Slo-Pitch 2024 Preseason Meeting

AGENDA

April 4, 2023 4:00 PM

1.0 Welcome and Introductions

MEL, JP, MEM, DAA, OL, BELL, AMI, PK, STA, SAL, MMM, MCN, VR, MAC, ROM, ARD, LO, ARD, SCN

2.0 League Structure

2.1 Play Dates/Commitment Level

Play dates will be Monday & Wednesday as much as possible, Tuesday and Thursdays to be used as rainouts. 1-2 times a week based on schedule requirements. Games will begin the week of May 1st and we will finish the week of June 3rd. Schools can reschedule games to any dates, as umpires aren't required for regular season. Just keep the office informed.

2.2 Conflict Calendars

Grad Dates only, already requested. Will use soccer conflict calendars to verify

2.3 Important Dates for the Season

May 1st to begin. Quarters May 29, Semis June 3, Finals June 5.

2.4 Divisional Layouts

Currently 5 teams in Division 1, 13 in Div 2, 8 in Div 3 Schedules and structures TBD once planning comes together and teams give final confirmations.

3.0 Rules

3.1 General Feedback

Umpires were discussed, and will be used for Playoffs only based on availability.

Rules regarding the game length and announcing a last inning was discussed, at 1 hr 10 min the umpire will announce last inning, and that next inning will be open ended even if not the 7th.

Rule regarding a female batter following a male batter who received 4 straight balls was cleaned up.

3.2 Bats & Equipment

Illegal bats – A list of illegal bats will be posted on the slopitch landing page. Coaches are to self check their bats.

Helmets are required for batters and base runners

Pitchers are to wear face protection.

Whether a strike mat is rectangle or the diamond shape, and ball landing on the mat, or on home plate is deemed a strike. **This was**



not applied correctly last year.

Ball discussion, do we need a new ball? Boys & Girls Sizes? Will send out a survey to confirm which direction we go.

4.0 Diamonds

4.1 Home Games

Teams are responsible for having diamond ready for use. Bases, Lines, Strike Mat, commitment line cones etc Find dimensions in the rules. The host school is the home team. Will schedule so it is as even as possible.

4.2 Cost

If your school/home field has a cost, it is the responsibility of the host school to book and cover the cost. Inform the Metro office which field you want to host games at, once the schedule is released, it will be your responsibility to secure the diamond. Umpires will only be used for playoff games, so cost to participate from the league will be cost of playoffs, plus banners, medals, trophies etc.

4.3 Booking

Home fields to be booked by schools and confirmed they can use until 6 with Joint use.

5.0 Registration & Eligibility

5.1 Rosters

Teams can have 30 players on the team roster, 20 players are permitted per game roster/to play in each game

5.2 Eligibility of Athletes

Eligibility rules mirror ASAA – Under 19 as of Sept 1, minimum 800 instructional minutes, three years of high school only after entry into Grade 10. Students must play 2 regular season games to be eligible for playoffs.

6.0 Additional Items

7.0 Adjournment