

2019 MSSTL Semi Annual General Meeting

The Semi Annual General Meeting (SAGM) of the Manitoba Senior Slo-Pitch Tournament League (MSSTL) was held, 11 am, April 17, 2019 at ANAVETS #283.

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

Teams in attendance: Anola UZ2Bs, Barton's Bunch, Charleswood Hawks, Charleswood Prime Time, Charleswood Seniors, Dauphin, Eastman, Lee River, Coyotes, Impact, Flashback 55's, Flashback Stealers, Morse Place House League, Portage, Southwest Maulers, Selkirk, St. James Ichabods, Tri-Clad Design, Westlake Brewers, Winnipeg South Bees, Winnipeg South Night Owls and Winnipeg South Legends.

MSSTL Executive in attendance: Les Newman, Fred Bobrowski, Sig Schroeder, Henry Rosentreter, Janet Forbes, Corky Hayden and Orest Strzelbicki. **Regrets:** Gord Zamzow.

Guests in attendance: Karyn Heidricks (AAIM), Fred Spiring (MSSTL) and Gord Paradoski (Selkirk). **Regrets:** Don Klym. **Appendix A** contains the attendees' sign-in information.

The SAGM of the MSSTL was called to order at 11:03 am.

President Newman announced the passing of Lionel Bjornson (FB 215s) and Marshall Shuster (Blumberg Softball Complex manager).

Agenda Review and Approval

Les Newman asked that the Agenda be altered to a) read AAIM rather than ALCOA and b) the Lunch break be moved to the end of the Agenda. Newman/Spiring moved/seconded acceptance of the revised Agenda. **CARRIED.**

Annual Business

1) Minutes of Fall Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Spiring reported on the Actionables resulting from the Fall AGM and asked for any revisions to the AGM minutes. A conflict with the start of the Western Canada Championships and the Eddystone Tournament was identified. Eddystone agreed to move their tournament to August 6-7 to avoid conflicting dates. Spiring to revise the MSSTL Tournament Schedule to reflect the change.

Spiring/Newman moved/seconded a motion to approve the Minutes of the 2018 AGM. **CARRIED.**

2) AAIM Announcements/Report

Karyn Heidricks introduced the new name change to AAIM and in conjunction with their lead sponsor the new playnow.com website. Heidricks provided brochures/posters/registration forms. Additional details can be viewed in **Appendix B**. A bus line partner is being investigated (further information to follow). Next year's games will be closer to Winnipeg. Questions regarding accommodation were raised.

President Newman thanked Heidricks for her presentation.

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3) Financial Statement

Sig Schroeder updated the current financial status of the MSSTL indicating that there was \$2296 and \$1187 in the MSSTL operating and the Polar Bear funds respectively, for a total balance of \$3483. See **Appendix C** for an updated Financial Statement.

Sig Schroeder/Chuck Biggs moved/seconded that the Financial report be adopted. **CARRIED.**

Reports and Committees

1) President's Report

President Newman reported that a) the WCSA 55+ Championships will be held at John Blumberg Softball Complex, b) all 2018 MSSTL teams have committed to the Blumberg/Buhler venues, c) some teams have indicated that they are struggling to find players and d) some teams have used the Flex room at the Sport for Life Building. President Newman asked for questions or concerns. None were raised.

2) Softball Manitoba (SMB) Report

No report was available in part due to the sudden passing of Marshall Shuster.

3) Umpires Report

Henry Rosentreter reported that:

2019 Umpire Fees

\$35 per 7 inning game

2019 MSSTL Umpire List

		Blumberg	Buhler	Phone	Cell
Henry	Rosentreter (UIC)	spare	spare	204-888-4407	204-470-8280
Rick	Zaretsky	x	x	204-885-3253	
Don	Adamko	spare	spare	1-204-383-5223	
Charlie	Kurtz	x	x	204-257-2019	
Bernie	Novak	x	spare	204-837-2001	
Rick	Varnes		x	204-222-3532	
Fred	Spiring	spare	spare	204-261-3912	431-335-0244
Bill	Kellas	x	x	204-885-3313	
Brian	Migie	x	x		
Rod	Zaretsky	spare	spare		
Dan	Trochem	spare	x	204-222-4916	

The 2019 MSSTL umpires are all SMB certified. Charlie Kurtz will be providing a rules clinic to the umpires prior to the start of the season.

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Henry Rosentreter/Fred Spiring moved/seconded Umpire Report and fee change be accepted.
CARRIED.

