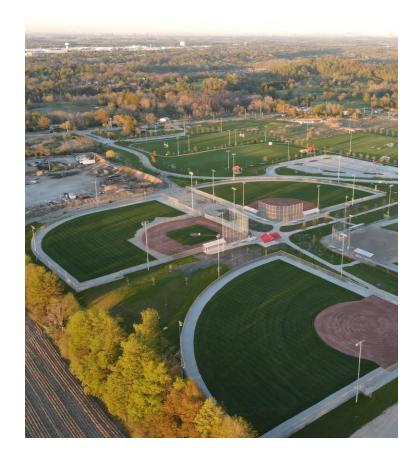
## 2023 Annual General Meeting

#### Nov 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023





## Agenda



- Call the Meeting to Order
- Review Agenda John
- Introduce the 2022-2023 Executive John
- Review 2023 Minutes John
- Motion to accept the minutes
- President's report John
- Treasurer's report Chris
- Motion to accept the treasurer's report

## Agenda continued



- Director Reports
- Awards
- Review any proposed Bylaw changed
- Election
- Set next meeting date
- Motion to Adjourn AGM



- John Behara
- Scott Stubberfield
- Jeremy Brown
- Rich Kuypers
- D'Arcy Carr
- Todd Riverso
- Chris Gee
- Mike Richardson
- Gary Dias
- Natalie Currah
- Cathy Wilson
- Peter Torok

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Director of Senior Travel
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Director of IT and Technical Support Services



## 2022-2023 Executive



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#### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Minutes

Wednesday, November 9, 2022. 7:00 p.m.

AGM meeting held in in person at Norval United Church and on line.

Executive Present: John Behara , Rich Kuypers, Jason Tomlinson, Jeremy Brown, Cathy Wilson, Peter Meth, Scott Stubberfield, Michael Grove, Gary Dias, and Neale Bradley Executive Regrets: Gina Frew, D'arcy Carr, Natalie Currah In-person Participants: 27 On-line Participants: 11

- 1. Meeting was called to order.
- 2. John reviewed Agenda and introduced Executive.
- Review of 2021 Minutes motion to accept minutes by Scott Stubberfield and 2<sup>nd</sup> Peter Meth.
- 4. President's report.
- Treasurer's report motion to accept Treasurer's report by Rich and 2<sup>rd</sup> by Peter Meth.
- 6. Director reports presented.
- 7. Awards:
  - Dee Dee Haynes Ridley, Volunteer of the Year 2022- and the winner is Neale Bradley.
  - b. Stevie Marshall Memorial Award 8U Eagles, Most Improved Player and the winner is Nathan Broadley.

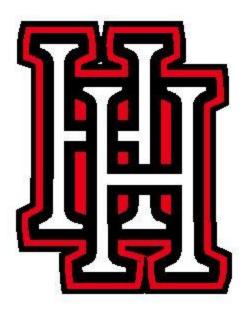
## 2022 AGM Minutes

## President's Reports – 2023 Summary John Behara



- The 9th season of the Halton Hills Minor Baseball Association was a difficult one, but we triumphed over adversity!
  - Registration for 2023 was 808 players, up 3% over 2022
  - For context in 2018 we had 758 HL Players and 232 Rep players
  - Normal travel season with Tournaments and OBAs. Several of our teams qualified for provincials.
  - Normal HL season with 2 tournaments.
  - Hosted the 15U Dedicated Select OBAs
  - Hosted 11U COBA Playdowns

## President's Reports – 2023 Improvements



Areas we improved:

- Posted a profit (3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row)
- Expanded our partnership with the Baseball Zone to provide additional coaching and player clinics
- Bullpens added to Gellert 1
- New Pitching Machines for 9U
- Addition of the 7U HL teams to the Weekend of Champs
- Medals for House League!



## President's Reports – 2023 Challenges



- Lack of volunteers No Directors for Junior House or IT
- Convenors
- Tournament Convenors
- Ramp Challenges with setup and some parents had tech challenges
- Umpires We've lost umps again
- Discipline issues Parents & Coaches

## President's Reports – 2023



#### Recognitions

- TSP 3 re-named in Dee Dee's honor
- Sign and bench at TSP3
- FG1 re-named in Kevin Burke's honor
- New award for 15U in honor of Mr. Burke



## President's Reports – Looking Ahead to 2024

- Invest Capital funds
  - Batting Cage at TSP
  - Rework of the infields at TSP 2 & 4 to accommodate 90 ft bases
  - Dugouts for Barn, FG 2, 3 etc...
  - New equipment (L screens, base anchors etc...)
  - General Improvements/repairs to diamonds
- Expand Development programs with 3<sup>rd</sup> party orgs for coaching and player clinics
- New board members needed
- Volunteers needed to help with events such as tournaments, clinics etc..



