

MINUTES OF THE SUN CITY SENIOR SOFTBALL CLUB  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MARCH 1, 2010

The meeting was called to order by President Linda Graham at 11:10 at the Sun Bowl field. Other Board members present were Dave Bergman, Dennis Hagerty, Julie McGlynn, Paul Moye, Gale Rector, Chuck Wittreich and Ken Doyle, acting treasurer. There were 28 additional Club members present.

MINUTES: Chuck moved/Dennis 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve as written. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ken presented the February financial reports showing the club in good standing. There are currently 119 paid members.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Field Maintenance: Dave and two others went to Pebble Creek to look at their batter's box mat which has a painted home plate. During discussion, many agreed they preferred a hard plate either for the sound or the bounce of the ball. The plate can be installed on top of the mat. No action taken.

Sponsors: Reategui team shirts have been received.

Nomination: Gale and Dave (American) and Chuck (National) will solicit three (3) nominees from each league.

DISCUSSION and suggestions regarding player placement:

Email from Bob Peck, SCW president. New members were not being accepted since there were no team openings.

We need to work with the American and National Committees to get players placed on teams. It was questioned why the American limited their rosters to only 11 players (managers' decision, 7-4) & 13 teams.

Saturn had offered to carry a 13 person roster but the National Committee stated their guideline is 12 per team.

Divide American into two leagues (1&2s, and 3&4s) and move some National players to American.

Add another game day.

OLD BUSINESS

Bleacher renovation is complete.

Sun City Foundation fundraiser not possible at this time as the calendar is full.

Medical IDs for shoes - Julie passed a sample ID around and provided information about it and several members expressed interest in purchasing them for \$10.

NEW BUSINESS

The annual request for an exemption to allow advertising banners on the outfield fences was approved and Linda will send it to RCSC. (Julie moved/Chuck 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Members were invited to stay after the meeting and receive instruction on the use of the P.A. system .

OTHER

Safety: Bob Straub ((SCW) was asked to present an overview of safety issues, such as requiring pitchers to wear masks or use protective screens. He read a portion of an article which stated that safety can't be regulated and players must assume personal responsibility. The focus should be on risk management with suggested options rather than rules.

Paul Moye asked and was advised there would be no penalty against a player who leaves the playing field/game due to feeling unsafe.

New Player: Fred Cooley was welcomed to the club.

Tait Douglas asked if the club was losing members, but the number of players (119) is about average.

Carl Johnson expressed a safety concern about younger people playing and questioned if we could limit the league by age. Under current RCSC rules and regulations a valid Sun City recreation card allows anyone to join the club.

The question was raised: How many players under 55 are in the American league. Probably 1 male & 2 female.

The Friday Fun league has had trouble getting going for various reasons, and after further planning it will be tried again in the Fall. However, the field is still available for open practice.

Gale Rector asked about getting misters for the field; several felt they are troublesome.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 (Ken/Paul 2<sup>nd</sup>)

Julie McGlynn