4) Tournament Schedule

Several changes are pending to the 2019 MSSTL Tournament Schedule, see **Appendix D**. Revised schedule will be posted to the website.

Old Business

1) Team Registration

Spiring indicated that the SMB Registration form has been revised. The revised registration forms complete with the 2018 SMB registration form were emailed to all Team Contacts. Cutting and pasting in the Excel file would be much easier, however teams will need to address the birth date information as only the birth year was transferred to the revised form.

2) Winnipeg League Report

Little information was available regarding the Winnipeg League championships/playoffs.

Spiring reported that the 2019 Cancellation policy remains unchanged with the exception of the changes in the Umpire fees.

3) MSSTL Rule Book/Changes

All changes to the Rule book have been posted on the website. A summary of the changes include:

Rule 1-19. Roster/Pickups: Unlimited pick-ups are allowed in the MSSTL Winnipeg League and all Tournaments, except the SMB Provincials and the Winnipeg League Championships. The Winnipeg League Championships encourage teams to use a maximum of three unaffiliated, registered SMB House League players in the Championships.

Rule 1-11. Gender Rule: Co-ed participation is mandatory. Teams must have at least one woman player 50+ in the game at all times. The age restriction rules of all categories requires that women players aged 40+ to 49+ years of age must play “as a man”, whereby they are not allowed to bunt or to use the 11 inch ball. Teams may alternate 50+ women hitters in the line-up (example: 2 women on the team and only 1 in the fielding/batting line-up; unlimited substitution between the 2 women when they hit in that turn in the batting order). A women must occupy one of the first 9 slots in the batting order. Women aged 50 + have the option of using the 11 inch ball when batting.

The 2017-18 Softball Canada Rule

8.1.5 Co-Ed: *If a male is walked on four pitches or fewer, he is awarded second base and the female batter has the option of batting or accepting a walk up until the delivery of a pitch.*

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Interpretation: If a male batter is walked on four pitches or fewer immediately in front of an on deck female batter, the male batter advances to second base, the female on deck batter has the option of hitting or accepting walk to first base and all base runners advance as forced.

4) Website

The website is changing constantly. A link to the WCSA Championship will be added.

5) 50/50 Report

Orest Strzelbicki reported that:

Anola U22Bs (declined) so Barton's Bunch and Charleswood Hawks may participate on the Goldeyes games scheduled for July 27 and August 16. Primetime and Eastman are on deck for 2020.

Orest Strzelbicki/Les Newman moved/seconded 50/50 Report be accepted as presented.
CARRIED.

New Business

1) 2019 Winnipeg League Tournament hosts

Tri Clad will host the 2019 Winnipeg League Tournament. President Newman will provide the current status of the "ladder" as there was no evidence of an existing "ladder".

2) Reporting Scores

It was suggested that the umpires be responsible for reporting scores. Henry Rosentreter indicated he would check with his group and promptly followed up with "his umpiring group indicated that they should not be responsible for reporting wins/losses". It was suggested that winning teams only need to report, however in the event of ties or splits it was clear all teams need to report.

3) New Players

Nothing to report.

4) Emergency Contacts

Identified as an important issue, but no resolution.

For the Good of the League

- 1) Proposed that Competitive Division use 11 defensive players but not allow run-bys. Suggested that this should be at the discretion of the participating teams.
- 2) Questions regarding the bat protocol were raised. Softball Canada Slo Pitch bat protocol is listed on the website.

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The next MSSTL meeting is scheduled for September 26, 2019, 11 am, Canad Inn, Portage La Prairie.

Motion for Adjournment by Penny Flock.

Appendix E contains the Actionables with timelines from the 2018 MSSTL AGM.

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Appendix A

MSSTL 2019 Contact List

League Representatives

				Signature
Les Newman	(President) c- 299-0631	204-235-1674	lnewman@live.ca	<i>Newman</i>
Corky Hayden	(Vice-President)	204-736-6208	corkybobbyhayden@mymts.net	<i>ATTENDED</i>
Sig Schroeder	(Treasurer)	204-837-6168	sig123@mts.net	<i>Sig</i>
	(Secretary)			
Fred Bobrowski	(Past President)	204-224-4941	fbobrowski@mts.net	<i>Fred</i>
Gord Zaimzow	(Director at Large)	204-734-2880	gordmax5@gmail.com	<i>Regrets</i>
Janet Forbes	(Director at Large)	204 256-9481	jforbes2202@gmail.com	<i>J. Roberts</i>
Orest Stizelbicki	(Director at Large)	204-895-7723	oje@mts.net	<i>ATTENDED</i>
Henry Rosentreter	(Umpire in Chief) c- 204-470-8280	204-888-4407	valrosentreter@yahoo.com	<i>Henry Rosentreter</i>