## Volunteer Appreciation

- Our Board of Directors
- Ray Chesher of Hey Ray.ca for donating storage bins at TSP
- Chris Gee for managing finances
- Scott Stubberfield IT, Registration, Tryouts, HL divisions etc...
- Mike Richardson Please don't lose another hammer....
- Sandi Kinsey Equipment Manager
- HL Convenors: Laurrisa Wakefield, Priscilla Moore, Holly Esteireiro, Sabrina Corbet, Amanda Nugent,
- Coaches that went above and beyond to keep players engaged



## HHMBA Financials

Year Ended October 31, 2023

Sector Contraction

Revenue				
		2023 Budget	2023 Actual	
Registration				
	House League	134,310.00	137,949.20	528 Players
	Travel	176,475.00	173,373.16	280 Players
	Tryouts	6,000	6,120.00	306 participants
	Admin Fees	9,000	8,709.06	
Sponsorship		6,000	3,900.00	
Donations		0	2,250	
		331,785.00	332,301.42	

Expenses				
		2023 Budget	2023 Actual	
Uniforms				
	HL / Rep Uniforms	96,829.14	100,888.23	
	Try Out Shirts	3,000.00	3,035.75	
Diamonds				
	Diamond Rental	70,000	57,120.77	
	Diamond Maintenance	8,000	5,607.39	
Equipment				
	General Equipment	15,000	14,881.58	
	Capital Equipment	11,074.00	11,074.00	4 Pitching Machines

Admin Fees				
	Office Rent	7,500	7,753.68	
	Registration Software Fees	9,323.55	9,336.85	
	Coaching Certifications	9,000	4,268.43	
	VSCs	3,000	3,207.63	
	Insurance	8,000	8,819.06	
	Stipends (Ump / Scheduler)	1,500	1,500	
	Commorative Signs		3,855.75	
	Banking Fees	600	530.6	
	PO Box Rental	220	205.66	
	Content Insurance	1,750	1,897.56	
Umpires				
	Ump Salaries	65,000	46,820	

Association Fees				
	COBA Fees	5,100	3,800	
	Select Fees	400	600	
	Playoff Fees (OBA)	7,000	6,472.91	
Tournaments				
	Senior and HL Tournaments	8,500	9,391.40	
		319,722.69	289,993.25 (capital equipment exp	nense remou

			2002 Comparables
Total Revenues	332,301.42		328,185.78
Total Expenses	289,993.25		289,612
Profit / Loss	\$42,308.17		
Transfer to Capital Account		29,400	
	\$12,908.17		



Any Questions ? Motion to accept

## Director Report – Coach and Player Development Rich Kuypers



#### **NCCP Accreditation**

- HHMBA funded ~\$7,000 of clinics and screenings for rep coaches, ~130 courses completed
- More than \$13,000 invested and over 250 courses completed in the past two seasons

#### 2023 Initiatives

- Baseball Zone (Terriers) partnership continued; coach and player clinics + summer camps
- Four indoor house league primer clinics in April; 85 participants
- Streamlined online process for police checks and vulnerable screening

## Director Report – Coach and Player Development Rich Kuypers



#### Work in Progress

 Creation of a standardized handbook "Eagles Way" for guidelines and coach support; intended mainly for HL coaches, to ease the role and increase volunteering. Can also be increased and adapted to have rep coaching support as well as code of conduct and other sections for travel ball.

#### 2024 Recommendations

- Remove the burden from this role to continuously remind/check-in with coaches on their needed NCCP courses; get this role to be truly clinic operations based
- Increased HL coach training and practice operations support

## Director's Report – Sr Eagles House League D'Arcy Carr 2023 Season



- The Senior House League portfolio contains the following accountabilities:
  - 1) Voting position on the Executive
  - 2) Manages the House league portion of Senior Baseball. Included levels are U11, U13, U15 and U18
  - 3) Responsible for recruiting and managing division conveners and coaches for these older teams.
  - 4) League rep for the U15 and U18 loops with Milton
- Number of Teams per Division
  - 11U 4
  - 13U 4
  - 15U 8 Teams 3 HHMBA / 5 Milton
  - 18U 1 Team Loop play with Milton and some Burlington
  - Successfully held Spring tournament 11U,13U,15U
  - Weekend of Champions in August 11U,13U,15U, and 18U
  - Concern for 2024 Registration numbers.

