

**SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 5, 2009**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Rich McAndrews called the meeting together at 8:00 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jan Strock, Bob Williams, Carol Bowden, Chuck Hendrix, Rich Wells;
Joe Oliver was absent.

GUESTS:

George Karras, Ken Skinner, Bob Dobbins, Art Nelson, Mike Hester, Dick Lemoine, Lyle Bakken, Dennis Farrar, and Wayne Mitchell.

TREASURERS REPORT- Lyle Brakken and Rich Wells:

Credit Union Balance	\$23,042.88
Club Operating Balance	\$ 1,149.38
Rec Center Balance	<u>\$24,774.77</u>
Total	\$48,967.03

A motion was made by Rich Wells and seconded by Rich McAndrews to retain Lyle Bakken as the club's financial consultant. Motion carried. Lyle Bakken states that the Rec Center has agreed to the 50/50 revenue arrangement between the Sun City West Softball Club and the Rec Center. Also, there will be a workshop on January 9th at 9 a.m. with the Rec Board at the Lecture Hall. The club membership at the present time stands at 321.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Herb Clark reminds the board of the upcoming Vintage Baseball Tournament on January 17th & 18th. The Board supports the Vintage program; and it was decided that all monies taken in by Vintage activities will go to the Club to cover expenses, and should there be any excess funds, that balance will go to the Vintage Baseball program.

FIELD MAINTENENCE:

A motion is made by Rich Wells that George Karras be retained as Field Maintenance Director, and the board supported the motion unanimously. George states that the new Ramada project has been delayed, inasmuch as the county wants a civil engineer to review the project. Sun City Awning has already been retained to install the project. George goes on to say that the Mister Project is on course, and installation will begin soon.

The project regarding a new sound system is not progressing at all and is still on hold. George states that on those days where the field is not suitable for play that he will notify the League President, who will in turn notify the managers of the first scheduled game of the cancellation, and who will in turn notify the managers of the next subsequent game, and that process will continue until all managers have been notified.

SPECIAL EVENTS;

- (1) Tin Cup. Dick Lemoine tells the Board that with the slumping economy the Annual Event known as the Tin Cup may take on a whole new direction thru downscaling and restructuring. Dick feels that by downscaling, the tournament activities, to include golf and food, could be done somewhere in the range of \$50 per person. Dick went on to emphasize the importance of involving the sponsors in the event. The sponsors will pay their own green fees. The tournament is scheduled for March 29, 2009.
- (2) Day In The Park. This sponsor day is scheduled for March 14, 2009 at Liberty Field, and it is felt that this event is exceedingly important to maintain good Sponsor/Club member relations.
- (3) Tournaments - Cardiac Kids – Ken Skinner
The tournament is scheduled for Feb. 7th, and the festivities could include a golf car parade. The tournament has been renamed to the *Bill Bromley - Cardiac Kids' Tournament*, and special hats will be designed with Bill's initials and beginning date on the hats. A motion to absorbing the costs for the caps, renaming the tournament, and absorbing the costs for burgers, etc., was made and approved unanimously.
- (4) Bosom Buddies – Ken Skinner
The Tournament is gathering progress, and the Board voted in favor of picking up the expenses of the tournament.
- (5) Spring Fling. American League and National League reps will promote this tournament and seek sign-ups. March 1st is the targeted

date of the event. Rich McAndrews and Ken Skinner will be the contact persons.

BILLBOARDS– Carol Bowden

A letter of thanks has gone out to all billboard sponsors, and Carol and Chuck Hendrix will make personal contact with all sponsors.

NEW BUSINESS

A season-ending game will be scheduled for April 11th as planned with the American League 1's & 2's competing against each other, and 3's & 4's likewise competing. The National League will have a like-type competition.

Rich Wells states that an account has been established with Basha's for doughnuts at Liberty Field on game days.

The issue of women's dues has again come up, and this matter has to be resolved at the League level.

Rick Fish states that he is organizing a men's/women's team called the X-Caliber. Rich asks that the Club recognize the club as a Sun City West Tournament team and asks that they be allowed to schedule field time. Team members will pay for all equipment/uniforms, etc. A motion was made by Rich Wells to grant this request and seconded by Carol Bowden; the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next meeting February 2, 2009 at 7:30 a.m. in Rm. #4 at Beardsley Rec Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Strock - Secretary

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

FEBRUARY 2, 2009

***CORRECTED MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order by President Rich McAndrews and Roll Call was taken of Board members. Present were: Rich McAndrews, Rich Wells, Jan Strock, Chuck Hendrix, Carol Bowden, *Bob Williams and Joe Oliver.

Guests: Herb Clark, Laurel Andrew, Ken Skinner, Lyle Bakken

A motion to accept the minutes for January 2009 was made and accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT; Lyle Bakken

Lyle submitted the following accounts, and a motion was made by Carol Bowden to accept; seconded by Rich Wells.

