

BOARD MEETING

January 3, 2005

President, Bob Stouthamer at 8:00 AM, called the meeting to order. Other board members present were: Jim McGuire, Glen Carroll, Dick Lemoine, Earl Bell and Fred Suess. Absent: Bill Allen. There were nine guests present throughout the meeting.

Bob Stouthamer stated that former president; Jim Pavolko has resigned and is being replaced by Earl Bell for the remainder of his term.

The minutes of the December 6, 2004 meeting were read and approved with minor correction.

Retiring treasurer, Lyle Bakken, submitted the treasurer's report. Lyle reported a December 31, 2004 closing balance of \$5,498.49. He also indicated the club is in good financial condition and he expects the clubhouse to be paid off in FY 2006. The current debt is approximately \$51,800. Lyle indicated the CR-7 report is ready for audit and will be submitted to SCWRC soon.

Matt Szydlowski reported that arrangements for the CLUBHOUSE DEDICATION set for January 29, 2005 are underway. It will include hot dogs, refreshments and 3 softball games preceded by a 30-45 minute ceremony. The sponsors have been invited with a special invitation given to Dana Moore of Liberty Buick. People from PFC Direct have volunteered to man the grill. Arrangements for local radio coverage are also being pursued. Dave Bennett and Linda Murray of the Recreation Center will assist Matt. Ken Skinner volunteered to take care of field preparation and coordination of the games.

MEMBERSHIP was reported to be 267 players by Loran Swanson. 36 new players joined in 2004. We have 13 teams in the AL and 12 teams in the NL. There was a discussion on how we honor players who died during the year. Their names will be read during the annual banquet and the recreation center will be contacted in regards to lowering the flag at the first game of the season in October.

SPONSORS/MARKETING – Dick Lemoine & Dennis Raczak reported we have 18 team sponsors and Sun City has 8. Two billboard spots are available at Liberty Field. Dick is working on getting those spots filled.

CLUBHOUSE – The clock is installed but not hooked up. Water leaking during rainy times continues to be a problem. Larry Griffith of SCWRC is aware of the problem. A motion was made to purchase mats for the urinals. Motion passed 6-0.

Ray Early reported no UNIFORMS are required in 2005. He is experimenting with balls from a different manufacturer, as they seem to be livelier. Further action on the balls was tabled. Jim McGuire will be the board member working with Ray on equipment and uniforms.

Jerry Bianchi agreed to continue with FIELD MAINTENANCE in 2005. It was decided that the manager of the home team of the 3rd game of the day be responsible for dragging the infield prior to the 4th game. This will improve the field condition for the later games. The board expressed their thanks to Jerry for the good service he has provided.

A discussion of the field drainage problem was entered into and was tabled for a later visit after the clubhouse has been paid for after 2006.

OLD BUSINESS

- (1) Perimeter Lighting – Bob Stouthamer will pursue a sensor to activate the perimeter lights.
- (2) Bulletin Board Cover – An exterior grade bulletin board was called for but the board provided leaks when it rains. Bob Stouthamer will pursue a cover design and take it the recreation center in hopes of solving this problem.
- (3) Clubhouse Keys – Donations for coffee and donuts have been missing. A motion was made and seconded to have a lock installed on one of the drawers in the concession building for

storage of cash and valuables during the games. Also, we proposed to rekey the existing pad and locks to the concession door and restrooms since many construction workers have these keys. Bob Stouthammer will present all these changes to the recreation center for approval before any action. Motion passed 6-0. Access control after new keys are made was tabled.

- (4) Membership Dues – Money and forms are coming to the treasurer Dick Lemoine and to Fred Suess. Fred will in charge of updating the member information.

NEW BUSINESS / ISSUES / CONCERNS

- (1) Recreation Board member Carl Elitz volunteered his assistance to the club.
- (2) Bob Stouthamer will contact Bill Atherton and advise him of the okay for use of the field January 16, 2005 at 1:00 PM for a 70's tournament.
- (3) Friday Co-Ed League – Glen Carroll will work with them and encourage the formation of additional teams. He will advise them that the board wishes all managers in this league to be members of the SCW Softball Club.
- (4) New Tri-Cities League – A league consisting of co-mingled teams from the Organizations previously in this league are being proposed. An attempt will be made to have an A and B division. Bob Stouthamer is working on this on behalf of the club. Estimated start date is February 12, 2005.
- (5) Spring Fling – The date for a NL tournament was set to be March 4, 5 and 6th. A similar AL tournament was set for March 18, 19 and 20th. Ken Skinner will be in charge along with Bill Allen of the board.
- (6) Summer League – Dennis Farrar and Glen Carroll agreed to organize this league with assistance from last years' organizer Carl Johnson, who will be contacted by Glen.
- (7) By-laws – Board members were requested to review By-laws prior to the next meeting.
- (8) Golf Tourney – Dick Lemoine agreed to start organizing the tourney and to contact the recreation center for a possible SCW venue in the next few days.

2005 COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

a. American League Concerns	Jim McGuire
b. National League Concerns	Glen Carroll
c. Audit	Jim McGuire
d. Budget & Finance	Jim McGuire
e. Marketing	Dick Lemoine
f. Membership	Loran Swanson .
g. Planning	Earl Bell
h. Safety	Don O'Mara
i. Special Events	Bill Allen
j. Sponsors	Dick Lemoine
k. Uniforms & Equipment	Jim McGuire

ITEMS DISCUSSED WITHOUT FURTHER ACTION

1. Barbecue Grill
2. On-Deck Circles
3. Concessions during games/events

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 AM

NEXT MEETING: Monday, February 7th at 9:00 AM
Round-Up Room – SCW Men's Club

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING: Monday, February 14th at 1:00 PM
Social Hall, SCW

Respectfully submitted,

Fred Sues,
Secretary

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