

Sun City Softball Board Minutes, January 8th, 2025

Roll Call: Steve Oberg, Paul Dickerson, Tim Burke, Steve Krueger, Cenia Huber, Mark Merkley Absent: Sue Skae

Election of Officers:

President: Steve Oberg

Vice President: Paul Dickerson

Secretary: Tim Burke

Treasurer: Cenia Huber

Minutes Approval: no corrections, motion by Cenia Huber, 2nd by Tim Burke, board approved

Financial Report

| | Checking | Investment | Totals |
|--------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Beginning | | | |
| Cash | 7146.38 | 19447.83 | 26594.21 |
| Additions | 13550.20 | | 13550.20 |
| Expenditures | <u>-3717.38</u> | <u>-403.42</u> | <u>-4120.80</u> |
| Ending | | | |
| Balance | 16979.20 | 19044.41 | 36023.61 |

Keith Zelhofer, gave info on moving investment account from Edward Jones Inc. to Gilberg Wealth
Gilberg suggested a weighted S&P ETF, A Small Cap ETF, and a Money Market. If we had used those
over the last 3 years, we could have netted an additional 7K over the last 3 years
Cenia Huber made motion to make the change, 2nd Paul Dickerson, Board approved

Monthly Reports

- Angels Co-chair Melissa Sobczyk, reported on recent players deaths/health. The golden Oldies tournament will be Monday, March 24th, noon to 6pm. Feb Food Drive will be Feb 11,13,15 for Banner/Olive branch. Paver request form has been mailed to members. Members who pass away can receive free paver, if family desires
- AL Derek Sobczyk reports 3 new AL committee members, George League, Dave Rachau, Rodger Beckes. Timber Creek Rattlers, have clinched Fall season. 6 teams for Spring session
Committee does prefer Roc Ball
- CL Tim Heenan reports Daily Independent Wins fall Season, Mgr Jim Smiths 1st championship
Spring has 6 Teams, new Managers Mike Milts, Doug Terpstra, Helen Balabanis
6 teams for spring, with rovers, 11 Players. League committee does not prefer Roc Ball
Jan Mandell prepared checklist for last game of day , "closing the field" duties for home visitor teams. Paul Dickerson made motion to approve for all leagues, 2nd Steve Krueger, board approved. Mick Conway Spring Fling Tourney, Feb 7,8,9
- NL Tom D. reports NL has 6 teams for Spring, 11 players + assigned pitchers
league committee does not approve the Roc softball type
- Co-ed Pauline R reports 5 teams in spring, 5 female/7 men per team, schedule includes double-headers
will use clock, to help 65+ start on time
league committee does approve the Roc softball type
- 65+ Steve K reports spring session will have 4 teams, AL thru NL, 11 players per team.
league committee does not approve the Roc softball type
- Hall of Banquet will be March 20, Sundial. Dan Braddock included numbers on free dinners to

Fame

past recipients, RCSC persons and sponsors. Estimated it could cost up to \$600 to include free dinners to spouses. Nominations are open, will put an eligible list on website

Cleats/Clubs Jim Sundberg -Tournament will be March 23rd, Riverview Golf Course, 12 PM shotgun start. discussion on lowering meal costs, moving from catered meal to sandwiches and horderves

Reports

Banners Steve Krueger will be in charge of banner renewals, and new banners

Uniforms We need 40 new umpire uniforms. Mercers Restaurant (sponsor) willing to help with 20 new uniforms. Motion made by Paul Dickerson to pay for additional 20, 2nd by Cenia Huber. board approved

Equipment we have at least 4 new styles of hats coming, they will be on display at clubhouse soon Planning to have vote on hat style at the March membership meeting

Green Team There has been a little confusion on GT dates and times. Mark Merkley advocating for running GT tryouts at Sunday morning practices, more interactive. GT tryouts will be at 9 AM Sundays, now, with at least 2 raters, per league.

Field Rodger Beckes reports due to lack of rain, field was flooded over the Xmas break. will paint the home plate area Wednesday 1/15, needs 3 days to dry.

