

LIMBA Annual General Meeting Minutes

Date: September 11, 2025

Time: 7:01 PM – 7:35 PM

Location: Virtual

Attendance:

Kevin Hogan, Rob Cascaden, Stephen Tangney, Josh Morgan, Adam Ardiel, Rebecca Goudy, Charlene Aylesworth, Sarah Tangney, Mike Thompson, Josephine Allan, Braden Hill, Darcey Cook, Jonathan Celestino, Kandace Cook, Jake Draper, Meghan Doyle, Leah Robinson, Rod Adamthwaite, JoDee Robertson, Jessica Corby, Paul McQueen, Chuck Robinson, Mandy Armitage

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM.

Approval of Previous Minutes

- Minutes from the AGM held on May 20, 2024, were presented.
- Motion to approve by Rob Cascaden, moved by Josh Morgan, seconded by Charlene Aylesworth. The board was all in favour and the Motion was carried.

Secretary's Annual Report

- Eight meetings were conducted in 2024 (4 virtual, 4 in-person).
- Each meeting had a voting quorum and was well attended.

Treasurer's Financial Report

- Rob Cascaden summarized the 2024 financial statements, prepared by Joe Dobbie of Gee, Lambert and Courneya.
- Josephine Allan noted increased breakdown between softball and baseball for the 2025 year.
- Appointment of public accountant reviewed.

President's Address

- I would like to thank all of our board members, coaches and parents for a successful 2024 season. We had a record number of registrants of 496 in 2022 but far surpassed that in

2023 with 614 registrations and again saw significant growth in 2024 reaching 668 registered participants. For reference, pre-covid in 2019 we had 456 registrations.

- A higher registration and more teams also puts a strain on many of our resources including diamond availability, umpire resources, coach resources and volunteers.
- We look forward to welcoming some new members to the Board of Directors as some of our members do not plan to run again for their positions that are up for election, one has stepped down before the end of term and we know others are planning to transition out in less than 2 years.
- Our 9U and below age players makeup about 40% of our registrations but currently only 1 Director has a player within our association at these younger age groups. It is important that we continue to add new Board members to both keep up with our associations growth and to allow some turn over in our Executive as we have a number of long-standing volunteers looking to take a step back now or within the next year or two.
- Our current members and recent past members will be happy to provide support for those learning new roles.
- Similarly to needing more Board members and always needing enough coaches we also require additional volunteers to run such things as Hit Run and Throw, 7U year end tournament in July, A's Day in June and multiple playoff tournaments in August, etc. There is a volunteer form available on our website so please complete and submit this if you would be willing to give some of your time.
- I will note that parents saw a significant increase in 2024 registration fees however the increase in 2025 registration fees was much more modest. The significant increase in 2024 fees was necessary to keep up with cost increases over the past few years as well as the increase in what has been included with the registration over the past few years.
- Our registration fees for both HL and Rep are very competitive and, in most cases, significantly lower than other neighbouring centres. In addition, several centres also require parents to pay bonds or provide volunteer hours. We have not started to impose bonds on families but to keep our fees low for families we need to continue to recruit volunteers to our association.

- Please consider joining our association as a Board or Staff member for the 2026 season. If you would like to discuss volunteer opportunities, please reach out to myself or another Board member via email or phone as other opportunities will exist after the AGM.
- Our 2024 AGM was delayed due to some a delay in our financial review process and then the commencement of the 2025 season. We expect to have a much faster financial year end review for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2025 so plan to hold the 2025 AGM in by the end of January 2026 or earlier if possible.

Official Correspondence

- No correspondence received from 2024 membership.

By-law Amendments

- No amendments were requested.

General Business

- No general business was advised prior to 10 days before the meeting.

Election of Directors

- **President:** Stephen Tangney nominated and acclaimed.
- **Secretary:** Kevin Hogan nominated and acclaimed.
- **Registrar:** Josh Morgan nominated and acclaimed.
- **Director of Sponsorship & Fundraising:** Kandace Cook (8 votes) vs Meghan Doyle (5 votes); Kandace Cook acclaimed.
- **Director of Equipment:** Adam Ardiel nominated and acclaimed.
- **Director of Girls' Softball Program:** Darcey Cook nominated and acclaimed.
- **Diamond Scheduler:** Meghan Doyle nominated and acclaimed.
- **Past President:** Rob Cascaden.
- **Director at Large for Softball:** Jake Draper resigned; Rebecca Goudy nominated and acclaimed.
- **Director of Coach and Player Development:** Braden Hill (4 votes) vs Jon Celestino (9 votes); Jon Celestino accepted and acclaimed.

- **Director at Large for Baseball:** Mike Thompson resigned; Braden Hill nominated and acclaimed.

Adjournment

- Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.