

**Executive Startup Meeting
Victoria All Fun SloPitch League
January 9, 2023**

Attendees:

- **Executive:** Neal Johnson, Terry Whitney, Karen Hoban, Janet Fraser, Fay Cahoon, Tom Arlidge, Michelle Izuka, Taylor Byers

1. Call to Order: 8:33

2. AGM meeting place?

- Friday, March 3, 5:45pm
- Pro Patria Legion on Gorge Road East

3. Season Structure

- How many teams? Last Year: 14 – hoping for the same or more (in 2's)
- Length of Season – April 17 – July 13
- Ice Breaker Tourney - May 13
- Year End Tourney – July 15/16
- Secure deposit: \$100 non-refundable, 2 weeks before the AGM! (Feb. 17)

4. Field costs and which fields do we have?

- Janet has requested: Cedar Hill Middle School – Tue, Wed, Thu, + Braefoot Park
- If we have 16 teams will request Cedar Hill Rec
- If we have 18 teams will request Cedar Hill Rec for 2 nights
- We may need backup fields if/when we lose Cedar Hill Middle School. Hoping the School District will find/provide new fields for us as we are long term good customers.

5. League finances and costs

- For 2022 we ended up with \$1,000 surplus due to various savings. Costs came in lower for toilets, balls, Exec meetings....
- For this year Karen has estimated costs for 14, 16 or 18 teams. This includes estimates for prizes at year-end tourney.
 - 14 teams = **\$56 (deficit)**
 - 16 teams = + \$81
 - 18 teams = + \$1528
- Last year we couldn't get toilets, which saved \$500. Fay will check to see if we can get them this year.

6. What supplied to new teams if anything?

- Supply 6 balls to each new team to ensure they start off with the right ones! Buy 6 dozen to get the deal & use leftovers for the end of year tourney

- Will ask around to help advise new teams on bases & see if any other teams have spare equipment.

7. Fees for this Year

- Leave them at \$900/team

8. Executive roles & Vacancies

- President – Neal Johnson
- Vice President – Michelle Izuka
- Secretary – Terry Whitney
- Treasurer – Karen Hoban
- Scheduling/Fields/Webmaster – Janet Fraser
- Tournament Coordinator - Fay Cahoon
- Rules - Neal Johnson
- Member at Large – Tom Arlidge
- Member at Large - Taylor Byers

9. Rules issues

- Helmets – no issues last year
- Age of participants – must be 19 for insurance purposes
- Smoking & Drinking – still prohibited on all fields/property! There was still some of this – not much during the season, but more at the year-end tourney. Will send out reminders again & stress this.
- And don't 'pee' in the bushes at Cedar Hill – it is right across from the senior's centre & they have a great view.

10. Last year's season...any issues

- The season went well!

11. Volunteer Jobs for Tourneys

- Myra Mad Dogs will do garbage & recycling for both tourneys again.
- Fay will lead the 50-50 again!
- Fay will check on toilets.
- **Ask for trophies to be returned at the AGM.
- Janet will set up schedules & organize the scoring.

12. Insurance - what is and is not covered

- Need to stress the 'inherent risk' in playing: player's and their spectators/cohort and their vehicles are not covered.
- All Players need to sign Insurance Waivers again.

13. Code of Conduct

- Get all Players to sign the Code of Conduct – how to ensure that all players see this & are aware of it.

- Do up a new Code of Conduct sheet that gives room for the whole team to sign – get Captains to take a picture & send to Terry.

14. Society Act

- Neal will need the AGM minutes.
- He will check & advise on any rule changes.

15. Adjourn: 9:28pm