Credit Union Balance	\$ 24,292.88
Club expenses	\$ 7,324.88
Rec Center Balance	<u>\$ 25,163.22</u>
Total	\$ 56,780.98

Rich McAndrews did a quick review of the month of January and stated that it is imperative that any injury occurring at the ball field must be documented as quickly as possible and turned over to the monitor at the swimming pool for forwarding. Rich went on to say that the sock issue had been addressed by the League Board, and it was decided that players may wear white ankle/knee socks if they

so choose. However, the League will pick up the costs for only the League issued socks. The Rec Board voted on and approved the 50/50 arrangement, whereby the SCW Softball Club would receive 50% of Billboard Advertising monies and the Rec Center would receive the remaining 50%. Rich McAndrews added that sincere thanks should be given to Rec Board members for their support.

It was stated by Rich McAndrews that any non-club member wishing to practice on the field needed to schedule time with George Karras's approval, and that a liability waiver had to be on record. It was further stated that when an application was received, it would in turn be forwarded to Ken Skinner, who would enter that applicant into the data bank

CORRESPONDENCE: Rich McAndrews received a letter from a resident, whose property is proximate to our right field fence, regarding the frequency of balls coming onto his property. Rich will meet with the resident; but in addition, George Karras will look into the costs of a fencing mesh surrounding the outfield areas.

COMMITTEE REPORTS;

Laurel Andrews states that the women's league is functioning well. George Karras was not present, but Rich McAndrews stated that he had been told by George that the Misters are currently being installed, and that he wished to extend his thanks to Herb Clark for his assistance. It was further said that the current Ramada in the process of construction has been modified to a picnic-like table with handicap accessibility.

TIN CUP: Dick Lemoine

Rich McAndrews states that the annual tournament currently referred to as the "paper cup" is still scheduled for March 29th and that the Palm Ridge hall and Deer Valley Golf Course have both been reserved for that date. No further information available.

**BILL BROMLEY MEMORIAL CARDIAC KIDS
TOURNAMENT; Ken Skinner**

Ken reports that the tournament is scheduled for February 7, 2009 and will begin with a golf car parade, starting from the Sundome at 8:30 a.m. and proceeding to Liberty Field, where the games will begin at approximately 9:00 a.m. The tournament will consist of four teams that will play two games each. The tournament is expected to wind up at approximately 3:00 p.m. Refreshments will be available at the field. All proceeds will go to the Arizona Heart Foundation.

BOSOM BUDDIES; Ken Skinner

The event is a club-sponsored event scheduled for February 14th & 15th. There are six (6) games scheduled for this event.

SPRING FLING: This American/National League event is scheduled for February 26th, 27th and 28th. *Bob Williams tells us that the Spring Fling will have 12 teams this year the most ever, playing six games on Feb26th and six games Feb 27th. Food, drink and awards will be part of the festivities.

PALM DESERT TOURNAMENT: This annual event is scheduled for April 25th, and there will be two teams each, consisting of 60-yr. and 70-year-old players.

DAY IN THE PARK

This annual sponsor-appreciation event is scheduled for March 14th, and necessary tables and chairs have already been requested. This is an important event in order to maintain a close relationship between the Clubs and the sponsors.

SEASON ENDING SOFTBALL DAY;

This event is scheduled for April 11th and will be made up of teams from the American League, ratings 1-4.

UNIFORMS;

Carol Bowden showed a new type of women's athletic shorts that will be more user friendly than the current style. The SCW Board unanimously approved the shorts and furthered the matter to the League Board for final approval

BILLBOARD/ SPONSORS; Bowden/Oliver

Camino Del Sol Funeral Chapel has become a new sponsor. Arrowhead Honda has declined to renew its sponsorship. Joe Oliver has sent letters of thanks to all of the sponsors, to include schedules and standings.

MEMBERSHIP; Current paid membership is 267.

LEAGUE BOARD; Carol Bowden

Plans for the league banquet are still in the planning. Team pictures will be at the Liberty Field scheduled for March 17th and March 19th. Sun Photography will do the shoots.

VINTAGE BASEBALL; Herb Clark addressed the board and stated that the Vintage Tournament had taken in \$204.75 and that they experienced a \$94.00 profit over expenses. Herb said that there will be a reshuffling of teams, similar to a draft, on April 4th. It was pointed out by Rich McAndrews that those non-resident players who play at our field in the Vintage League must sign waivers.

OLD BUSINESS; Lyle Bakken informed the Board that he had received a check for \$40.00 intended for an Eddie Sullivan donation to the Club. It was decided that the check would be donated to the Angels In The Outfield.

NEW BUSINESS; Rich Wells indicated that liability waivers should be reviewed to determine if all SCW players have an existing waiver on file.

NOTE: CHARTER CLUB OFFICERS MEETING; MARCH 12TH & MARCH 14TH.

A Motion to close the meeting was made by Rich Wells and was seconded by Chuck Hendrix; meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be March 2nd in Room #W5 at Beardsley Rec Center.

NOTE; General Meeting scheduled for February 19th at 6:30 p.m. at the Johnson Rec Center Lecture Hall.

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Respectfully submitted,

Jan Strock,
Secretary

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 2, 2009

CALL TO ORDER:

President Rich McAndrews at Beardsley Center Room 5 called the meeting to order at 7:30am.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Rich McAndrews, Carol Bowden, Rich Wells, Jan Strock, Bob Williams, Chuck Hendrix and Joe Oliver.

