 2A – Mike – Carried
Proposal 2B – OBA version as amendment – remove amendment as carried, current 2B – green and yellow – Carried

2C – Mike's proposal – Carried – move to Article 8
2D- withdrawn
2E- Mon voting members to non-voting directors – Carried
2F – Supervisor of Umpires to Umpire of Chief

Proposal 3 – Mike – redundant in 8.03 – carried
Proposal 6 – remove 7.02 entirely – carried
Proposal 4 – Mike – biannually to biennially
4A, 4B, 4C – Mike carried with added BOD ratifies positions
4D – withdrawn – as covered with 7.02
Mike 5A – Anyone elected to President must have spent the previous 12 months – defeated
Umpire in Chief – split to amendment previous president and Umpire in Chief – amend level 2.2 to 3.0 – carried and motion carried

9.03 – Board – remove Registrar removed – motion carried
Mike Proposal 8 – remove 8C– amendment to Treasurer (k & l) and 5 h & i – for Secretary
Proposed 9 & 10 – remove board proposals

Mike – 3. – Six Voting Directors – carried
9A- Defeated
9B – Carried – team meetings

Mike 10A- Approved
10B – removed

11.01 – Mike's passed

Proposal 11 – Board – carried

Proposal 12A-C and 13 – Mike – 4.01 by board not considered constitutional amendments

5. Elections

a. President- Chris Walls nominates Mike Lebel, Paul Hap seconded – Mike Lebel accepted
b. VP Operations – Pat Henderson nominates Dave Watson, Felix Buomono seconded. Dave accepted.
c. Secretary – Chris Walls nominates Michelle Morley, Paul Hapanovich seconded. Michelle accepted.
d. Special Events Coordinator:

Celia Byckko nominated Stephanie Schonauer, Pat Henderson seconded - Stephanie was elected and accepted.

Brooke Suurna nominated by Dave Watson – declined

Chris Walls nominated Paul Hapanovich, Felix Buonomo seconded.

e. Scheduler:

Stephanie Schonauer nominated Mike Schonauer, Celia Bychko seconded

Chris Walls nominated Amanda Nieson, Paul Hapanovich seconded

Mike Schonauer was elected and accepted.

Divisional Directors:

Junior Tball – vacant
Tball – vacant
Jr 9 – vacant
9U – Chris Walls nominated Amanda Nieson
Jay Rooley nominated Sarah Lucenda, Sarah was elected and accepted.
11U – vacant
13U- vacant
16U – vacant

Open League - vacant
Competitive Stream Convenor– Tyler Belanger – 2-year term

Paul Bycho, coach/parent - question regarding grants and financials. coach/parent – Mr. Schonauer helped with funding and moving forward they require 2 years audited statements. Will be done after this year for applications.

Never an audit done – must be in line with Canada Revenue for the lottery license
Not for profit organization.

Comment regarding public awareness of funding grants/opportunities that SMBA applies for so that the membership is aware.

Melanie Bykonen – 10U Selects proposal (1.5 years so far) – board will access moving forward what the format will be moving forward
2026 – Black Sox carded as A, the board has already made that decision for 2026

Frank Guzzo – would like expectations as a parent for programs moving forward that are defined and clear

Scarlet – request to clarify if Black Sox go Rep, why not Selects as well

Kids want more – players going to other cities to play

Aaron Erickson – clarification on proposal given to the board re competitive levels

Laura Rosbottom – requesting for clarification on why Black Sox moved up to Rep A and house league select did not

Board discussion on how select and black sox programs reduce numbers in house league

Victoria – Depleting the numbers in the program ie. Soccer

Amanda Nieson - suggestion for parents to give feedback throughout the year – updates to forms, processes, etc.

Brooke Suurna – need to book tournaments so coaches need to be put in place earlier for Selects processes

Pat Henderson – if you drain the house league of talent with both Black Sox and Selects, depletes the house league coaches and players

Lincoln Louttit- proposal for the 10U rep program – endorsed by North Bay and Sudbury, and communication needs to be improved as he did not hear anything back. In support of what people are speaking to here.

Amanda Nieson – discouraging language here tonight against house league, and not all about competitive