

**2023 SWCL Spring Meeting**  
**April 5<sup>th</sup> @ 7pm**  
**Dodger Bowl**

1. Roll Call/ Introductions
2. Review/Approval of Fall 2022 Meeting Minutes
3. Report Of Officers
  - a. Financial Report-Whitney Runde
  - b. Webmaster-Dustin Myers
  - c. Baseball VP-Brent Sheckler
  - d. Softball VP-Randy Hoffman
  - e. Commissioner-Quinn Schultz
4. Discussion to Add Communities
5. Softball/Baseball Rule Review from 2022
  - \*Rules can only be changed in the fall meeting
  - a. Baseball
  - b. Softball
6. Tally Number of Team for each Community <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/swcl>
  - a. Baseball
  - b. Softball
    - i. Rosters DUE May 14<sup>th</sup>
      1. Baseball- Brent Sheckler [brent@suppz.com](mailto:brent@suppz.com)
      2. Softball- Randy Hoffman [hoffman.mpsoftball@gmail.com](mailto:hoffman.mpsoftball@gmail.com)
  - c. Late Fee will be charged if Team fee is not paid by May 14<sup>th</sup>.  
Fee/team \$100
7. SWCL End of Year Tournament Dates/Locations
  - a. Baseball
    - i. 3/4<sup>th</sup> Grade- **July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup>**
    - ii. 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade-July 17<sup>th</sup>-July 22<sup>nd</sup>
    - iii. 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade- **July 6<sup>th</sup> or July 7<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup>**
  - b. Softball
    - i. 3/4<sup>th</sup> Grade-July 17<sup>th</sup>-July 22<sup>nd</sup>
    - ii. 5/6<sup>th</sup> Grade- **July 10<sup>th</sup> – July 15<sup>th</sup>**
    - iii. 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade-July 17<sup>th</sup>-July 22<sup>nd</sup>

**All regular season games must be made up by the following:**

3/4 Grade Baseball- *July 5<sup>th</sup>*

5/6 Grade Baseball-*July 12<sup>th</sup>*

7/8 Grade Baseball-*June 30<sup>th</sup>*

3/4 Grade Softball-*July 12<sup>th</sup>*

5/6 Grade Softball-*July 5<sup>th</sup>*

7/8 Grade Softball-*July 12<sup>th</sup>*

8. Fall Meeting-Proposed Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 7pm. Site TBD

## 5. Rule Changes for 2023

### a. Baseball

- i. **3/4 Grade Baseball, NO WALKS.** If a pitcher throws 4 balls to a batter, it is not a walk. A coach from the batting team will come in to pitch to each batter with 4 balls. Called strikes count as well as swings. A batter CAN strike out. Batters hit by pitches from opposing pitcher do count. Batters are not rewarded a base when hit by a pitch thrown by a coach. Coach will pitch from the rubber. Max of 4 pitches from the coach unless foul ball. After the fourth pitch from coach, the batter will be out. If a player fouls off on the 4th Coach's pitch it will be treated like a foul ball on a second strike. The batter will be allowed another pitch. If the batter does not swing on the 4th pitch, the batter is out.
- ii. **3/4 Grade Baseball,** if the catcher throws a ball to a base, the runner an advance. However, home is closed so the runner cannot advance to home.
- iii. **7/8 Grade Baseball** – Portable Mounds can be used if both coaches agree to use them. Homemade mounds will not be allowed. – Passed
- iv. **5/6 Grade Baseball** – Home is closed
- v. **5/6 Grade Baseball** – Number of players allowed for the SWCL tournament on defense: 10 players (a team may start with 8 players but forfeits with less than 8 players). i. No out will be assessed for the 9th and 10th position of the batting order if a team only has 8 players. If you have at least 10 players in the dugout, you must play all 10. – Passed
- vi. **3/4 Grade and 5/6 Grade Baseball** go back to first 3 innings closed, 4 runs per inning.

### b. Softball

- i. **5/6 & 7/8 Grade Softball,** Removing “Batter must make an attempt to get out of the way of a pitch” for 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade.
- ii. **5/6 Grade Softball,** Home is closed for
- iii. **7/8 grade Softball** (Tournament Only) WIAA Rules for pitching.
- iv. **3/4 Grade Softball,** first 3 innings limited to 4 runs per inning  
**3/4, 5/6 & 7/8 Grade Softball,** 15 Run rule after 3 innings, 10 runs after 5 Innings for all age levels.
- v. Point of emphasis on communities adding a pitcher circle and batter's box.