

Prairie League Fall Meeting Notes from 10/23/25

Rule Changes for the 2026 Season

Rule changes for all levels:

- We are moving to grade for age divisions with no May 1st language in it.
 - D- 1&2 grade for 2025-2026 School Year
 - C- 3&4 grade for 2025-2026 School Year
 - B- 5&6 grade for 2025-2026 School Year
 - A 7&8 grade for 2025-2026 School Year
- Players can play up divisions but are NOT allowed to play down divisions.

For all Age Divisions change the rule regarding 8 players to the following: A team should have 8 players to start a game, it is up to the coaches discretion if a game can be started with less than 8 players.

Add Rule- There is no hard stop for time, if an inning is started it must be finished

Proposed but not decided on- 5 run limit for all innings (no open last inning) OR coaches have a discussion at the beginning of the game on whether the last inning will be open

D Softball Rule Changes-

Add to Rule #9, if coach is hit by pitch it still remains a live ball

Remove Rule #10 and replace with A team can play 10 girls on the field

Remove Rule #12

Change wording on rule #14 to A runner can only go one base at a time **per** overthrow

Take out Rule #17 and replace with "Pitch count is as follows: There will be a pitch count of 10 pitches. 3 strikes and the batter is out. An at bat will not end with a foul ball."

D Baseball Rule Changes-

Add to #8 - If coach is hit by pitch it still remains a live ball

Change wording on rule #12 to A runner can only go one base at a time **per** overthrow

C Softball Rule Changes-

Update #25 and add- "However, the player may choose to decline the base and continue their at bat."

Update #13 to say- A runner can only go one base at a time **per** overthrow

Proposed but not decided (wanted boards to talk to their coaches first)- Girls can pitch either modified or underhand, girls will walk after 4 balls. (Goal with this is to give a motivation to the girls to throw strikes and start pitching modified underhand instead of windmilling and throwing more balls.)

C Baseball Rule Changes-

Add C Girls Rule #25 to boys rules with the above modification.

Rule #6 change base length to 65'

Rule 22- Change wording a runner can only go one base at a time **per** overthrow

B Baseball Rule Changes-

Proposed but not decided (boards needed to check about their fields)- Move bases to 70' length

A Softball Rule Changes-

Update #18- Teams play 9 players with 3 outfielders.

B Baseball Rule Changes-

Update #6- Teams play 9 players with 3 outfielders.

General Discussion:

Overall, everyone thought the league tournament went pretty well. Sounds like a few more towns may be willing to host.

We also discussed a league code of conduct that all boards must send out to their parents and players prior to the season starting- Adam was going to talk to Ty about them writing this. Adam is also planning on getting signs made to put up at league tournament fields with some verbiage regarding appropriate conduct.

We plan on adding in an A&B league tournament during week 10 of their normal season.

We discussed creating a Prairie League Facebook page for communications with schedules, league tournament, etc. I will be setting this up and adding Ty and Adam as admins to assist with managing the page. This will be public so board members and families will be able to stay up to date on things.

We will have a spring meeting to discuss the proposed rule changes and any other new business that comes up before then.