

**Sun City West Softball Club
Board Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Art Nelson at Beardsley Center Room 5 called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Art Nelson, Mike Hester, Carol Bowden, Jan Strock, Rich Wells, Rich McAndrews and Bruce Brady.

GUESTS PRESENT;

George Karras, Jim Reimold, Ray Early, Larry Bond, Dennis Farrar, Bob Dobbins, Lyle Bakken, Ken Skinner, Herb Clark.

DECEMBER MINUTES APPROVED:

Art Nelson made a motion to waive a reading of the minutes and approved; seconded by Mike Hester.

TREASURERS REPORT;

Treasurer Rich Wells submitted a banking summary which states the following:

CREDIT UNION BALANCE	01/04/08	\$ 25,362.83
CLUB BALANCE	01/04/08	\$ 1,489.32
REC CENTER BALANCE	12/31/07	\$ 34,412.82
TOTAL		\$ 61,264.97

Lyle Bakken stated before the Board that items approved by the Rec Board for purchase will be paid for by the Rec Center and that lesser items will be paid for from Credit Union Funds. Ray Early asked how orders are made for the Pop Machine and it was explained that we make the orders from Pepsi Cola ourselves. It was further noted that the four year contract with Pepsi Cola has expired and that other vendors are now eligible to service the machine.

A motion was made by Rich McAndrews to accept the treasurers report; seconded by Art Nelson.

Mike Hester made a motion that Lyle Bakken be retained as our league bookkeeper and be compensated for the amount of \$ 100.00 a month; seconded by Rich Wells and approved by a unanimous vote.

CORRESPONDENCE;

Art Nelson states the a school fund raising program entitled “Pennies For Peace” would like to have a softball game fund raiser involving teachers and students. A question of a liability waiver was raised and Mike Hester stated that he would follow up on that question. The proposed date for the event is March 22, 08.

COMMITTEE REPORT: George Karras

1. Patio site on the Third Base side of the field is complete and do we want to have a covering canopy, which will be paid for by the Rec Center.
2. George request approval for the purchase of two (2) six foot metal picnic tables for the patio site. It was suggested that the Metal Club be contacted for input.
3. New bases for the field were requested and subsequently approved by the board.
4. The Bar BQ island project plan is not near completion.
5. Pitchers Rubbers and Plates for warm up will be installed on both 3rd base and 1st base sides of the field.
6. Electrical work for the new picnic area has not been decided upon. A bona-fide licensed company rather than any skilled club members must do the installation work. The club will absorb the cost of the electrical installation.
7. A decision as to the installation of a new flagpole is still ongoing with the Rec Center.

SPECIAL EVENTS;

1. Fun Day which was held on Dec 20th by both the American and National Leagues at Sun City and Sun City West was a huge success raising \$100.00 for Angels In The Outfield.
2. Ken Skinner states that no date has been set for the Palm Desert Tournament and that other outside teams may be interested in coming to the tournament.
3. Herb Clark proposes that there be the creation of a Sunday Vintage Softball League consisting of two teams with a minimum of two women on each team. Herb states that this proposal would involve other communities and that he has had very good feedback in the last Vintage Softball effort. It was further proposed that an article on Vintage Softball in the Newsletter would help.
4. Herb went on to address the board and guests on his proposal for the creation of a new Major League for younger and more skilled players.
5. Cardiac Kids- The board was informed that Bill Bromley is ready to go forward with his project with four teams scheduled for Feb.2nd at 9:00a.m.
6. Bosom Buddies- The board was informed that Loren Swanson has seven (7) teams possibly 8 for the Bosom Buddies Tournament.
7. Tin Cup – Larry Bond: Larry told the board that the Tin Cup is looking for a new work project and it was proposed that working for the purchase of a new scoreboard for Sun City West would be a consideration. Larry suggested that should Sun City West be successful in getting a new board that the old board (4 yrs.) could be sold to Sun City if they’re interested or perhaps to any other interested party. It was suggested by the board this matter should be discussed at a General Meeting. Larry stated that he would meet with the Sun City Board to see if they are interested in his proposal. Larry closed stating that the “Day In The Park” program will be held at the Liberty Field on March 15th from 10a.m.- 2p.m.
8. League Banquet: Sun City West at the Palm Ridge Rec. Center will host this year’s League Banquet and the meals will be catered.

