



# Fort Saskatchewan Mixed Slo-Pitch Association

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## Fort Saskatchewan Mixed Slo Pitch Association Executive Meeting

**Jan 22, 2023**

**Google Meet - Home**

I. Call to Order at 8:00 p.m.

### **II. Roll call**

The following Executive members were present:

Adam Henry - P	Dan Wilson - P
Nadine Stang - A	Chandra Henry - N/A
Larry Brandenburg - A	Tara Wilson - P
Rob Hall - N/A	Jamie Stodgell - P
Dave Peacock - A	Alyssa Van Hecke - P
Nicole Strauss - P	Ashley Erickson - N/A
Mark Boyle - A	

### • **League/Operations**

- New positions to fill
- Lost some executive members - Rob and Ashley
- A few others - such as from For Fox Sakes interested
- Vacant positions to be brought up at AGM
- President, VP and treasurer need to be voted in by members
- Every 4 years we need to vote in positions - we can change this rule to make our own
- Going to look for tues/thurs div rep, signs coordinator, special projects, bond coordinator



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- May drop one or more positions such as special projects
- New SPN rules:
  - batting 1 and 1 rule - remove
  - Pitcher rule: doesn't really matter in our league
  - Appealing while ball is live: leave it up to ump
  - Batting home run: still run the bases, can't make getting the ball mandatory by the outfielders unless it's close. You must run the bases in a timely manner, you can get called out if you take too long
- Make sure it's clear that we follow SPN rules but have some of our own
- League registration: Feb 13th. Countdown on FB to when registration starts.
- League website page - executive needs to be updated
- We have been advertising the league, when time comes to registration if over 40 teams - returning teams get priority.
- Wait to see what registration brings
  
- **Facilities/Projects**
  - Trophies - cost more to fix up old ones than to get new ones
  - If we change format at end of playoffs to all one div 1, etc, there would be less trophies required
  - Vote is to get new trophies. Keep old trophies and keep them in the garage.
  - Probably Pat's last year. Whoever is new needs to be trained by Pat and should be compensated for training.
  - Would like to purchase a chalking machine, not to be used for all tournaments. Trying to find a permanent solution for foul lines.
  - Focusing on diamond 7 done and bases
  - \$6000 was top end of quote
  - Old bases are pretty worn. If we don't do magnetic bases we need to fix bases as they are starting to work themselves out and up, not fitting right. Female ends are worn out. Priority to get bases done.
  - Got work done on 1, 2, 3, & 5. Would like to also do 4 & 6
  
- **Finance**
  - Spent more money than expected last year
  - Bases is the only thing we want to spend money on right now until registration fees



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- \$6000 for bases voted on - Dan motioned, Jamie seconded, all in favor
- Wait until registration to see where we are at financially
  
- **Signs**
  - All need to be renewed next year
  - Binder has contact info. Company's need to renew in order for signs to go up
  - Pots, Winner's Way, Brewhouse, etc for membership perks - need to see what we can get from businesses in town including local, not just big businesses.
  
- **Umpire Update**
  - N/A
  
- **Bond Program**
  - Need someone to keep track
  - Need to keep track of forfeits better
  
- **Special Projects**
  - Foul poles - would like them but have to look at cost
  - Trees - would like some shade
  - Talked to city about water line, permanent camping area, more parking area - waiting to hear back
  - Let the city know that we are bringing business to the city
  - Need permits for dugouts
  - Need to talk to Smith insurance for new stuff/installations
  - Enbridge probably not interested in naming right
  - Camping area sign with arrow is needed - last year people were parking in the way to the camping. Gate is there now, need "No Parking" sign on gate.
  - Book 2-3 parking spots by playground for executive only for unloading, etc. with our logo on them.
  - New diamond is Diamond 0. For new diamond name as Diamond 0 - Alyssa motions, Adam seconds, all in favor.
  - Add name to Diamond 0
  - Some of names on old diamonds the people want removed - use them as founding members and put in the shed or somewhere
  - Netting - waiting on quote
  - Noyen - haven't followed through on what they were supposed to do with grass on hills - very weedy. Dan done working with



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them.

- Bleachers - need to be replaced with aluminum. Look into pricing for future updates.

- **Tournaments**

- No rain out weekend available for our tournament. If rain out, there is no tournament.
- May want a couple weekends off to let the grass grow back - it's been hard on the grass to have so many constant games and tournaments
- Water truck may be too costly to use all of the time, could look into using it occasionally
- 2 weekends not booked right now, block them out so they can't be booked - if diamonds look good at that time then we can look at opening them up for tournaments

- **Communication**

- TeamSnap registration up for renewal. Going to do all div 1 together, all div 2 together and all div 3 together. Not separating between M/W and T/T.
- Continue on TeamSnap, FB and our website for news

- **New Business**

- Umps need league operating rules to make sure they all follow them
- Look at adding a skills competition, hardest throw, furthest throw, fastest runner around bases, home-run derby, etc.
- AGM - March 22, 2023. Book Lions Pride or Lions Mane rooms, or look into Lake View Inn (Roustabouts), Comfort Inn, Ortonna room at legion. Need for 75 people. 6:30 pm for executive, 7:00 for all members - Nicole to do
- Registration will run from Feb 13 for 2 weeks.

Meeting Adjourned @ 9:28 pm