

**SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER: President Rich McAndrews called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL: Rich McAndrews, Carol Bowden, Rich Wells, Bob Williams, Chuck Hendricks, Jan Strock, Joe Oliver (absent). Bob Peck was introduced at the meeting as the newly appointed replacement for Joe Oliver, who had submitted his resignation. Bob will complete the unexpired term of Joe Oliver.

GUESTS: Art Nelson, Rich Fish, Bob Dobbins, Bob Peck, Melinda Martens, Mike Hester, Dick Lemoine, Loren Swanson.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wells / Bakken

M&I Checking Balance	\$ 1,528.23
Rec. Center Balance	\$21,213.67
Credit Union Balance	\$34,239.65
Total	\$ 56,981.55

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP: 308

A motion was made by Bob Williams and seconded by Chuck Hendricks that the Treasurer's Report be approved. Likewise, a motion was made by Rich Wells and seconded by Carol Bowden that the minutes for October, 2009, be approved.

OPENING REMARKS: Rich McAndrews told the Board and attendees that our decision to lower the billboard costs to \$4,500 was timely and prudent move, in light of the current economic times. Rich also spoke to the TANB (That Ain't No Bull) kick-off luncheon, and that it was a great success with over 300+ attending. The cost for the affair was \$1,769.88. A recent meeting of all Charter Clubs brings a new injury report for all chartered clubs, and it is imperative that any injuries occurring be documented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: George Karras

Field Maintenance: We have new sheds for the chalk and spreader, as well as a new freezer. In addition, we have new mailboxes with slots available.

Practice: Jan Strock has put together a committee that will revamp current weekly practices, by focusing more on fundamental play, i.e., infield practice, outfield practice, and batting practice. In addition, the committee hopes to purchase a machine that will allow fielding practice to be easier and more effective.

Illegal bats: George Karras stated that there are illegal bats being used at our field during various practice sessions, and that this has to be monitored more closely.

Women's League: Melinda Martens: The league will begin with two games on November 7.

Saturday Play: Jim McGuire stated that the 70s needs more players, particularly from Sun City West.

I.T. Committee: Rick Fish and Rich McAndrews spoke on the new IT program, and Rick Fish proposed a new Disclosure Form for confidentiality. A motion was made by Carol Bowden to accept the form, and seconded by Bob Williams. The motion was carried. Rick Fish then proposed a Membership Waiver and Registration Form, which was likewise passed unanimously by the Board. Rick Fish went on to propose that Sun City West have its own single data base, and that its Web site would be (azsrsoftball.sg1). This proposal was put in the form of a motion by Rich McAndrews and seconded by Bob Williams, with the proposal being carried unanimously. It was noted by Rich McAndrews that, although Ken Skinner was not present, Ken had agreed to transfer his site to the SCW Softball Club. Rick Fish went on to tell the Board that the cost for operating the site would be covered by the SCW Softball Club at \$1 per day. This proposal was put in the form of a motion by Rich Wells and seconded by Carol Bowden. The proposal was passed unanimously

BILLBOARDS: Carol Bowden stated that Mary Inmen will not renew her billboard advertising.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Bob Williams / Rich Wells
As of today November 2nd there are ten candidates running for the four board positions that will be expiring on December 31st. Voting will be held on November 19th for the National League and November 24th for the American League. Listed below are the candidates.

American League - Cal Shirey and Wendell Osborne

National League - Laurel Andrew, Ron Eppley, Tom Haroldson, Ken Klomhaus, Spud Miller, Walt Stanton, Don Swanson, and Tom Yankowski

DATES:

Palm Desert Tournament scheduled for Nov. 14 at Palm Desert.

Fun Day Play scheduled for Dec. 29.

Vintage Holiday Classics scheduled for January 16 & 17, 2010.

Cardiac Kids scheduled for Feb. 6, 2010.

Bosom Buddies Feb. 20 & 21, 2010.

Spring Fling March 4 – March 7, 2010.

League Banquet March 24, 2010.

Tin Cup Tournament scheduled For April 11, 2010, with more information to come.

Palm Desert Tournament here tentatively scheduled for April 24, 2010.

OLD BUSINESS: Schedules and Rosters have been sent out to team sponsors.

NEW BUSINESS: Dick Lemoine discussed that banner sales are vital in generating revenue for club operations. Dick suggested that those who purchase banners, as well as sponsors, would like to extend their advertising by being able to advertise through the Newsletter. This matter has been tabled until the editor of the Newsletter has been consulted.

Jim McGuire spoke to the Board concerning special recognition for Ed Sullivan for his past service to the League, through his good will and sportsmanship. It was suggested

that perhaps a plaque or a nomination to the Hall of Fame would be appropriate.

Loren Swanson addressed the Board relative to the scheduling of the practice field. Loren stated that the general Club practice attendees are getting far less practice time than are those who are practicing with special teams. George Karras and Rich McAndrews review scheduling and meet with special team managers.

It was brought before the Board that the smoking prohibition at the ball field is not being enforced and that individuals, often from outside, continue to violate this prohibition. It is necessary that all members cooperate in observing and enforcing this rule.

MEETING ADJOURNED. Next scheduled meeting -- 7: 30 a.m., December 7, at Beardsley Rec. Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Strock