GUESTS PRESENT:

Laurel Andrew, Art Nelson, Ken Skinner, Lyle Bakken and Mike Hester.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY MINUTES: Rich McAndrews made a motion to waive the reading of February's minutes; seconded by Wells.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rich Wells/ Lyle Bakken
Lyle Bakken submitted the included Treasurer's Report for review:

CREDIT UNION BAL -	\$ 24,632.84
CLUB OPERATING BAL-	\$ 5,201.54
REC CENTER BAL -	\$ 27,519.72
TIN CUP BAL -	\$ 4,422.41
TOTAL	\$ 61,776.51

Lyle Bakken went on to briefly discuss the Tin Cup, inasmuch as there have only been 50 registrants thus far. Bob Williams stated that he would make sure that the National League was reminded of the tournament. Lyle also mentioned that some of the billboard sponsors were delinquent in their payments. The issue of billboard upkeep and maintenance was discussed, and it was felt that the Daily News-Sun billboard would be refurbished because of its condition. A motion was made by Carol Bowden and seconded by Rich Wells to approve the billboard work.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Cards of appreciation were received from both Bill Bromley's family, as well as Bosom Buddies, for the Club's involvement in the Cardiac Kids and the Breast Cancer research tournaments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Laurel Andrew

Laurel had nothing new to relate concerning the Women's League but did remind the board of the upcoming Cancer Survivor Day March 7th. The event will begin with a walking event, with a \$5 entry/donation, beginning at 7:30am, followed by a softball game at 9:30am.

FIELD MAINTENANCE:

The new field misters are ready to go and will be ready for Day In The Park. Paving stones will soon be laid for the new Ramada area. Rich McAndrews stated that he had met with the local resident who had been experiencing balls landing in his yard. The possibility of screening being put up was discussed. However, nothing final has been determined or approved. It was further mentioned that those individuals using the field along with a batting tee must hit from the area of home plate, and not to use any portion of the fencing as a backstop for the ball.

SPECIAL EVENTS:

SPRING FLING- The Board commended Bob Williams and his wife Kay for all the work they did in the National League's twelve-team participation and coordination, and further Bob recognized Duane Newkirk for his assistance.

It was mentioned that the unfortunate accident in which Dennis Farrar was injured in a collision with Roy Burgess somewhat dampened the day, but that the teams continued on to a successful event. The American League, likewise, enjoyed a fun day at the park, with four participating teams.

CANCER SURVIVOR DAY-

Ken Skinner did a brief follow-up on this event, mentioned earlier in the minutes, and the Board elected to purchase four (4) \$25 gift certificates for Rosie's Italian Restaurant. Raffle tickets for the gift certificates will be drawn at the event on Saturday, March 7th.

DAY IN THE PARK:

Joe Oliver told the Board that he had sent out 62 letters inviting and reminding sponsors and advertisers about the upcoming Day In The Park on March 14, and asking that they participate. It is estimated that approximately 1,000 people will participate in the event. Rich Wells will coordinate the setting up of the event, i.e., tables/refreshments, etc., and his group will begin about 7:00am. All those ball players serving as workers or as just attendees are asked to wear their game jerseys. Carol Bowden told the Board that the Daily News-Sun and the Independent Newspapers, promoting the Day In The Park, would run special ads. Chuck Hendrix will be putting together signboards advertising in various parts of the city. Carol Bowden states that the Posse will handle traffic control. A motion was made by Rich

Wells and seconded by Rich McAndrews that, instead of sponsors just receiving the traditional pictures, they receive small plaques of recognition for display. The motion was passed unanimously. Rich McAndrews stated that he, personally, would contact the sponsors concerning Day In The Park and the Tin Cup golf tournament.

TEAM PICTURES: Carol Bowden

The team pictures are scheduled for March 17th and March 19th at Liberty Field and, as mentioned earlier, plaques with the Sun Cities logo will be given to sponsors for a cost of \$30 per plaque, paid for by the club.

LEAGUE BANQUET: Carol Bowden

Carol states the banquet will be held at the Sun Dial Auditorium in Sun City and the event will be Pot Luck. The program will run from 6:30pm to 8:30pm on March 25. Linda Graham will be the Coordinator.

SEASON ENDING SOFTBALL DAY: Art Nelson

Art states that there are four games lined up for play on April 11, but that the League Board must make final approval. Art states that interested players need to sign up. Joe Oliver made a motion that refreshments (hotdogs & hamburgers) be supplied by the Sun City West Club. Rich Wells seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

PALM DESERT SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT: Ken Skinner

Ken states that the event is scheduled for April 25th and that Ken Boyd will manage a 60's team and Chuck Davelis will manage a 70's team. The teams will consist of the first 60 players who sign up. The Board voted unanimously to provide refreshments for the event. Ken went on to say that the summer Sun City Grand softball league would be having sign-ups.

UNIFORMS/EQUIPMENT: Rich McAndrews

A motion was made by Carol Bowden and seconded by Joe Oliver that the Board authorize the purchase of 12 batting helmets for player protection, for the cost of \$168. The helmets will be of two colors with varying head sizes. The motion was seconded by Rich McAndrews and approved.