Note: a Hall Of Fame Meeting will be held in February to select Hall Of Fame Nominees.

UNIFORM/EQUIPMENT;(Ray Early)

Ray Early discussed how jersey replacement normally comes about every four years. The issue of uniforms expense came up and it was stated by Ray Early that the sox that we currently wear are expensive. Further discussion was had as to whether or not we should continue with the current sock or discontinue their use .It was felt that this matter should be discussed at the next General meeting.

LADIES' UNIFORMS;

Discussion was had on whether one of the ladies' teams i.e. The Hot Flashes who changed their team name to the Flames should be responsible for the purchasing of new jerseys with a new sponsor. It was stated by Dennis Farrar that there are no clear guide lines as to what the status of the women's league is as it relates to the Sun City West Club. Therefore a motion was made and passed that the costs of THIS change over will be paid by the club, but that specific guidelines must be established involving the woman's league. Rich McAndrews and Carol Bowden will work together to create appropriate guidelines.

BILLBOARDS AND SPONSORSHIP

There was discussion on conflicts between billboard sponsors and whether exclusivity should be appropriate where two or more sponsors of a like type of business operation wish to advertise their business through billboard advertising. Carol Bowden will meet with the sponsors to resolve this matter.

TEAM SPONSORS:

Carol Bowden states that we need three more sponsors

MEMBERSHIP AND UMPIRES –Ken Skinner

Ken states that we currently have 310 paid members. Ken goes on to say that umpiring training is held every Monday at 4p.m. at Liberty Field but that response has not been good. Ken wanted it to be on the record that he objects to the 7th (last) game of the day because of the late day sun, which can be hazardous to the players. One alternative to eliminate the 7th game is the creation of two (2) bye games.

The issues of the Women's League will be passed to the next meeting .

Art Nelson made a motion that this meeting be adjourned; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Secretary Jan Strock

Next Scheduled Meeting February 4, 2008

**Sun City West Softball Club
Board Meeting
February 4, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Art Nelson at the Beardsley Recreational Center called the meeting to order.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Art Nelson, Mike Hester, Carol Bowden, Jan Strock, Rich McAndrews, Rich Wells and Bruce Brady.

GUESTS: Peter Folch, Max Mohr, Fred Martin, Lyle Brakken, Laurel Andrew and Larry Bond.

TREASURERS REPORT: - Rich Wells

Rich Wells provided the following data as to the club's current financial status;

CREDIT UNION BALANCE	\$25,195.14
CLUB BALANCE	5,375.73
REC CENTER BALANCE	<u>54,662.82</u>
TOTAL	\$85,233.69

MINUTES:

A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the last board meeting minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Fred Martin addressed the board, indicating that he would like to see a change in the scheduling of softball games, to accommodate the growth of the league. Mike Hester stated that there are also others who share his concern and that there are several proposed changes being discussed; and that this matter has to be taken up by the League.

TIN CUP: - Larry Bond

Larry spoke of the Tin Cup and its projects, specifically the scoreboard and its status with the Rec Board. Art Nelson stated that the League Board would now handle the scoreboard. Larry went on to emphasize the importance of supporting "Day In The Park" scheduled for March 15th and gave a general background of preparations for the upcoming Tin Cup Tournament in April. The question was raised regarding whether or not an attendee could BYOB to the dinner, and that was answered with a **No!** Larry also told the board that applications would not be accepted two weeks prior to the event; and that the maximum number of applications that would be accepted would be 144, of which 40 spots would be reserved for the sponsors.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE: - Laurel Andrew

Laurel proposed that a committee be formed to represent the Women's League of 31 members. President Nelson stated that this issue would be reviewed by the board for consideration. Rich McAndrews discussed the issue of initiation fees, and he stated that the \$50.00 fee is an initiation fee only, but if the individual plays in the Tuesday/Thursday League, that fee would be applied towards uniforms. It was further stated that outside sponsors for the women's league pay a one-time fee and there are special circumstances where that could be waived, as in the case of Dave Troeber and Norm Breuning.

