

MINUTES OF THE SUN CITY SENIOR SOFTBALL CLUB - FEBRUARY 1, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 by President Linda Graham.

Roll Call: Dennis Hagerty, Chuck Wittreich, Gale Rector, Dave Bergman, Paul Moye, Ken Doyle and Julie McGlynn.

Guests: Len Wicketts and Rich Bogosian.

Minutes of the January 4th and the January 18th Special meeting were approved as written. Ken moved/Chuck 2nd.

Treasurer's report: Ken reported the current financials; Chuck moved/Gale 2nd: approved. All required financial reports were filed in timely manner with RCSC.

Audit: Linda read Julie's report. There was one minor math error in a companion document due to a missed computer field in column addition, which did not affect any running totals.

Committee reports

Field Maintenance:

1. Batters' boxes - A proposal by Dave to replace them and home plate with a one-piece mat was tabled (Julie moved/Paul 2nd) pending further research and information.

Dave said replacement would require an underground frame with the mat glued to a concrete slab. The plate design would have to be adjusted to the current size being used, probably with spray paint.

2. New field drag - A request from Bill Buxton was tabled (Julie/Chuck 2nd) as more information is needed.

3. Scoreboard - Linda called the company to ask about a protective screen cover and was told that it probably wasn't necessary and they have had no reports of damage. Broken bulbs can be easily replaced. No further action.

Equipment: Shorts (large) have been ordered by Ray Keller.

Sponsors: Reategui Law Firm is a new American sponsor. Forest green shirts w/ white inserts have been ordered.

Publicity:

1. New Member Orientation - Sundial on Weds, 2/10 from 9-11 a.m. and 7-9 p.m. A table has been reserved and Chuck and Julie will coordinate.

2. Club flyers - Linda reported that the Friday Fun games will be included on the flyers to be submitted to the club office for posting at recreation centers.

Nomination: Chuck, Dave and Gale agreed to serve and will seek a slate of four (4) candidates from each league to be submitted at the May club meeting.

Green Team: Len and Rich expressed concern over the number of new players that are ready to be assigned but with both leagues at full capacity, they will have to go on placement/sub lists and wait for openings.

Some options they suggested: (refer to New Business/New Players for additional discussion)

1. Increase National team rosters to 13

2. Form a 15th National team and then reschedule to include a bye

3. Play three days a week.

Correspondence

1. Bleacher renovation was approved by RCSC and since they are unable to assist with the renovation, a check was received in lieu of the promised labor. Tim Weller of Danco Specialists is providing the renovation which is scheduled in the next two weeks.

2. Change approval notification received for Ken Doyle to be acting treasurer in Jim Keinath's absence.

3. Linda attended a club officers' workshop and received a copy of RCSC Policy 12A which has been rewritten for easy reference; no major policy changes.
4. Linda and Mike Graham have been given member access to the SCW data base.
5. Email from Bob Peck, SCW club president, indicating their club will not accept new members' club dues until there are openings for player assignments.

Old Business

There has been an apparent misunderstanding concerning the outfield fence pad/advertising for Arvid Peterson's real estate company. After discussion, Ken moved/Dave 2nd that \$500 be billed in 2010 and 2011. Motion carried.

New Business

Medical Ids: Due to recent injuries on the field, Julie felt there is a need to have personal/medical information quickly available and after some research determined that an ID that attaches to a shoe/cleat would be the easiest way to ensure the player was wearing it. The retail price is around \$12 but the company agreed to discount quantity purchases. Samples and a fact sheet were passed around. Paul said he had something similar that was provided by the hospital at no cost so he will check into it for further discussion at the next meeting.

Fund Raiser: Julie moved/Paul 2nd, to hold a fund raiser at the Sun Bowl field and designate the Sun City Foundation as the recipient; motion carried. The Foundation is a division of RCSC which subsidizes property assessments and provides SCAT tickets for Sun City Residents who are struggling financially. Since Len Wicketts is interested in doing a special event, Linda asked Julie to work with him to set a date and plan the event.

New players:

1. The American league has no openings for new players.
2. The National league is placing them on the sub/placement list until they can be assigned.
3. In order to provide an immediate temporary fix, the board agreed with the concept of an **Interim League** which is proposed for M/F (expanding the Green Team program & incorporating the new FUN games) to provide a venue for new players of both leagues to mingle and play with current League players who want to play more softball;
4. The new players will understand this is a temporary fix and will be given the option to play or just be on the sub/placement list.
5. Len will talk to his players today and field a Green team on Friday.

Other: At the January meeting Paul, Dennis and Julie volunteered to draft rules for the FUN games. Julie passed out copies of an abbreviated list of National rules that needed some editing. She asked everyone to delete Rule #1, clock, Eliminate tie game options in Rule #3 and change to: Ties stand. In Rule #5 - eliminate courtesy runner...from home.

Banquet: Ken moved/Dennis 2nd to approve an estimated expenditure of \$1,000; carried. Sun City West will host at Palm Ridge Rec. Ctr. on Wednesday evening, March 24. The full meal cost is \$15.50, members & one guest pay \$10 each and the club will subsidize balances of \$5.50, plus the full cost of SC Hall of Fame members/1 guest and SC sponsors/1 guest.

Sponsor photo-plaques: Julie moved/Chuck 2nd to approve expenditure of approx. \$315. (9 @ \$35 each). Carried.

Club Hats: It was decided not to order more hats at this time. (minimum order 25 @ \$12.50)

Club Jackets: Can be ordered individually through First American Sports.

Team Picture Days - Feb 16 & 18 at SCW. Scott from Sun Photography. Sponsors will be invited too.

Vintage Baseball: Herb Clark requested the use of the Sun Bowl field on Sunday Feb 21 for two games beginning @ 1 PM, since the Bosom Buddies women's tournament will be going on at Liberty Field. Paul offered to provide club assistance with him at the field that day.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50. Chuck moved/Gale 2nd.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie McGlynn, Secy.

Next club meeting: March 1, 2010 at 8 AM at Bell Bowling Lanes Team Room.