

**Sun City West Softball Club**  
General Membership Meeting Minutes  
Monday, October 3, 2005 12:30 PM

*With an attendance of 86, a quorum was present.*

*President Bob Stouthamer called the meeting to order at 12:40 PM and introduced the current board members.*

*Todd Patty, RCSCW Environmental Services Manager described recent improvements to Liberty Field including:*

*New sprinkler system  
Overseeding  
Laser Leveling of Infield  
Dugout improvements  
Pathway to smoking area*

*The Liberty Field Clubhouse represents a total investment of \$227,000 and nearly all of this has been paid back to RCSCW with revenues received from donations and billboards. It is expected that the entire amount will be paid by year-end.*

*The 2005-2006 tournament schedule was discussed. The first tournament is the women's tournament Nov. 5-6, 2005. Proceeds will go to support breast cancer research.*

*SCW Softball Club logo polo shirts are available at \$25 each. Windbreaker jackets and T-shirts will be available soon.*

*Long Range Plans for the use of billboard funds after the debt is fully retired were presented. They include the following:*

- a. Ramada's & Picnic Area, W/Barbecue adjacent to Liberty Field*
- b. New Stadium Seating for Stands to replace Existing Bleachers*
- c. Permanent storage building to replace existing one next to 3<sup>rd</sup> base dugout.*
- d. New sunken dugouts*
- e. Misting Systems, Dugouts & Seating Area*
- f. Concession Area*
- g. Purchase machine to simulate fly balls to outfielders during practice sessions*
- h. Purchase screens to protect infielders during practice session*
- i. Create small patio area next to clubhouse on 1<sup>st</sup> base side*
- j. Purchase new foul poles and install new foul line markers*
- k. Install new bulletin boards in dugouts*
- l. Pitching machine*

*Future softball club boards will prioritize these projects.*

*By-law Change: A vote was taken on the proposed by-law change dated September 14,2004. This change would have required future SCW softball club boards to consist of at least 3 members from each of the NL and AL. The proposal was defeated by a count of 75 against and 0 for with the rest abstaining.*

*Vote on Article VIII section B dealing with waiver of fees for Sun City players playing on combined teams at Liberty Field. This vote is required on an annual basis. Prior to the vote, a lively discussion was held with both sides of the issue presenting strong*

*argument. The motion to extend the waiver and continue to co-mingle players from both cities passed by 52 for and 20 against with the remainder abstaining.*

*2006 SCW Softball Club Board Candidates were introduced by President Stouthammer and were afforded the opportunity to make a statement. A total of 11 candidates are running to fill 4 positions. Voting is scheduled for Nov 8 and Nov 10, 2005 at Liberty Field.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Fred Suess, Secretary*