BILLBOARDS: Joe Oliver

Joe Oliver stated that he would follow up on new advertisers and renewals. Discussion was had as to whether billboard owners should have some priority over others as to sponsor selection. This matter has been tabled at this time.

LEAGUE BOARD: Carol Bowden

Carol reports that the new shorts worn by the women are acceptable.

FRIDAY LEAGUE

Rich McAndrews reports that there are internal issues and conflicts within the league. However, these issues are not problems that the Board will handle.

NEW BUSINESS; Rich Wells

Rich reports that there are 30 members who have no liability waiver on file. Bob Williams will follow up on this for the National League and Rich Wells will do likewise for the American League. Ken Skinner suggests that we adopt a smaller waiver type card. This will be further discussed at the April meeting. The Board stated unanimously that all guests must sign a waiver before using the field.

Ken Skinner briefly discussed the potential of having an online camera security system, which would allow the observation of the field during non-use time.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting; meeting adjourned.

The next Board Meeting will be April 6, 2009 at 7:30am in the Saguaro Room, Beardsley Recreation Center.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jan Strock

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2009

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER; Rich McAndrews

ROLL CALL: Rich McAndrews, Carol Bowden, Joe Oliver, Rich Wells, Jan Strock, Chuck Hendrix and Bob Williams.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lyle Bakken / Rich Wells

Lyle Bakken gave a comprehensive Treasurer's report, and the following report was submitted:

Credit Union Balance	\$24,320.34
Club Operating Bal.	\$ 5,618.56
Rec Center Bal.	<u>\$25,163.22</u>
Total	\$55,102.12

SPECIAL GUEST;

Dave Moeller spoke before the board, as a candidate for the Rec Board, and spoke to the issue of the newly proposed petition regarding restrictions on the Rec Board. This proposal would limit their purchasing authority on expenses of \$100,000.00 or more without a popular vote. Dave states that this proposal would greatly hamper the effectiveness of the Rec Board in improvements and operations.

FIELD MAINTENANCE;

Speaking on behalf of George Karras, Rich McAndrews stated that the proposed Ramada has been modified to a picnic area with chairs and table. Further, the misters are in, but the pump has yet to be installed. The electrical 220 work and the pump will be installed by the Rec Center.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Ken Skinner

Ken spoke about the Bill Bromley Memorial Cardiac Kids' event and it's success, and that it took in \$4,200.00 for 2009. Ken also spoke to the Bosom Buddies' event, which took in \$23,000.00 for the Breast Cancer Fund. The Spring Fling was discussed, and Bob Williams indicated that 12 teams from the National League would be playing, and that the dates of the Spring Fling would be Feb.25th –Feb. 28th. There will be a Cancer Survivor Day on March 7th consisting of a fund-raising walk and a softball game in Sun City. Anyone interested can contact the website to sign up. Carol Bowden spoke about the success of the West Side Food Project and how extremely grateful the Food Bank is for our contributions, which have amounted to 600 lbs. of donated food.

DAY IN THE PARK: Carol Bowden

Carol spoke on the importance of this event, inasmuch as it allows the sponsors and billboard owners to market their products, as well as to meet the players and the community at large, and to maintain that bond. The event is scheduled for March 14th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Dick Lemoine spoke to the importance of banner sales and it's revenue-generating value to the Club.

TEAM PICTURES: Carol Bowden

Team pictures will be taken March 17th and March 19th by Sun Photography at Sun City West Liberty Field. The American League photos will be taken on March 17th and the National League photos will be taken on March 19th. The team sponsors will be invited to participate in the photographs.

TIN CUP TOURNAMENT: Dick Lemoine

Dick Lemoine tells us that the event will consist of a two-flight four-man scramble at Deer Valley Golf Course and an evening meal/entertainment at Palm Ridge Rec Center for \$65.00. Dick went on to tell of the importance of banner sales to sustain interest and revenue. Dick is asking for volunteers to sell banners.

SESSION ENDING FUN DAY: Art Nelson

The event, subject to League Board approval, is scheduled for April 11th and will consist of American League 1v2 and 3v4's, as well as National League teams and Flames v Sparks softball. A sign-up sheet will be available for those interested.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business

NEW BUSINESS:

Ed Eckhardt spoke about the need for good sportsmanship on the field by team managers. The matter will be forwarded to the League Board for review. The issue of batting helmets was discussed and whether or not the

league teams should provide the helmets for voluntary use. The matter will be forwarded to the League Board for review. Mike Hester states that the Cancer Day event being initiated by Sun City should be supported by our Club as a sign of our appreciation for Sun City support. Bob Freeman asked that additional workers, both male and female, support the “Popcorn Princesses.” Lyle Bakken states that we currently have 284 members in our club, of which 17 are new members. Rich Wells and Bob Williams extended their thanks to Lyle for his hard work.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion by Wells and seconded by Bowden

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock

**SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
GENERAL MEETING
APRIL 15, 2009**

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rich McAndrews, Chuck Hendrix, Bob Williams, Rich Wells, Jan Strock, Carol Bowden, Joe Oliver.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: 61.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Lyle Bakken
Lyle reviewed the report that he submitted to the Board on 4-6-09.
(See minutes for 4-06-09 for the complete Financial Report.)

