

Slo Pitch Executive

January 12, 2022, 7:00pm

Meeting held via Zoom

Attendees: Janet Fraser, Fay Cahoon, Karen Hoban, Tom Arlidge, Neal Johnson, Terry Whitney, Michelle Izuka

1. Executive positions

- All members are willing to run again in their current positions
- The position of Vice President may be vacant (Neal to check with Eric Wright)

2. Logistics of running season (COVID & protocols)

- Proposal: look at what other leagues/jurisdictions are doing and come back via email.
- Also: refer to #8 below...

3. Finance Report

- Karen provided estimates, which Executive reviewed & discussed.
- Some costs have increased or are estimated to increase (e.g. toilets, insurance, School District for fields)
- Costs depend on how many teams sign up.
- Agreed to increase Team Fees to \$900 (from \$780), particularly as we are likely to have less teams.

4. Insurance

- Cost will likely go up, need more information about number of teams prior to getting a quote.

5. Fields Report and availability

- School District applications are in & schools have indicated they will honour our historical bookings.
- Depending on number of teams we may drop Braefoot School, then either Cedar Hill Rec or Cedar Hill School. May want to keep the two Cedar Hill School fields, even though more expensive, as we may need to try to hold the tournament(s) there.
- We have requested Lansdowne for the Year-End tourney (July 16/17) but this is not confirmed yet as construction on a new school will begin at some point.

5. AGM date and delivery (location vs Zoom)

- March 4 at 5:45pm, consistent with previous years

- Plan to book the Legion & have protocols in place (with backup plan to move to Zoom if necessary)
- Fay will look into cost, and cancellation parameters, for booking the legion.

7. Dates of Season and Tournaments

- Season to run April 18 – July 14
- Ice-Breaker Tournament: May 7
- Year-End Tournament: July 16/17

8. Rules

- Goal: keep the rules the same as last time we played.
- We will need to consider additional protocols for Covid, such as potentially:
 - Require players, including spares, to be double-vaxxed with proof of vaccination to be provided to the team manager.
 - Discussion of how we would corroborate...potential that the team manager provides the equivalent of a sworn statement – basically saying that you had confirmed their vaccination status; include on the Code of Conduct the Captain signs.
 - Possibly: Each team provides their own ball & wipes it down between innings; no handshakes after the game; helmet-sharing may not be permitted.
 - Teams look after some things themselves, like how to handle sharing bats (do they want to have their own sanitizer & apply to the handles between batters)
 - Spectators & players spread out – social distancing.
 - If you do not feel well, do not come to a game.
- We will reinforce CDC policies.

9. Advertising, Number of Teams, and Fee Format

Note to go out to all teams, to include:

- Teams to indicate if they intend to play in 2022
- Indication of interest from players for playing in 2022, if their team folds (possibly some teams may fold)
- Teams that want to play must provide a \$100 deposit by February 16, and the rest of the fees at the AGM.
- Janet will draft the note.

10. Roles and responsibilities (Toilets, Garbage, etc)

- Plan on similar roles as in previous years (Michelle – Myra Mad Dogs will handle garbage, Fay – 2 Baggers said she would handle the toilets).