## Director's Report – Junior Travel Jeremy Brown



- This year we had 10 Eagles teams competing at various age levels (8U 12U)
  - 8U Tier 1 Brian Moore
  - 9U Tier 1 Geoff Bahr
  - 8U/9U Coba Select David Roberge
  - 10U Tier 1 Derek Naylor / 10U Tier 2 Todd Kerwin
  - 11U Tier 2 Mike Cunningham
  - 10U/11U Coba Select Lory Jackson
  - 12U Tier 1 Rob Ramalho / 12U Tier 2 Pete Cousins
  - 12U / 13U Coba Select Peter Meth
- There were a lot of successful teams this year winning various tournaments, winning COBA playdowns and competing in September
- Our 8U Team ran several development camps on their own this year with the help of several Eagles from older age team
- For 2024 we have reduced the number of teams

for several reasons such as diamond availability, umpire availability and overall competitive level of teams at various levels

## Director's Report – Senior Travel Scott Stubberfield



For the 2023 season the Halton Hills Eagles Senior travel we had 12 teams from 13U to 22U

- 13U Tier 1 Keith Bellchamber / 13U Tier 2 Rich Kuypers
- 14U Tier 1 Aaron Furger / 14U Tier 2 James Bonney
- 15U Tier 1 Andrew King / 15U Tier 2 Dave Pfohl / 14U/15U Coba Select Dennis Jordan
- 16U Tier 1 Randy Barrett
- 18U Team 1 Ross Baker / 18U Team 2 Jeff Gowland
- 22U Team 1 Paul Alves / 22U Teams 2 Doug Crawford

We had many strong teams again this year, winning tournaments and competing deep into OBA championship runs

We hosted 15U Dedicated Select OBA Championships for the first time and it was a success. Coach Jordan's team made an exceptional run and should be very proud of their accomplishments

Thanks to Neale Bradley and Kevin Bowie for all their hard work in getting the batting cage operational again

We have many news coaches in 2024 and we appreciate them putting their hands up and taking on new teams.

## Director's Report – IT Scott Stubberfield



- For the 2023 season the IT Director assisted with the setup and configuration of tryout, rep and house league registration as well as updates to our HHMBA website and Facebook pages
- We moved our entire association website, registration and umpire assignment to a new system from RAMP Interactive, there were some early hiccups but overall this was a positive change
- For the first time ever we had a single consolidated view of all games and practices being held in Halton Hills
- This change allowed us to better re-use diamonds and facilities that were paid for but not in use because teams were out of town
- The booking system for the batting cage was enjoyed by many Rep and HL teams during the season again

## Director's Report – Procurement & Vendor Mgmt Todd Riverso



- 2nd year with Corbett's as supplier. Improvements were made with the vendor, and should continue to improve as they fit their service to our specific needs
- 4 new pitching machines were purchased to replace old/damaged machines
- Travel teams' uniforms stayed relatively the same as 2022. Re-designed hats coming for 2024.
- House League uniforms a success for a second straight year.
- New Online store being developed with Corbetts to ensure that players and families are able to order all uniforms and swag themselves
- Online store should be up and running so any Holiday gifts can be purchased
- Travel team fittings will be scheduled for Late November/early December

## Director's Report – Equipment & Maintenance Mike Richardson



- Identified and set up repair program for the mounded diamonds
- Will implement a training for coaches on Mound care and Diamond Maintenance (Quick Dry etc..)
- Worked with the town to build bullpens at Gellert 1 for the 15U Select OBA
  - Assisted with Diamond setup for all tournaments HL and Travel
- Managed HL equipment bags and field maintenance equipment always looking for improvements
- Loss of equipment down over prior years
- Purchased and implemented new pitching machines
- Developed a good working relationship with the town park staff

## Director's Report – Logistics & Planning Natalie Currah 2023



We were able to start playing our seasons for rep in the beginning of May and for House League back to our May long weekend starts. We had, 280 rep kids and 520 House league kids participate this year. Which allowed us to run games at all levels. This year we also went back to playing with Milton in HL at our older level age groups. This allowed the kids to have more games and play different teams.

