

North Waterloo and Perth Fastball AGM Agenda

Date: Thursday March 21st

Time: 7:00pm

Location:

Perth Fastball

- 1) Financial Report – Deb
- 2) Proposed Rule Changes
 - a. U17 - Change proposed by Fingal

Rule as written: For PeeWee and above, regular season games shall be a minimum of 1-1/2 hrs in duration.

Proposed change: For U17 and up No time limit.

Reasoning: Most U17 teams can play a full game in less than 2hrs which is a typical rental time range.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Result:

- b. U13 – Change proposed by Wilmot

Rule as written: Stealing is allowed but only after the ball leaves the pitchers hand, otherwise the player shall be called out for a leadoff.

Proposed Change: Stealing is allowed but only after the ball crosses home plate, otherwise the player shall be called out for a leadoff.

Reasoning: To align with the Softball Canada Rules

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Result:

- c. Update Age Groups to Align with Softball Canada
 - i. Midget change to U20
 - ii. Bantam change to U17
 - iii. Peewee change to U15
 - iv. Squirt change to U13

- v. Mite change to U11
- vi. Pre-mite change to U9
- vii. Grasshopper change to Coach Pitch

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Result:

- d. Discussion on U9 rules from 2023
 - i. Feedback, some teams played a hybrid set of rules
 - ii. How was year 1
 - iii. Intent was to align with other leagues in the area.
- 3) Discussion on year-end tournaments
 - a. Will we run same as last year? Fees – Year end - \$165 w/tournament, \$65 w/o - \$100 per team goes to host. Remaining cost charged to each center.
 - b. Teams to come to Scheduling meeting expressing intent to host and details/dates
- 4) Additional items?
- 5) Scheduling meeting date – Reminder we will need divisional convenors for entering scores and maintaining the website for each division.

North Waterloo Fastpitch

- 1) Financial Report – Mike Carey
- 2) Proposed Rules Changes – No submissions received.
- 3) NW Playing Rules and Regulations
 - a. Biggest change from previous is years is in regard to the bond. Bond is still \$100, however we used to hold this bond indefinitely. Over time some associations did not top up as fees increased and other teams disappeared from the league. The change to bond is as follows: The bond is nonrefundable. NW Fastpitch will keep the bond for a period of up to 3 years of inactivity in the league. After 3 years of inactivity the bond will be absorbed by the league as payment for holding the spot and not having to be voted back into the league. This rule would take place starting this year and will not be back dated to whenever payment was received.

Reasoning: It is easier to maintain for the league and encourages centres to rejoin North Waterloo after a brief hiatus.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Result:

- b. Teams currently with NW Bonds

i. See Financial report – Page 2

4) Voting in of New Teams:

- a. Chesley
- b. Ponsonby
- c. ?

5) Discussion on year-end tournaments

- a. Does North Waterloo want to run year end tournaments?
- b. Medals – We have not done medals in years but previously has done Gold and Silver for A and B. Do we want to go back to this?

6) League Fees

- \$150 No balls, diamonds or umpires - A and B division medals
- \$100 No balls, diamonds or umpires - A division medals only
- \$50 No balls, diamonds or umpires or medals

If year-end tournament is held. Host will provide budget for the event. Including umpires, diamonds and game balls and submit to league division for approval. Costs for year-end tournament will be paid by each team over and above league fees.

7) Motion to Incorporate North Waterloo Fastpitch as a not-for profit corporation.

Reasoning: Protect future Executive members.

Motion by:

Seconded by:

Result:

8) Open table discussion – Year end tournament hosts – Do we build a gate fee into tournament costs?

Reasoning: Encourage teams to host year end and allow them to make some money just for hosting.

9) Election of Officials

- a. President
- b. Vice President
- c. Secretary
- d. Treasurer