

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL BOARD - Meeting Minutes

Kuentz Recreation Center, Mesa Room

DECEMBER 3, 2024

Board Members Present: Nick Missos, Kay Peterson, Dave Ryg, Jack Fischer, Tony Perillo and Larry Reed.

Others in Attendance: Ken Skinner, Max Beckner, Donna Reed, John Derylo, Ralph Benjamin, Eric Sorber, Carol Bowden, Heather Johnson, Craig Brooks, Ken McGraw, Dennis Horvath, Frank Seaberg, Jack Ruzic, Barb Ruzic, Kevin Schuck, Nick Turner (Chartered Club Liaison) and Ray Early.

President Nick Missos: called the meeting to order at 7:32 am.

Approval of Board Minutes: Nick asked if there were any questions or corrections on the November 6th, 2024 Board Minutes, seeing none the Board Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Dave Ryg reported income was \$3,342 for concessions, new members, sales of club wear and payment from new sponsors for their team jerseys. Expenses were \$1,800 to Fast Signs and Moore Graphics, \$1,100 to Herb's Appliance for repairs on the ice machine and \$1,200 to A2Z Electronic for the installation of the camera system. (See attached for full report) Nick asked if there were any questions or comments. Tony stated the ice machine repair was not covered under the warranty, so he suggested we should replace it next time. Ken Skinner said it would be \$2,500 to replace and the existing machine was free. The treasurer's report was approved.

Bank Balances as of November 26, 2024:

BMO Business Account:	\$ 21,710.22
BMO Money Market Account:	\$ 25,638.20
BMO CD:	\$ 21,234.25
Western Bank Treasury Account:	\$ 38,330.17
Angels in the Outfield:	\$ 411.55
Western Bank CD:	\$ 10,711.61
Total:	\$118,036.00

ACTION ITEM LOG

BY-LAWS - They were approved and Nick said he will meet with Kasey to sign them and have them posted on our website.

MEMBER DISCIPLINE POLICY - Larry Reed discussed having clear softball policy on Discipline, code of ethics and code of conduct available for the members can locate on the website. Kevin Schuck will check with Dennis Horvath about having a designated tab for these items.

NATIONAL LEAGUE RULES - Larry Reed asked if Barb Ruzic would update the current committee members of 7 to 5 members and review the rest of the rules for any other changes.

Barb said she would and Eric Sorber offered to review the AL rules.

NEW ACCOUNTANT - Judy Grintjes is resigning in the paid position on December 31, 2024. Tony Perillo mentioned that Bill Steil has volunteered as the Treasurer for the Angels in the Outfield and is considering stepping in as Judy's replacement. Tony will follow up with Bill to see if he accepts the position of the new accountant. (A list of the Roles and Responsibilities of the SCW Softball Club Accountant is attached.)

CPR and AED MACHINE TRAINING - Jack Ruzic said he has between 8 to 9 people attending today at the Posse Building.

SCOREBOARD/BANNERS - Tony said the General Manager's meeting was on Monday, then the process to follow is the GM will meet with the Governing Board and they set the agenda for the workshop and approvals. He said most of the Board seems to be on board with the \$50,000 from Liberty Buick and the GM and the attorneys have approved the contract where Liberty Buick want the rights of the name Liberty Field for 25 years. The SCW logo would be in the center of the new scoreboard and on the bottom would be advertising for Liberty Buick.

Jack Ruzic mentioned that he might have a main sponsor for the Tin Cup and he would like to offer them a banner with their name and hang it at the Liberty Field. After much discussion, it was decided that we probably could make some special arrangements to hang this banner the week prior to Tin Cup.

DATA BASE/WEBSITE UPDATE - Dennis Horvath sent his report and Kevin Schuck read as follows;

1. Tell them you made the Spring Registration; I looked it over and said we're a go! You are the #2 Webmaster. We will be helping all members to convert
2. We are waiting anxiously for the Member Module to track membership, feed the Member Search and Track the dues. This prevents a huge amount of time tracking dues.
3. We'd like permission to tell SE we're done as of our December 31st renewal date.
4. To-Do: Get the Hall of Fame transferred and to change the Domain from the SE site to the TSL site. Remind them that once we change the address of the new site will change to: www.azsrsoftball.com just like our old site is now.
5. I will be back noon on Thursday and be here

BOARD ELECTION- Nick Missos welcomed Eric Sorber, Ken McGraw and Craig Brooks, who will be joining the SCW Softball Board on January 1, 2025.

TAX CHANGE TO 501(c)3 STATUS - Dave Ryg did not receive the denial letter from IRS and he will follow-up with them.

2024 1-PITCH TOURNAMENT - Nick reported that Orié McDonald is now handling this Tournament on December 27th and 28th for all players rated 1-9.

Central League Committee Report to the Board - Kay read Lloyd Styrowoll's report and a copy is attached.

Green Team Status Report - Kay read Gary Scapito's report and a copy is attached.

ANY COMMENTS BEFORE WE ADJOURN -

Heather Johnson reported that the SB Club collected just over \$3,000 in toys and cash. The Women's Club and the Boomers Club organize the toy drive every year and the other SCW Clubs participate. Heather wondered if there was interest and enough volunteers for the Softball club to organize their own toy drive and then distribute the toys from Liberty Field.

Eric Sorber asked if we can have some publicity in the local paper. He will be handling the Spare Parts Tournament in February next year and the money raised will be going to the Solders Best Friend. It was suggested that he contact the Radio Station for reaching the community.

Dave Ryg mentioned the Rec. Center Treasury meeting will be December 6th. He also asked if we have any update on the SCW Softball "unofficial" FB page from the Governing Board. Tony said the American League game results are being reported on this other FaceBook page. Then others reported they were personally blocked from that page.

Larry Reed asked the status of the Saturday League. Tony said there were only 74 members registered. Changing the minimum age from 70 to 65 did not increase the number of players. Then there was much discussion on why the lack of interest and what can we do to attract more participants. Ideas like only play on Saturdays and never move the games to another day, or have the Spring Flings and other tournaments during the week and not on Saturdays, or only play from October through December and have all the tournaments from January through April.

John Derylo asked if the Board would approve his new committee members Ralph Benjamin and Trevor Cornett? It was unanimous with the Board members to approve them.

Tony Perillo mentioned the American League sent an email to all players inviting any other players that have an interest to volunteer.

Nick Missos suggested the CL and NL do the same to open it up to more new people that are qualified and know the rules.

Kevin Schuck offered to post something on the website for established members with good standings on how to get on a committee.

Nick adjourned the meeting at 9:14 am.

Next Board Meeting - January 8, 2025 at the Mesa Room at Kuentz Rec. Center.

Minutes Reported by Kay Peterson, Secretary