



# Fort Saskatchewan Mixed Slo-Pitch Association

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## Fort Saskatchewan Mixed Slo Pitch Association Spring AGM Meeting

**March 22, 2016**

**DCC Lions Mane Room**

### I. Registration

Handouts included: Agenda, Team Registration, League Operating Guide, FSMSPA Expectations for Team Reps, Spring Clean Up Plan, 2015 Finances, 2016 Budget, Bond Program, Fall League Information Sheet, Fall League Registration Form

### II. Call to Order

Patricia Willerton called to order the annual general meeting of the Fort Saskatchewan Mixed Slo Pitch Association at 7:05pm on March 22, 2016 in the DCC Lions Mane Room and introduced the executive.

### III. Roll call

The following Executive members were present:

Patricia Willerton

Brian Howie

Chandra Henry

Adam Henry

Dianne Loyer

Paul Krueger

Alanna Marklund

Tara Wilson

Dan Wilson

Janelle Kimball



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### IV. Current Agenda Additions/ Changes – Patricia Willerton

Andy Polanski Foundation will take 10 minutes instead of 5 minutes.

### V. Review/Discussion of Old Business

#### 1. Financial Report - Paul Krueger

Paul reviewed the 2015 season actual finances. He explained the additional income, and the extra costs due to taking on five more teams than budgeted for.

He then reviewed the 2016 budget. He stayed quite conservative on the income, based on 45 teams. Based on attendance tonight, the income from team registrations will be higher. The fall league was included in the budget to break even as a trial this year. Expenses stayed quite consistent from last year for the most part. New bases have been purchased which increased the equipment costs. Diamond maintenance projects is increased with the improvements being made to diamond six this year.

#### 2. Bond Program - Alanna Marklund

Alanna explained the bond fee program. She mentioned the Spring Cleanup, the Andy Polanski tournament, and Fall Cleanup as a great option to get bond hours. Bond fees will be returned at the Fall General Meeting.

If anyone has ideas of where we can volunteer as an association, please bring that to Alanna as well.

#### 3. Umpires Report - Patricia Willerton for Larry Brandenburg

Umpire Clinic will take place April 9 at the Legion at 8:30am. There is a great need for umpires with the addition of more teams this year.



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### 4. League Operating Guide - Brian Howie

Team rep expectations were handed out, they were not reviewed. There were no questions from the membership.

Brian went over the highlighted additions to the League Operating Guide.

### 5. Season Overview - Brian Howie

Important dates were reviewed, as well as the change to the game times for the first few weeks of May.

### 6. Spring Cleanup - Dan Wilson

Spring Cleanup is April 16 at 10am. We did a lot of maintenance on the diamonds last year, so the focus will be more towards other projects - bleachers, fence repair, and painting.

We are looking for a welder with a rig to fix a bracket on one of the bleachers. If anyone is willing to volunteer, they are to speak to Dan at the end of the meeting. We will also be looking for quads and trailers this year.

### 7. Facilities Upgrades - Dan Wilson

We bought a new lawn mower as it was needed. We researched and purchased new breakaway bases in an attempt to decrease injuries due to sliding. We are unsure at this time whether the bases will be installed at the spring cleanup. We have also done some work on diamond six - raised the fence, added a sunblock, and reinforced the fence. We would like your feedback on the bases and diamond six throughout the year.

5 Minute Intermission - There were ten new teams, and five spots to fill. Those teams drew numbers, five teams were added to the league. Five teams were added to the waitlist.



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### 8. Lease Update - Patricia Willerton

Discussions with the city were finalized, and a ten year lease was signed in the fall with a ten year renewal. We are also part of the Rec Master Plan for Fort Saskatchewan. We have given up the parking lot, which will be maintained by the city. We have also given up a chunk of land for the playground.

### 9. APCF Tournament - Alyssa and Letitia

Andy Polanski Classic tournament is May 27-29. They are taking 32 teams, but there are only two spots remaining. Playground designs will be revealed on Saturday of the tournament along with a ground breaking ceremony. Teams can sign up for bond hours tonight for the tournament.

## VI. Presentation of New Business

### 1. Fall League - Dan Wilson

We are trying a fall league this year, run by Tara and Dan. The cap is at 20 teams - Monday/Wednesday and Tuesday/Thursday format. Preference will be given to teams playing on the same night in regular league. Games will be self umped. There is a tournament September 24/25 weekend. Umpires will be provided for the tournament. Make up games will be scheduled on diamond six during the week, and Fridays. Please be flexible.

### 2. Online SPN Registration - Chandra Henry

Chandra explained the online registration process we will be doing with SPN. This will replace the paper format we have used in the past.



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### 3. Member Satisfaction Survey - Chandra Henry

Chandra talked about the member satisfaction survey, and the importance of it to the league. We will be posting this survey to the website, Facebook, Twitter, and will be emailing the link to team reps. We would appreciate everyone's assistance in having all members of their team complete the survey. There is a gift certificate up for grabs.

### 4. Signs - Janelle Kimball

We are selling advertising space in the form of signs on our diamonds. If you know anyone that would be interested in purchasing a sign, please send them to Janelle. Costs are flexible.

### 5. Executive Positions Vacancies

#### Div Rep MW1

Nadine Stang was nominated. Jamie Marouelli seconded. Vote was taken, all in favour. Motion carried.

#### Div Rep MW2

Tara Oullet was nominated. Alyssa VanHecke seconded. Vote was taken, all in favour. Motion carried.

#### Div Rep TT1

Carey Horslen was nominated. Janelle Kimball seconded. Vote was taken, all in favour. Motion carried.

### VII. Open Feedback from Membership

A question was raised about rainouts. We will consider doing two separate announcements for both games.



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A question was raised about online SPN registration. Online registration is open now.

### VIII. Adjournment

Patricia Willerton adjourned the meeting at 8:23pm.

### Season Overview

April 9	Umpire Clinic, 8:30am Fort Legion
April 16	Spring Clean Up
April 24	Early Bird Tournament
April 25	Season Start Date
May 27-29	APCF Tournament
August 5-7	Year End Tournament