

**Sun City Softball Club**  
**Minutes**  
**January 14, 2008**

The Board meeting came to order at 8:00 in the meeting room at the Bell Recreation Center. The following board members were present:

Roy Nelson, Len Wicketts, Ev Kouffman, Linda Graham, Chuck Holt, Ken Doyle, Julie McGlynn, Gregg Owens

Guests Present: Miles Gehm, COC, Don Gault

**Minutes:** The minutes of the December 10, 2007, Board meeting were sent to Board members via email or delivered in person. Julie McGlynn moved and Len Wicketts seconded the approval of the minutes. The Board voted to approve.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ken Doyle distributed the December statement. Assets are \$8279.82. There are 128 members. The annual financial report to the Recreation Centers was submitted on January 14, 2008. Roy Nelson moved and Ev Kouffman seconded the acceptance of the report. The motion carried.

**Planning and Publicity:** Julie McGlynn reported stalled sales of the 2008 calendars. The club has 28 calendars left.

**Field Maintenance:** Len Wicketts needs help. It is a lot of work to prepare the field, and he would appreciate others pitching in to get the field in great shape. He suggested the use of a new finishing drag behind the tractor or perhaps a hand-pulled drag for use during game days. There continues to be some confusion over the correct way to drag the field, and Len will be getting the interested parties together to resolve the issue.

Gregg Owens commented that the dirt is too loose. Len Wicketts said the problem was caused by a lack of binding material in the dirt. The Recreation Centers are aware of the problem. Binding material is expensive.

Ken Doyle reported on the possible purchase of polycap for the fences. Shipping costs are prohibitively high. Roy Nelson said he would try to find a local supplier. Gregg Owens and Len Wicketts will also investigate the use of a 10-foot section of PCV pipe.

**Scoreboard:** Money collected from the donation of aluminum cans will go into the scoreboard fund. Larry Kuberka is taking care of the collection and sale of the cans.

Six members have each contributed \$100 for the scoreboard fund. We need to publicize the need for additional donations. Linda Graham asked Miles Gehm and Cheryl Johnson for permission to solicit money for the scoreboard, and she received a positive response from both of them. The Sun City West Softball club is negotiating with their Recreation Board for a new scoreboard at Liberty Field. If that should happen, there is the possibility that the present scoreboard at Liberty Field would be donated to us. The board members received this news positively.

**Other Business:** There is some discussion of extending the spring session another week into April. There was little board sentiment in favor of extending the session.

The Hall of Fame banquet in March will be held in Sun West City. The cost of the meal will be \$16.00. Gregg Owens moved and Ev Kouffman seconded a motion to subsidize the cost of the meal \$6.00 per member. The motion passed. We have 9 sponsors, and the club will pay for 2 tickets for each sponsor who opts to attend the banquet.

**Correspondence:** Linda and Mike Graham met with Miles and Hack about the bleacher steps. Jim Wellman is working on the situation. At this point, the Recreation Center is concerned about voiding the warranty if structural changes are made. Linda requested a written response from the Recreation Centers.

There is a mandatory meeting for club officers on January 28 at 1:00 in the Sundial Auditorium. All officers are expected to attend.

Herb Clark is working to establish a Vintage League. Gregg Owens moved and Ev Kouffman seconded a motion to make our field available, scheduled as a special event, to the Vintage League Sunday afternoons. The motion passed. Len Wicketts, our field maintenance representative, schedules use of the field. A master calendar for field use should be posted.

The banner program along the fences was submitted to RCSC in December. There has been no written approval yet.

The board again reiterated its stance that this club should be represented before there are any league-wide purchases.

Fun Day was successful. The sound system was a plus. Allen Kleinhouse was easy to work with.

Julie McGlynn suggested a Souper Bowl week just before the Super Bowl. Members are encouraged to bring cans of Soup to support the West Valley Food Bank. The board members heartily endorsed this project.

Women's Team costs are over budget. Discussions are underway on how to pay for uniforms.

**Rules and Regulations:** Ev Kouffman brought up the number of substitutes per team. Managers are in an awful position if they are asked to forfeit a game because of too many substitutes. As subs are a league issue, the issue will be sent to the league meeting.

**Adjournment:** Roy Nelson moved and Len Wicketts seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 10:10.