



**“The Georgian Bay Minor Softball League”**

**The Constitution of the Georgian Bay Minor Softball League**

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## **Article 1: The Name**

- A- The name of the league shall be "The Georgian Bay Minor Softball League" or GBMSL

## **Article 2: Aims**

- A- To ensure the proper development and betterment of organized fastball for all youths eligible to play in the GBMSL
- B- To teach fair play, sportsmanship and responsibility amongst the participants. This includes parents and those that organize and operate the softball system
- C- To teach the players to play the game for the love of the game, taking defeat in the same stride as victory
- D- To foster among its members, supporters and players a community spirit

## **Article 3: Executive**

- A- The executive shall consist of: The Past President, The President, The Vice-President, The Secretary, The Treasurer, The Scheduler, The Umpire-in-Chief, Director of Junior Umpire Development, Statistician and five (5) Elected directors
- B- The President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer shall be elected at the fall meeting (Sept/Oct)
- C- The term of office shall be for two (2) years, along with reconfirming the position of the Scheduler and Umpire-in-Chief and Statistician and Director of Junior Umpire Development for the same term
- D- The executive shall have the power, by majority vote, to fill any vacancy occurring during the term of office for the completion of the term of office, or to fill any positions not elected at the fall annual meeting. Any member of the executive who shall be absent for two (2) consecutive meetings without notifying the executive shall be contacted by the President to see if they wish to continue in their position. If not, the position shall be declared vacant.
- E- Management of the League shall be vested in the executive who shall carry out all policies and directions as determined by the membership
- F- To serve on the executive a candidate must be a member in good standing of the League
- G- The President must have been a member of the Executive during the last 2-year period

## **Article 4: Executive Duties**

### **President:**

- 1- To act as Chief Executive Officer of the league
- 2- To enforce all rules and regulations in accordance with the constitution and rules and by-laws
- 3- To preside at all meetings of the League or Executive
- 4- Shall be empowered to call meetings at his/her discretion
- 5- To establish such committees as may be deemed necessary to assist in the organization and operation of the league
- 6- Does not vote on GBMSL executive except to break a tie vote after second vote on item.

### **Vice-President:**

- 1- To perform the duties of the President in the President's absence.
- 2- To help establish such committees as may be deemed necessary to assist the organization and operation of the league.
- 3- To ensure that all centres/communities are kept up to date on policy and procedures from the league
- 4- Has full voting rights on GBMSL executive
- 5- To Chair the Discipline committee which consists of the Vice President, UIC and one other executive member. The Chair would present the material and/or convene a meeting to hear all sides of the matter to the other members of the committee and make recommendations. Following discussion, a vote would be taken by the executive members and the UIC. The Chair would vote only in the event of settling a tie. The Disciplinary committee decision would be upheld by the league

**Secretary:**

- 1- To record proceedings of all General and Executive Meetings
- 2- To conduct official correspondence on behalf of the League
- 3- To maintain necessary files
- 4- To contact all members of the Executive to notify them of meetings and contact all community representatives to notify them of General meetings with at least 48 hours' notice.
- 5- To conduct any telephone polls when necessary upon request of the president  
Telephone polls should be restricted to crucial time sensitive situations and will be reviewed at the next executive meeting at which time the motion will be duly moved, seconded and a new vote taken.
- 6- Has full voting rights on the GBMSL executive

**Treasurer:**

- 1- To receive all monies of the league and deposit same in a chartered bank approved by the league
- 2- To maintain books and accounts covering financial records of the league
- 3- To pay all accounts authorized by the Executive
- 4- To present a financial statement at the fall Annual General Meeting
- 5- To be one of 4 able to sign cheques for the league, the others being the president, an active Past President and the vice president. Two (2) signatures must be present on all cheques
- 6- Has full voting rights on GBMSL executive
- 7- In the event of the resignation or termination of the treasurer, or president, and cheques cannot be signed and as such our bank account cannot be accessed. A new signing authority may be appointed by the league as long as any change is carried by a league executive vote and a signed letter by 2 executive members is delivered to the bank informing them of such a change.

