

RULE CHANGES FOR 2018 SEASON
Updated 12/12/2017

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Brian Harper (SB) on behalf of Darren McKinney (SB)
Seconded by Rodney Woods (IC)

Proposed to revert back to pitching machine for 7 year old division and use the rules from the last time we had machine pitch rules.

VOTE: FAILED (1 vote for, 14 votes against)

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Brian Harper (SB)
Seconded by Josh Davis (Pony league president)

Proposed to allow the pitching coach in coach pitch to pitch from anywhere in the circle, while keeping at least 1 foot inside the circle when the pitch is delivered, in both coach pitch leagues.

VOTE: PASSED (11 votes for, 1 vote against)

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Donald Schwartz (1st VP)
Seconded by Josh Davis (Pony league president)

Proposed roster form for 2018 season with several modifications including adding "team played for last year" and "church regularly attended". Also clarified signature sections and added the verbiage "All players on this roster that do not meet FSCBL eligibility rules have eligibility forms attached to this roster".

VOTE: PASSED (14 votes for, 0 votes against)

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Donald Schwartz (1st VP)
Seconded by Josh Davis (Pony league president)

Proposal to amend the executive committee removing a few positions. The positions to be removed are the senior Babe Ruth representative, the president of ladies auxiliary and the director of umpires.

VOTE: PASSED (15 votes for, 0 votes against)

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Donald Schwartz (1st VP)
Seconded by Rodney Woods (IC)

Proposal to change article 4 section A removing ladies auxiliary and correcting date for March meeting.

VOTE: PASSED (15 votes for, 0 votes against)

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Donald Schwartz (1st VP)
Seconded by Robert Jetton (Treasurer)

Proposed to change Article 3 rule E - Striking the last sentence. Added that no new rule proposals will be accepted after February meeting.

VOTE: PASSED (15 votes for, 0 votes against)

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Donald Schwartz (1st VP)
Seconded by Brent Lewis (2nd VP)

Proposed changes to membership rule VI A by adding Van Buren, Barling and Greenwood to the membership area.

VOTE: PASSED (14 votes for, 2 votes against)

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Seconded by Robert Jetton (Treasurer)

Rule 13 and tournament brackets – Tournament brackets will be set up one week prior to the finish of the season, based on the league standings at the end of that week. Exception: If the end of the regular season and the start of the post-season tournament are separated by three days or more, the tournament brackets will be set up based on the league standings at the end of the regular season.

Changed to - Tournament brackets will be set up based on the league standings at the end of the regular season. Brackets with seed numbers will be posted on FSCBL website at least 2 weeks prior to end of season. Brackets will be re-posted with team numbers once final standings and seeding is completed. Ties in seeding will be broken by head-to-head records first and then by team numbers (which are randomly drawn during team declaration in March).

VOTE: PASSED (11 votes for, 0 votes against)

Proposed 11/13/2017 by Donald Schwartz (1st VP)
Seconded by Kevin Allen (Secretary)

Pony rule 5 existing: A runner may not leave base until the ball reaches the batter.

Pony rule 5 proposed: A runner may not leave base until the ball crosses the plate or is struck by the batter.

Pony rule 6 existing: A base runner is automatically out for leaving the base early (until the ball reaches the batter).

Pony rule 6 proposed: A base runner is automatically out for leaving the base early (until the ball crosses the plate or is struck by the batter).

VOTE: PASSED (15 votes for, 0 votes against)

Proposed 12/11/2017 by Tommie Glover (New Life)
Seconded by Kevin Weakley (Grand Avenue Baptist)

Proposal is to strike the following two rules in Pony rules Section H.

9. Runners may steal any base, except home, at their own risk after a pitched ball has reached the Plate. Runners may steal home on a throw to any base, or on a wild pitch that falls outside the chalked Home Plate circle in foul territory. On a pitch that falls outside the chalked Home Plate circle in foul territory, the runner cannot advance Home on the throw back to the pitcher if the runner has already conceded and been run back towards 3rd Base by a defensive player. If the runner on 3rd Base crosses Home Plate illegally, he shall be declared out.

21. Runners can advance, at their own risk, from 1st base or 2nd base to 3rd base on any pitched ball once it has crossed the plate, but CANNOT advance from second base to home plate on the same play, unless the defense attempts a play on that or another base runner. If the runner scores illegally, they will be called out.

For example.... runners on 2nd and 3rd, wild pitch outside the circle.... runner from 3rd slides into home safely. While making the play on the runner at home, the pitcher misses the ball and it goes into the playing field. The runner that advanced from second base to third base is NOT allowed to continue home on that same play unless the defense attempts to make a play on that or another base runner.

Proposal would add new rule 9 as follows:

9. Runners may steal any base at their own risk after a pitch crosses the plate.

VOTE: to be voted on in January meeting