

Sun Cities Senior Softball League
Meeting Minutes 05/13/09

Roll Call: Board members in attendance: West: Carol Bowden, Rich Wells, Bob Williams. Sun City: Dennis Hagerty, Gregg Owens, Linda Graham. Absent: Chuck Hendrix

Guests in Attendance: Rick Fish, Mike Graham, Rich McAndrews, Bob Dobbins

Approval of minutes from April meeting: Motion to approve :Gregg; 2nd Tex. Motion Carried. Reminder to all to respond electronically for approval.

Committee Reports:

Sun City Club: Notification to League Board that we are working an issue with a sponsor offering only partial payment for yearly shirt fees. The Sun City club will make the determination of how to resolve the issue.

Sun City West Club: There is a new mail sorter/drop box in the West Clubhouse to disseminate info to managers and board members. Each has their own slot. Hope to improve distribution of info.

American League: Bob Dobbins: Definitely 4 teams for next session and for 3rd session

National League:

Rich McAndrews: Reminder that sponsor letters need to be sent out. The agreed upon date for the letters is May 1st.

Bob Williams: 6 teams for next session. Managers are already chosen.

Publicity: Calendar Dates: An email was sent out stating calendar dates for manager meetings, draft dates, start and session dates. Reminder to send dates to Dennis Farrar to post on Web Calendar.

Data: Preliminary report from Rick Fish: (See attached report) Discussion was held following Rick's overview of the report. Rick's overview indicated he saw 3 possible options to how combined league data could be handled in the future.

1. Leave things as they are (see note below)
2. Modify the current mode by allowing the data to be accessed by additional people using special software from a server.
3. Moving to a new web based solution using user I.D. and password access by all members who want to use the database and update user information such as phone numbers and address changes. **Rick's recommended approach.**

Questions were raised regarding cost, (only each club has money. The League has no money), maintenance of the database, administration and determination of the security questions (who should have access to what and who decides?), and the involvement of others who have an interest in the database, but were not at the meeting. Over the summer, Rick has been given direction to precede finding information and putting together a report for the September meeting.

Data Base upgrade project: Chair: Rick Fish **Board Liaison:** Dennis Hagerty
Proposed Members: Loran Swanson, Ken Skinner, Dennis Farrar, Mike Graham, Bob Dobbins, Rich McAndrews.

Additional discussion was held regarding other aspects of league info on the web. There are multiple websites, multiple managers of those websites and multiple managers of various databases. Is centralization of all aspects possible and reasonable? Current managers of various aspects of League information are all willing to “give up” the current mode of doing things or their responsibilities regarding how things work now.

Note regarding Option 1: Leave things as they are. Mike Graham notified the board that he will be stepping away from maintaining the current database at the end of the 3rd summer session. A new person needs to be chosen to continue managing a combined database. Mike will train the selected person, if the Board wishes.

New Business: A Sun City Club member asked that a request be brought to the board to investigate using a different ball(Debeer) for safety considerations. Additional research will be conducted to bring back to the board.

Meeting Adjourned Motion Linda Graham; Tex 2nd Adjourned at 9:05

Next meeting: September 16, 2009 Sun City West Mens’ Club Roundup Room 8 AM.