ADI WEB/CAM PROPOSAL: Ken Skinner and David Austin.
ADI Rep. David Austin gave the membership an overview of the operation of their system and its uses. A motion was made by Rich McAndrews to poll those in attendance to determine if the membership was interested in the project, and Ken Skinner seconded the motion. A hand vote was taken, and it showed that 32 members were interested in further review of the project. Rich McAndrews proposed that a five-member committee be established to more closely review the project and return to the membership with its findings. Bob Williams will be the Board Coordinator with Rick Fish, Ken Skinner, Tony DiBiasio, and Tim Colwell all assisting in the committee review.

FIELD MAINTENANCE :

Regardless of past experience or skills, all new players will go through the Green Team orientation.

Friday League teams continue to be a problem. It is the Board's position that in organizing the Friday "Pick Up" games, all new players will get an opportunity to play.

George Karras is getting various bids, in order to get some sort of safety screen/mesh for the outfield fences. The added screen/mesh is designed to protect the neighborhood yards, as well as the walking path and tennis courts. A motion was made by Glen Carrol that a maximum dollar figure of \$15,000 be pre-approved for George to make the necessary purchase, based on his experience and judgment. Rollie Mann seconded the motion. The motion was carried; George will proceed.

A pavilion plaque was dedicated to Dick Lemoine for his continuous work in the Sun City West softball program. Both Dick and his wife, Sharon, were present to accept the award, and President Rich McAndrews read the dedication to the Lemoines and the assembled membership.

NEW BUSINESS: None

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Seconded and approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Strock, secretary

**Sun City West Softball Club
Board Of Directors Meeting
May 4, 2009**

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rich McAndrews, Chuck Hendricks, Bob Williams, Carol Bowden, Rich Wells, Jan Strock; Joe Oliver (Absent)

GUESTS: Lyle Bakken, Bob Dobbins, George Karras and Rick Fish, Jim Pier

MINUTES FOR APRIL 6, 2009: Motion to approve by Wells; seconded by Bowden.

MINUTES FOR GENERAL MEETING, APRIL 15, 2009: Motion to approve by Wells; seconded by Hendricks.

Rich McAndrews informed the Board that he has approved the purchases of a paper shredder and a mail-slot box.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rich Wells and Lyle Bakken.

CREDIT UNION BAL.	\$ 30,109.64
REC CENTER BAL	\$ 30,092.25
M&I CHECKING	<u>\$ 7,837.64</u>
TOTAL	\$ 68,039.53

A motion to accept the report was made by Rich McAndrews; seconded by Carol Bowden. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: George Karras

George reported that the outfield fence mesh is still under study, and that the information has been shared with the Rec Center and with the residents. George went on to say that there would be a mailbox sorter, with a box for each manager of both leagues. There will be 36 slots, and it is the responsibility of the managers to check their own respective boxes. A current practice schedule has been posted for the summer, and the banners and outfield fence bunting have been taken down and stored under the 3rd base side storage area.

WEB/CAM STUDY: Bob Williams and Rick Fish

Both Bob and Rick raise the questionable value and cost of installing the proposed camera system. After some discussion, it was decided that the matter should be taken before the General Membership Meeting in November for further discussion.

FRIDAY LEAGUE: Rich Fish stated that the league has started up beginning at 9 a.m. and will continue. The SCW program will handle the months of June, July, August, and September.

SATURDAY LEAGUE: This league, in conjunction with Sun City Grand, will consist of two games at Grand beginning at 7 a.m. and two games at SCW beginning at 8 a.m. ONLY ASA-approved BATS will be allowed at the LIBERTY FIELD!

BILLBOARDS: Carol Bowden/ Lyle Bakken

Sponsors/Owners will be re-contacted for their status. Joe Oliver, Rich McAndrews, and Carol Bowden will do the follow-up work.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: There are still nine (9) members who have expressed an interest in running for office.

LEAGUE: Carol Bowden reported that a proposed database for managers

is in review.

LEAGUE DATES for 2009/2010:

Over Seeding Schedule: Sun City Closed 9-22-09; reopen 10-21 or 10-23.
Sun City West Closed 9-25-09; reopen 10-17-09.

Fall Session

Managers' meeting: American League -- 10-13-09
National League -- 10-15-09

Draft: American League -- 10-20-09
National League -- 10-22-09

League play for the fall: begins October 27th and ends January 14th.

Spring Session

Managers' meeting: American League -- Jan 6th
National League -- Jan 6th

Draft: American League -- Jan 8th
National League -- Jan 11th

League play for the spring: begins January 19th and ends April 1st.

Request for room reservations for Board Meetings must be submitted by May 1, 2009. Attended to.

Tin Cup Golf Tournament scheduled for April 11, 2010.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Sidewinders have requested the continual use of Liberty Field, as in the past. The request was unanimously passed.

Rich McAndrews stated that the article that appeared in the VENT column of the newspaper was responded to, and the issue was clarified regarding the funding of the LIBERTY FIELD construction.

