



VSWSA Meeting Minutes

Coaches and Managers Meeting

Tuesday, March 15th, 2011

7:00 p.m.

Hyacinth Park

In Attendance

Executive: Kim Shelley, Steve Brossard, Shannon Moore, Emma Cottier, Marie Stevenson, Don Rainer. Regrets: Kristin Kemle

Members: Tom Wilson, Bruce Lubinich, Nelson Hughes, Russ Fanucchi, Jean, Tom Kelly, Wayne Nelson, Gerry Shelley.

Opening Remarks

Meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by Kim Shelley.

Lori Skinner - Softball BC Rep

No major rule changes this year, except one foot in batter's box at Canadians and teams may pick up any Junior player in the province.

Macdonald Park to host Men's championships on July 29th. Rosters should be submitted no later than June 10th. Lori would like one cheque from VSWSA for all teams. Provincial bid (\$370) due to Softball BC by June 1st. Please contact Lori at lyskinne@shaw.ca

Tom Turner - 2011 Umpire in Chief t.turner@shaw.ca 778-679-5678

Vincent Greco as VSWSA league liaison for 2001 season. (250-889-1213)
Vinnie will not allocate umpires, but will carry messages between league and umpires association. Bob Holness (Stumpy) will be allocator for 2011. Tom asked that VSWSA regularly inspect monthly statements, and report discrepancies to him in a

timely manner. Umpires require 24 hour notice for cancelled games. Please book tournaments / double-header Sundays early to avoid umpire shortages. All rule changes listed on Softball Canada website.

Kim Shelley informed Tom that VSWSA made a decision to allow games to start (and continue) with eight players.

Marie Stevenson - League Website Director

Marie would like to post league contacts, meeting minutes, tournaments, camps, awards, rules, sponsors, forms and statistics on the league site. Executive asks to e-mail board members if you are not comfortable having particular information posted on the site.

Draw for practice times:

Team	Practice Times
Athletics	Sunday @ 12 (D1), Tuesday (D2)
Kaos	Sunday @ 10 (D1), Wednesday (D2)
Devils '94	Sunday @ 2 (D1), Thursday (D2)
Bullets	Saturday @ 10 (D1), Wednesday (D1)
Devils 2	Sunday @ 2 (D2), Tuesday (D1)
Aces	Sunday @ 4 (D1), Thursday (D1)

Available Practice Times: Diamond 1 - Saturday @ 12, 2, 4. Monday, Friday.

Diamond 2 - Sunday @ 10, 12, 4. Monday, Friday.

Emma Cottier distributed 50 / 50 tickets.

Motion:

That we look into re-keying the buildings at the park, due to recent vandalism in one of the score shacks. (Russ/Nelson)

Carried

Discussion: Is it necessary to re-key main building, or just score booths / washrooms? If cost is under \$500, all were in favour of re-keying, if over \$500, discussion will be brought back to the members for further discussion. Shannon suggested changing alarm codes. Russ suggested a unique code for each team, so you would be able to tell who is coming and going. Kim to contact Price's Alarms.

2011 League Schedule

Limited nights (Tuesday / Thursday, with occasional Wednesday night games.)
Two double-header Sundays (May 1st and June 26th).
Wayne to take a look at scheduling and come back to the executive with possibilities.

Provincial Championships / Tournaments

VSWSA was successful in our bid for the Senior B provincials (July 22-24)

VSWSA to host a league icebreaker tournament on May 14th and 15th. Don volunteered to coordinate fields and beer gardens, Emma (scheduling) and Kim (Tournament director).

VSWSA to host Special Olympics on June 18th. Volunteers will be needed. Shannon to send out e-mail closer to the date.

Motion:
That we create a disciplinary committee for the upcoming season. (Wayne)
Carried

Wayne to sit as head of disciplinary committee. Russ and Tom to sit on the board.

Park Clean Up

Date for clean up set for Sunday, April 17th at 10:00am. Shannon to e-mail to remind coaches and managers.

Saanich

Kim and Don to meet with Saanich on March 22nd, please forward any thoughts before the meeting. Jodi Mangold is Saanich contact. Tom suggested locking the field gates open, to prevent dog owners from allowing their dogs to run free on the fields.

Park Maintenance

Wayne suggested we look into new pitching rubbers, home plates. Russ volunteered to install once Saanich does fields. Nelson to cost out needed equipment through MVP or ProStock. Russ volunteered to change poles so new scoreboard can be installed.

Other

Tess has stepped down from her scorekeeping duties this year. If anyone else is interested, please contact the executive. Team and player fees to remain constant for 2011.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm. (Gerry / Russ)