

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015 @LECTURE HALL RH JOHNSON @ 6:30pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: President Gordy Kinkead, VP Les Olerich,
Secretary Barb Waddell, Treas. Pat Regan, At Large member Marcel Mantha
CFO Lyle Bakken

Absent: Jim Wille (family)

Members Present including Board Members = 116

- Call to order by President Kinkead @ 6:30PM
- Treasurer's/CFO report-----Lyle Bakken

Harris Bank	\$81,019.14
Harris Bank M/M	\$57,208.40
Rec. Center Account	\$25,125.77

TOTAL	\$163,353.31
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Current Paid Membership 2015-----357 Billboards 17

- Field Maintenance-----Ken Skinner
 - A. Batting Practice for Fall @ Bi- Centennial Field \$12 - \$15/hour
Or Asante Park @ 16763 W. Verada Solana Dr. Surprise, AZ 8537
Price to be obtained for comparison (address also listed as 23475 N. 167th Lane).
Field condition, Running water and available restrooms are a factor in selecting the
facility which we will use for practice while are field is shut down.
 - B. Palm Desert here April 11, 2015
25th Anniversary SIDEWINDERS---April 12, 2015
 - C. Clubhouse has been rekeyed and only 8 keys have been issued for security reasons.
 - D. Closet upstairs in the Clubhouse has been extended for more storage.
 - E. Downstairs of Liberty Field Clubhouse is being remodeled and work has begun.
 - F. Batting screen is in place and good condition.
 - G. New seats in bleachers have been installed.

- H. Thanks to many who have helped with maintenance at the field. Special thanks to the following Mel Bentley, Gary Beymer, Jerry Bianchi, Tim Cowell, Gary Craig, Ken Fecko, Bob Healey, Dennis Horvath, Gordy Kinkead, John McFarland, Ernie Miller, Roger Pribnow, Ron Power, Lloyd Styrowoll, Dave Toepel and Jim Wille
- I. Computer has been placed in the downstairs clubhouse which will be used for signing up for various events by our members. Dennis Horvath, Asst. Field Manager has been given access to the data and information for that computer in the event Ken Skinner, Field Manager is not available. Tim Colwell has established the server.
- J. The 10th Anniversary of CARDIAC KIDS Tournament will be held February, 2016. Skinner has set a goal of raising \$10,000 for this event. Volunteers will be needed, give your names to Ken Skinner.
- K. Turf has been repaired. Mowers will begin mowing 3x per week at the end of this current session.
- L. Remodel of Bleacher/food area of Liberty Field remains on hold via the Recreation Department.

- SPONSORS-----Ron Eppley

His committee of Pat Regan and Jim Wille **STILL are in need of volunteers.**

- SPECIAL EVENTS-----Nancy Dobbins

A. Tin Cup.....Thanks to all who helped to make this event a success.

B. Happy Camp-----Carol Bowden reported a success and that the Recreation Center was pleased with this first time event.

C. President Kinkead congratulated Events Coordinator Nancy Dobbins on an EXCELLENT job. The resignation of Nancy from this position was accepted and anyone interested should let President Kinkead know, in writing, of your interest in serving as the Events Coordinator for next year.

- Motion was made by Ed Eckart for the club to purchase a new pitching screen and it was seconded by Art Nelson.
Vote passed.

- Motion by Dick Lemoine that a Green Team Representative be present at Managers Meeting of each league that conducts a draft to answer questions re: players. Motion seconded by TR Mickelson. After discussion 2 recommendations were approved:
 - A. Each manager should have copies of the Rating sheets with additional information re: age, phone number, position of choice and information re: player's ability.
 - B. Week before Draft new players should be brought together for a practice by the Green Team Committee with each Manager notified and given the opportunity to "scout" at this practice.Vote Passed via Voice Vote
- Rich McAndrews was asked to allow Les Olerich, Board Member, to make a presentation re: Change in By-laws. Rich conceded his position and spoke later. Olerich's suggestions did not receive a motion after his presentation.
- Motion to reinstate the American League SCW Committee Reps to the status it was prior to February 3, 2015 was made by Rich McAndrews and seconded by Mike Rigsby. Vote passed.
- TR Mickelson made motion that all Sun Cities (SCW and SC) softball members be allowed to choose the league in which he/she wanted to play in subject to the draft and it was seconded by Ken Skinner. Vote Defeated via Voice Vote.
- TR Mickelson made motion that an Independent Rating Committee be established that is separate from the Rating Committee and it was seconded by Carol Bowden. Vote defeated via Voice vote.
- Motion by Tim Colwell re: By-Law Changes was withdrawn after discussion and explanation of the process required changing by-laws. The Board is to proceed with amending By-Laws to elect League Committees within each league and their terms of service. Changing of By-laws has a process which must be followed and cannot be done at this meeting. Tim issued, to each Board Member, a proposal that a group of the softball membership had prepared. They would like for the Board to consider their recommendations as the By-Laws change process is done.
- Discuss started re: Husband/wife being "Grandfathered" into current leagues with all future couples being placed by individual rating. This decision is pending.

- Larry Reed made motion that “Bubble Players” will have the option to be placed in the Draft for the league of their choice and seconded by Nancy Dobbins.

Explanation of Bubble Players:

- A. The bottom 10 rated players AL would be given the option to have his/her name placed into the CL draft or remain in the AL draft. If he/she was not drafted in the AL he/she then has the option of remaining on the Substitute/Placement list for AL or going to the CL.
- B. The top 10 rated players CL would be given the option to have his/her name placed into the AL Draft or to remain in the CL Draft. If he/she was not drafted in the AL he/she then has the option of remaining on the Substitute/Placement list for the AL or going to the CL .
- C. The bottom 10 rated players of the CL would be given the option to have his/her name placed in the NL draft or remain in the CL draft. If he/she was not drafted into the CL he/she then has the option of remaining on the Substitute/Placement list for the CL or going to the NL pool placement.
- D. The top 10 rated players NL would be given the option to have his/her name placed into the CL Draft or to remain in the NL pool placement. If he/she was not drafted into the CL he/she then has the option of remaining on the Substitute/Placement list for the CL or going into NL pool placement.

****Note**

Currently the AL and CL place players by Draft; the NL players are assigned teams by committee.

- Marcel Mantha made motion for adjournment and it was seconded by Turk White.

Submitted by,

Barb Waddell,
Secretary