FIELD MAINTENANCE:

1. Scoreboard - A committee of the whole will be formed by the board members to see and evaluate new scoreboards.
2. Misters - Bruce Brady will gather info and quotes for the next General Meeting in November.
3. Barbeque - The Fire Marshall will be contacted regarding placement of the grill.
4. Patio, 3rd base side - A motion was made by Bruce Brady and seconded by Rich Wells to proceed with the project; Motion carried.
5. Flagpole - Mike Hester is still working on this project as to its configuration and design. He will further check with the VFW, but this matter is still ongoing.

NEW BUSINESS:

A request was made by Larry Ott that would allow him to place advertising on the backs of the bleacher seats. The board denied this request.

Pennies For Peace, a fund-raising project by local schools was discussed. The goal of this project is to raise funds for needy causes through a tournament. The proceeds from this tournament will go to Pennies For Peace.

Art Nelson proposed that the board consider the purchase of two Beverage Carts @ \$199.00 each at Costco. The board felt that this matter should be held off for now.

The board discussed the issue of socks and the enforcement of uniform rules. This issue, although not resolved, was left to the managers and umpires to handle.

LEAGUE BOARD: Mike Hester

Two new members were added to the board. Rich Wells and Rich McAndrews were added and will help oversee the summertime business.

Meeting was adjourned. The next Board meeting will be Monday, March 3.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock, Secretary

**SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
BOARD MEETING
MARCH 3, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Art Nelson, Rich Wells, Jan Strock, Mike Hester, Bruce Brady and Rich McAndrews.

Guests; George Karras, Laurel Andrew, Herb Clark, Bob Dobbins, Dick Lemoine, Larry Bond.

Treasurers Report; Rich Wells

Credit Union Balance	\$ 31,451.92
Club Balance	\$ 2,999.43
Rec Center Balance	\$48,287.82
Total	\$82,739,17

Minutes:

A motion was made and seconded to waive the reading of the minutes of the last board meeting.

Correspondence: A correspondence was received from Ray Murphy requesting that two more teams be accepted into the Friday Co-ed League. The board accepted the matter unanimously.

Committee Report:

Laurel Andrew raised the issue of the \$ 50.00 initiation fee and it's applicability. Herb Clark stated that he felt that new women in players, particularly inexperienced players would be better served by paying the \$25.00 only until they felt they wanted to commit to the full club status. A grace status of one month was proposed with three in favor (Wells,Brady,McAndrews) with two opposing (Strock, Hester) in favor of a longer status. The one-month status carried. However, the issue of guidelines and rules for the women was held to not be a board matter.

Field Maintenance: George Karras

- 1 The patio on the third base side and warm up area are currently in progress.
- 2 A plan for parking golf carts is also in progress.
- 3 Bulletin Board will be relocated.
- 4 Bar BQ Island is in progress.
- 5 Misters for the bleachers will be discussed at the next General Meeting.
- 6 Aluminum cans accumulated at field activities will be donated to Sun City.

Special Events;

- 1 Palm Desert Tournament- Palm Desert will have two teams of the 60's and 70's age bracket sometime in April.
- 2 Day In The Park- Larry Bond addressed the board indicating that we could have as many as two thousand attendees and that we need more workers to help in the day's projects. Also, club members are asked to wear their team jerseys to support the sponsors. It was suggested that those club/team members attending park their vehicles near the Workshop/Stardust Theatre parking area to help eliminate congestion.
- 3 Larry Bond discussed with the board that any future Tin Cup projects should be brought before the board to help eliminate obstacles from other areas. Overall, the Tin Cup is progressing well.
- 4 Art Nelson asked that club members be encouraged to attend and that he would personally meet with each team to promote the banquet as well as A Day At The Park.
- 5 Herb Clark spoke to the Vintage Baseball program and that there is a growing interest in the program by members.
- 6 The Spring Fling was discussed and it was felt that in the future, a coordination of schedules should be considered.

The Newsletter was again briefly discussed and again it was said that there would be no business advertising in the newsletter.

Old Business;

Dick Lemoine stated that banners generated more revenue than bulletin boards and encouraged club members to assist in their sales.

Mike Hester indicated that new league jackets are to soon be in the offering.

New Business;

Art Nelson stated that a nomination committee will be formed to replace the two outgoing officers.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The next scheduled meeting will be held April 7th.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock, Secretary

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
BOARD MEETING
APRIL 7, 2008

CALL TO ORDER;

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT; Art Nelson, Jan Strock, Rich McAndrews, Mike Hester, Rich Wells, Bruce Brady, Carol Bowden.

