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CABUA 2017 Annual General Meeting		
December 8, 2017	19:00	Foothills Little League Clubhouse
Meeting called by	Lyle Gagné, President	
Type of meeting	Scheduled – AGM (Fall)	
Note taker	Pierre Simard	
Executive Committee Attendees	Lyle Gagné, President; Rolf Swanberg, Vice President; Doug Mann, Treasurer; Pierre Simard, Secretary; Bill Ross, Member-at-Large; Mike Whitely, Member-at-Large; Tom Langlois, Commissioner	
Executive Committee Regrets	N/A	
General membership Attendees	Dale Elder, Reuben Lipowicz, Geoffrey Anaker, Mick Carlisle, Marcel Bruce, Anne DeLude	
<b>1. Roll Call of Officers</b>		
10 Seconds		
Discussion		
The Secretary advised the President that all executive members were present. Quorum was established.		
<b>2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting (April 7, 2017)</b>		
5 minutes	Lyle Gagné	
Discussion		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Copies of the minutes were distributed to all present by the Secretary.</li> <li>Motion to accept as distributed: Geoffrey Anaker. Seconded: Mick Carlisle. Carried.</li> </ul>		
<b>3. President's Report</b>		
10 minutes	Lyle Gagné	
Discussion		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not many changes since Spring 2017 meeting.</li> <li>Lyle sent an email to the AB Supervisor of Umpires in an attempt to re-establish cooperation with baseball Alberta. While a reply was received, no meeting has occurred to this date.</li> <li>Lyle and Pierre also talked with BA employee Brad Wolansky during FMBA tournament in July. Brad acknowledged the issues and pledged to assist in resolving them.</li> <li>Lyle advised that Brandon Strocki is now the Provincial Supervisor of Umpires.</li> <li>Babe Ruth will host the regional tournaments again this year.</li> <li>Lyle has a meeting scheduled with Babe Ruth on Dec. 12 (first day of Hanukkah).</li> <li>CABUA will be seeking to renew contracts with all leagues with whom we had one in 2017. Honoraria to be determined by Executive; will seek to obtain increases in line with rate of inflation and in the context of the current state of the economy and no increases in 2017.</li> </ul>		
<b>4. Vice President's Report</b>		
0 minutes	Rolf Swanberg	
Discussion	Nil	
<b>5. Treasurer's Report and Financial Statements</b>		
15 minutes	Doug Mann	
Discussion		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Doug tabled the Balance Sheet and Statement of Operations and Net Assets as at Oct. 31, 2017.</li> <li>Revenues totaled \$74K (vs. \$59K in 2016, due to Babe Ruth Regional Tournament fees).</li> <li>Expenses totaled \$73K (vs. \$58K in 2016), keeping pace with revenues.</li> </ul>		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Total assets were virtually unchanged from 2016 (\$13.9K), consisting entirely of cash.</li> <li>Appointment of auditors: Doug will approach Guy Bonnier to seek his approval as an auditor. Bill Ross volunteered to assist.</li> <li>Motion to accept financial statements as presented: Tom Langlois. Seconded: Mick Carlisle. Carried.</li> </ul>
<b>6. Commissioner's Report</b>	
3 minutes	Tom Langlois
Discussion	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No issues were tabled with the Commissioner in 2017.</li> <li>Tom expressed concern with the aging group of umpires and CABUA's long-term viability.</li> </ul>
<b>7. Committee Chair Reports</b>	
1 minute	Lyle Gagné
Discussion	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Governance: NIL</li> <li>UDP: NIL. No supervisions conducted due to shortage of umpires and priority given to filling games.</li> </ul>
<b>8. Assignor's report</b>	
14 minutes	Lyle Gagné (via input from Mark Roseneder)
Discussion	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>707 games were scheduled in Arbiter (58 games were cancelled for various reasons), resulting in 1,456 assignments. 172 (8%) of these were unfulfilled due to unavailability of umpires; 1,284 assignments were scheduled.</li> <li>Top 5 game assignees: Steve DeLude (108), Rod Levasseur (75), Liam Collins (61), Kevin D'Arcy (58), Geoffrey Anaker 56). Bill Ross was a close 6<sup>th</sup> at 55.</li> <li>14 of 57 registered users in Arbiter did not accept game assignments. 43 members officiated at 649 games.</li> <li>No fines were levied due to turned back games.</li> <li>Mark has agreed to serve as Assignor in 2018.</li> </ul>
<b>9. Resolutions and Amendments to the Bylaws</b>	
1 minute	Lyle Gagné (via input from Steve DeLude)
Discussion	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No resolutions/proposed amendments tabled.</li> </ul>
<b>10. New Business</b>	
25 minutes	
Discussion	
I.	<p><u>Disposition of Cash Balance</u>            Pierre asked members present whether CABUA should continue to carry a large cash balance like it has for the past several years. With clinics being hosted by local leagues and hosted by them or Baseball Alberta, CABUA is not active at present in umpire development, a core aspect of its mandate.</p> <p>Mick Carlisle: purchase a golf shirt with CABUA logo for all members.            Tom Langlois: All 1<sup>st</sup> year umpires = \$0 fee in 1<sup>st</sup> year; "junior" umpires = ½ fee.            Pierre: Free membership for all in 2018.</p> <p>Members voted to accept Pierre's proposal. Motion to approve: Marcel Bruce. Seconded: Mike Whitely. Carried.</p>
II.	<p><u>Member-at-Large Vacancy</u>            Bill Ross advised he was hanging up his mask after many years of umpiring and resigning from his position as Member-at-Large. Geoffrey Anaker has agreed to replace him. Lyle Gagné thanked Bill for his dedication to</p>

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umpiring and CABUA.

III. Clinics

Tom Langlois asked what had happened with the hosting of clinics. Doug Mann responded that Little League had abandoned the NUCP program (LL had been the major sponsor of Level 1 & 2 clinics). Cochrane, Strathmore, Okotoks continue to host clinics, via Baseball Alberta (CABUA is not involved). In addition, level 3 clinics are now held every 3 years, with an annual online exam.

Tom suggested he would consider a mechanics-only clinic (30 hours vs. 55 hours). He will approach Bill Smith, D3 Administrator, for candidate students. Lyle will also approach babe Ruth, and Marcel volunteered to approach NWLL. If enough interest can be generated, this clinic would be held in the winter of 2019.

IV. Awards

Frank Hornby memorial Award (Umpire of the Year): Doug Mann

## 11. Adjournment

1 minute	
Discussion	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Motion to approve: Tom Langlois. Seconded: Mike Whitely. Carried at 20:16.</li></ul>	