**Directors:**

As the GBMSL is made up of its participating communities, one individual from each community will represent them at the league level. There are 2 levels either elected or appointed. (A&B below)

**A: Elected Directors:**

- 1- To have full voting rights on the Executive
- 2- To serve on such committees and perform such functions as may be needed from time to time
- 3- Every effort will be made to elect 5 directors to the GBMSL executive

**B: Appointed Directors:**

- 1- Any community that does not have an elected director will have an appointed director
- 2- Appointed Directors will represent their communities at the league level
- 3- If a vacancy occurs on the executive, then appointed directors will be called upon to fill that position
- 4- Appointed Directors will not vote but may attend executive meetings so that their community's interest may be expressed and so that they may stay informed.

**Scheduler:**

- 1- To have full voting rights on the Executive
- 2- To be responsible for organizing and administering the playing schedule for all divisions, for all communities participating in the GBMSL
- 3- Has full voting rights on GBMSL executive

**Umpire-In-Chief:**

- 1- To act as Chairperson of the protest committee (this would include 3 other executive members of the GBMSL, and the president or vice-president of the league. The UIC would present the material to the other members of the committee and make recommendations. Following discussion, a vote would be taken by the executive members and the UIC would vote only in the event of settling a tie. The protest decision would be upheld supported by the league
- 2- To visit communities during ball season and see how our junior umpires are progressing and to help them in their endeavors.
- 3- To respond to complaints made by umpires
- 4- Will have Softball Ontario Level 1 Certification and a knowledge of umpiring
- 5- Assist the Director of Junior Umpire Development in Evaluations of JU's and assume that position if not filled on GBMSL league executive should it become vacant
- 6- Has full voting rights on GBMSL executive

### **Director of Junior Umpire Development:**

- 1- Setup and administer the Junior Development Clinic with league support (web form, etc.). Attend Clinic and take registration proceeds, provide lunch and introduce self to Junior Umpires (JU) as GBMSL contact liaison person
- 2- Provide updated list of JU's to league for publication along with Phone #'s, emails, etc.
- 3- Update JU seniority list to assist in hiring policy with league
- 4- Prepare and receive JU evaluation forms, work with JU's on issues requiring follow-up on evaluations forms received. Provide evaluation forms to executive members to be done at games by them and returned back to you.
- 5- Do evaluations as requested according to your time available.
- 6- Be involved in a protest situation that involves a JU, you would sit on committee along with UIC who would chair as per GBMSL rules
- 7- Schedule Junior Umpires for Tyke and Mini-Squirt Mid Season and Playoff Championship tournaments
- 8- Has full voting rights on GBMSL executive

### **Past-President:**

- 1- Term begins following term as president unless another position is taken
- 2- To assist the president on a consultation basis in enforcing all rules and regulations
- 3- Assist in amendment wordings to rules and constitution
- 4- Assist on any committees
- 5- Full voting rights on the GBMSL executive

### **Statistician:**

- 1- The league will appoint a statistician who will keep stats, record forfeitures, reschedule games that were cancelled with no attempt or taking too long to make up. All game ejections will also be conveyed to the statistician. The statistician will notify league officials where necessary in regard to forfeitures, ejections, etc. so they may be dealt with and appropriate action taken. (Example, suspension of player, payment of fine, etc.)
- 2- Has full league authority to reschedule games within the "rules of the league" so that all games are played by season end.
- 3- Full voting rights on the GBMSL executive
- 4- The statistician is not responsible to track down information. It is the individual team's responsibility to forward result to their local statistician who in turn will forward results to the league statistician. If information is not received then no score will be allotted to the game in question, a "0" or loss will be recorded for both teams.