Marketing Liz Kather ready for "Discover Sun City" expo on Jan 15. enough people volunteered for the 9-11 am time-slot and 6-8 pm time-slot

Publicity

Old Business

Concession stand brought in \$935 on Pop & Water, covering expenses. Kudos to Mary D, and Marty G. We are looking for more volunteers.

New Softball Type. AL and Coed approved using new Roc Ball, CL,NL, 65+ did not Discussion that the new ball, is about \$3 more per ball, but is more durable. Reports that it is "slower through the infield, further in the outfield" Plans to buy a small order, try them out in practice sessions, and some league play. Paul Dickerson made motion to approve this, 2nd by Steve Krueger, board approved with note that temporary approval ends April 12

2024/2026 planning calendar. No edits needed. mostly used as a tool for Website guys and League committees, to firm up dates on registration begin/end, and draft days.

New Business

Summer League Committee, George Fairbanks named as Chair, he will pick 4 other members

Budget Committee will be Jim Keinath Chair, Tom D, Cenia Huber, Jim Sundberg, Steve Oberg will form a basic outline for annual income and expenditures

Softball League Rules. Starting a Rules section that pertains to all Leagues, to include
Uniform enforcement
Safety protocols

Player re-ratings

Cenia made motion, 2nd by Steve Krueger, board approved.

Meal For field workers. Our field workers (players and RCSC) go over and above in time and dedication.

We'd like to honor them with a BBQ at field. Mark Merkley motioned, 2nd by Cenia Huber
board approved

Hall of Fame Pavers - tabled till next meeting. Ted S, is redoing the plaque of Hall of Fame receiptants in
the clubhouse.

Blood Drive - Sue Skae has arranged for a blood drive, Tuesday Feb 4th, 8 am to noon. Donations will
be drawn in trailer/parking lot by health professionals.

Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting - Wednesday Feb 12, 2025 - 6 PM - Softball field house

Sun City Softball Board Minutes, February 12th, 2025, 6 PM

Roll Call: Paul Dickerson, Steve Krueger, Cenia Huber, Mark Merkley, Sue Skae
absent - Steve Oberg, Tim Burke, Cenia Huber

Meeting called to order by Paul Dickerson and the pledge of allegiance was held.

Minutes Approval: no corrections, motion by Sue Skae, 2nd by Mark Merkley, board approved

Financial Report

| | Checking | Investment | Totals |
|----------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Beginning Cash | 16978.90 | 19044.71 | 36023.61 |
| Additions | 9142.86 | 245.17 | 9388.03 |
| Expenditures | -11029.36 | | -11029.36 |
| Ending Balance | 15092.40 | 19289.88 | 34382.28 |

Monthly Reports

Angels

We have a fantastic Angels committee who love to serve this club. My hope for each one is to do what makes their hearts happy and benefits this amazing club. Knowing that, should help you understand our decisions are made as a committee. When we decide on a beneficiary of contributions at our "Pitch In" Toy Drives or Food Drives, it has been fully researched to determine need. If you have any questions, please see Melissa or me. Thank you for this privilege and honor to help the club help the community and each other.

- a. New service – care baskets by Liz Kather prepared and delivered to those discharged from Hospital
 - b. Joe Emmons' fall at the field
 - i. SB cap with HOF pin returned (Danny, a fellow HOFer)
 - ii. A care basket was delivered by Liz Kather, Angel committee member, helped open wife Martha to share more about what they are going through
 - iii. Outpouring from the club is beautifully encouraging
 - c. Sue Oberg's surgery on January 22. Recovery, healing, rehab is ahead. Care basket delivered to the Oberg's, post surgery. Angels committee member, Sharon Amer, arranged meals for the Oberg's
 - d. John Kasper's wife, Phyllis, passed away in January after a long illness.
 - e. Sandie Neville, member not playing, brain tumor. Sharon Amer is our committee member who stays in touch with her awaiting surgeon consult.
- 2) Dysart Community Center – a Toy Drive beneficiary
- a. Equipment Drive and Volunteer Opportunity for Dysart School Ball Program; Support the next Generation of Baseball Enthusiasts
 - b. Angels committee member liaison to Dysart – Judy Ickes – has created relationship and understanding how we can help meet some additional needs. El Mirage kiddos learning how to play ball. Our club members are invited to donate equipment and time to help with this campaign to bring a sport to kids who don't play. See Judy Ickes.
- 3) Golden Oldies Games and the Memorial

