



RCMSPL 2022

November 21st, 2022

Annual General Meeting

Agenda

- Role Call (Brad)
- Financial Report (Brandi)
- Intro and overview of 2022 (Jon)
 - Congrats to the Season and Playoff Winners from this year. Review the winners and Prizes

2022		
	Regular Season Winner	Playoff Champion
Division I	Sharks	Barzotti
Division II	Dad Bods	Superior Steel Roofing Systems
Division III	Yandeez	Royal City Beavers

- Regular Season Winners were presented with two new slo-pitch bats, 2nd place received one slo-pitch bat
- Playoff Champions were presented with a \$450 gift card for a local Sports Store (2nd receive \$250)
- Team intentions for 2023 (Jon)
 - Is there any teams that know they will not be returning next year? You can come see me after the meeting as well.
 - If all teams return, we have 25 teams, plus we already have two new teams interested.

- UIC Update (Jon)
 - Jon's notes – Terry's number is included on the website for you to call directly when there is a problem. Calling me is just adding a delay in the process as I just call Terry. Please remember to call Terry directly next year.
 - Pitching distance was a challenge in some divisions as it was not enforced consistently. Terry has been made aware of this and will enforce it more consistently next year.

- Constitutional proposals (Jon)
 - Nobody submitted a Constitutional Proposal so I will take that to mean you are all satisfied with the current rules.
 - The one Playing Rule I want to address is Reschedules as this came up a few times over the course of last year.
 - Currently, there is no provisions to reschedule a game, but there is a \$100 fine for a **forfeit**. The forfeit funds are currently allocated like this:
 - The umpire gets paid \$25 for the late notice
 - The \$50 goes to the other team
 - The \$25 fine goes to the league
 - This was a discussion point brought to my attention throughout this year
 - After some thought, there should be a fine to pay the umpire for the late notice. There should be a fine for the offending team to pay for half the diamond cost to the non-offending team for the loss of game but it should be reflective of actual costs which is \$101.26 (\$102 Rounded) for 2022 season. The \$25 fee to the league should be paid to the Statistician for the extra work involved.
 - My thoughts on the policy change are this:

If a team wants to reschedule a game

- Inside 72 hours of game time:
 - both teams would have to agree to the reschedule
 - the team seeking the change would have to pay for the new diamond cost at the current rate rounded up to the nearest \$5
 - a \$25 charge to be paid to the statistician for the extra work involved in rescheduling a game

- a charge of \$25 to be paid to the umpire for the late notice
 - this would total ($\$101.26 + 25 + 25 = \151.25) rounded up to \$155
- Inside the 30-day diamond cancellation window as per the city policy:
 - both teams would have to agree to the reschedule
 - the team seeking the change would have to pay for the new diamond cost at the current rate rounded up to the nearest \$5
 - there would be a \$25 charge to be paid to the statistician for the extra work involved in rescheduling a game
 - total cost would be \$130 rounded – No umpire costs
 - Outside the 30-day window
 - both teams would have to agree to the reschedule
 - there would be a \$25 charge to be paid to the statistician for the extra work involved in rescheduling a game
 - total cost would be \$25
 - There must be a charge applied or you will get guys like me and some others that don't want to play on say Tuesdays, review the schedule at the start of the season and attempt to reschedule all Tuesday games.
 - If a team forfeits a game:
 - Regardless of timing of the forfeit, advanced notice or not, the umpire has been paid for in the league fees and should be paid full fee for the game
 - Half of the diamond costs have been paid for in the league fees by the offending team and they should be charged (applied against their performance bond) for the other half of the diamond fee to be applied to the performance bond of the non-offending team for losing a game
 - There is no work for the Statistician so there is no fee applied for this

I will send this out in the meeting minutes and the change will be reflected in the Playing Rules of the Constitution for the 2023 playing year forward.

- Reminders (Jon)
 - Helmets – while these are not mandatory, SPO and the league encourages players to wear helmets while on offense, while pitching, or when they are on the field in general. Pitchers are also encouraged to wear a pitching mask.
 - Executive Refresh – Brad and I have been running this league for a long time now. Brad has over 17 years service and I have over 12 years service. While we have it down to somewhat of a science, we feel it is in the best interest of the league if we had some new people on the Executive to take the league to the next level. With that being said, Brad and I are committed to running the league for one more year but make no promises after that time. Give this some thought for the 2024 season and let me know if you would be interested in being on the Exec for the 2024 season.
- Future meeting dates
 - February - \$200 Performance Bond top up due (\$300 for new teams)
 - March - 50% of league fees due
 - April - balance of league fees due
 - May 1st - regular season commences (weather dependent)