



# TCLL 2011 Annual General Meeting Minutes



**Meeting Name:** Turtle Club Annual General Meeting  
**Facilitator:** Domingos Vieira  
**Scribe:** Becky Langlois  
**Date:** September 11, 2011  
**Time:** 10:00 AM- Turtle Club Clubhouse

DISCUSSION ITEM	NAME
1. <b>Call To Order:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Meeting was called to order at 10:07 a.m.</li> </ul>	Domingos Vieira
2. <b>Member Attendance Count</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o 36 with 35 votes</li> </ul>	Domingos Vieira
2. <b>Adoption of Agenda:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <b>Motion by Tammy Durocher to adopt Agenda</b></li> <li>o <b>Seconded by Cyndy Bondy</b></li> <li>o <b>Vote: Unanimous</b></li> </ul>	Domingos Vieira
3. <b>Adoption of Minutes from 2010 AGM:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o <b>Francis Ducharme moved to approve minutes of 2010</b></li> <li>o <b>Seconded by Len Meloche</b></li> <li>o <b>Vote: Unanimous</b></li> </ul>	Domingos Vieira
5. <b>Financial Report:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Dom informed everyone that the Fiscal year ends at the end of October, so we have not yet ended 2010 fiscal year. Drew’s report will give an idea of our current situation, reviewing fiscal year end 2010, not 2011.</li> <li>o Drew reviewed last year’s balance sheet. Stated we finished with a bit more cash than the year before, reason being there were no changes with land/equipment/liabilities</li> <li>o Question – do we get an audit done – review completed by HYATT LASSALINE</li> <li>o Income statement – Major difference is all star fees from 2009 that weren’t collected or paid out in 2010 – reason being we changed the way we collect the all star fees – all TC collected were fees for District 5, Little League and building and grounds (including umpires), teams took care of paying for their own uniforms, tournaments, etc.</li> </ul>	Drew Kornelsen

- **Motion by Cyndy Bondy to accept the financial report**
- **Seconded by Jill Zerbin**
- Curtis asked if he can get a copy of financial statements – Dom said it's available by request, we didn't want to print them out as we don't have an idea of attendance numbers until the day of the meeting.
- **Unanimous**
- For this year – balance sheet – as of end of August, cash on hand is right around where we were last year at this time, big expenditures have been paid out; last year we didn't have an amount for buildings whereas this year we built the new shed.
- Dan Vincent asked how we did with the concession – not reconciled yet – still have to meet with Borden – will be done before fiscal year end to be reconciled. Looks like we will be coming in around the same percentage as last year, maybe a bit lower since we ran our own bbq's for tournaments, etc.
- Joe asked when short term investment is up – Drew will check with Dale – Dom believes they are one year open terms that can be accessed at any time if we need them.
- **Drew Kornelsen motions to appoint Hyatt Lassaline for year end review**
- **Francis Ducharme seconds**
- **Unanimous**

4. **President's Report:**

Domingos Vieira

- 596 Registered players in 2010
  - 402 in baseball program
  - 194 in softball program
  - Down 5 from 2010
- Successful House League Season
  - Winter Clinics continued
  - Positive feedback received from many parents
  - Managers and Coaches urged to focus on skills and fun
  - Tournament of Champions
  - Once again organized and hosted District Wide Official Score Keeper Clinics
  - First-aid class offered via Second Chance CPR, only a few members attended

- House League Season - Softball Division
  - Jr. T-Ball – boys and girls mixed teams, 8 teams with 90 players
  - Sr. T-Ball – 4 teams
  - Minor – 6 teams
  - Major - 2 teams
  - Junior/Senior/Big League – 3 teams
  - In the interlocked Softball Division teams competed very well with other D5 teams and most placed in the top 3 in their divisions
  - Many concerns about the Junior, Senior and Big League divisions being combined – too big an age gap
  - Rain extended season caused a lot of issues and frustration with parents and coaches
  
- House League Season - Baseball Division
  - Jr. T-Ball – boys and girls mixed teams, 8 teams with 90 players
  - Sr. T-Ball – 9 teams
  - Minor – 6 teams
  - Major - 6 teams
  - Junior – 3 teams
  - Senior/Big League – 1 team
  - Interlocked Minor and Major divisions for first time
    - Generally a good success – some issues due to lack of D5 organization
    - Rain extended season caused a lot of issues and frustration with parents and coaches
  - Good success many teams finished in the top 3 across the divisions
  