GUESTS; George Karras, Lyle Brakken, Dennis Farrar.

MINUTES; Jan Strock Minutes were read and approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT; Rich Wells and Lyle Brakken. Lyle Brakken reviewed the "Day In The Park," as well as the "Tin Cup" expenses and reviewed the expense report and the banking summary. A motion was made by Mike Hester and seconded by Carol Bowden that the report be accepted as read.

CREDIT UNION BALANCE	\$27,811.97
CLUB BALANCE	\$ 225.19
REC CENTER BALANCE	<u>\$37,817.25</u>
TOTAL	\$65, 854.41

Lyle Brakken stated that the Wells Fargo account, which has been handling the Tin Cup, has not been particularly helpful to our needs; and he suggests that we close this account and reopen it with M&I. A motion to make this transition was made by Rich McAndrews and seconded by Rich Wells. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE; Mike Hester

Reseeding of Sun City field is set for September 22nd and will be ready by October 22nd. Liberty Field will be closed September 25th and open for play October 14th.

SPRING FLING; Rich McAndrews

Three correspondences were received from National League players who weren't pleased with the makeup of the teams. It is felt that there was a sign-up problem, and that Ken Skinner would be contacted for future coordination's.

COMMITTEE REPORT; Mike Hester

Mike reported on the status of the Golf Car Parking Lot project, and the board voted to proceed with the project with a letter to the builder to proceed.

SCOREBOARD; Art Nelson

A letter was being sent to DAC- TRONICS that the Sun City West Softball Club was not going to proceed with the project in that the project was not cost effective. Lyle Brakken asked if there was or had to be a long-term project on hand in order to safeguard excess funds, and it was explained by Art Nelson that the installation of stadium seats is still on file with the Rec Center as our long-term project.

FLAG POLE: Mike Hester

Mike had some figures regarding a three masted pole. However, more information on the design and placement was needed and would be reviewed. Project is still ongoing.

BARBEQUE GRILL: George Karras

George discussed that the project is ongoing and that an electrical feasibility review is planned. George also stated that an 8-ft. bulletin board had been delivered. George stated that the bleacher chairs are loose and cracking, due to viewers using them as foot

rests; and it was suggested that signs be posted. George went on to describe the BarBQ Islands as being stucco with ceramic tops with **one having a refrigerator and grill**. One is to be placed on the 3rd base side, as well as one on the 1st base side, **with total costs being \$4,127**. A motion was made by Carol Bowden to proceed with this project and was seconded by Rich Wells. All members, with the exception of Bruce Brady, voted in favor of the motion.

NEW BUSINESS; Mike Hester

Mike has taken over as the acting president of the League Board with the resignation of Chuck Holt. Mike states that the results of the poll regarding scheduling and new league has not been completed by the League Board. The next League Board meeting will be at the Riverview Golf Course on April 16th at 8am. Discussion was had as to whether a camera should be purchased for club activities, and the board thought this was not a good idea.

CLUB LIABILITY; Art Nelson

Art wanted it made perfectly clear to the membership that neither the club nor the Rec Center was liable for any damage or injury resulting from league play, and that the player involved is the responsible, much as a golfer would be in damages he may cause from his actions.

BULLETIN BOARD SIGNS: Rich Wells

Rich reports that a new bulletin board to be placed to the rear of the 3rd base bleachers would run approximately \$1,717.22. A motion was made that there be a resubmitting of cost for smaller signs. Motion approved unanimously.

PALM DESERT TOURNAMENT:

Chuck Davelis will have a 70's team and Rich McAndrews will have a 60's team. The event will include a luncheon .

LEAGUE BANQUET; Art Nelson

Art commends the turnout and the job done by all in the planning and presentation of the program. Reportedly there was a 30% increase in turnout over last year.

DAY IN THE PARK: Art Nelson

Art reports that the “Day In The Park” was a real success and that we would be locking in a date for next year’s program.

