

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING
7:30 AM... MONDAY, April 5, 2010
Stampede Room, Men's Club

CALL TO ORDER: President Bob Peck called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Bob Peck, Ron Eppley, Don Swanson, Bob Williams, Chuck Hendrix, Wendell Osborne, and Laurel Andrew.

GUESTS: George Karras, Bob Dobbins, Ken Skinner, Lyle Bakken, Rick Fish, Rich McAndrews, Ken Skinner, Tex Wells, Dennis Farrar, Jack Harrison and Art Nelson.

Approval of Mar 1, 2010 SCW Board Minutes.

OPENING REMARKS: President Bob Peck addressed the following issues;

A. Petition for General Membership Meeting

President Bob Peck addressed the petition he had received from 46 club members regarding their desire to address the Pitcher Mask issue at a General Membership Meeting. This will be done at the next scheduled General Membership meeting set for April 7th at the RH Johnson Lecture Hall 6:30 PM.

B. Schedule of Meeting Room Reservations fro 2011

President Bob Peck requested the new Draft Meeting Dates from Rich McAndrews for the end of this year's sessions and next year's sessions. League Board Meeting is April 7th, and those dates will be finalized and given to Bob.

C. Awards and Hall of Fame Banquet

Recognition was given to Bob and Kay Williams for the great organization and delivery of; ticket sales, decorations, reception tables, and smooth operation of the entire Event.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Lyle Bakken gave a short overview of the Club's finances:

M&I Checking	\$103.21	Current Membership:	280
M/M Acct.	\$29,111.97		
<u>Rec. Center Acct.</u>	<u>\$24,855/67</u>		
Total	\$54,070.85		

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SPONSORS/ADVERTISERS

Ron Eppley is delivering the few remaining Sponsor Plaques not picked up at Banquet. Bill board/Team Sponsor Saturn (which is changing name to Peoria Volkswagen) is working with Ron on redoing billboard which is up for renewal. Lona King (Billboard) not to renew. All Team Sponsors need to be notified by May 15th of their renewal deadline.

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Bob Peck read the letter written from Linda Graham to the SCW Softball Board. Since the Board had already discussed the “trial period” for the pitchers mask with the SCW Rec Center Representative last week and found to be handled according to their satisfaction, no discussion was needed. Bob will reply to Linda in a letter.

LEAGUE REPORTS

A/L Representative Bob Dobbins stated there would be 8 Teams in the 1st Summer Session.

N/L Representative Rich McAndrews stated they had just ended a successful session. Looks like Northern Trust and Newton Auto will be dropping out as N/L Team Sponsor. N/L will have 9 Teams and 1 Bye per week.

Manager meeting set for April 6th after last game at SC to post critique last session.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Field Maintenance - George Karras stated “infield nail drag equipment” was working well. Shade Covers put over both bleacher areas at a cost of \$3,408 (Rec Ctr Funds) plus the cost of putting the “misters” back up. Need a path from new shed to walking path.

George noted that a new SCW FLAG will be placed on the Flag Pole by the Rec Center. Yard Sale by Softball Club has been put on hold at this time. Possible date...Nov 2010.

George requested \$13 per bunting for field fence draping. President Bob Peck Approved Request.

Batter’s Box system needs to be replaced. Cost is \$150.00 per mat (mats are 3 yrs old). Approved by Bob Peck.

Women's League-Melinda Fish had to leave but left word there was nothing to report. Laurel Andrew asked George if the Women's Teams could start using the pitching/fielding machine at their scheduled practices. George said yes, but let him know when and he'd do a "refresher" of the machine.

Friday Coed League - Laurel Andrew is the new Chairman of the Friday League. She stated that the last game was on April 2nd. Also, that next year the Friday League may wish to complete April for League Play and not end early April.

70's League - Jack Harrison asked Rick Fish if he could obtain the birthdates of players for eligibility requirements of the 70's League Players since Jim McGuire hadn't received that info. Rick to supply that information.

IT - Rich Fish announced sporting goods companies wishing to be on web site would be signing contract and paying \$180 per year to SCW Softball Club. Monies will be put into General Fund. Fee for advertising approved by President.

Palm Desert --NOW 4/10 (changed from 4/24). Since the Women have a scheduled game at the field that day, it was recommended they play their game during the "lunch hour" while the Palm Desert Teams are eating. Tex ordering food.

CORRESPONDENCE

E-mail from SCSS Association Board

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OLD BUSINESS

A. Safety - Pitcher Mask Trial Period.

Per the SCW Recreation Center Board, SCW Softball Board had authority to take such action. Verbal flack did occur but membership complied with Board's action. This "Trial Period" was brought about by the challenge to the SCW Board to do something regarding the safety of the pitcher at the last Board Meeting in February.

Recommendation was made to put this issue in front of the General Membership on April 7th to make it mandatory to wear the pitcher mask at Liberty Field. It will be on the Agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Club Sanction for auxiliary leagues and/or teams

Rick reported that more meetings will need to be held with Women's Club, Friday Coed League, and 70's League. The concerns of the 70's League and the Friday Coed League were discussed. No commitment regarding "Sanctioning" has been given from either Club due to the concerns of; another level of over sight, sponsor fees, field usage and Rec Center Rules/Regs over-sight.

Bob Peck asked Rick what would be gained by "Sanctioning of these Clubs". Answer was; Softballs provided, Web Page Usage, Sponsor List Available.

Bob Peck asked Rick why these Clubs couldn't be given the authorization to use website and update as needed. Rick said; "they could".

B. Tin Cup Golf Tournament – April 2011 will be chaired by Dick Lemoine per Art Nelson.

Also, SCW Board feels that a "Team Sponsors/Banner Committee" should be discussed at the next General Membership Meeting. Possibly, a need to form an Advertising Committee should be discussed also.

C. Uniforms

Tex reported that the new summer uniforms had the wrong sizing. No Extra Larges. Ordered new at cost of \$397 for extra large jerseys. Will pick up Friday. SCW approved purchase. SC to pick up their share of cost.

D. Fun Day

Art Nelson stated that he thought that Sun City Softball was in charge of the A/L-N/L Fun Day this year. However, it is beginning to appear there will be no Fun Day put on by SC.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

The next Board meeting will be the General Membership Meeting to be held April 7th, 2010 at RH Johnson - Lecture Hall (6:30 PM).

Respectfully Submitted,
Laurel Andrew, Secretary

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