

SUN CITIES SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

JANUARY 16, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Chuck Holt at 8:00 A.M. in the Bell Center, meeting room Sun City.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chuck Holt, Julie McGlynn, Greg Owens, Rich McAndrews, and Art Nelson representing Mike Hester.

GUESTS PRESENT:

Linda and Mike Graham

INTRODUCTION:

Chuck Holt welcomed the board members and guests, expressing his pleasure in serving as president of the league board. Chuck stated that he would like to thank the previous board members for their leadership. The two clubs and leagues are very successful, a strong foundation has been laid and it is this board's objective to maintain and continue that leadership.

DECEMBER MINUTES APPROVAL:

Julie McGlynn had questions concerning the approval of the minutes. It was agreed by all board members that the minutes would be approved electronically and that once approved would be posted on the web site.

Art Nelson made a motion to approve the December 19, 2007 minutes as electronically mailed. Greg Owens 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

National League

Rich McAndrews reported that the league drafted players for the spring session. This is the first time that a draft has taken place in quite a few years. 164 players were drafted for fourteen teams. There was some discussion as to why a draft was held. Julie McGlynn had some concerns that there were some managers against a draft.

Rich McAndrews explained at a meeting last spring the league board had requested the National League to consider a draft. The National League Committee surveyed every manager and numerous players and there was enough in favor of a draft that in December the Committee reported their findings to the League Board and they approved the National League draft for the spring session.

There was some questions concerning the N. L. Committee and who the committee members are, how they are appointed and what are their duties. The National League Committee is made up of four members. Bill Nyblade, Glen Carroll, Len Wicketts and Rich McAndrews. The National League Committee Guidelines was written in December of 2003 and revised in November of 2007. These guidelines are posted on the azsrsoftball web site for anyone to read.

American League

Greg Owens reported that the American League held their draft on January 4th. That the league increased from thirteen to fourteen teams this session.

The American League Committee is currently made up of three people – Bob Freeman, Wayne Mitchell, and Greg Owens. The committee is going to go to four members in the near future. Greg said the committee would be having a meeting to discuss their structure.

Chuck Holt requested that he would like to see both Committees have a meeting with the managers of their respective leagues before the end of each session. There was some general discussion concerning sub rules in the American League, Committee members being player advocates, how committee members are chosen and term limits for both Committees.

CLUB REPORTS

Sun City Club - Julie McGlynn

Julie reported that a second pitching rubber was recently installed at the field. The Club is going to be having a Super Bowl event the week of the Super Bowl. This would include players bringing a can or boxed soup item to the field to be donated to the West Valley Food Bank.

Sun City West Club – Rich McAndrews, Art Nelson

Rich reported that the Club as of 1/7/08 has 310 members. At the last board meeting a request was made for new bases and was approved by the board. Special events coming are the Cardiac Kids 2/2, Bosom Buddies 2/8 -2/10, Spring Fling 3/6 – 3/9, and Day in the Park – 3/15.

Art reported that the new additions to the third base dugout area are almost completed. The paving stone and brick wall turned out great. A warm up area using artificial turf will be coming soon. The warm up area will have a plate and pitchers mound like the ones that were recently installed on the first base side.

OLD BUSINESS

LEAGUE BANQUET – Sun Cities Softball Annual League Banquet will be held on Friday evening March 28, 2008 at the Palm Rec. Center, Sun City West.

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES – At this time the Board is continuing to review the Operational Procedures of the Sun Cities Senior Softball League.

NEW BUSINESS

BOARD MEMBERS - A discussion was held increasing the League Board Members from five (5) to seven (7). A motion was made by Rich McAndrews to increase the board members to seven (7). One current board member from each club to be appointed by that clubs President. The motion was 2nd by Greg Owens. Motion carried.

UNIFORMS – Mike Hester had sent Chuck Holt an e-mail concerning league socks. Mike stated that the Sun City West Club would be addressing the issue at the next General Meeting. Julie McGlynn reported that the Sun City Club has addressed the issue. No further action was taken.

NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING – Art Nelson reported that Dennis Farrar newsletter editor told him that any advertising in the newsletter had a \$15.00 charge. In researching this charge only \$30.00 has been paid for advertising. The board made a decision to investigate further to get better clarification on why, when and how this \$15.00 dollar charge was established.

SPONSORS – The League would like to welcome two new sponsors to the spring session. CANYON STATE REF. in the American League and KING – MAGEE in the National League. The Southwest Golf sponsor currently in the National League has elected not to renew their sponsorship and a new sponsor will be named soon.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTING ASSIGNMENTS – A discussion was held addressing the assigning of a board member to report on different areas of responsibility within the league. (ie National League Committee, American League Committee, Equipment & Sponsors, Publicity &

Communications, Managers & Umpires, Special Events, Other) It was decided that no action would be taken until all seven board members are in attendance.

NEXT LEAGUE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, February 13, 2008, 8:00 A.M. – Bell Center - Sun City

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 A.M./

Respectfully submitted

Rich McAndrews, Secretary
Sun City Senior Softball League