Art further states that we currently have 294 members, to include 19 new members.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. The next scheduled meeting will be held May 5, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Strock, Secretary



Board of Directors Meeting
Sept. 6, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:30am

Board members absent – Jan Strock, Mike Hestor

Guests – George Karras, Mel Scheibel, Bob Dobbins, Mike Johnson, Jim Pier, Jack Cavannaugh, Ken Skinner, Bill Bromley, Bob Wenners

Minutes from May meeting noted and accepted

Treasurer's report was noted and accepted

The passing of our dear friend & long-time club member, Paul Turley, was noted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Women's league – will begin in Nov.

2 teams will be drafted, Oct. 11 for travel & hopefully "green" teams for recreational play

Field maintenance –

1. Golf cart parking – completed & dedication to be in the fall
2. Rec. centers now raking the field, but need to adjust watering schedule
3. ***** FIELD CLOSED – 9/22 TO 10/13 *****
4. Practice @ Bicentennial field 9/23 – 10/9 10am – noon
5. Looking into a pavilion area near golf cart parking w/ picnic tables, shade
6. Pressure washer to be purchased (motion by Rich McAndrew, 2nd by Tex Wells)
7. An awning will be put over the bulletin board shelf and drawers underneath. (motion made by Rich McAndrews, 2nd by Tex Wells)
8. Plaques will be purchased for the dedication of the golf cart area & Liberty Field. (motion made by Rich McAndrews, 2nd by Carol Bowden)
9. Electrical boxes are in, but not hooked up
10. Angels in Outfield area continues to be improved
11. Additional bids will be secured for misting system

Special Events –

1. Softball players vs. pickleball players on Nov. 16. 2 games (noon & 1:15) w/ picnic
2. Dick Lemoine has arranged for Lexus to have a game on Dec. 7
3. Jim Pier from Alzheimer's support group informed the club of a "memory walk" in Beardsley park, Oct. 18
4. Cardiac Kids – Feb. 7
5. At Palm Desert – Nov. 8 (Ken Skinner)
6. Welcome back day w/ hot dogs –
7. American league Oct. 28
8. National league Oct. 30

Uniforms –

1. 6 new sets ready for the fall
2. Old uniforms will be donated to military per Mike Hestor

Billboards/Sponsors –

1. Loss of 3 team sponsors – Gonstead, Brenda's Kitchen, Florencia's
2. New sponsors to be called upon pending how many teams will be needed 1st session

Umpires – Fall class to begin Oct. 14 3pm @ field

Miscellaneous –

Bob Dobbins reported that games w/ Festival have been successful. Investigating on continuing on Mon./Wed. in the fall. Art Nelson to inquire w/ rec. centers about co-mingling w/ Festival.

Friday league begins 10/31

Sat. Summer play w/ Grand was successful

Charter clubs meeting Oct. 1 & 2

Respectfully submitted,
Carol Bowden



BOARD MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2008

CALL TO ORDER:

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT; Art Nelson, Mike Hester, Rich Wells, Bruce Brady, Rich McAndrews and Jan Strock.

GUESTS; George Karras, Herb Clark, Bob Dobbins, Lyle Brakken, Ken Skinner and Ray Early.

MINUTES; A motion was made to amend last months minutes relative to Special Events per Carol Bowden. The motion to approve as corrected was carried and minutes approved.

TREASURERS REPORT; Lyle Brakken

CREDIT UNION BALANCE	\$24,954.28
M.&I. BANK BALANCE	\$ 1,610.83
REC. CENTER BALANCE	\$25,168.77
TOTAL	\$ 51,733.88

SST Exterminators has gone out of business but will keep billboard up temporarily. A motion to accept by Mike Hester and seconded by McAndrews; passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORT;

Herb Clark spoke on the Vintage Baseball program and requested that the SCW Softball Club donate \$500 to the program to help him in necessary operational expenses. Mike Hester made a motion to the assistance, seconded by Wells. Motion passed.

Ray Early discussed the currently used softball and recommended the TRUMP--STOTE ball because of its lasting power and use. The matter was discussed and forwarded to the League Board for their review. Ray Early went on to discuss the new jerseys and stated that they have a tendency to snag. Ray will contact the manufacturer.

Women's League: Laura Andrew not present. However, a request was made to the club to assist in the purchase of hotdogs for the November 8th tournament. The issue was put to the vote, and all voted in favor, with Bruce Brady voting against.

