

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

Softball Board Meeting Minutes March 5, 2025 6 PM - Membership Meeting

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

Minutes Approval Motion to Approve by Mark Merkley, 2nd by Sue Skae

Financial Report

	Checking	Investment	Totals
Beginning Cash	15092.40	19289.88	34382.28
Additions	6836.92	195.21	7032.13
Expenditures	<u>-2497.24</u>	<u> </u>	<u>-2497.24</u>
Ending Balance	19432.08	19485.09	38917.17

Motion to approve by Tim Burke, 2nd by Stev Krueger

Angels in outfield Melissa Sobczyk reported on various falls, illnesses.
Pavers are for sale \$50, forms available in the clubhouse and website
4th Annual Golden Oldies games, to be held March 24th, Sun City
Total raised for 2024/2025 so far for community support is almost \$11,000

Hall of Fame Banquet to be held March 10, Doors open 5Pm, banquet at 6PM
expecting 270 attendees

Cleats and Clubs Need more teams, 18 so far. Need another email blast.

Emergency Contacts With recent, David Scherk incident, it was reported 10% of players
have not filled in their Emergency Contact info. We will make it mandatory question on
future Season registrations, and provide a listing in a clubhouse binder.

Publicity Tina Prosenik reports Softball club will be represented at the Spring Fling
Bell Center, April 10th.

Budget Committee submitted report -

Annual projected Income	33000	
Annual projected expenses	<u>-19000</u>	
Net cashflow from operations	14000	
(2025 only) expenses		
New Hats	5000	
HOF Pavers	1000	
Scoreboard installation	2237	
laser Printer	600	
Artificial Turf along 1st	<u>5000</u>	
	13837	Net Budget + \$163

OLD BUSINESS

2025/26 Calendar review This summer, rather than 3 - 8 week seasons, we plan 2 - 11 week seasons gives us more flexibility for Field work, Dirt work

New Softball Hats Showed the 6 different colors of Hats, and held a vote from present members. by a vote of 26-5, the Dark Blue Hat with Dark blue bill won. Jim Keinith reported the club will now buy 150 formfit hats, and 150 adjustable hats. New Players will issued one, along with their uniform fee. Current Members can continue to wear their old hats, and/or buy a new hat for \$10.

HOF Bricks Putting in pavers for Sun City Hall of Fame members, along left side of walkway (club cost, \$1000) Derek Sobyczk made motion to proceed, Jan Mandell 2nd. Vote succeeded 27-2
Arnie Kvarnberg made a motion to amend, that 2, SCW HOF'ers (arid Peterson & Orie McDonald) be added to the HOF Brick project. Both have had close ties to Sun City Softball. Motion 2nd by Jim Graunucci. Vote succeeded 23-8

New Business

Expenditure Forms new forms for submitting expenses from Club funds, are in clubhouse

League Champions discussion on Club recognizing Season Champions for the Different Leagues, whether hat pins, tee shirts. Cons presented: customizing the item, for Year/season/team Name, could cost more than its benefit. Team are currently recognized in newspaper. No motion was made

New Scoreboard We have anonymously received a scoreboard for the outside wall, just below the crows nest. It would cost \$2237 to the RCSC to mount it. Motion made by Julie Glynn to proceed, 2nd by Derek Sobyczk. Vote succeeded 27-4

Artificial Turf Motion was made by John Millage, 2nd by Jim Keinith to accept RCSC spending \$10,000 in artificial turf/landscaping along First base line. Voted succeeded 29-2
Discussion on working along 3rd base line as well, railbird foot benches, "doing a complete job" helping create a licensed Construction Company, with experienced Club Members, to bid on jobs like that. A motion was made to approve up to \$8000, in club funds to add to the Project, by Mike Milts, 2nd by Tom Delloupolous. Vote succeeded 27-2

Sun City Softball Board Minutes, April 9th, 2025, 6 PM

Roll Call: Steve Oberg, Paul Dickerson, Steve Krueger, Cenia Huber, Nolan Hess, Sue Skae, Tim Burke

Meeting called to order by Steve Oberg and the pledge of allegiance was held.