### **Article 5: Community Representatives**

- 1- Each community is allowed two (2) representatives, one will serve as a GBMSL director, elected or appointed.
- 2- Each community must ensure at least one representative is present at all "Full" GBMSL meeting. Failure to comply will result in a \$25 fine to the community
- 3- Community representatives must take an active role in the league and be involved as needed
- 4- Must promote fair play and good sportsmanship at all times
- 5- Understand and promote and abide by the rules of the GBMSL
- 6- Honor and accept all protest rulings as decided upon by the protest committee
- 7- Responsible for passing on all information to their coaches, players, umpires, parents and park executive

### **Article 6: Nominations**

Any member in good standing shall be allowed to run, vote and nominate a member for office. To be eligible to hold the office of President the member must have served in some capacity on the league executive in the past 2 (two) years. Those in office will have the first right to decline or accept if nominated for a new term

Generally, the executive will be elected from director's/community representatives; however, it is not necessary that an executive member represent a community to sit on the GBMSL. If an individual is present and nominated and nomination is seconded and the candidate accepts then they may sit on the league in that capacity. It is our goal that if someone has a genuine interest in our league and want to promote it and take an active role in it then they should be given that opportunity.

Nominations for executive position to be in the hands of the secretary by September 15<sup>th</sup> every 2<sup>nd</sup> year (year of elections). No nominations will be accepted the night of the meeting unless there have been no nominations for a position.

### **Article 7: Meetings**

- 1- The annual meeting shall be held before the 30<sup>th</sup> day of September each year. This meeting will be held to consider amendments to the constitution, by-laws, and league rules. Every second year will also include election of a new Executive. Rule changes will only be done every second year. This will fall on the same year as elections, however rule interpretations, etc will be reviewed as the need arises. Elections & Rule Amendments are done on odd calendar years only.
- 2- Notice of motions and amendments to the constitution, by-laws, and league rules must be in the hand of the secretary at least two (2) weeks prior to the date of the September annual meeting.
- 3- No proxy votes are recognized
- 4- A quorum at Executive meetings shall be a majority with minutes recorded
- 5- Changes or amendments to the constitution, by-laws, and league rules must be approved by a 2/3 majority of the members present at the annual meeting. All items passing the general meeting are then discussed by the current executive and voted on at an executive only meeting. The executive has the power to pass or decline any amendments based on this vote. The executive shall be responsible for any wording of any amendments/changes based on this vote as well.

### **Article 8: Policy**

- 1- The Executive shall have full control of the affairs of the league, having the power to deal with all disagreements or protests, or any unbecoming conduct on the part of team officials, umpires, players, parents and spectators, either on or off the diamond, or any matter pertaining to the objectives of the league upon receipt

### **Registration of Teams**

- 2- Each Community is required to submit by the date of the "full GBMSL registration night", which is generally around the 1<sup>st</sup> of May, a \$100 registration fee per community to offset administration/operating costs. A team list, a cheque for the appropriate registration fees for their teams and a separate \$200 performance Bond cheque to ensure all teams will complete the season and the play-offs.

### **Game Forfeitures**

- 3- All game forfeitures will carry a \$10 fine. The league statistician will notify the league treasurer on any forfeiture by season end. More than two (2) forfeitures in the regular season, and more than one (1) during playoffs will result in automatic forfeit of performance bond. A new performance bond will need to be submitted to the league before any new games are played from that community.
- 4- All amounts owed due to forfeits, missed meetings, trophies not returned, etc. will be taken from bond with balance of bond returned to community, if any.

### **Team Lists**

- 5- Each community must supply the League Secretary with a list of all teams with up to 18 players (more could be added but the league only recognizes 18 in their planning of medals, etc.) This list is due by June 1<sup>st</sup> or a \$50 fine is charged to your community. Final list to be provided to League Secretary by June 30<sup>th</sup>. No additions can be made after this date.

### **Proof of Age & Police Record Checks for Coaches**

- 6- Proof of age must be retained by the communities in GBMSL and supplied to the league within 48 hours, upon request. Failure to do so will result in loss of the game in question. If a community wishes to challenge an age it must be done in the form of a protest.
- 7- Criminal Record Checks/ Vulnerable Sector screening of all coaches must be maintained by the registering community. Any community failing to meet this requirement will not be allowed to participate within GBMSL. Proof must be presented to the league upon request. This is a requirement of our insurance carrier.  
Once CRC/Screening is complete a community may have coaches do an annual declaration rather than repeating the checks every 3 years. If a declaration is not done each year, or missed one year, then a new CRC/VSC must be done as at least every 3 years.

