



WECSL Annual General Meeting: March 16, 2024

Introduction – Welcome to the 45th season!

1) Confirmation of a quorum 1 (Per the WECSL Constitution, a quorum for special general meetings and the annual general meeting is 10 League members present.)

2) Executive Team Reports:

a) **President:** Jeff Kingsley

Good season overall for 2023; feels that teams were fairly balanced. Draft is done first to balance pitchers across teams, followed by registration partners, and then singles. We have 8 sponsors this year: True Confections, Pink Solutions, Legal Beagles, The Park, Bayside, Grand Central Realty: Team Hung, La Belle Patate and Brockton Clubhouse.

b) **Vice President:** Ryan Abbott

We are working on updating the league website: www.wecsl.com and mapping out descriptions for positions. We welcome people to volunteer for the executive positions, captaining and coaching,

c) **Treasurer:** Phil Schauer

Registration this year was raised from \$80 to \$100 per person due to rising costs for insurance, etc. Last year (2023) we ran at a nearly \$2000 deficit. We hope to keep the current pricing (\$100pp) next year.

d) **Secretary:** Lindsey Daudelin

The executive committee has been streamlining a process for access to documents for all exec team members (still in progress). We are currently looking into a new website over the coming months. We've had several inquiries about the league coming through the website and several new sign-ups this season! We continue to ask that all questions, complaints, etc. be sent to wecslexec@gmail.com and not to personal emails/phone numbers.

e) **Social:** Ashley VanDeSype

2023 was a good year with a lot of events. The 2024 season will look a little differently with details to follow (currently 3rd base dugout for Canadians game and poker tournament are in the works).

f) **Equipment:** Howie Haden

The shrubs down 3rd baseline have been trimmed. Diamond maintenance for the 2024 season: we will have a diamond rake, new 1st base, lock box for the key to the equipment box, and will be doing repairs to the backstop).

Equipment: looking into new bat bags (approx \$40/bag).

g) **Head Ump:** Brad Caldwell

We are looking for more umpires, especially for the weekday games. Please note that you may volunteer after one full season in the league.

3) Discussion on part-time player pool:

This is not something that will be considered for the 2024 season and will be tabled for next year pending requests/inquiries.

4) Open floor for rules and other discussion:

- We are aiming to enforce all rules throughout the season (not just during playoffs).
- Discussion about potential for a more permanent pitching rubber to be installed; equipment manager will look into this.

5) 2024 WECSL Executive Election:

a) **President:** Jeff Kingsley

b) **Vice President:** Ryan Abbott

c) **Treasurer:** Phil Schauer

d) **Secretary:** TBD - this position involves maintaining communication between league members and the rest of the executive team (sending out mass emails regarding league info and news), monitoring the league gmail account (responding to league inquiries and sharing questions/complaints that come through with the rest of the exec), scheduling league meetings throughout the year and taking minutes at these meetings

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h) **Additional position: Scorekeeper:** This is not an executive position, but we are looking for someone to collect scoresheets from games, record the scores in the WECSL Google Doc, and maintain the standings. You are not required to attend every Executive meeting.

6) Next steps: Teams will be drafted in early April; the schedule is currently being made and will be posted to the league website and distributed to interim captains in early April (note: season start date is Saturday April 27th).

A huge thank you goes out to Ang for putting together a 'Captain's Guide' document which will help out new captains! We're going to circulate this document to new captains and coaches once teams are drafted.

And a huge thank you also to Mahsa, who has offered to help out with a new website design for www.wecsl.com over the coming months!

We are truly appreciative of everyone who volunteers their time to make our awesome league possible every year. 😊

Adjournment