

CONSTITUTION

dated March 23, 2011

for

VICTORIA MEN'S MASTERS SLOPITCH LEAGUE

ARTICLE 1

NAME

- 1.1 The organization shall be known as the Victoria Men's Masters Slopitch League (abbreviated VMMSL), referred to throughout the Constitution as the League.

ARTICLE 2

OBJECTIVE

- 2.1 The members of the League desire to promote, administer and develop the recreational sport of Slopitch within the Capital Regional District.

ARTICLE 3

MEMBERSHIP

- 3.1 Membership throughout the entire League shall be open to males aged 40 years or older in the calendar year of play.

ARTICLE 4

EXECUTIVE AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- 4.1 The league will be administered by the League's Executive and Directors.

- 4.2 The Executive shall consist of the following officers:

President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, Scheduler, Director of Field Operations, Director of Web Site, one Director representing and elected by each Division and such additional Directors at Large as needed.

4.3 Standing and Ad Hoc Committees shall be appointed as required from among the officers.

ARTICLE 5

LEAGUE MEETINGS AND VOTING

- 5.1 All meetings (including Annual General Meetings) shall be at the call of the Executive.
- 5.2 Annual General Meetings (AGM) shall be held as required with the minimum requirement being once per season.
- 5.3 Each Team will have one vote at Annual General Meetings. Executives and Directors shall not have votes at Annual General Meetings except as provided for in Article 5.4.
- 5.4 If a team representative is not present, and a member of that team is on the Executive, he may cast the team's vote.
- 5.5 A quorum for any Annual General Meeting shall be one more than 50 percent of the Teams registered in the League during the prior calendar year.
- 5.6 Every question before the Members except amendments to the Constitution shall be decided by a majority vote; amendments to the Constitution require a 2/3 majority. Proposed amendments to the Constitution must be submitted in writing to the Executive not less than 30 days prior to the next AGM.

In the case of a tie, the President, or in his absence, the Vice President, shall have a second or deciding vote.

- 5.7 At each AGM, the Divisions shall meet separately, to review, discuss and vote on a number of topics that are specific to each Division including, but not limited to:
1. Use of paid umpires or to self-umpire
 2. Use of the mat at home plate
 3. Use of run-by rules

Each Division, after its separate meeting shall report reform into the whole of the League and report to the Executive, the outcome of its votes on the various matters.

ARTICLE 6

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

- 6.1 A quorum for any meeting shall be one more than 50 percent of the members of the Executive present. The President or the Vice President must be present for a quorum to be met.
- 6.2 In the case of a tie, the President, or in his absence, the Vice President, shall have a second or deciding vote.

ARTICLE 7

STRUCTURE

- 7.1 The league will be divided into Divisions, dependent on the number of Teams and any alignment requirements.
- 7.2 It is a goal and desire of the League to maintain reasonable levels of parity within each Division; with that goal in mind and with due consideration for the makeup of teams as well as the number of teams at each playing level, the Executive shall have the power to restructure the makeup of the Divisions and may move teams from one Division to another in order to best maintain reasonable parity.
- 7.2 The season will consist of round robin play with each team playing the same number of games as the other teams in its Division. The Scheduler will use his best efforts to create equal number of games for each team in all Divisions.
- 7.4 The season will, to all intents and purposes, complete with a league tournament. Teams will play against other teams within their own Division. If scheduling requires it, however, League play may continue after the end-of-season League tournament.

ARTICLE 8

THE LEAGUE

- 8.1 A player must be rostered on only one team.
- 8.2 A team shall be allowed to sign an unlimited number of players on a league roster.
- 8.3 All league fees and initial team rosters including name, address, telephone number and year of birth of all players must be submitted to the League Executive prior to commencement of league play. Teams that fail to submit team fees by this date will forfeit all scheduled games until such time as their roster and league dues are received. Team lists may be modified during the year by written notification, submitted to the League Executive by hand, by mail or by electronic means

ARTICLE 9

RULES of PLAY and FIELD RULES

- 9.1 The Executive shall establish Rules of Play and Field Rules. A copy of the Rules shall be posted to the League's Web site and a copy (printed or via email) shall be made available to any Team Manager promptly upon request.
- 9.2 The Executive may alter any of the Rules at any time but shall promptly post the revised Rules to the League's Web site and if any changes occur during the playing season, then the Executive shall immediately notify all Team Managers of such changes.

Dated for effect this 23rd day of March, 2011.