SCW SOFTBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Kuentz Recreation Center – Mesa Room 01 Oct 2025

Board Members Present: Craig Brooks, Mitch Czech, Tony Perillo, Larry Reed, Eric Sorber.

President Tony Perillo called the meeting to order at 0730, a Board Quorum was established.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes: Tony asked if any changes were needed for the September 10, 2025, minutes. Seeing none, the minutes were approved.

TREASURER REPORT – Bill Steil – Ken McGraw was absent so Bill Steil, club accountant provided an update on the club's finances. Bill reported club overall balance as of 8/31/2025 is \$189,610. Bill also stated that we are awaiting \$3000 from sponsorship funds that have been submitted to the Rec Center.

Committee Reports (as requested by Board)

Marketing – Several topics were raised and discussed by Max Beckner.

Consolidated Sponsor List - We now have a complete spreadsheet with all Team and Banner sponsors that includes names, contact information and due dates. The committee is looking into standardizing the due dates for sponsorships so the start dates and collections are not spread across many months. We now have a waiting list of sponsors.

Team Sponsors – Craig Brooks is working on a proposal on how team sponsors will be handled as it has not been clearly defined. Given that the number of teams can fluctuate between seasons, we want to be sure jersey use is fair for all sponsors. Craigs proposal will address Fall, Spring, Summer and 70's leagues.

New Sponsorship Types – The board and the committee further discussed On-Deck Circle sponsorships and the committee will be providing a final recommendation to the board for approval.

Green Team – Mike Currie, GT Chair stated that he does not currently have anyone waiting to go through the GT process before the upcoming Fall season. He does have two people that will be going through on November 2 after they return to SCW (they won't be here before the drafts).

There have been 36 new members added so far in 2025.

Food & Beverage – Dottie Johnson primarily discussed the upcoming Welcome Back. We need volunteers to assist –

10/24 (late afternoon/evening) – 5-8 volunteers to help prepare

10/25 10:30am – 10 volunteers to set up tables and stage food

10/25 3pm – 10 volunteers to help break down tables and clean-up

The Board voted to not pay for entertainment for the Welcome Back however the selected provider agreed to play for donations only.

Field Management – Ken Skinner and Eric Sorber reported that the field is closed and the they are currently working on the turf maintenance today (10/1). The field will become available on 10/23 so each league will have an opportunity to hold team practices on either Thursday, Friday or Sunday. Committee chairs to work out a schedule.

Bicenntennial Field (The Pit) has been reserved for 9/29 & 30, Oct 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 16, 20, 21

Angels in the Outfield – Heather Johnson reported that she is currently working with the Women's Club and other organizations on the annual Toy Drive. Concerns from last years drive have been resolved so we will again work with multiple SCW Clubs. Angels will also be working on the Food Drive in November.

SCW will host the Golden Oldies Game and Memorial in March of 2026 and will partner with Sun City on the event. Lloyd Styrwoll will be coordinating the games. The event will be held on a Wednesday so that all can participate.

Action Item Log

Eric Sorber reviewed the current action log with most items having been closed.

Tony Perillo has finalized the Scope and Charter for the Marketing Committee.

Craig Brooks is finalizing a proposal for Team Sponsorships.

Old Business

Welcome Back – The Welcome Back will be held on October 25 from 12pm – 3pm. Sponsors have been invited and several have replied requesting tables and space for displays. Ken Skinner is consolidating the list of sponsors and will coordinate their involvement. Need to submit a CR form to get the Rec Center for tables. Ken Skinner to complete and submit to Tony Perillo for routing to the Rec Center.

70's League – There are currently 67 registrations for the 70's league slightly less than the number of people that responded with interest to the recent survey. Phil Souza will be the league chair. Eric Sorber will be the Board liaison. Registration ends on 10/19. The season will run on Saturdays from November thru January.

Board Election

There are currently 5 candidates for the upcoming Board openings. Jack Ruzik, Larry Benjamin, Dave Gjerstad, Max Beckner and Dave Bennett. Candiate bios will be posted in mid October and the election will be held both at the General Membership meeting on 11/12 and online for two days following.

Outfield Fence Replacement – Nothing new to report. The club should participate in as many Governing Board and Budget & Finance committee meetings as possible to address any questions or concerns that arise prior to Governing Board Budget decisions in April 2026.

New Business

HOF – Tony Perillo took an action to create a defined HOF process that will be documented and clarify the process used for the HOF candidates and the selection process. This will be reviewed by the Board in November. The Board should have some involvement in the process/selection of the committee.

Del Webb Cup – The Board discussed the concept of a Del Webb Cup. Each league champion at the end of the Fall session would face-off against their corresponding champion from the Sun City Club on a weekend following the season. The club that wins 2 of 3 games would take home the Cup for that year. Tony Perillo discussed with the SC President and they will discuss at an upcoming membership meeting as will SCW.

Summer Session (2026) – We discussed options for next years summer session. Tony Perillo again recommended that we use a committee made up of one rep from each league to run the summer season rather than a single coordinator. We also discussed the possibility of a reciprocal league with Sun City for session 3 ONLY. They have interest in this option and will be discussing at their November General Membership meeting.

<u>Items Brought to the Board</u>

League Committee Terms– A suggestion was raised that 2 years is not adequate time for the league committee members. It was suggested that 3 year terms would allow members to be more productive as it often takes time for new committee members to get up to

speed. Having an additional year would improve the contributions. The terms could also be staggered so each year new members joined while the majority of members would have experience.

This led to a discussion about Board terms and the possibility of extending these to 3 years. This would require a modification to the Club Bylaws and the Board agreed to further discuss this in a future meeting. Should this be supported by members and drive a modification to the bylaws, this would not go into effect until the next election following the Bylaw change.

Showcase for Fall Season – The AL will not host a showcase this season. The CL Showcase will be scheduled for the Pit on 10/14.

Meeting Adjourned