FIELD MAINTENANCE; George Karras

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- A. Golf Car Parking complete
- B. Plaque for the 9/11 memorial tree was approved
- C. Ramada Proposal – The ramada requires either a 36” fence or landscaping, which should be paid for by the Rec Center. A motion was made and approved to proceed with the project.
- D. Miscellaneous -- electrical systems still in progress as well as awnings over the bulletin board. The misters are still under study, while there is no update on the sound system.

SPECIAL EVENTS; Ken Skinner

Ken discussed the Palm Desert Tournament and future plans. There will be an April sign-up for this tournament, and managers will ask American League players. The player selection will be based on those who played last, having priority to play.

Cardiac Kids' Tournament scheduled for Feb. 7th
Bosom Buddies' Tournament scheduled for Feb. 14th & 15th.

NEW BUSINESS; A lengthy discussion was had relative to a central data bank and information to be provided; and it was felt that the data bank was entitled to relevant information only on the player. However, rec numbers would not be a item to be furnished. The vote on this was unanimous.

Mike Hester spoke on the current status of the flagpoles and stated that two (2) thirty-foot poles will run \$4995. This matter will be brought before and discussed at the General Meeting.

Art Nelson indicated that the future of upcoming Tin Cup Tournaments is unknown. Also the Lexus Tournament is scheduled for Dec.7th. Art further stated that Sun City will be selling billboard advertising. A meeting discussion was had in which matters of summer league lack of guidelines was discussed.

MEMBERSHIP; American League – 154
National League – 128
Women’s League - 31

Total Paid Members 313

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

There have been four (4) members who have expressed an interest: Chuck Hendrick, Joe Muldoon, Joe Oliver and Bob Williams.

Art Nelson closed the meeting by indicating that the Rec Board would like our assistance with an upcoming pancake breakfast they will be hosting and would appreciate membership assistance.

A motion was made to adjourn and passed with the next meeting set for November 3rd.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock, Secretary



BOARD MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 3, 2008

CALL TO ORDER; Art Nelson

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT; Art Nelson, Richard Wells, Rich McAndrews, Mike Hester, Jan Strock, Bruce Brady and Carol Bowden.

GUESTS PRESENT; George Karras, Laurel Andrews, Lyle Bakken, Ray Early, Bob Dobbins, Dennis Farrar and Ken Skinner.

A motion was made to waive the reading of the October minutes seconded and approved.

TREASURERS REPORT; Lyle Bakken and Rich Wells.

Credit Union Balance	\$24,759.28
Rec. Center Balance	\$24,543.77
Checking Account	\$150.26
Total	\$49, 453.31

Lyle Bakken stated that all billings for the year have been sent out but that additional billings of \$2098.00 will be sent out later in the upcoming year. A motion to accept the report was made by Wells and seconded by Bowden. Art Nelson made a motion that a running amount of \$100.00 be available for the field maintenance and equipment personnel retroactive to November 1st.for general expenses. The motion was carried unanimously

COMMITTEE REPORTS;

Laurel Andrews stated that draft for the women's league has been complete and that the league will begin November 15th.

Field Maintenance – George Karras

1. Plaques will be mounted
2. Flagpoles to be discussed at the upcoming League Meeting.
3. Ramada has been approved by the governing board as well as a surrounding 36" fence.
4. Awnings will be installed covering billboards.

Art Nelson proposed that the new plaza area be designated "Dick Lemoine Plaza" in recognition for all the work that Dick has done for this project. A discussion was had and Bruce Brady made a motion that this proposal be accepted; seconded by Rich Wells and the proposal were approved unanimously.

5. Electrical installation is still in process.

6. Misters; we have had three bids for mister installation. Tom Tutera of PSI- Mist Air attended the meeting and discussed his bid of \$8723.00, which would include misters for both dugouts; Bleachers and the concession stand area. His bid is the lowest at this time.

6. Field Conditions: George Karras explained that the infield is still in the process of curing and that along with less spiking will lead to a more solid consistency of the soil.

7. Fence Bunting: George Karras asked the board to purchase new fence bunting similar to that used at the Vintage Tournament, which is in effect a red, white and blue banner, which is installed in the outfield and adds to the décor of the field. The cost of the buntings would be \$12.00 per flag with the purchase of 36 bunting flags. Motion made for the purchase and passed unanimously.