WAIVERS: Rich Wells

Rich Wells proposed a revision to the old liability waiver form, which would be more comprehensive and appear on only one side of the form. The proposal was passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

The issue of whether or not the League should allow the Newsletter to be a source for outside advertising was raised. It was felt that before any such decision would be made, Dennis Farrar should first be consulted.

Jim Pier, asked the Club to repair the batting device, and it was felt that the repair cost would exceed its value. Jim indicated that he would be glad to do the repair work himself. Jim McGuire has indicated that he would be glad to act as the emcee for future softball banquets.

Rich Wells said that there are still preserved leftovers from the Desert Palms Tournament, and it was decided that they could be used at an end-of-summer COOK OUT on the 2nd of June for the American League and the 4th of June for the National League. Bob Williams will coordinate the event.

MEETING ADJOURNED. The next meeting will be September 14th and will likely be at the Men's Club.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock - Secretary

**Sun City West Softball Club
Board Of Directors Meeting
September 14, 2009**

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rich McAndrews, Chuck Hendricks, Bob Williams, Carol Bowden, Rich Wells, Joe Oliver. Jan Strock Absent

GUESTS: Nancy Dobbins, Bob Dobbins, George Karras, Rick Fish, Art Nelson, Dennis Farrar, Jack Harrison and Ken Skinner

MINUTES FOR MAY 13, 2009: Motion to approve by Wells; seconded by Bowden.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rich Wells for Lyle Bakken.

CREDIT UNION BAL.	\$34,194.07
REC CENTER BAL	\$21,212.68
M & I CHECKING	<u>\$ 5,187.40</u>
TOTAL	\$60,594.15

A motion to accept the report was made by Chuck Hendrix; seconded by Bob Williams. Motion carried.

FIELD MAINTENANCE AND SCHEDULING – George Karros reviewed extended outfield fence height, mister system and two stair steppers. George requested board approval to buy chest freezer to put in clubhouse for \$206. Approved by board. George presented scheduling of Liberty Field use for 2009/2010 season. Schedule enclosed. George stated that Liberty Field is closed Sept. 28th to Oct. 19th for maintenance.

70's SATURDAY LEAGUE – Jack Harrison confirmed schedule and team numbers. SCW (2 teams) SC (2 teams) Current 70's League only for National League players.

WOMEN'S LEAGUE – Nancy Dobbins reported on her league's new board members.

WEB SCAN COMMITTEE REPORT – Bob Williams reported committee saw no need for Web Scan at this time, as there appears to be very little player interest. Board recommended tabling of issue for now.

FRIDAY PICK-UP GAMES – Rick Fish reported Friday pick-up games participation is increasing and requests continuation. Carol made motion, Chuck Hendrix seconded, Board passed motion. Rick also requested one time extra days pick-up games on Sept. 22, 24, 25. Board approved motion by Carol and seconded by Tex.

SUN CITY GRAND/SCW INTERLEAGUE – Play starts Nov. 7th as reported by Ken Skinner.

SUN CITIES SOFTBALL CLUBS – DATA BASE DISCUSSION – Rick Fish reported on the advantages of electronic data base system for data accumulation, storage and access for our softball club. Total cost through Rick's company is \$1,500/yr. (\$1,000 – SCW and \$500 SC). All discussion by board and guests was positive. Carol made motion to proceed with Data Base program by Rick Fish and seconded by Tex. Motion passed.

TEAM SPONSORS AND BILLBOARD SPONSORS – Rich McAndrews briefly explained we have team sponsors for our 18 SCW teams. Sun City's team sponsors unconfirmed at this time.

2010 SCW BOARD MEMBERS NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Bob Williams and Joe Oliver for National League. Chuck Hendrix & I Tex Wells for American League. A slate of nominees will be presented at the Oct. 5th Board meeting and put forth to the general membership meeting Nov. 18th with members voting November 19th and November 24th.

UPCOMING SESSIONS – Number of proposed teams playing in Winter/Spring sessions 2009 and 2010: National League, 14 teams; American League, 11-12 teams. League play to start Tuesday, October 27th.

PROPOSED EVENT DATES WINTER/SPRING – Ken Skinner reported Vintage Baseball January 16 & 17; Cardiac Kids, February 6th; Bosom Buddies, February 20-21; Sidewinders Tournament, February 24-28th; Spring Fling, March 4th; Cancer Survivors game – date ?

REC. CENTER MANDATORY CHARTER CLUB MEETING – Oct. 8th, 8:00 am. Rich McAndrews and Carol Bowden to attend.

CORRESPONDANCE – Thank you notes from right field neighbor. Extended fence is great. Tin Can (Recycled) collecting – Board moved to discontinue collecting cans (to recycle) as a club program. Joe Oliver made motion, Bob Williams seconded. Motion passed. Pepperoni Music group asked to be considered to play music at any of our events.

DONATIONS FOR NANDENBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT – Carol Bowen, Nancy Dobbins and other members of the Women’s League have collected and donated softball equipment to the Nandenburg School district. (They have helped coach also.)

NEW BUSINESS – Bob Dobbins asked about changing Tuesday and Thursday League games to a set field and not alternate locations every year.

