

SUN CITY SENIOR SOFTBALL CLUB

MINUTES

March 12, 2012 (rescheduled from March 5)

Fairway Recreation Center

CALLED TO ORDER by President Jim Keinath at 1:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Wayne Conn, Joe Emmons, Arnie Kvarnberg, Orie McDonald, Len Wicketts, Chuck Wittreich and Julie McGlynn.

Member Guests: John Dewey and Erv Ballien

FEBRUARY MINUTES - Julie

Submitted electronically after the February meeting. Orie moved/Len 2nd; approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Orie

There were 8 renewals and 4 new players.

Total membership at this time is 129: NL-80, AL-42, women-2, not assigned/non players/volunteers-5.

Invoice for softballs was paid and the SCW club reimbursed us for 2/3.

Green Team new player books - SCW Club reimbursed us 2/3 of the cost.

The SCW club has billed us \$13.75 postage for information concerning the co-mingling vote to be taken this week in SC West, which was mailed (without the SC Club's knowledge or consent) to SC club members who do not have email addresses. After considerable discussion, Orie moved/Joe 2nd to pay all current payables, including the postage. Carried.

Sidewinders - Julie gave an overview of a memo to the Sidewinders showing past receipts and the balance due under the 50% agreement. She did not have the copy but will email it to the board members.

AMERICAN LEAGUE - Orie

13 teams, seven players on the sub list, none on the placement list.

AL managers have received sign-up questionnaires for summer and fall session declarations.

NATIONAL LEAGUE - Joe

16 teams, one or two short due to injuries. Six on sub list. Five new players, four are AL rated.

Snow birds will begin leaving soon.

FIELD REPORT - Arnie

Thanks to the field crew that's doing a great job.

The pitching machine is working great for outfield practice, although can't be used for infield because of the backspin on the ball.

After meeting with Jim Wellman, Arnie said there was little information available regarding the field revamp. Julie suggested putting our questions and concerns in a letter; Jim said Mr. Wellman prefers emails. It is unknown what impact any field closure will have on the Summer or Fall sessions. Arnie will compile a list of concerns and questions and email Mr. Wellman.

GREEN TEAM - Len

Everything on track. Five new players today. Many are younger and the quality of players is good.

The books for new players are costing about \$5 each. Discussion: whether to bill SCW a flat 2/3 or per new SCW player. It was decided to track the number of players to determine which method to use.

PLANNING, PUBLICITY & HOSPITALITY - Julie

Newcomer's Orientation at the Sundial Rec Center last month was successful and several people were interested. Many are still employed and asked if there was a Saturday program, which is something we should consider. Thanks to Joe and Chuck for assisting Julie at the Club table.

SPONSORS - Len

Len plans to visit sponsors this week.

Sponsor renewal letters should go out soon and payments are due June 20.

Orie talked with a potential jersey and banner sponsor and gave Len the business card.

Jersey sponsor fees are \$500 for the first year (full amount goes to jersey costs) and \$250 thereafter (split is \$150 to jersey fund for future replacement of jerseys and \$100 to the club operating expenses.)

There is a waiting list for team sponsorship.

ADVERTISING - Jim

Jim handed out a new banner advertising form with costs for both sizes on one sheet.

UNIFORMS - Chuck

Nothing is needed right now, but plans to order in August or as needed.

Julie suggested that players be offered the choice of either shorts or pants, or both, and there was agreement.

Sox - Although the AL does not include sox as a part of the uniform, Len and other NL players feel that the striped knee sox are an important part of the team uniform. **Chuck moved/Joe 2nd to buy sox. Carried.**

IT COMMITTEE - Joe

No meetings have been held.

A proposal to bill the SC Club for incorrect email addresses was disallowed by the SC West president.

OLD BUSINESS

Sidewinders' Tournaments: (4) 2-day tournaments, beginning in the fall; four age levels of play. The club would receive a fee split of 50% (\$250) and provide food and beverages by donation. **Chuck moved/Len 2nd to accept offer, carried (one abstention)**

Due to the field size, bats will be limited and the ball core may need to be adjusted.

Julie presented the revised Team Waiver which uses the same language as the individual form. Blanks and signed waivers will be kept in a binder at the field.

Veteran's Tournament - Saturday Nov. 10 Jim will set up an online signup, Julie will make signup book(s) for the field(s). Cutoff date is October 31. Wayne will get managers and set up the teams. The Club will serve food and drinks by donation. (Len agreed to coordinate and set up PA system)

NEW BUSINESS

Popcorn cart available from SCW for the cost of repairs. Declined as there is no place to clean or store it.

Hall of Fame revised guidelines. Several questions were raised and **Julie moved/Arnie 2nd to table the discussion pending suggested changes. carried**

DISCUSSION

Len read an email sent to all SCW members on Saturday by the IT committee chairman, in an apparent effort to sway the SCW co-mingling vote that will take place this week. It contained disturbingly negative and inaccurate information about the Sun City Club.

Joe wanted to go on record to say that it was highly inappropriate for the IT chair to use his authority in this manner.

Arnie asked if we could adopt a "softer" softball. Discussion was suspended until later.

ADJOURNMENT - 3:05 Chuck/Wayne 2nd

Respectfully submitted, Julie McGlynn secy.

Next meeting: General Membership Meeting, April 2, 2012, time & location TBA