

## SUN CITY SENIOR SOFTBALL CLUB

February 4, 2013

**CALL TO ORDER** - 1:00 at Fairway Recreation Center by President Jim Keinath

**ROLL CALL** – Arnie Kvarnberg, Orie McDonald, Brett Frey, Joe Emmons, Ben Zeppa, Julie McGlynn, Chuck Wittreich.

**GUESTS** – Dave Bergmann, John Kaus, Larry & Camilla Kuberka, Will Monks, Jim Smith.

**SPECIAL:** Larry Kuberka

Larry presented an overview of the difference between how the Sun City club functioned under the umbrella of the Sun Cities Softball League vs. the current setup. He expressed several concerns:

1. That the members of the American and National Committees are not appointed by the Club Boards and seem to make all decisions regarding the Leagues without Board consideration.
2. That the membership should have input and advisement regarding rule changes.
3. That the weather-related cancellation of games during the Desert Classic tournament should have followed the National Rules.

Discussion:

1. Joe advised the Board that the NL committee works with managers who recommend changes, the committee makes a decision and reports at the next managers' meeting. It was decided that the Board should also be advised and the specific changes posted at the field for members to read. Jim will talk to Bob Dobbins at SCW.
2. If players have suggestions, they should tell their manager, who should relay it to the committee.
3. A Tournament Director runs a tournament and makes decisions based on whatever circumstances arise.

**MINUTES** – The January minutes, approved electronically, had a correction and were approved as corrected.

**FINANCIAL REPORT** – Orie

Chuck moved/Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> to pay current bills. Carried

Financial Report approved as presented. (Report is available from Orie McDonald, Treasurer.)

Dues renewals – 19 unpaid; some not here, no longer playing or have withdrawn due to jobs or medical reasons.

Current membership: 139

**AMERICAN LEAGUE REPORT** – Orie

There are 14 teams; 2 on the placement list.

**NATIONAL LEAGUE REPORT** – Joe

All 18 teams are full. New players keep showing up at the Green Team and will go on the placement list. Julie felt the players/uniforms are looking sloppy and many are not wearing league issued hats, shorts and pants. It's the manager's responsibility to address this issue.

**FIELD REPORT** – Arnie

Three bids were received for field renovations and a contractor has been selected. Mr. Wellman indicated they would like possession of the field April 1. Sun City field use ends April 11. Arnie will see

if they will allow this or compromise to 2<sup>nd</sup> week of April. The Coed league ends March 25 so Liberty Field will be open two Mondays for use by the AL and NL. Jim will check with Bob Dobbins.

There are two “new” folding chairs. Arnie will check with RCSC about more chairs.

The Hot Flashes women’s team will practice at the Sun Bowl field on alternate Friday afternoons when the NL is playing in SCW.

#### **GREEN TEAM – Ben**

The Green Team books will be put on disc for ease in printing additional copies.

Joe reported that today there were seven new players and two released for placement.

#### **PLANNING PUBLICITY & HOSPITALITY – Julie**

Food Bank – February is Peanut Butter & Jelly donations.

About 40 brochures have been picked up at the Visitors Center in the last 2 months. A league player is volunteering there and steering prospective ballplayers to the Green Team.

SC Member Orientation – Weds 2/6, 9-11 and 7-9. The club will have a table set up there.

#### **SPONSORS – Ben**

Ben and his wife ate at Brenda’s Café and he wrote an article for the newsletter about it. He plans to do other sponsor visits and articles. He also met with Len Wicketts to discuss his responsibilities.

#### **UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT – Chuck reported the inventory is o.k.**

#### **IT – Joe**

The committee met in January. The Board agreed that we want to keep the block of space on the website for Sun City ads. An email will be sent out to Sun City members looking for an Advertising Sales Coordinator to set up a program.

#### **OLD BUSINESS -**

Banners – Brett requested that all info be referred to him to keep track. Benny’s Burgers is the newest banner.

Banquet: This year there will be a Hawaiian theme and everyone is encouraged to wear Aloha attire. Dawn requested up to \$200 to cover the cost of decorations. Julie moved/Arnie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried. Each meal will cost \$18.25. Chuck moved/Joe 2<sup>nd</sup> to raise the ticket price to \$15. Carried.

Sound System and Announcers: The system is still slated to be installed soon.

Special Events - Jim would like to schedule one each month. Jim’s idea: wood bat day. Julie: glo-ball games. Chuck: “Welcome back” games in the fall.

Orie, Brett & Ben: 16” ball game. This option was chosen for 3/23. Ben will research it.

Green Team Bats (2): The Sun City West club board was to address it this morning.

Club Hats: Ray Keller got a price of \$12; sell for \$15. Chuck moved/Julie 2<sup>nd</sup> to order them if the minimum is 50 or less. Carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2014 Women’s softball tournament: University of Washington rep contacted Arnie about a three day tourney at the field in February 2014. A proposal will be needed for both the University and the RCSC

Board. A volunteer committee will meet tomorrow 2/5 at 7:30 at Bell Rec Center meeting room to discuss a plan of action.

2014 meeting dates & times: First Monday, January-April and Oct – Dec. @ 1 PM. It was requested to move the meeting to a more central location. Jim will reserve a meeting room at Sundial Rec. Ctr. Two General Membership meetings: November & March; time and place TBA.

RCSC Budget Request meeting: Feb. 25 at the field.

**ADJOURNMENT** – The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie McGlynn, Secretary

**2/5/13 - Meeting reconvened at 7:30 PM at Bell Recreation Center**

Two items were overlooked at the meeting on 2/4 so were addressed prior to the meeting called for the women's collegiate softball games.

**Roll call:** Jim Keinath, Arnie Kvarnberg, Joe Emmons, Julie McGlynn. (Ben Zeppa was bowling and gave his approval for item 1.)

1. Rules & Regulations: This document was approved at the last club meeting, but the existing "Club Code of Conduct" was then added under Safety & Discipline. Approved. It was previously approved electronically by Ben Zeppa, Chuck Wittreich and Ori McDonald. It will be presented for approval at the General Membership meeting, March 4.
2. The 2012 Audit was presented and placed into the records. There was one error in reporting showing a donation as a debit instead of a credit; Ori was advised and it was corrected.

**Adjournment at 7:45**

Respectfully submitted,

Julie McGlynn, Secretary

**March 4, 2013 - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING @ 2 PM, TALISMAN HALL**