Tex Wells will head up committee to cull and replace where necessary summer play shirts.

Board tabled tetherball pole style batting machine expenses until October board meeting.

Rich McAndrews proposed a preseason social with meal at Liberty field, October 26th (Monday 4:00-6:30 pm) for Sun City West only, softball club members, their spouses and family. Club will furnish buffalo burgers, salads and soft drinks, etc. Chuck Hendrix made motion, Joe Oliver seconded. Motion passed. Bob Williams and Joe Oliver will write up invitation and mail out to SCW members.

MEETING ADJOURNED – Next Board Meeting will be Oct. 6th at Beardsley Rec. Center.

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 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).

GUESTS: Melinda Martens, Rick Fish, M.A. Miller, Laurel Andrew, Karen Hill, Bill Hill, Ken Klumhaus, Don Swanson, Ron Eppley, Dennis Farrar, Ken Skinner and Lyle Bakken.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wells/Bakken

M&I Checking Balance	\$ 6,068.21
Rec. Center Balance	\$21,213.67
Credit Union Balance	\$34,239.65
Total	\$61,521.53

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report Hendricks/ Williams; approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Field Maintenance – George Karras was absent.

Womens' League – Melinda Martens

The first game will be Nov 7th and there will be five teams in the league.

Friday Co-ed – Bill Hill stated the schedule is being worked on.

Saturday League – Ken Skinner stated that the Sun City Grand League will begin Nov 7th at 7:30 a.m. at Sun City Grand, with 10 teams. Sun City West has 29 players at this time.

Data Committee -- Rich Mc Andrews stated that Sun City is reevaluating their position to see if they will participate in the costs. Rick Fish and the Board discussed the creation of the I.T. Committee, and a committee of the following is proposed: Chairman - Rick Fish; Technical Ass't - Tom Calwell; American League - Bob Dobbins; National League - Rich McAndrews; Co-ed - Bill Hill; 70's - Jack

Harrison; Newsletter - Dennis Farrar; Angels In the Outfield - Joyce Fano; and a Hall of Fame rep.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Bob Williams, Rich Wells, Joe Oliver. The Committee stated that the following have expressed interest in a Board seat: National League - Don Swanson, Ron Eppley, Tom Haroldson, Ken Klomhaus, Spud Miller, Art Ortega, Walt Stanton, Lloyd Webb, Tom Yankowski, Laurel Andrew. American League - Bob Peck and Cal Shirey.

LEAGUE: Carol Bowden reported that in the Fall Season, the American League will have 12 eleven-player teams. The National League will have 14 teams, and both leagues will draft electronically. There will be an American League Managers' Meeting on October 13th at 8 a.m. at the Men's Club and a National League Managers' meeting October 15th, also at 8 a.m. at the Men's Club. The American League Draft will be held October 20th at 8 a.m. at the Men's Club, and the National League Draft will be October 22nd at 8 a.m. at the Men's Club.

SPECIAL DATES: The Palm Springs tournament is ready to go. Ken Skinner discussed the Cardiac Kids' and Bosom Buddies' tournaments, and it was requested that the Club pick up operating costs for both the Cardiac Kids' and the Bosom Buddies' tournaments for the year 2010. The Board approved the request unanimously. On October 30th there will be a meeting of the Bosom Buddies' Committee at 6 p.m. at the ball field in SCW.

CORRESPONDENCE: An email was received from Dick Lemoine indicating that his involvement in the Tin Cup will be limited this year, due to personal matters. A letter was received from Brenda Moore stating that Julia Ruth Stevens (daughter of Babe Ruth) lives in Sun City, and perhaps she could help promote the softball program.

NEW BUSINESS: Jan Strock would like to see our practice sessions changed somewhat; whereby the practices would have more emphasis on fundamental skills. In order for current and new players to develop new skills and hone old skills, the practices would focus on fielding and other skills. It was proposed that the purchase of an all-purpose fielding training device be considered for purchase. Jan will put together a committee to study its feasibility, as well as current

usages. Joe Prendergast also came forward with a proposal that would enhance practice skills, as well as promote team/league camaraderie.

Carol Bowden stated that we have two new Sponsors: Cranstoun Jewelry and Camino del Sol Funeral Chapel. Carol went on to say that we have Saturn's Billboard sponsorship for at least this year.

Membership – 298

Liability Waivers: Rich Wells stated that waivers and disclaimers will be handed out to the managers on Draft Day.

DON'T FORGET THE BUFFALO BURGER OUTING AT LIBERTY FIELD ON OCTOBER 26TH AT 4 P.M. RSVPs MUST BE REGISTERED BY OCTOBER 15TH WITH EITHER RICH McANDREWS OR CAROL BOWDEN.

Meeting adjourned. Next scheduled meeting -- 7:30 a.m., November 9 at Beardsley Rec. Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Jan Strock

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**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

SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL CLUB BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2009

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

ROLL CALL: Rich McAndrews, Rich Wells, Bob Williams, Chuck Hendrix, Bob Peck, Carol Bowden and Jan Strock.