### **Protests**

- 8- All protests must be submitted to their Community Convener who will check its validity. If the convener feels the protest is justified they must then submit it to the League Secretary within 48 hours of the game along with a cheque for \$25 from the community filing the protest. This cheque will be returned if the protest is upheld. The Secretary must immediately notify the other team's convener that he/she has received the protest. The opposing team has 48 hours to submit a defense through their convener. A protest committee will then be formed through the Umpire-In-Chief. If the protest is on a game related issue, the plate umpire must be notified at the occurrence that the game is being played under protest, not at the end of the game, so that the umpire can document any relevant details of the game. Not all issues are protestable (See Softball Ontario Rule Book, as the league will use this as our guideline) and a protest must be done properly or it will "NOT" be accepted by the league.

### **Outstanding Monies from previous season**

- 9- All monies owed to the GBMSL for forfeitures, ejections, performance bonds, registration, etc. from the previous year must be paid in full before any teams from said community will be registered with the league

### **Insurance coverage**

- 10- All teams registered with GBMSL will have proper insurance, purchased through GBMSL which will be administered by the League. If you have coverage through OASA or another organization already you must repurchase it through GBMSL to play in our league. NO EXCEPTIONS. This is the only way that the GBMSL executive can be protected with proper liability coverage.

### **Return of trophies**

- 11- All trophies are to be returned to the league by the final full meeting in May. This is when the schedules, rules, etc are distributed. Failure to return trophy(s) will result in a twenty-five (\$25) fine. If the trophy(s) is still not returned by the time it is needed to be presented, the total cost of it will be charged to the community who last won it. This includes the cost of the trophy and the cost of replacing the history on it as well and the cost of replacing any commemorative plates (all engraving costs). The league will pay the initial cost of the replacing trophy and must be reimbursed by the community involved by the end of the season. To cover this cost the league may use the bond cheque if other payment is not provided.

### **When is a team considered registered**

- 12- A team is deemed registered when the representative from that community has given GBMSL a cheque to cover costs of that team so that they may play in the league. Generally, that date is around the first of May when all information, cheques, etc is due. Even though no games have been played yet or tournaments held. If you pull out a team at this point you "WILL" lose your performance bond and be required to submit a new bond so that any additional teams may continue to play in the league. It is important to understand that just because games may not

have been played yet, scheduling had commenced, diamonds have been booked, umpires may have been hired, medals and ribbons may have been ordered and all of these costs must be covered!

#### **Article 9: Tournaments and Playoffs**

- 1- All tournaments (Tyke, MiniSquirt) and all playoffs, including optional tournaments for Squirt, Peewee and Bantam teams will be setup and administered by the League Scheduler. There will be some rule changes depending on the # of teams involved, etc which will again be determined by the league.
- 2- The league will not give monies over and above the operating cost of the tournament to the hosting community. The league will compensate the cost of umpires and diamond lining based on their current fee schedule. However, no gratuity will be paid to the hosting community for running the event. The running of a GBMSL tournament should be considered an obligation of member communities. Those communities have the ability to earn funds through their booths without any percentage going to the league. The league will make every effort to have the hosting communities team be home for the event, unless they have several teams and it becomes necessary to move them to another centre when there is a duplicate tournament going on because of their seeded position.
- 3- The host of a tournament in the previous season will be given first choice to host that same tournament again the next season. If, however the tournament was cancelled by the hosting community then all other communities would be given first choice, on a first come, first serve basis. If the tournament was a negative experience for the league due to improper management, poor conditions, etc. then the league executive has the right to move the tournament to another location the following season. The leagues expectations will be conveyed to the hosting communities prior to the tournament happening.
- 4- Tournament Hosting order:
  - a. Who started the tournament? If it was started by a community, then is it fair that the league removes it from them?
  - b. Are that community's teams actively involved/supporting the GBMSL tournaments?
  - c. Is the community in good standing in regard to past tournaments, have they cancelled or given us a non-priority in the past, how much notice was given?
  - d. Can they provide the facilities required? Diamonds, Food, Washroom, etc.
  - e. Does the center have enough help/volunteers to host?
  - f. Have they expressed an interest to host?
  - g. Generally, a new tournament established at the GBMSL level will be offered first to those communities who have no tournaments at present, again based on the above guidelines. If interest is shown by more than one qualifying center, then the community will be drawn at random
  - h. The current GBMSL executive has the right to place a tournament if necessary due to an overflow situation or a cancellation on short notice.