SPECIAL EVENTS; Ken Skinner

Two teams will be going to Palm Desert to participate in this annual event. However there is a problem in that there has been difficulty in getting players to go to Palm Desert. This event may have to be reviewed after the April event.

The Tin Cup event is as yet undecided. However a Day At The Park should be continued. Cardiac Kids is ready to go with 70 players and four (4) teams to be played on Feb. 7th. The Bosom Buddies is scheduled for Feb. 13th & 14th. The annual Spring Fling is scheduled for March 26 thru April 1st. Morgans Fun Day an end of season fun tournament will be brought before the League Board for a date and will probably be scheduled sometime in March.

UNIFORMS: Ray Early

Ray told the board that the purchase/payment of softballs is still 2/3 SCW and 1/3 SC as it has been. Also Ray stated that the type of short currently issued to women players is a problem inasmuch as the design and comfort is male designed. This matter will be further reviewed.

The matter of the uniform socks was raised and it was felt by the board that the League Board should review this matter. Bruce Brady made a motion that the SCW Board recommend the wearing of a white sock, ankle or full length, to replace the currently issued stocking and that the old type stocking be eliminated through attrition. The sock is becoming too divisive and needs to be addressed. The motion was seconded by Nelson and passed unanimously.

BILLBOARDS; Carol Bowden stated there new potential candidates added to the list. A discussion was had relative to the renewal costs of banners and whether the cost split with the Rec Center could be renegotiated to a 50/50 split. A meeting with the attorneys office will be made to discuss this matter.

OLD BUSINESS; Ballots for the upcoming office voting on the Board will be made available on game days Nov18th and 20 th and voting will take place at that time. Rich McAndrews addressed the board relative to Honorary Memberships and it was determined that that status is not valid per League By-Laws. Rich again reaffirmed the rule that anyone wishing to play softball must join the league and pay their \$75.00 with the exception of a visitor who may two practices.

Carol Bowden addressed the board and stated that The American League needs someone to take over the writing of the game day newspaper articles inasmuch as Bob Williams of the National League will soon cease doing both leagues. A lack of game day coverage will have a negative effect on the teams as well as the sponsors. Carol also asked the board to become involved in the West Side Food Bank by making available a box for food item donations.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, seconded. Meeting adjourned until next scheduled meeting December 1st.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2008

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by President Art Nelson at the Lecture Hall Johnson Recreation Center at 6:30pm.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Art Nelson, Carol Bowden, Rich McAndrews, Bruce Brady, Rich Wells and Jan Strock.

TREASURERS REPORT: A financial was made by Lyle Brakken with a general overview of our current financial matters regarding costs and expenses.

FIELD MAINTENANCE; George Karras

1. Recognition of those who help in the maintenance and upkeep of the field.
2. The golf car parking lot was a big success.
3. Ernie Miller has built a storage closet to be placed on the third base area.
4. Message Board affixed to the back of the third base stands.
5. Ramada 15x15 picnic tables will be installed as well as a special area for handicapped fans with wheel chairs.
6. The electrical system is still in process with additional outlets.
7. A protective net has been installed over the scoreboard.

A motion to accept George Karras' report was made by Ken Skinner and seconded by Fred Martin; motion passed unanimously.

FLAG POLE: A discussion was had relative to the purchasing of a new flag pole and a motion was made to quash this project and was carried unanimously.

TIN CUP: Dick Lemoine spoke to the history of the Tin Cup and its growth and whether the project should continue and whether it's goals and objectives should be reviewed.

VINTAGE BASEBALL: Herb Clark discussed the program and how well it has been accepted.

WEST SIDE FOOD BANK: Carol Bowden spoke on this 5 month long project and stated that the donation project would be as follows: December (Cereals) January (Soups) February (Vegetables) and March would be Pastas and Fruit. It was stated further that the 3rd Friday of each month would be a drop off day.

ELECTIONS for new Sun City West Board members: Nominating Committee has the following candidates scheduled for a ballot vote on November 18th and November 20th, 2008. Rich Wells will monitor an early vote for those who will be absent:
Candidates: Joe Muldoon, Joe Oliver, Bob Williams and Chuck Hendrix.