Our House league teams were able to get in 11 to 12 games with the same number of practices with their schedule be complete as of the second weekend in August. Our Rep teams played in COBA, Each team was given 2 practices a week and had at least 1 game scheduled per week. TSP and Fairgrounds were utilized all days and timeslots of the week. We will continue to work with the town to see improvements in current diamonds and work with the town to ensure batting cages and bathrooms are placed at TSP.

Thank you to all coaches, umpires, parents, and player who were patient as we got back to playing a normal year of ball while still mourning the loss of a key executive member. We ask that if able please come forward and assist in anyway possible way to ensure that the league can continue to thrive and move forward.

We are looking forward to a competitive 2024 season.

Yours in baseball,

Natalie Currah

## Director's Report – Umpires Gary Dias



Huge thanks to all of this years umpires for completing all the house league and travel games during the season, everyone chipped in where needed.

Umpires also worked 2 weekend long house league tournaments and the 11U COBA qualifier that welcome 50+ 11U rep team to Halton Hills over a weekend

We are continuing to work with our younger umpires to get them more experience and enhance their ability to ump older and more games

Thank you to all coaches, umpires and parent who were patient in a year where we were still not back to normal, and we lost a key person within our league.

We are looking forward to a competitive 2024 season. Yours in baseball,

Gary Dias

# Director's Report – Communications & Community Relations; Cathy Wilson



#### **Communication Shout-Outs**

 Please send your narrative and one picture to <u>cathy.wilson@hhmba.ca</u> for posting to Website and Facebook.

#### **Sponsors for Travel Teams**

• Travel Teams if you plan to approach new companies this year please advise C. Wison as the Executive is approaching HH companies for House Leage Sponsors, and we do not wish to approach any firm twice.

#### **Student Volunteer Hour Forms**

Available for students and coaching staff from <u>cathy.wilson@hhmba.ca</u>

#### **Travel Coach Annual Screening Requirements**

• 1x VSC, followed by CPIC every three years and for in between years, a renewal form.

House League Coach Annual Screening Requirements

• CPIC every three years and for in between years, a renewal form.

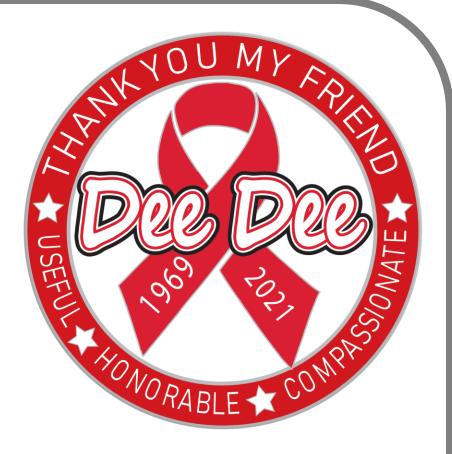






## DEEDEEHAMNES-RIDLEY VOLINTEROFTHEYEAR







DEEDEWASALONG STANDING MEMBER OF THE HHMBAFAMILY AND TIRELESSLY SERVED HER COMMUNITY FOR MANYYEARS, SHELAST SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF UMPIRES AND THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNCATIONS AND COMMUNITY RELATIONS. HER PASSION FOR THIS COMMUNITY AND THE FAMILIES THAT LIVE INIT SHOWED UP EACH AND EVERY DAY. SHE ALWAYS MADE SURE TO GO THE EXTRAMILE TO MAKE A PLAYER FEEL SPECIAL AND WAS OUR LEAGUES AMBASSADOR WITHOUR SPONSORS. DEEDEEWASTHE GLUE THAT HELD OUR EXECUTIVE TEAMS TO GETHER. THE DRIVING FORCE EEHIND COUNTLESS EVENTS, TOURNAMENTS AND MORE. THERE WAS NEVER ANY TASK SHE WOLLD NT JUMP INTO HELP WITH NO PERSON SHE WOLLD NT LENDA HAND TO AND NO PLACE SHE WOLLD RATHER EETIHENA BALL DIAMOND ON A SUMMER EVENING.