#### **Article 10: Privacy of Information**

- 1- The league generally requires at registration the players name and year of birth; any other documentation is the responsibility of the registering community. Communities registering players are required to acquire proof of age to verify birth year of players. As well addresses's and phone #'s is required to contact players for game issues. This documentation needs to be treated carefully and not released to anyone other than the league for league purposes on request.
- 2- Should additional information be required it will be treated with confidence within the league committee involved. Upon resolution of any issues only the league executive will retain relevant information and it will not be released without the parent/players consent to any other party.
- 3- We will not make available our players personal information or other relevant information to other organizations with the exception of OASA who provides us with our insurance coverage and may require it in the event of claim.

## **Article 11: The GBMSL All Star Game**

The All-Star Game will be held on the last weekend in June prior to the July long weekend. All GBMSL communities will be required to take an active role in the program, from providing All Star Players from their center and coaching, etc throughout the day. The "Pioneer Award" will be presented during the opening ceremonies that day. (See Article 13) Each all star will provide a \$25 entry fee, which will help offset costs for the day as well as provide them with medals & a commemorative item e.g. hat

This is an All-Star event. As such communities need to make every effort to send their "BEST" ball players. The games should rotate each year from EAST to WEST if possible.

2005- Waubauskene- EAST  
2006- Minesing- WEST  
2007 - Coldwater - EAST  
2008- Toanche- WEST  
2009 - Port McNicoll - EAST  
2010 Lafontaine - WEST  
2011 Victoria Harbour - EAST  
2012 - Vasey - East  
2013 - Elmvale – West  
2014- Wyevale- West  
2015- Coldwater- East  
2016- Minesing- West  
2017- Perkinsfield- East

## **Article 12: The Pioneer Award**

This will be an annual presentation, done at the opening ceremonies of the GBMSL ALL STAR GAMES. Nominations will be put forth at the Spring GBMSL meeting, will be approved by the GBMSL executive. Recipients will have their name added to the Pioneer Award Plaque and receive a keeper plaque recognizing their involvement in our league.

A criterion has been set as those who were Pioneers of the league and started the process of organized youth ball within the Georgian Bay area. This would recognize those from the early 70's forward. As well our goal is to recognize the many individuals who have committed to numerous hours of coaching within their communities but also have sat on the league executive in some capacity (Director, Secretary, Treasurer, Scheduler, UIC, Vice President or President), and with a service record that has exceeded 10 years.

Secondly, an individual who has served their minor ball program in their local community for a period exceeding 15 years yet may never have been involved in the league itself. The community involved with must be an active GBMSL member.

**The plaque inscription read as follows:** This plaque is dedicated to the "Pioneers and Builders" of the Georgian Bay Minor Softball League. Our thanks go out to each one of them; it was their foresight, dedication and countless hours committed to the league that has made today possible.

### **As of 2016 the NAMES ON THE PLAQUE ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**Bob Potter Sr.- Sturgeon Bay, Don Hawke- Vasey, Fred Patterson- Toanche, Stan Cadeau- Victoria Harbour, Gary Edwards- Vasey, Marshall Hubbard- Elmvale, Fred Espey- Hillsdale, Cliff Lockhart- Vasey, Brien Dutton- Wyebridge, Felix Ladouceur- Wyevale, Betty Robitaille-Perkinsfield, Tim McGinnis- Elmvale, Vern Jolie- Vasey, Irene French- Waverley, Ross Leonard- Wyevale, Don Belanger- Perkinsfield, Bill Fournier- Waubauskene, Carol Kelly- Phelpston, Anne Truax- Waverley, Ray Cavelaire- Victoria Harbour, Lionel Trew- Hillsdale, Gail Hall- Hillsdale, Larry Patenaude- Toanche, Dave Couper- Waubauskene, Kent Goldsmith- Wyebridge, Keith Chapman- Victoria Harbour, Sandra Chapman- Victoria Harbour, Pat Rodgers- Waubauskene, Sheila Webb- Wyevale, Lynda Ritchie- Elmvale; Rene Robitaille- Wyebridge, Scott Warnoock - Victoria Harbour; Sharon Taylor - Victoria Harbour; Barb Maw - Minesing; Roy Patenaude- Toanche; Christine Patenaude – Toanche, Guy Desroches- Wyebridge, Norm Robitaille- Toanche, Peter Robinson – Vasey, Mike Briggs- Port McNicoll, Michele Clark- Coldwater, Ken Wallace- Coldwater**