Team Representatives

MSSTL - Altona Blons Ike Enns	(Registration also)	REC 204-324-6032	lienns@mts.net	
MSSTL - Anola UZ2B's Maureen Fryza Jack Kelly		REC 204-866-3304 204-612-7447	mfryza65@gmail.com kodiak_jack1@hotmail.com	<i>Maureen Fryza Jack Kelly</i>
MSSTL - Barton's Bunch Janet Forbes Alternate - Lorne Colpitts	(Registration also)	COMP 204 256-9481 204-255-7577	jforbes2202@gmail.com lornecolpitts@shaw.ca	<i>Spidan 204-257-5276</i>
MSSTL - Carman Cardinals Neil Strachan Cheryl Fraser registration & emails 2016		REC 204-745-6283 204-750-2272	nstrachan98@yahoo.com cheryl.fraser@gov.mb.ca	
MSSTL - Charleswood Seniors Chuck Biggs (President) Tom Breen Steve Sanderson - Reg. for Charleswood Hawks, House		HOUSE 204-837-6858	biggs.chuck@yahoo.com steve_sanderson@shaw.ca	<i>ATTENDED</i>

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MSSTL Charleswood Prime Time Larry Schroeder Alternate - Gary Pfeiffer	COMP 204-895-8588 204-633-6990	schroed@mymts.net gpfeifer1@shaw.ca	<i>L. Schroeder</i>
MSSTL Charleswood Hawks Chuck Biggs Alternate - Lila Hornby	REC 204-895-8645 204-837-3554	biggs.chuck@yahoo.com	<i>Tom Green Lila Hornby</i>
MSSTL - Dauphin MCs Ed Goertzen Alternate - Brain Ready	REC (Registration also) 204-648-7324 204-648-3130	ed.goertzen@medichair.com	<i>B. Goertzen</i>
MSSTL - Eastman Ernie Warkentin Alternate - Brian Gadsby	COMP (Registration also) 204-889-6949 204-392-1111	efwark@gmail.com brgadsby@hotmail.com	<i>Ernie Warkentin</i>
MSSTL - Lee River Senior Slo Pitch Boyd Kramble Alternate Paul Kraynk	REC 204-389-4843 204-345-8396	boydkramble@yahoo.com paulkaynyk@hotmail.com	<i>Val Kramble</i>
MSSTL - Manitoba Classics Gil Meilleur Alternate - TBD	REC 204-918-5308	classics55plus@gmail.com	<i>Regacts</i>
MSSTL - Manitoba Coyotes Ervin Buhler Ann Kenning	REC Team Registration info 204-729-9212	ervbuhler@gmail.com akenning@mymts.net	<i>Ervin Buhler Ann Kenning</i>
MSSTL - Impact Gerry Miller Alternate - Sig Schroeder	REC 204-895-1747	milger321@gmail.com sig123@mts.net	<i>Gerry Miller</i>
MSSTL - Morden Dinos Ron Harms Alternate - Gil Wiebe	REC (Registration also 204-822-1462 822-9442)	rondonharm@gmail.com gilwiebe@gmail.com	
MSSTL - Morse Place Flashback Stealers Alternate - Bob Hayden Peter Paley	REC 204-736-6208 204-667-2088	corkybobhayden@mymts.net ppaley@mymts.net	<i>Bob Hayden Peter Paley</i>

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MSSTL Morse Place Flashback 55's Gary Anderson Registration/Financial-Diane Dewar	COMP 204-667-0337 204-669-6558	garya@mts.net dibridewar@gmail.com	<i>Don Dewar</i>
MSSTL Morse Place Flashback 215's Ken Kent	REC 204-222-9800	akent@shaw.ca	
MSSTL Morse Place Flashback House League Glen Walker	HOUSE 204-669-1974	frugalfather720@yahoo.com	
MSSTL - Portage Don Giercke Alternate Val Buschau - Registrations also	REC 204-837-3358 204-488-3648	giercke@mymts.net vbuschau@mts.net	<i>Don Giercke</i>
MSSTL - Southwest Maulers Dennis Kyle	COMP 204-724-0240	dwkyle@hotmail.com	<i>Don Kyle</i>
MSSTL - Rock Lakers Ken Horn Alternate - Doug Rinn	REC 204-242-2138 204-825-2796	kwhorn@mts.net dbrinn@xplornet.ca	
MSSTL - Selkirk Gerald Machnee Alternate - TBD	REC (Team registrations also) 204-757-4745	machneeg@gmail.com	<i>Bob Zayko</i>
MSSTL - Winnipeg South Seniors Tom Ferris Mac Davidson Treasurer, SWSSP - Registrations	HOUSE 204-255-1086 204-475-1900	pferris2011@gmail.com matsdav@mts.net	
MSSTL - St. James Ichabods Robert Essery (Team Registration also)	REC 204-837-8881	b.c.essery@mymts.net	<i>Bob Essery</i>
MSSTL - Swan Valley Silver Fox Gord Zamzow	REC 204-734-2880	gordmax5@gmail.com	<i>Regrets</i>