HERIMPACT WILL NEVER BEFORGOTTENTIO AN MEODY WHO HAS BEEN AFFILIATED IN ANY WAY WITH MNOR BASEBALL IN HALTON HILLS OVER THE PAST 20 PLLS YEARS, AND THIS WAS ONLY ONE AREA WHERE SHE GAVE HER TIME AND ENERGY FREELY.

MINUK BASEBALL

The winner of the Dee Dee Haynes-Ridely volunteer of the year will get to choose the charity that will receive a \$250 donation from the HMBA

# STEVERARSHALL MENORALAWARD





## 8U/9UEAGLES MOSTIMPROVEDPLAYER

STEMEMARSHALLLOVED PLAYING BASEBALL GROWING UP SHEWAS A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITHON THE DIAMONDS AND AS AN ADULT SHEPASSED HER LOVE OF THE GAVE ON THROUGH COACHING IN THE ROOM BALL DIVISION OF THE GBA

UNFORTUNATELY, STEVE PASSED AWAY AFTER A VALIANT BATTLEWITH CANCER

THE EAGLES ASSOCIATION WANTED STEVIES MEMORY TO CONTINUE AND EACH YEAR WE PRESENT THE STEVIE MARSHALL AWARD TO THE 8U/9U (ROOKIEBALL) PLAYER, WHO INTHEEYES OF THEIR COACHES IMPROVED FROM THE BEGINNING OF THE SEASON THROUGH THE BND

**MINOR BASEBALL** 

### **8UEAGLES**

This player missed the 2022 season and did not play ball. He has always loved the game of baseball and tried out for the 2023 8UTier 1 team. Coaches sawpotential in him and saw his determination and the coaches made a decision to give him a shot.

Knowing that he was behind others skill wise, he practiced on his own when themteam wasn't practicing. Hs family was behind him and on off days he would be in his backyard in his newly constructed batting cage working on refining his skills.

He quickly caught up and improved throughout the season and became a top 5 offensive player and racked up the most innings behind the plate. He has demonstrated, heart, determination and a great work ethic.

# STEMEMARSHALL MEMORIAL AWARD **8UEAGLES** MOSTIMPROVED PLAYER HALTON HILLS

MINOR BASEBALL



#### 9UEAGLES

This player joined our Eagle family for his first rep season in 2023. At tryouts he was fairly rawin experience, but showed potential with his athleticismand desire. He wanted to soak it all in, ready to learn right from beginning of winter indoor workouts all the way through end of season. He is a super coachable kid, a real pleasure to coach and have as a teammate. Didn't matter if his Eagles were up or down, you always got the same from this player, listening, trying 100%, and leaving it all out there on the diamond. He progressed and developed immensely throughout the 2023 season from start to finish. Came up with large hits, made incredible plays in the field, and really fell in love with the game of baseball. This all was contributed with the effort he gave each and every day.

If you have ever played rep ball growing up, there was always that one player in your loop or league that was a pain to play against. These players are often referred to as "scrappy".....speedy, tough, no remorse for body playing defense, a tough out at the plate, and hits the ball hard. Well, that's our "Scrappy Eagle". An MLB player that reminds me of him is Dustin Pedroia. Not the biggest in physical stature, but a huge heart, violent swings from right side of the plate, quick around the bases and laying it out defensively every inning.

One special memory this season came on the Saturday of OBA's. Down two runs to MIton, he crushed a bases clearing triple to the fence. It got our Eagles Nation right fired up and right back in the game. The player and I came together for an intense high five, so intense it stung both our hands. It was only fitting for him to experience a moment like that, in such a crucial game and atmosphere, was well deserved!

Way to go on an incredible start to your rep baseball career and we can't wait to see you be a force on the diamond for years to come!

# STEMEMARSHALL MEMORIAL AWARD 9UEAGLES MOST IMPROVED PLAYER







# KENNERKE LEGACYAWARD







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IN1980, THE FOUNDER AND FIRST COACH FOR THE GEORGETOWN EAGLES (NOW HALTON HILLS MINOR BASEBALL EAGLES) TOOK IT UPON HMSELFTO BUILD A STRONGLOCAL TEAM TO COMPETE IN BASEBALL LEAGLES. WITH EIGHT 15-TO 19-YEAR-OLD PLAYERS FINALIZED, HEDEDICATED EFFORTISTO DEVELOPING A HARDBALL TEAM THAT WOULD QUALIFY FOR COMPETITIVE BASEBALL LEAGLES.