NEW BUSINESS: Art Nelson called upon the membership for a volunteer to assume the duties of an American League Reporter, and Fred Martin graciously volunteered.

Larry Kueberka spoke to the membership about a Cancer Survivor program scheduled for March 7th whereby there would be a 3 mile walk with a \$5.00 entry fee with donations going to Cancer Research. Larry also proposed a softball game where there would 50/50 raffle tickets sold with proceeds going to Cancer Research. Scottie McCleary spoke to the membership regarding racquetball and encouraged new membership.

Tom Tutera from PSI- Mist Air spoke to the membership on a proposed Mister system for the dugouts as well as the bleacher areas, and answered questions from the audience. Ken Skinner made a motion that the bid made by PSI of \$8723.00 be accepted and was seconded by Fred Martin. A vote was held and the membership voted unanimously that the bid be accepted and to proceed with the installation.

A motion was made from the floor to adjourn the meeting; seconded, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock- Secretary

**SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 2008**

CALL TO ORDER: President Art Nelson called the meeting to order.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Art Nelson, Jan Strock, Bruce Brady, Mike Hester and Rich Wells.

GUESTS PRESENT: George Karras, Joe Oliver, Lyle Bakken, Laurel Andrews, Bob Williams, Dennis Farrar, Ken Skinner, and Herb Clark.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rich Wells and Lyle Bakken provided the below financial data and Treasury overview:

CREDIT UNION BALANCE	\$ 23,627.43
CLUB BALANCE	938.37
REC CENTER BALANCE	<u>\$ 27,343.77</u>
TOTAL	\$ 51,909.57

Lyle Bakken and Art Nelson discussed the meeting with the Rec Board, in which the matter of increasing the Club's percentage per billboard from 25% to 50%. No firm decisions were made, and the matter is under negotiations with the Rec Board.

CORRESPONDENCE: Ray Murphy submitted a letter and followed up with his presence, requesting that the Friday League have a 52-week 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. field authorization. Bruce Brady made a motion to accept this proposal, and Mike Hester seconded.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE: Laurel Andrew spoke briefly on the status of the league.

FIELD MAINTENANCE: George Karras. George discussed Plaques, the new Ramada (check will be sent). Misters are in process and a CR-13 has been submitted to the Rec Center for installation. George also requested the purchasing of a new field-dragging device for the infield, which cost would amount to something over \$500. A motion to approve was made by Bruce Brady and seconded by Mike Hester. A vote showed unanimous approval.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Ken Skinner The dates for the Spring Fling are Feb. 25 –March 1. The full status of the event has not been finalized yet until final sign-ups are made, and as to whether or not to include the American League.

The Status of The Tin Cup Tournament has not yet been settled on, although a date of March 29 is being considered. There is some discussion that the event may be downsized. However, it was felt that Dick Lemoine should bring this matter before the Board before the Board approves.

The Cardiac Kids' Tournament was discussed and Bill Bromley's request that a tournament hat be produced and financed by the Club as a fund-raising device. The Board supported this proposal unanimously.

The Bosom Buddies' Tournament was discussed. However, at this point, nothing has been finalized. Herb Clark, Ken Skinner and Laura Andrew will follow up on this matter.

BILLBOARDS: A discussion was had to review the current sales fee structure. It was proposed that current billboard sponsors who have had their contracts in effect for the past three years will have their cost reduced from \$7,500 to \$5,000, and those new billboard sponsors who pay their \$7,500 in advance will experience a 10% discount for the two subsequent years. A motion to this effect was made by Rich Wells and seconded by Bruce Brady: motion passed unanimously.

MEMBERSHIP: 319 Paid Members

NEW BUSINESS: March 7 will be set-aside for cancer survivors, and a three-mile walk and softball game is in the process to promote awareness. Sun City will have a new scoreboard by the first of the year. Herb Clark spoke on the Vintage Baseball program and thanked Ken Skinner, Mike Hester and George Karras for their help in this program. A prepaid account will be set up with Basha's for the doughnuts available on game days, and which the Sun City West Softball Club pays for. Rich Wells will follow up on this matter.

A motion was made to adjourn, and the motion was passed unanimously.

The next scheduled meeting will be January 5, 2009 at Beardsley Recreation Center at 7:30am.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Strock, Secretary