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MSSTL - Tri - Clad Design Al Sharpe Alternate - Les Newman	REC (Team registration also 204-475-0654 204-235-1674	alsharpe@mts.net lnewman@live.ca	<i>Alan Sharpe</i>
MSSTL - Westlake Brewers Orlando Oswald Alternate - Ken Dunn (Registrations also)	REC 204-386-2564 204-767-2266	kjdunn10@gmail.com kjdunn10@gmail.com	<i>Orlando Oswald Ken Dunn</i>
MSSTL - Winnipeg South Legends Bill Dupont Alternate - Bob Gross	REC 204-467-5058 204-489-4728	bdupont@live.com abgross@shaw.ca	<i>Bill Dupont</i>
MSSTL - Winnipeg South Bees Bill Schrader Mac Davidson Alternate - Gary Johnson	REC 204-253-8883 204-475-1900 204-256-5651	wisch@mts.net matsdav@mts.net grj_mustang@hotmail.com	<i>Bill Schrader Mac Davidson Gary Johnson</i>
MSSTL - Winnipeg South Night Owls Dmetro Hnyka Alternate - <i>DEBBIE WIEBE</i>	REC 204-256-4074 204-	dmetro@mts.net	<i>Dan Hnyka Debbie Wiebe</i>
Additional Contacts			
Don Klym	SMB	donklym@mymts.net	<i>RECKETS</i>
Steve Mynko	Buhler	steve@buhlerrecpark.com	
Karyn Heidrick	ALCOA-MB	manitoba55plusgames@gmail.com	<i>Karyn Heidrick attended.</i>
Lois Dudgeon	Canada 55+ Games	ldudgeon@mymts.net	
Bob Sigfusson	Little Mountain	robertsigfusson@mymts.net	
Fred Spiring	MSSTL	fspiring@mymts.net	<i>Fred Spiring</i>

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Penny Flock	MSSTL	margaretflock@yahoo.ca	ATTENDED
Dale McKinnon	Deloraine Royals	dalenckinnon@yahoo.com	
Scott Dewis	Portage Liniment	scott.dewis@gov.mb.ca	
Larry Dewis	Portage Liniment	Larry.Dewis@hubinternational.com	
Mike Fennessy	Wipeg Men's SloPitch	wmsplmike@yahoo.ca	

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Appendix B

Date: April 17, 2019
From: MB 55+ Games Office
Re: 2019 Swan River 55+ Games - Update

Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries are interested in continuing a successful partnership with the 55+ Games as title sponsor and suggested a new program name going forward. As the title sponsor, Manitoba Liquor & Lotteries was looking to tie sponsorships back to its core business activities. PlayNow.com is one of those lines of business and they felt this brand was the best fit for the Manitoba 55+ Games.

The Games will now be known as: **The Manitoba 55+ Games presented by PlayNow.com**

- There is a new name and new logo for both
 - the Manitoba 55+ Games and
 - AAIM (formerly ALCOA-MB)

Swan River Highlights:

- They are really hoping to get some Northern teams to create a different mix of teams this year
- The slogan "Life through Sport" was chosen by the Swan River host committee
- 4 fenced in ball diamonds at legion park
- Gord Zamzow is the contact in Swan River for Slo-pitch
- Variety show on the Tuesday evening and a dinner/dance banquet on the Wednesday evening

Other Info:

- Accommodations for the area, extra forms and other information is available on our website at:
activeagingmb.ca
- Working on a potential bus route that could be available from Winnipeg (with a bus line partner)
- This is not a Canada Games year but for those of you who are looking into 2020, the next Canada 55+ Games will be held in Kamloops BC, August 25-28, 2020

Working with Bryan Mintenko (who has recently joined our games committee) who is the Account Executive, Corporate & Group Sales for the Bombers, it would be possible to host an Active Aging Night for a Blue Bomber Game and a Valour Game:

- recipients can purchase tickets through the link with ticketmaster with promo code
- The Valour Active Aging Night will be held at the Thursday, June 20th game - \$20/ticket
- The Bomber Active Aging Night will be held at the Thursday, June 27th game - \$35/ticket
- **To reserve a seat for either of these events: Call Bryan Mintenko at (204) 784-7665**

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Appendix C

MANITOBA SENIOR SLOWPITCH

TOURNAMENT LEAGUE (MSSTL)

	2018	2017
Opening balance	1,738.37	1,597.62
<u>Revenues</u>		
Registration Fees	520.00	500.00
Fees from Teams - Blumberg	4,900.00	6,300.00
Fees from Teams - Buhler	6,720.00	4,550.00
MSSTL - Championship	1,500.00	0.00
Goldeyes	1,208.32	908.30
Polar Bear Fund - see Statement	0.00	0.00
Total Revenues	16,586.69	12,258.30
<u>Expenses</u>		
Blumberg Diamond fees	4,900.00	6,300.00
Buhler Diamond fees	6,720.00	4,620.00
Meeting Room/Coffee	149.04	206.25
Meeting Room Portage	0.00	0.00
Umpire - Rain outs	0.00	60.00
MSSTL Championship	1,275.00	0.00
Goldeyes - Selkirk	0.00	476.86
Goldeyes - Wpg South	1,208.32	431.44
Bingo - Flashback 65's/Stealers	0.00	0.00
Bank Service Charges	28.30	23.00
Miscellaneous - Stamps	10.00	0.00
Total Expenses	14,290.66	12,117.55
<u>Year End Balance</u>	2,296.03	1,738.37

Polar Bear Balance	\$1,187.80
Year End Balance (as above)	<u>\$2,296.03</u>
Bank Account Balance	<u><u>\$3,483.83</u></u>

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Appendix D

Manitoba Seniors Slo-Pitch Tournament League 2019 Tournament Schedule

May 21-22	Tu/W	Little Mountain Entry Fee \$150 Register by May 17	mitger321@gmail.com dandj32@mymts.net Gerry Miller Jim Hoglund	914-1958 582-1176
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May 28-29	Tu/W	Coyotes in Brandon Entry Fee \$100	Anne Kenning akenning@mts.net	729-9212
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June 5-6	W/Th	Steinbach Entry Fee \$125	Ernie Warkentin efwark@gmail.com	589-6949
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June 11-13	T/W/Th	55+ Games Swan River	Karyn Heidrick Manitoba55plusGames@gmail.com	261-9257
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July 2-3	Tu/W	Dauphin	Brian Ready bready@mts.net	638-7098
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July 9-10 (note date, July 11)	Tu/W Th	Portage Entry Fee \$150	Don Giercke giercke@mymts.net	857-3358
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July 15-17	M/Tu/W	Provincials Entry Fee \$150	Don Klym - SMB donklym@mts.net	925-5674
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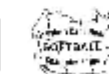
July 25-26	Th/F	Altona Entry Fee \$75	Ike Ems iieus@mts.net	324-6032
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July 30-31	Tu/W	Wpg League Entry Fee \$150	Tri Clad atsharp@mts.net	475-0654
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Aug. 6-7	Tu/W	Eddystone	Ken Dunn kjduinn10@gmail.com	204-767-2266
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Aug. 8 - 11	Th/F/Sa/Su	Western Canada Championships	Don Klym donklym@mts.net	925-5674
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Aug. 18-21	Su/W	Ross MacIver Memorial Mahnomen	Diane MacIver rossdi@mts.net	253-5710
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Aug. 26-28	M/Tu/W	Winnipeg League Championship Entry Fee \$125	Les Newman lnewman@live.ca	235-1674
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Appendix E

Actionables/**Completed** from April 17, 2019 MSSTL Semi Annual General Meeting

- 1) The position of MSSTL Secretary needs to be filled prior to the Season start - May 6, 2019
- 2) 2019 MSSTL Tournament Schedule confirmations/updates – **Fred Spiring – April 19/2019**
- 3) Finalize minutes, post on website, email to teams - **Fred Spiring – April 19/2019**
- 4) Update/distribute MSSTL Contact list – **Fred Spiring – April 19/2019**
- 5) Update Cancellation policy reflecting change in Umpire's Fees – **Fred Spiring – April 19/2019**
- 6) Add WCSA Championship website link to MSSTL site – **Fred Spiring – April 19/2019**