UNFORTUNATELY, COACHKEMINPASSEDAWAYINJANJARY, 2023 ATTHEAGEOF82.

ASA COACH KEMNELRKEWASPROLDOF HSPLAYERSTHAT VEREDEDICATED, HARDWORKING, H.MELE, GOOD LISTENERS AND RESPECTFUL HEDIDNOT LIKEBOASTING, THE RECIPIENT OF THE KEMNELRKE LEGACY AWARD WOLLD NOT HAVE TO BE THE BEST PLAYER ON THE TEAMINTERMS OF STATS, BUT HE WOLLD BE AT EVERY PRACTICE WORKING HARD, SHOWING IMPROVEMENT, SUPPORTING HSTEAM AND RESPECTING HS COACH This player is very hard working and spent the offseason hitting off a tee, weight training and focusing on improving his pitching. He was able to transform himself into a high batting average batter and was regarded has having one of the most feared fastballs in his loop.

In addition to being a very hard worker he is very respectful and a model player to coach and since I met him 4 years ago he has always believed in his coaches and been a model of respect.

What differentiates this player is the composure he showed after suffering a season endinginjury in early August. When he rejoined teammates in the dugout wearing his "cast" at our next game he was all smiles and good cheer, and he easily supported teammates and took on some administrative work in the dugout.

Uhable to participate in the teams playoff run it was hard not to see the pain on his face. He knew he had been a major contributor to the team and that this playoff run could be a once in a lifetime event that he would watch from the side. During this playoff run, he found the ability to stay humble, to remain composed, and to make the event about others and not himself by cheering on his teammates' successes. While I don't think any of that was easy I believe it revealed profound strength of character in this player.

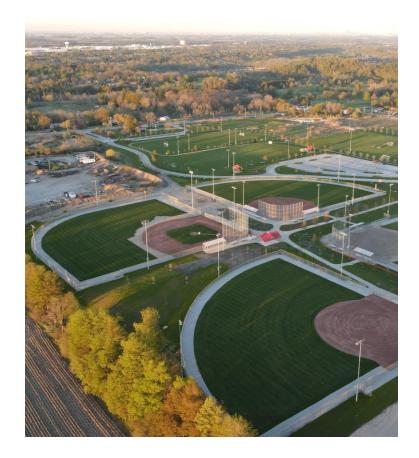
# KEVNBLRKELEGACY AWARD 15UEAGLES





## Elections for 2023 Board





#### Election Procedure



Nominations from the floor shall be provided, and accepted if the nominated person is present and such nomination is duly seconded

Each candidate will have the option of presenting to attendees for 2 minutes

Ballots will be handed out with candidate names where we have multiple candidates for a secret-ballot election.

Our election administrator Scott Stubberfield will oversee the election and ballot counting with assistance as needed from Executive members not up for election.

We will vote on each position in order of seniority as defined by our Bylaws.

Any candidate can run for more than one position, however if they win a position, they cannot run for another position where we have another candidate. It is possible to volunteer to hold a 2nd position, but only if there are no other nominations/volunteers to fill it.

Any candidate that does not win a position can immediately run for another open position; in fact this is to be encouraged in order to get maximum participation in the election process

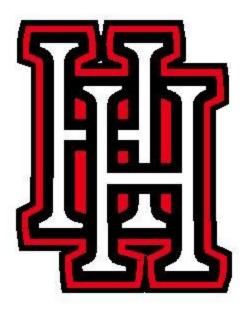
### Positions not up for Election



Positions not up for Election (2<sup>nd</sup> year of a 2-year term)

- 1) Director of Equipment Distribution & Maintenance Mike R
- 2) Treasurer Chris Gee
- 3) Director of Technology Peter Torok

## Positions up for Election We gladly accept nominations from the floor!



1) President\*

- 2) Director of Coach and Player Development
- 2) Director of Senior House League
- 2) Director of Junior House League
- 5) Director of Senior Eagles Travel Teams
- 6) Director of Junior Eagles Travel Teams
- 7) Director of Procurement and Vendor Management
- 8) Director of Logistics and Planning
- 9) Director of Umpires
- 10) Director of Communications\*

\*Must be someone that has served on the Executive for at least one season.



## To be set by the new President