- Umpires
  - Trained 4 Level II umpires to continue our quest to umpire all Junior home games
  - Trained 6 Level I umpires
  - This year all games at TC Park for Juniors and lower were umpired by our umpires
  
- Building and Grounds
  - New garage built to help with storage needs for equipment
  - Continued to employ many TC players

- All Star Season Success
  - T-Ball Baseball Division
    - D5 Champions
  - T-Ball Softball Division
    - D5 Champions for 2nd year in a row
  - Minor Baseball Division
    - The A All star team were District champions
    - Competed well at Provincial tournament
    - Won the Ancaster Tournament
  - Major Baseball Division
    - Finalists in the D5 tournament and the Lansing Tournament
  - Junior Baseball Division
    - No team fielded – no manager stepped forward to take the team and lack of interest from players
  - Senior Baseball Division
    - Combined with WW and won Districts and provincials
    - Finished 2nd with a 4-3 loss in the finals of the Canadian championship game
  - Minor Softball Division
    - District champions – declared champions as they were the only team fielded
  - Major Softball Division
    - District Champions
    - Host team in the Canadian Championships held at TC finishing 2nd
  - Junior Softball Division
    - No team fielded
  - Senior Softball Division
    - Represented Canada at LL World Series
- Canadian Championships hosted at TC
  - Major and Junior Softball Canadian Championships hosted at TC
  - A special thank you to all the Board members that made this great event possible
  - It was a great opportunity to showcase our league and park
  - Thank you to all the billet families that hosted girls from Alberta and BC
  - This is the last year it will cost \$5000 to host this tournament, will now cost \$15,000 – last time it will make sense for us to host as it is not a money maker

and costs the organization quite a bit of money to host

- Diamond #7 will be changed into two smaller diamonds
  - Diamonds 1-6 are used majority of the time. Junior/senior may play at Villanova and Vollmer. More likely than not the diamond will remain the way it is for 3 years as \$150,000-\$175,000 needs to be raised. Will be applying for Trillium Grant to help with this cost.

Dan Vincent said last year at the AGM, the idea of changing the diamond was a pipe dream, how is it now that we have a million dollars and the diamonds at the Vollmer were built for us? Dom said he can't control what people write in the paper. Nobody gave us a million dollars and the Vollmer diamonds were not built for us. We're not taking kids and moving them out, we have 60 players that use diamond 7 and 500 who can't use it. Over last 4 years, registration has hit levels we've never seen before and we need the diamonds. Francis said when we opened up discussion about changing diamond 7, we opened it up to parents who had players in the divisions and the overall response was positive.
  
- LaSalle Titans and LaSalle Athletics
  - Purpose: provide another avenue of play for boys and girls that wish to compete and develop skills at a higher level of competition
  
- LaSalle Titans
  - Transition ongoing from current BOD to TCLL Board
  - Looking to field 5 teams this coming season
  - Will continue to use Villa Nova as home
  - Mosquito and PeeWee teams restricted to TCLL players only
  - Bantam and above open to all interested
  - LaSalle Titans has been folded into TCLL Corporation and is currently being dealt with as far as the legal issues go. Formed LaSalle Athletics which will focus on softball competing in USSSA and PWSA for next season. Tryouts on website.