### **Article 13: The Triple Crown Award**

The league will recognize any team that wins the Triple Crown in their division. The "Triple Crown" title is awarded to teams within GBMSL that have taken all 3 titles within their division as specified below. This recognition was not available until 2002 for Tyke division as a final Playoff game was never played until then. In 2003 the Mite division added a final Playoff game making the title available there as well the start of the Mid-Season tournament in 2005.

For Squirt, Peewee, Bantam and Midget divisions the introduction of the Mid-Season tournaments in 2003 allowed the title to be declared in those divisions as well.

Requirements:

Tyke: Regular Season Champions, Playoff Tournament Champions (Weekend) & Playoff Champions (Mary Anne Leonard Memorial Trophy Winners)

Mite: Regular Season Champions, Mid-Season Champions (AA or A) & Playoff Champions (Darren Laycock Memorial Trophy winners)

Squirt, Peewee, Bantam and Midget: Mid-Season Tournament Champions (AA or A), Regular Season Champions & Playoff Champions (3 of 3 required)

### **Article 14: The MVP Awards**

The league will make every effort to recognize MVP's at all GBMSL final tournaments and in the final round of Playoff games.

MVP's will be chosen by the league representative(s) present for that purpose. Generally, all games in a series would be used to choose the individual.

Eligibility would be dependant on the player meeting GBMSL's code of conduct and any player ejected from the game would not be eligible.

### **Article 15: Schedule of Fees & Possible Fines**

Community Registration Fee- **\$100** regardless of # of teams playing

Team Registration- **\$250** per team with tournaments or **\$70** without tournaments which includes **\$27 or \$33** liability coverage

Optional Tournaments- **\$180** per team for Mite. - **\$205** for Squirt and up on a first come, first serve basis

Submitting a Protest- **\$25**, refundable only if protest is won

Failure to report ejection to Statistician- **\$10** to league

Late Trophy return- **\$25** to league

Failure to return trophy prior to presentation- **"Full cost of trophy plus engraving"**

No Community representative at full GBMSL meeting- **\$25** to league

Game forfeit- **\$10** to league- team shows but it short players or game forfeited for other reason

Game "No Show"- **\$40** to league- cost will be transferred to offended community to cover their umpire cost- where no one shows up and game not cancelled

Late submitting players list (after June 1<sup>st</sup>)- **\$50** to league

3<sup>rd</sup> regular season forfeit for same team- **\$200- Loss of Bond**

2<sup>nd</sup> playoff forfeit for same team- **\$200- Loss of Bond**

All Star game- **\$25-** per player sent

Using an uncarded umpire - **\$25**

### **Article 16: Current Fee Schedule for tournament hosts**

Balls- 11" @ \$6.25, 12" @ \$8.25 (includes tax)

Diamond Lining- \$7.00 per game scheduled (no adjustment for rain delays, etc)

Umpires- \$30.00 per Junior Umpire per game and \$40 for Level 1's where a Level 1 is required (Peewee to Midget)

### **Article 17: Travel Stipend & other League Expenses**

- 1- All expenses incurred to operate the league will be refunded by the treasurer when appropriate receipts and details of the expense are submitted to the league. All expenditures must have had prior approval of the league before they are incurred by an individual.
- 2- Executive members may apply for a travel stipend at the fall GBMSL meeting to a maximum of \$90. This fee must be substantiated with receipts and details of events attended and purpose in attending. The stipend must be approved by the treasurer and will only be paid out if funds are

available to do so.

