

April 8, 2002

Sun Cities League Meeting (Joint Board)

The meeting was called to order by president Matt Szydlowski at 11:00 A.M. in the Kuentz Craft Room #2. In attendance were directors, Bob Luebben, Dick LeMoine, Jack Borst, Jim Rabbot, Wayne Mitchell and Gene O'Boyle. Guests present were, Ray Murphy, Bob Stouthamer, Mel Schiebel, Dave Oliver, Ken Skinner, Al Benedict, Glen Carroll, Greg Johnston, and Loran Swanson.

The minutes of the 3-11-02-board meeting were read and approved without correction.

Sponsor chairman, Bob Stouthamer gave a report and made some proposals to the board for consideration. Bob reported that after speaking to many of the sponsors and receiving their reaction to the 1-18-02-board action to increase the sponsors' fees for **renewal** to \$250 and \$450 for **new** sponsors, that the board should reconsider the increases and modify them downwards. On Bob's recommendation the board did so move and voted in favor of a new fee schedule for the sponsors. The following motions were made and passed:

- . **Affective October 1, 2002 the sponsors fee for "renewal" shall be adjusted to \$175**
- . **Affective immediately, the "new" sponsors fee shall be adjusted to \$400.**

Bob also proposed that a committee be appointed to monitor all uniforms and that a firm uniform replacement schedule be established. After a lengthy discussion the President appointed Bob Stouthamer as the chairperson of the newly established **uniform committee** giving the chairman the latitude to make up the remainder of the committee. The following motion was made and passed.

- . **Team jerseys will be replaced with new jerseys on a regular basis. The time schedule cycle for replacement will be studied by the uniform committee and presented to the board for action.**

Bob requested additional assistance with working with the sponsors. The President said that he would get together with Bob to seek qualified help from the league to assist Bob in his sponsorship duties.

Finally Bob reported that there is expected to be 19 people representing 12 of our sponsors at the 4-11-02 banquet.

Al Benedict reported that the banquet entertainment is all set.

Bob Luebben reported that at the Sun City Board of Directors meeting of 4-01-02, concern was expressed regarding the safety issue of the use of the present 44 core-525 compression ball. A motion to use a more restrictive ball failed.

Wayne Mitchell, Chm., American league rules committee (Ken Skinner, Bob Luebben, Frank Welch) met recently at Wayne's house with Matt Szydlowski present and reviewed the rules. There were no rule changes however some language needed attention for clarification, quite extensively the sections that pertained to running from third to home.

Gene O'Boyle reported that the National League had its special game between the first place team and the National League managers. He reported that the managers lost 16 to 10. Oh well

everyone knows the “Top Brass” doesn’t always have it their way. The same format is scheduled to take place at Kuentz Field at 1:00 P.M. Sunday, April 14th with the American League first place team and the managers.

Dave Oliver, summer league coordinator reported that there will be four sessions in the summer league schedule (April 16th to May 21st, May 30th to July 2nd, July 9th to Aug. 8th, and Aug 13th to Sept.17th). Dave is in the process of having the schedule and teams typed-up and posted. He said there would be six teams in the American League. Greg Johnston reported that everything is set for the National League. He presented a Teams Roster and Schedule for session#1, for review. It was mentioned that the 1-18-02 board meeting adoption of the new summer league playing rules that pertain to the game time clock will be used and are: **D. GAME RULES, 1. General-A** 70- minute time limit per game **eliminated**. In its place the game clock will be set at 60 minutes. At the expiration of 60 minutes, the umpire will call time and announce to both teams that the next inning will be declared the last inning which will allow unlimited runs to be scored, as apposed to the five run limit. The exceptions to this rule would be if the 7th inning has started before the expiration of the 60 minutes, then the 7th inning becomes the last inning in which unlimited runs may be scored. The additional exception being that if the game in tied after 7 innings and the 60 minute clock had expired within play of the 7th inning then the 8th inning would be limited to the five run rule, with the batter that made the last out in the 7th inning being placed on second base to start the inning.

Ray Murphy discussed uniforms for the National League. He reported that all teams are uniformed with the exception of one team. Dick LeMoine had some suggestions and said that the problem could be worked out.

Wayne Mitchell, planning committee chairman scheduled a meeting at his house for Monday, April 15th at 7:00 P.M.

It was mentioned that the First Aide Kit at the Sun City field is in need of attention. Jim Rabbot said that he would take care of the matter.

Attendance at the banquet on 4-11-02 is expected to be 112 from Sun City and 192 from Sun City West per ticket sales.

The next meeting is set for Monday, 5-13-02 at 1:00 P.M. in the Stampede Room of the Men’s Club in S.C.W. Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 12:30 P.M. Bob L. Sec.