- Purpose is not to form OBA teams, but to fill teams to give players ability to play more games against better competition. Our players play mostly at a house league level, approx 12 games and then go to play competitive baseball and after Districts and come up against teams who have played 40 games and are much stronger. We go from 6-8 Major teams one year and down to 2-3 Junior teams the next year because the Majors look for something more competitive and go to OBA organizations to accomplish this. Situation is the same on the softball side.
  - Ralph asked if the use of Villanova has to be negotiated every year. Dom said they will remain our diamonds.
  - Dan Vincent asked if mosquito and peewee is exclusive to TC players, will this OBA team basically what will be fielded as the All Star team. Most likely will happen, but there will be separate tryouts and everyone will be welcome to try out for both teams.
  - What is cost of inheriting the Villanova site? Dom explained there is no cash outlay, we need to maintain the diamonds as we do here. Conditions are that the diamonds need to be kept so they are not unsightly. We have 2 portable trailers, we need to maintain them, cut the grass. Will Joe need more personnel? It will be a subsidiary of TC, from a financial perspective, Titans will be billed for time put in by building & grounds. Have we looked at Diamond 7 for this? Joe said it's too small for Bantam and above. Little League is in 2<sup>nd</sup> year of pilot program of going to 50/70 which OBA currently uses. Will TC diamonds be used for the Athletics? TC diamonds will definitely be used for the athletics.
- LaSalle Athletics
    - Established to provide Softball players the same opportunity as the Titans organization does for baseball
    - Looking to field 5 or 6 teams this coming season
    - Will use TC as home park and play in mainly USSSA tournaments
    - 8U to 12U restricted to TC players only

- 13U and above open to all interested
  - Is there a likelihood that the Canadian Softball Championships will dissolve? Francis said the District Tournament becomes the Canadians because of lack of teams. Girls will still have opportunity to get to the tournaments.
  - Curtis Holland asked about 14U members who left TC last year, is LaSalle Athletics still open to them? Dom said yes. Curtis asked about what will happen if the Junior level only has 6 players – goal is to keep players here, rather than lose them to the Wildcats/Expos. Next couple of years will be a development year to accomplish this.
- Scott Allen asked at an AGM, do you have to be a current member to have a voice? Dom explained there are 3 classes of membership - player, volunteer of organization - right now includes BOD and coaches/managers, and life members – currently have 3. Anyone is welcome to attend, but non-members don't have a vote or voice.

## **Motion to accept President's Report by Randy Levac**

**Seconded by Sharon Lozinsky**

**Unanimous**

6. ***Constitutional Changes:*** Domingos Vieira
- **Many changes were proposed to the Constitution and reviewed by Dom**
  - **Motion to accept all remaining changes to Constitution as reviewed by Dom. Moved by Tim Meloche. Seconded by Len**
  - **1 abstention**
  - **Vote: Carried**
- Dom thanked Francis, Jill, Len Ralph, Jacob, Cyndy, Chad, Aaron, Dave, Nikki and Bill for fulfilling their positions and all they've done for the organization as their terms are currently up.
7. ***Elections:*** Becky Langlois
- Appoint Drew Kornelsen as scrutineer
  - Michelle Roberts as assistant
  - President (to complete 2 year term) - Dom Vieira
  - **Motion to destroy ballots made by Joe Theriault, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jill, unanimous**
  - Vice President (2 year term) - Anne Simke - acclaimed



- Information Officer - Dustin Soulliere
- **Motion to destroy ballots made by Annie Kisch , 2<sup>nd</sup> by Len Meloche, unanimous**
- Player Agent (complete 1 year term) - Tammy Durocher - acclaimed
- UIC - Len Meloche - acclaimed
- Scheduling Director (1 year term) - Jill Zerbin
- **Motion to destroy ballots made by Jason Wharram , 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Levac, unanimous**
- Equipment Director - Chad Lawton
- **Motion to destroy ballots made by Michelle Roberts, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Len Meloche, unanimous**
- Assistant Building and Grounds Director (1 year) - Todd Hewitt - acclaimed
- Fundraising Director (2 year term) - Cyndy Bondy - acclaimed
- Sponsorship Director (1 year term) - Nikki Maxey - acclaimed
- Tournament and Events Director (2 year) - Eric Ward - acclaimed
- Sr. T-Ball Baseball Director - Aaron Anson - acclaimed
- Major Baseball Director (2 year term)- David Musjy - acclaimed
- Junior/Senior/Big League Baseball Director (2 year) - Michelle Roberts - acclaimed
- Sr. Tball SB Director - Mike Kisch - acclaimed
- Major/Minor Softball Director (2 year) - Frank Simke
- **Motion to destroy ballots made by Jill Zerbin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tammy Durocher, unanimous**
- Dom asked if there is any further discussion or any new business - none.

***Motion to adjourn meeting:***

- **Motion made to adjourn at 12:12 p.m. by Jill Zerbin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Levac**
- **Vote: Unanimous**