GUESTS: George Karras, Bob Dobbins, Wendell Osborne, Laurel Andrew, Ken Skinner, Lyle Bakken, Ron Eppley, Rick Fish, Dennis Farrar, Art Nelson, Mike Hester.

OPENING REMARKS: Rich McAndrews extended thanks to the outgoing members and to the newly elected members.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Wells/Bakken

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

M&I Bank M/M Acct.	\$34,282.73
M&I Bank	\$ 1,304.85
Rec. Center Acct.	\$ <u>22,638.67</u>
TOTAL	\$ 58,226.25

Current Paid Membership: 316.

OPEN PRACTICE: Jan Strock discussed the newly proposed practice procedures and the need and use for a mechanical device for assisting in fielding techniques. The need to work on developing skills for new and old players was again emphasized. A discussion was had as to specific uses and applications of the device, i.e., who, when, and where the device would be used. It was felt that this issue needed more review before a purchase. George Karras stated that he had reviewed costs for the JUGS device, and that First American Sports offered the best proposal of \$1,619 plus freight costs. The price would include a transport cart. The Board decided to table the matter until more information is obtained.

PURCHASING REPLACEMENT: Bob Peck stated that there should be a closer coordination between the Purchasing Agent and the Board for greater efficiency and use of purchases. A motion was made by Bob Peck to appoint Dennis Raczak as the new Purchasing Agent, replacing Ray Early. The motion was seconded by Rich Wells and passed unanimously.

WAIVER REGISTRATION COORDINATORS:

American League -- Rich Wells
National League -- Rich McAndrews
Women's League -- Carol Bowden.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- (1) Field Schedule – George Karras stated that there would be a revision of scheduled field use for the various teams/practices.
- (2) ASA Approved Bats – It will continue to be the SCW Club policy to allow only ASA approved bats, with the exception of the Ultra II which is banned from Liberty field. A current list of authorized bats will soon be released by ASA. It seems that members and visitor are complying with the SCW rule.
- (3) Inclement weather -- Decisions on whether to play will be made by the Field Manager or by his designee (George Karras, Bob Wenners, Ernie Miller).
- (4) Women's & Friday Coed Leagues -- Bowden/Andrew. Things going fine.
- (5) I.T. Committee -- Rick Fish discussed the new Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure forms. It was pointed out that an amendment in reference to Sun City had to be made. Also, the Group Activity Waiver Form needed to be clearer for the signature requirement on the form. It was decided by the Board that this matter would be tabled for now.

A motion was made by Carol Bowden and 2nd by Tex Wells to approve the Confidentiality , Non-Disclosure Form that will need to be signed by Data Base users, motion carried.

Lyle Bakken requested that the Club Inventory be entered into the Data Base for easy retrieval when the information is needed to submit to the Rec Board for review. A motion was made on this proposal by Bowden and seconded by Williams. The motion was passed.

SPONSORS: Carol Bowden – Carol stated that Sponsorship and Advertising is slow, due to the economy. Bashas is a "Wait-and-See," inasmuch as they are in Chapter II and their assets are under review. Mary Inman Realty will close her account on December 16, 2009. Liberty Buick is still being reviewed because of their history with our program, and they will be approached again.

LEAGUE: Bob Dobbins -- Bob told the Board that the American League Committee will consist of one single committee, and that the committee will now have five Policy Members instead of four. In addition, there will be two (2) additional Rating Members, which will bring the total committee membership to seven (7). Bob went on to say that the Sub Pool will consist of those members not drafted in the American League Draft, and that they will remain in the Sub Pool and not the Placement Pool unless they opt to go to the National League. The Placement Pool will consist of those not here for the draft, but are Returnees, i.e., "Snowbirds." The National League reports no new issues.

EVENTS:

- (1) Fun Day 12/28th & 12/29th. There have been 80 who signed up, with approximately 70% of those being American League players. On that day,

hot dogs and soft drinks will be available, and there will be softball bats won through the purchase of raffle tickets.

- (2) Holiday Classic – 1/16/10 & 1/17/10
- (3) Cardiac Kids' Tournament -- 2/6/10
- (4) Bosom Buddies' Tournament -- 2/20/10
- (5) Spring Fling (Thurs. – Sat.) -- 3/3/10 through 3/7/10
- (6) Day in the Park -- 3/20/10
- (7) League Banquet – March 24th at Palm Ridge Rec Center. Jim McGuire and Joe Gallo will be contacted regarding entertainment.
- (8) Tin Cup Golf Tournament – April 11th
- (9) Palm Desert Games – Tentatively scheduled for April 24th.

OLD BUSINESS: No Old Business

NEW BUSINESS:

Angels in the Outfield – It was discussed whether or not Angels in the Outfield should become part of the new data base program to more quickly alert the Angels on current player health status. It was felt that the current system of notification is sufficient.

NEW ELECTED OFFICERS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2010:

President: Bob Peck
Vice Pres: Ron Eppley
Treasurer: Don Swanson
Secretary: Laurel Andrew
At Large: Wendell Osborne
At Large: Bob Williams
At Large: Chuck Hendrix.

MEETING ADJOURNED.

The next meeting will be held at the Men's Club Stampede Room, R. H. Johnson Rec Center, on January 4th at 7:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Strock