- 3- Select/Rep teams can apply for a GBMSL grant of \$150 towards their teams which will only be paid out at the fall meeting if funds are available at that time- Criteria must be met to be eligible and application form submitted to league treasurer
- a- Carry the GBMSL name on hats/shirts, etc.
- b- Promoted to entire league and players invited from entire league to try out
- c- Coaches from at least 2 centers involved in draft and team must have players from more than one center
- d- Compete at a provincial level tournament

#### Article 18: New Membership & New Community Registration

- 1- Must apply for membership at either fall or spring full community meeting- prior to registration of teams
- 2- Must represent a community (village, town, etc.)
- 3- Must have a local executive/committee
- 4- Must have a home ball diamond location to facilitate home games on normal GBMSL game nights/times
- 5- Must have bylaws & constitutions (required to set up bank account)
- 6- Must offer full registration of all teams that their diamonds can facilitate
- 7- Must be prepared to recognize all rules, constitution & bylaws of the GBMSL
- 8- All active communities in the GBMSL would vote on membership
- 9- New Members would have a two-year probation period with no voting privileges or league executive positions being held for the first year.
- 10- Must have a member at all GBMSL full membership meetings (approx. 3 meeting per year)
- 11- Must have an active member prepared to accept the community contact position to act as a liaison in the GBMSL.
- 12- An individual team may apply from an outside organized fastball program to play in the GBMSL due to a lack of teams to compete against. You must have that organizations support and insurance/registration fees must be paid in our organization. You must also have a member of your organization attend our meetings as community contact. This would be a non-voting position. This is mainly entertained at the Midget level.
- 13- The GBMSL has the right to remove membership or extend probation in the event that the new community is not prepared to follow GBMSL's constitution, rules & bylaws.
- 14- A team in a new community may be sponsored by an existing GBMSL Centre for their first year if agreed upon. The existing GBMSL Centre would be responsible for representing that team at the GBMSL table. This would be a one-year term to help the new community to get grounded. The new community would be expected to proceed on their own in the second season.

*This constitution is in effect, as of*

Monday February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2000- President- Kevin McKay, Vice President- Don Belanger, Secretary- Irene French  
Revised Sept 20<sup>th</sup>, 2000- President- Keith Chapman, Vice President- Leona Lever, Secretary- Irene French  
Revised Sept 25<sup>th</sup>, 2001- President- Keith Chapman, Vice President- Vern Jolie, Secretary- Dick Cleverly  
Revised Feb 10<sup>th</sup>, 2003- President- Keith Chapman, Vice President- Vern Jolie, Secretary- Dick Cleverly  
Revised Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2004- President- Keith Chapman, Vice President- Vern Jolie, Secretary- Jodie Stachura  
Revised March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2005- President- Keith Chapman, Vice President- Vern Jolie, Secretary- Jodie Stachura  
Revised May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006- President- Keith Chapman, Vice President- Vern Jolie, Secretary- Gail Hall  
Revised February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007- President- Keith Chapman, Vice President- Christine Patenaude, Secretary- Gail Hall  
Revised March 3, 2008 – President – Christine Patenaude, Vice President – Barb Maw, Secretary- Gail Hall  
Revised February 28, 2009- President- Christine Patenaude, Vice President- Barb Maw, Secretary- Gail Hall  
Revised February 26, 2010 - President Christine Patenaude, Vice-president Barb Maw, Secretary- Gail Hall  
Revised March 3, 2011 - President - Christine Patenaude; Vice-President - Barb Maw; Secretary - Gail Hall  
Revised March 8, 2012 - President Barb Maw; Vice-President Roy Patenaude; Secretary - Gail Hall  
Revised April 23, 2012 - President Barb Maw; Vice-President Roy Patenaude, Secretary - Gail Hall  
Revised February 27, 2013 - President Barb Maw; Vice-President Roy Patenaude, Secretary - Gail Hall  
Revised May 9, 2014- President Roy Patenaude, Vice-President Carl Luoma, Secretary- Michele Clark  
Revised March 23, 2015 - President Roy Patenaude, Vice-President Carl Luoma, Secretary- Michele Clark  
Revised February 7, 2016- President Roy Patenaude, Vice-President Carl Luoma, Secretary- Michele Clark