

AGM AGENDA - March 6, 2015

Called to order at 5:53pm

1. Sign in, pay, sign Code of Conduct, and trophy collection

- All teams signed the Code of Conduct
- Missing trophy from Slambucas & Vandelay – they will get them in!

2. Welcome and intro to Exec

3. Exec positions and elections

- No current members stepped down
- No new volunteers for members at large

4. New Teams - please be patient with them at beginning of season

- 5 new teams this year!
 - Master Batters
 - 241S
 - Raging Peacocks
 - Oaklands Athletics
 - Team Conner
- Everyone should check over the rules – there are some modifications from SPN – be patient with the new teams. Give some assistance & don't be too pedantic.

5. Schedules

- Janet will let everyone know schedule options Sunday night, along with generic schedules. Teams all choose based on which nights they prefer.
- Instructions will be provided.

6. Finance Report

- League fees still \$725 this year despite field fees going up last year.
- Net income \$1600 last year.
- We keep our fees low. Part of this is by self-umpiring.
- Financial Report will be posted to the web site.

7. Fields Report

- We have 12 fields
 - Braefoot Park – Mon
 - Uplands
 - Cedar Hill Middle School
 - Cedar Hill Rec Centre – the left field has been extended. They are also working on drainage. Will need a special rule for this field...had one when we used to use this field. They have also committed to maintain the infield better (keep it watered).

- We do not have Braefoot School
- No Windsor Park – they are doing reno's – we will get it back next year.

Season Dates:

- Season Starts April 20
- Ice Breaker @ Lansdowne – May 9 this year.
- Year End Tournament – Aug. 7-9
 - August 7 (Lansdowne, Cedar Hill & Uplands)
 - Aug. 8, 9 all at Lansdowne.
- Tony always reminds the schools about our dates – don't turn on the sprinklers etc. Let him know if any problems.
- MAPS will be posted on the web site, along with permits for use.

8. Rules Report - Code of Conduct

- New Teams: you must provide:
 - BASES – 3 of which are carpets, also a safety base for 1st base. Measurements are in the rules.
 - BALLS – must be super gold or super grey dot (limited flight). We do this so we don't have to regulate bats. Colour does not matter. The home team supplies a new ball. Yellow is a good colour early in the season.
 - CONES – you need 6-8 of them to mark the boundaries, commitment marker between 3rd & home, and outfield.
- Code of Conduct:
 - This mirrors the Code that SPN uses.
 - There are a few different issues the code is intended to address (e.g. one team did not show up for the tournament, there were some violent behaviour in the tourney, schools have strict rules & we need to ensure teams are aware of them so we don't risk losing fields).
 - Suspensions or fines determined by the Executive.
 - Drinking after the game not at the fields.
 - Question regarding what level of fines for infractions. There are many extenuating circumstances so it we are hesitant to set amounts ahead of time.
 - Motion raised & withdrawn to set amounts for fines at outset of the year. The executive will discuss any circumstances as & when required & set an amount.
- Rules:
 - All team encouraged to read the rules over several times, especially new teams.
 - Feedback invited on the fields, particularly Cedar Hill Rec Centre.
 - Outfielders (4 of them) cannot advance beyond an arc on the field.
 - Overthrows – runners are granted 2 bases from where you started – automatically.
 - If the ball is caught in-field & carried out – runners are granted 1 base from where they started.
 - Pitching – rule is that if the pitcher throws 10 balls in a row you must replace the pitcher. It is very frustrating otherwise and slows the game down considerably.
 - If a pitch does not have proper arc (6-12 feet) it is a No Pitch / Dead Ball.

9. Volunteer positions

a. Garbage at tourneys – Average Joe's volunteered for both tournaments.

b. Toilets – 2-Baggers volunteered.

Thank you to both teams!

10. Insurance - what is and is not covered

- It really only covers things NOT to do with our league. Not our players, cars, spectators, spectator's cars, belongings.
- It covers damage to school property, passing cars, neighboring properties.
- This is posted on the web site as well.

11. Issues, concerns, or motions

Meeting adjourned at 6:42pm.
