



# WEST END CO-ED SLOWPITCH LEAGUE

## AGENDA

**Date:** Saturday, March 18, 2017  
**Location/** The Park @ English Bay (1755 Davie Street)  
**Time:** 1:00-2:00pm

**Minute Taker:** Desiree Hamilton

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### 1. Executive Reports

One intentional walk (discretion of the umpire- 4 consecutive balls or discretion of umpire) never came into play. As an interim rule, do we care to keep it? Keep or remove? **Ruling: 16 keep 1 opposed. Keeping rule at ump discretion.**

Players have been in league for 30 years, pay or not pay? There was some debate, there is no vote.

Motion to pass the minutes from last year: passed.

### 2. Umpire-

No report.

**3. Equipment-** We have 17 mens balls left. Ordered 3 more cases. 23 women left, they have stopped making them. We have 3 cases, trying to get as many as possible. Replacements are identical to mens except for size, bit of a headache. 2 new bats, pulled 2 out that need to be re-taped. Bought water tight first aid kit, old one thrown out. Bases in good shape. Pitching mound still there.

**4. Secretary-** not here. Right now we've got the list of last years player, broadcast went out. Facebook being maintained by a variety of folks.

**5. Treasurer-** Going well, there is money to pay for everything listed. Have to pay the fee for insurance, which we can afford. Parks board fees increased 20%. WECSL Fees have not gone up. Park permit is based on hours we used, field we used. last year \$2600, this year it's coming in at \$2300 because date cuts. Trying to get 18 days in. Removing some rain dates. We have an extra Sunday built in the schedule just in case of rain. talked about cutting 1 game from every team for consistency.

**6. Vice President-** We booked the field, April 22nd is first day, playoffs end of July. We don't play anything in august. The field price is the same. Haven't heard about insurance but should be same price. Volunteer league, please step up and do what you can or shut up (Ang).

**7. President-** Tight now were at 7 sponsors, have 2 sponsors that we are going to talk about. Opportunity for Butcher and Bullock to be a sponsor, they want the year end party and they want the league to show up. La Belle Patate, leaning towards them vs. Butcher. We don't have to make a commitment to any other sponsor, except wearing logo and putting it on the website. We'll have the last sponsor signed off by the end of this week, then start ordering shirts. Change of shirts this year, different style. Looked at something more comfortable and reducing cost. Like a jersey, same style, not button up fronts. V neck short sleeve ball shirt, tech material. With price reduction can we get hats? Jeff will make a commitment to price a hat out. Jeff will get price, have set baseline on costs for uniforms, if it goes above that baseline then we won't do it, if it's under the cost then we might proceed. Jeff to inquire. Information for members who drive: Parks board fees are up to \$13/day or \$235 for season, which works out to be 17 games. Mike wants to sponsor team and call it "costa sucks". Jeff to refer mike back to respect part of the rules and regs.

**8. New Business-** none.

**9. Open Floor-**

**Jeff L:** would like to see the rules written and posted. It's currently not consistent, rules are out of date, are inconsistent and out of date, Jeff is looking for the rules to be available in some fashion to the team. Webmaster helper this year will clean that up.

**Daianne P:** Comment, "I think it's great that we have the playoffs on a Sat-Sun, better than previous years where it was two weekends. how about a second prize?"

**Jeff L:** Clarification for pitchers that rubber is down in place permanently, one foot radius rule from last year, in the vicinity of the rubber. Seemed to work well last year. everyone knew where to pitch from, rubber makes more sense.

**Byron:** Volunteer for umpires, there is not many, it sucks, we have to work every single weekends, would be great if there were more volunteers. It might be posted on the website, the rules of being an umpire— we're going to clean up the rules so that they're easier to read. Meeting with umpires to go over the rules, what worked well, what didn't. There will be a buddy system, can work with new umpires. no way to sign up for the games online, head umpire schedules in advanced and you'll see your name on the schedule. Slaney will make that in advance and you can work with him, if you can't show up you need to find someone to replace you. Work amongst yourselves.

**Trevor L:** Suggestion: jerseys, logo on the front of the jersey for the sponsor, team photo sent to the sponsor (framed) we take a team photo every year, no logo, sponsor doesn't get anything. So the sponsor gets something to put on his/her wall. I want the logo on the front of the jersey, if the cost is the same, get something on the back too. **Motion:** passed. Consistent pictures taken for everybody, photos to be sent to sponsor. framed. Some sponsors prefer digital photos.

**Ang H:** Do people want the plaques when you win? cost is 300-400 for the team. Consensus: yes, sticking with plaques.

**Arnie C:** Beer round- it shouldn't end in a tie. There also should be no booze on field, umpire's job to make sure there are no drinks on the field. Park rangers are coming a bit more regularly and fines don't reflect well on the league. However, they are personal fines not a league fine. But-recurring fines could result in loss of park permit.

**Trevor L:** Key to the box- team captains have it. Last year every team had 2 and beck only got 2 back. Every Ump should have and every team should have 2.

## **Election of Officers**

### **Umpire-**

Nominations? Slaney. No other noms. Mike is head ump.

### **Equipment-**

Beck, will keep standing. No other noms.

**Secretary-** Gloria will not be secretary. Desiree nominated and accepts.

**Treasurer-** Ang, and accepts.

**Vice President-** Cathy, Cathy stands. No other noms.

**President-** Jeff to stand. No other noms.

**Social Director-** Trevor L nominated, accepts.

**Webmaster-** Desiree, to help. Accepts.

## **5. Adjournment**