- a. Monday, March 24, 2024 – 1-5 pm; games to start at one.
 - b. Email and website promo to start for those age 75+ sign up to play
 - c. Invitations have gone out to families of those players or players partners who passed away this softball season to attend The Memorial and Games
 - d. Angels committee member, Tina Prosenick is heading up the hospitality part. Food will be purchased, prepared and served by her team of volunteers
 - e. Larry Chapman and Lloyd Styrwoll games; Steve Starr, officiating; Keith Pyles trumpet, inspirational music Bryan Hitch “Amazing Grace” and “I Can Only Imagine”; open mic for friends/family to share memories/stories
- 4) “Celebrate Life” Commemorative Paver Request forms are available inside the clubhouse and on our website. Committee member, Lynda Hill is our Paver Order chair. We are working out process. Holding orders until we have 5 or 6 at a time. We’ve learned checks to be given to Cenia for deposit but hold the orders (about 10 days – 2 weeks to gather enough for an order).
- 5) Melissa: February Food Drive helping stock shelves at Banner Olive Branch Senior Center - reaching seniors in our 55+ community; Tues, Feb 11, Thurs, Feb 13, and for the first time we’ll open the food drive on a Saturday...February 15th (co-ed and 65+). Just yesterday we received generous contributions of \$457 and non-perishable food you can see on the kitchen counter! Thank you for what we call the goodness that pours out of our club to help our community. I suggest we talk about the plan and need help to deliver the food on Monday

- AL Dave Rachau: Dave was absent
- CL CL Tim Heenan: Tim was absent, Larry Chapman stated that CL is losing bodies to injuries and Tim Heenan is working hard scheduling subs.
- NL NL Tom Dellopoulos: Two new players added off of most recent Green Team. Thanks to pitchers for CL and AL, have started to use the new Rock ball but will continue to use up the old balls until gone.
- Co-ed Pauline Robinson: Coed is doing well. Not sure of Coed is using the new balls, but will go along with the other leagues, getting good help in the crows nest.
- 65+ Steve Krueger: Going well, losing a few AL players, would like to get full time replacements
- Hall of Fame: Dan Braddock: March 10 is the date of the dinner door opens at 5 pm festivities start at 6 pm. Packets of tickets provided to the managers to sell tickets, \$20 for a \$30 meal. Has tickets available to sell.
- Cleats & Clubs Jim Sundberg: Slowly getting entry forms from players and donations. March 23rd is the date of the tournament. Looking for help for the tournament and wants to know of any club member that lives on Riverview Golf Course.

Reports

- Field Report Rodger Beckes: Roger appreciates everyone for letting the team to do the watering as needed. Worked out a deal to order ball online and is trying to do the same for ordering the paint. New Rock balls are still getting nicked up but don’t seem to get mushy by the end of the games.
- Marketing Expo: Liz Kather presented the new table drape that can be used for marketing. Gave out over 100 pamphlets at the Sun City Expo. Suggestion was made to see if pamphlets could be placed at the golf course clubhouses. She will investigate.
- Publicity: Larry Chapman gave info to Daily Independent for the Mick Conway tournament and possibly for the Buttars tournament if it’s not too late
- Budget committee: No Reports

Old Business

New Hats: Paul presented a safari hat with the new Sun City Softball Club logo and said that there were 25 available. Regarding the four hats that have been on the counter in the kitchen, the vote is just to get an idea of what the members like. No resolution at this time

Scoreboard: A new scoreboard to be mounted on the building directly below the crows nest windows has been paid for by an anonymous donor. Will have a vote at the general meeting to decide if the club will do the installation. Expected delivery of the scoreboard is the 3rd week of April

New Business

Pavers: see Angels report

Mark Kisala talked about a one-day tournament to be held on March 16th. the teams will be the Rockets, the Sidekicks, Robson Ranch and Palm Creek. Will make money off the tournament for the club and would like to have the tournament every year.

Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting - March 5, 2025 - 6 PM - Fairway Rec Center