Sooke SloPitch AGM
March 7, 2024

Minutes:
Rule Reminders/Changes:
- **Helmets are now MANDATORY for the league**.
- Waivers are MANDATORY and are required to be signed before the start of the season.
- Treat Umpires respectfully.
- Turf Field:
  - Nothing but water allowed on the field.
  - DO NOT DIG IN BATTERS BOXES
- Please ensure ahead of time that you can field a team for your games.
  - Cancel games before 1pm. This allows Executive to cancel Umpires for that game.
  - Work to reschedule the game with the opposing team.

Financials
- League accounts currently sitting at $10,000
- League Fee's Increasing to $1700
  - This will include access for each team to the Bench App
  - Each team is required to pay $100 deposit by March 15, 2024 to hold a spot for the 2024 season.
- Balls have increased to approximately $8.50/ball. Give 1 new large ball and 1 new small ball at the beginning of the game.

Umpires:
- Nick is still Head Umpire for Vancouver Island.
  - Looking for new umpires for 2024.
  - If enough interest, Nick will conduct a private umpire clinic in Sooke.

Sooke Til You Puke Tournament
- Tournament moving back to August long weekend (August 3-5, 2024)
- Dance is possibly being moved to Diamond 2. Live band and extending Beer Garden Hours
- Vendors will be welcome to sell wares at STYP, hoping for local vendors.
  - Executive is looking into Insurance.
  - Executive will be creating an application for Vendors to apply for a spot.

Items for Vote/Results:
- Option to split league at beginning of the season into A/B Divisions or A/B/C Divisions?
  - Option to split league into A/B/C Divisions won majority.
  - Note: teams will be moved as necessary as the season progresses.
  - Ice breaker will not be split into divisions.
  - No sparing for multiple teams. **No picking up players from the division above you.

Requests from Teams:
- Turf Field: Can the gate direction be changed?
- Stan Jones: Can the net be fixed and the hump at 3rd base be removed?
- Washrooms: Can we get more frequent cleanings?