

3-11-02

Sun Cities League Meeting (Joint Board)

The meeting was called to order by President Matt Szydlowski at 11:30 A.M. in the Mens Club of S.C.W. In attendance were directors, Bob Luebben, Gene O'Boyle, Wayne Mitchell, Dick LeMoine, Jim Rabbot, Jack Borst and Ray Murphy. Guests present were Ken Skinner, Loran Swanson, Dave Oliver, and Bob Stouthamer.

The minutes of the 2-11-02 Board Meeting were read and approved as presented.

Sponsor Chairman Bob Stouthamer gave a favorable report on the sponsors but expressed some concern that to date only one had replied to an invitation to the 4-11-02 Banquet, whereas last year nine attended.

League Coordinator Loran Swanson gave an update on the league status. The National League consisting of thirteen teams with twelve per team for a total of one-hundred fifty-six players is running at full strength (except for injured players) with five people in the pool. The American League has the same numbers with one person in the pool.

The next report was from the American League Reps. Bob Luebben and Dick lemoine. It was reported that there will be two All-Star games played Sunday, March 17th at S.C.W. , Kuentz Field commencing at noon with a pot-luck cook out following the games. Sun City will provide a "Super All-Star Team" and a "Just So-So All Star Team" to go up against the " Hot Shot Teams " that Sun City West has to offer. Who pays for the beer and soda is still up in the air for someone to catch. All kidding aside, spectators welcome.

Report from the National League; Gene O'Boyle expressed that there was some concern that the Courtesy Runner Rule was being abused in close game situations. Gene was instructed to pass the information on to the National League Rules Committee for consideration. Jack Borst suggested that it seemed like an inordinate amount of time was spent at the meetings discussing problems related only to the American League. Jack suggested that perhaps some of these things could be worked out with committees. The matter was taken under advisement.

Gene O'Boyle, Jack Borst and Ray Murphy came up with the idea of having a game on a Sunday afternoon (April 14th possibly, the exact date to be determined,) between the National League Champions and the Team Managers. The idea sounded so good that Bob Luebben and Dick Lemoine were appointed to see if they could get the same format going for the American League. Managers your on the spot now, produce or your liable to loose your jobs.

Summer League Coordinator Dave Oliver reported that there will be four sessions in the summer league. The league will commence 4-16-02 and end mid September. The details of rather to combine National and American League players have not been worked out yet. Managers will be given sign-up sheets in due time.

Matt Szydlowski removed himself from the League Planning Committee and added Jack Borst and Jim Rabbot. The full committee is made up of Wayne Mitchell chairman, Dick LeMoine, Greg Johnston, Jack Borst and Jim Rabbot. Matts rational was that he sits in on all meetings anyway.

Dick LeMoine asked for a ball inventory on the ball situation. Bob Luebben is to check with the Sun City Club for that information.

Ken Skinner mentioned that S.C.W. has a couple of players in the Tri-City League that do not play on Tuesday and Thursday however pay the full entry fee. He asked if Sun City had any such players and how their fees were paid. Bob L. will check into it.

There was a lengthy discussion on the upcoming banquet that is to be held on 4-11-02. Concerns that the board had was the type of entertainment , the length of time it took to serve everyone a meal, the length of time provided for socializing and what could or should be done to improve the banquets in the future. The matter was turned over to the Planning Committee for consideration.

Mr. Coy will provide entertainment.

A motion to pay \$150 for banquet entertainment was made and passed.

China Sun is the caterer for this years banquet.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:50 P.M. The date set for the next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 8, 2002 at the Kuentz Craft Room #2 at 11:00 A.M.

Respectfully submitted

Robert R. Luebben, Secretary

