

## VSWSA AGM 2015

Called to order: 2:07pm

### **Introduction of Executive**

### **2014 AGM Minutes**

**Motion:** to accept 2014 AGM minutes as read (Wayne/Gerry)

### **Treasurer's Report** (Kristin)

Starting off with a healthy balance.

Senior A Provincials – broke even. Beer garden – great. Concession – made money, paid bills.

#### Discussion:

Russ (Fencing/fields cost? – Saanich matched our \$ contributions and “in-kind” labour.

Decided not to do the Harbour Cats sales this year – structure changed, so not feasible. (500 tickets to sell per game we do 50/50). About \$3000 profit – so not as much into park improvement fund this year.

**Motion:** to accept Treasurer's report as read (Gerry/Ross)

Move fee structure discussion down to later when we discuss the merger.

### **President's Report** (Steve)

Midget documentation timeline will be strictly enforced this season – roster, full names, DOB (level designation by age), jersey number (if available). Parent and SBC permission form (Available on SBC website).

- ➔ Devils '97 (Russ/Adrian)
- ➔ VI Impact (Jacquie/Katrina)

Possible Junior Team – Lisa Hayton. U19C (last year).

Four confirmed teams from our league (Aces, Athletics, Bullets, Senior Devils).

Spare board – utility team (approved by SBC). Roster made up of part-time players, contact information available, \$30 to SBC for insurance, \$10 per player / per game.

#### Discussion:

Limitations per team? (3 games per team). Keeps teams in the league.

Ross – a girl who can play only six games, could she be on the spare board?

Wayne – didn't we abolish the three game pick up rule last year?

Shannon – perhaps info is not posted on website, but run through executive to maintain control over financials. Kristin agrees that this would make her job easier.

Steve – reminder that pick-ups would have to roster with a specific team to attend championships.

Jacque – players moving around from team to team – could rostered players play on another team within the league? Yes. She notes that this is good for transient players / those coming back from university, travelling, etc.

Steve - Goal is to be flexible to allow as many games to happen / players to play as possible.

**Motion:** spare board to be created, players signed to league roster for insurance, run through executive for financials.

Discussion:

Names of players must be on paper, and SBC insurance paid.

**Motion:** to create spare board as noted above (Russ/Gerry)

### **Men's League Merger**

Conditions sent out – poll to players/coaches

Discussion:

Russ – how many days a week? One diamond Monday nights, two diamonds the remainder of the week.

Friday nights – not available. (Women's slopitch). Saanich requires that no current users are displaced as a result of the merger.

Wayne – double headers? Games on Sunday? Two leagues playing at the same time will be good for the park.

Russ – What are the financial contributions? (see attached proposal).

Steve – parent organization to alleviate permit fees (financials not combined, VSWSA still home club, Mac Park remains intact, parent organization to deal with merger-related issues).

Russ – fencing / park modifications? Some small fencing upgrades, hood on diamond one, coverage for path. Limiting men's games to diamond one (may be an issue with our teams). Saanich has been consulted, and has approved the above modifications in order to bring the men to the park.

Steve – original thought was, how much does it disrupt our league?

Wayne – purchase of balls – men's league to participate?

**Motion:** to accept the conditions of the merger with the men's league as outlined (Gerry/Ross)

**Motion:** to accept "Greater Victoria Fastpitch Association" as the name of the parent organization (Ross/Jean)

### **Proposal of new fee structure (Kristin)**

Currently based on fee per player, per roster. (\$170 per player, \$400 team fee)

Proposal: Base fees on average of 12/14 player roster, flat fee.

Fees should cover our operating costs.

14 player roster – flat fee of \$2800 per season (+ one-time key deposit for new teams). Midget teams \$2300. (\$21 400 in operating costs.)

12 player roster - \$2500 (senior), \$2000 (midget). (\$19 000) Flat fee for all teams? More maintenance, use, from both leagues.

Men to play \$1960 (70%) + key deposit (\$250)

Game balls extra – (2 dozen from each team). League to supply all balls.

**Motion:** to adopt a new flat fee per team based on a 14 player roster (\$2800 for senior teams, \$2300 for midget teams, men to play \$1960) (Ross/ Gerry)

### **Concession Report** (Jean)

\$1155.00 - \$1200 + \$350 (start-up costs).

Equipment – one new deep fryer (~\$1500)

Grease trap (~\$500)

Cooler – if cheap to fix. Maybe an old fridge? Possibly Mac Park.

Grill – replace covers.

### **New Business**

Terri - Junior B Westerns – Surrey (August 6-9)

Softball BC looking for possible host for Provincials: July 24-26

### **Umpires**

Rule change year – eligible transfers/pick ups for provincials. Out in print shortly.

Tom Turner – President

Ron Gosselin – UIC

Bob Holness – Allocator

Ross – generating money with signs? (NamDor, PRC Management). Something for future executive to pursue.

Scorekeepers – Schedule to be sent out early. Do men's teams need scorekeepers too? Yes.

We will need to recruit more people who are interested in scorekeeping.

### **Elections / Nominations**

Tracy – stands as player rep

Empty – President (Steve steps down).

Empty – VP (Mel)

Kristin – Treasurer

Shannon – Secretary

Steve – Past President

\*\*\*Filling of two empty executive positions will be left to the Coaches and Managers meeting.

Coaches and Managers Meeting - Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup> 7pm

**Motion:** to adjourn - 4:08PM (Ross/ Gerry)

Concession report: Jean

Motion to accept (Kim) 2<sup>nd</sup> (Tracy)

New Fryer? \$2500. To replace one, then the other.

Motion to accept (Paula) 2<sup>nd</sup> (Jeremy)

President's Report

Hosting Senior A's: Suggestion that four or more Vancouver teams, or we cancel. News by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion: ---> Who medaled last year? Kaos, Delta, Surrey. Will teams attend? Cost issue, travel. Long weekend will be an issue for Senior B's.

Rule changes: Abolish three game pick up rule for senior players.

Abolish player on one team may not play for another.

Motion: 3 game pick up rule (Steve) 2<sup>nd</sup> (Jeremy)

Motion: park players play for other players to avoid forfeiture Kim to look at insurance (Steve), 2<sup>nd</sup> (Jeremy)

Get forms on website for pick ups.

Umpires: non rule-change year. One foot in the box – a new rule. No fee increase, but likely next year.

Park upgrades – Tower fencing (Diamond 2) netting, fencing - \$28 000. Estimate cost of \$11 000 in cash for VSWSA. Dale to pay \$500 for eternity. Corporate sponsors – or volunteers to lend park \$. What would happen if league folded and people had lent money? Netting for free (Brian Bull - black).

Banners – on building or on outfield fence?

New tractor – instead of field upgrades? (Wayne)

Kim (can we do the fencing in stages?)

Steve (you lose the economy of scale.)

New dirt, electricity in score booths, limers

Wayne (mixing with VWFL)

Steve (Mixed May Long weekend tournament with both leagues – Hyacinth and SVale).

Slopitch back – Emma to be in charge of making sure field duties are followed.

Icebreaker? Enough teams – at least 5.

When will we start? Third weekend in April.

New Jr. / Senior teams - \$110 per player flat fee.

Dale – Cyclones in flux. 6 yeses – 6 maybes. Will let us know in the next week.

Elections: President, Treasurer, VP, Secretary, Past President all to stand.

Player Rep: Emma to step down. Tracy – to volunteer.

Web Mistress – Marie

Bud Livingstone – sick. Kim to send card on behalf of league.

Coaches and Managers meeting – Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 7pm

Adjournment: 7:20 (Kim / Brian)