Minutes Approval: no corrections, motion by Steve Krueger, 2nd by Paul Dickerson, board approved

Financial Report

	Checking	Investment	Totals
Beginning Cash	19432.08	19485.09	38917.17
Additions	19010.00		19010.00
Expenditures	<u>-21614.45</u>	<u>-305.45</u>	<u>-21919.90</u>
Ending Balance	16827.63	19179.64	36007.27

note: approx \$4000 billing to SCW for HOF banquet, not received yet

Monthly Reports

- Angels Angels, tying up their end of year reporting. Meeting on 4/18 to review last year progress
March 7 members injured, illnesses
Jim Smith memorial is March 19, 11 AM, suggested that club members wear uniforms
Golden Oldies tournament, 230 attended, 19 families
- AL Tight races in Spring, Bibianos were the champions
- CL Team Peterson were Champs, Doug Terpstra, rookie mgr.
12 dropouts/injuries over season, , more than normal, kudos to Mark Merkley a season .870 OBP
in Fall draft and forward, if a player is not selected in CL draft, they will be rated a 7, with option
to go to NL,, or re rate in Green Team
- NL Sue Skae, all is well
- Co-ed Pauline Robinson, reports, battle for championship, this Saturday
Many thanks to Pete Laufer/Bob Hamilton, for helping with women's practices, this year
- 65+ Steve Kruger reports Helen Balabanis team wins the league, 7 and 1
the plan for fall, is to change league from 65+, to all ages, called the Saturday afternoon League
- Summer George Fairbanks reports 93 signups, plans to draft 9 teams for ACN, 5 teams for co-ed
Summer #1 will run April 24 to July 5th
- Green Team Paul Dickerson made motion to accept Mark Merkley resignation, Cenia Huber 2nd, motion passed
Tim Burke made Motion to accept Nolan Hess, as new GT board member, Paul Dickerson 2nd
motion passed. GT will be a committee effort, Nolan, Helen, Alan Kniager and Kat Huddleston
Helen reports 2 last week, 4 upcoming, Thursday will be Green Team Day
- Cleats & Clubs Jim Sundberg, had a very successful Golf tournament, 142 golfers.
Hole Sponsors raised \$4300 (great news, equaling last year in spite of loosing Team Peterson)
Golf Challenges raised \$3000 (mulligans, wooden driver, pay it forward)
50/50 raised \$1200
Plan to run tournament March 8 next year, afternoon, thanks to all sponsors, volunteers, Golfers
and Jim And Missy Sundberg!

Reports

- Banners Steve Krueger, will get help taking banners down next week, for the summer
sending list of potential sponsors out to players, hoping players who use their services, will
let them know we would appreciate them joining
- Equipment W are now offering White Hats, \$25, blue hats \$10, visors \$10
official hats for play are the blue, visors and safari hats
- Marketing Liz Kather will run a softball club booth at the Western Spring Fling, Bell Center, April 10

Old Business

Turf along 1st base : Steve reports RCSC will pay entire cost for turf along 1st base practice area, and railbird foot benches. RCSC will not allow our club to form LLC for contracting purposes.

Crows nest scoreboard should arrive about April 18

New Business

Steve reports RCSC has required all clubs must rewrite their bylaws to fit a standard RCSC format, process will include some additions, RCSC is requiring, a Project for Steve to write first draft, will vote on them at November Membership meeting

Some Discussion on new field/clubhouse adhering to ADA rules. Julie McGlynn stating ADA does not apply to clubs

Jan Mandell, pricing out new "On Deck" circles. 5 foot PVC material rugs would be best fit for us, \$1000 each. Steve Krueger made motion to adopt. Discussion on SCSSL logo? A sponsorship logo? Motion tabled, Steve K, will research to see if any sponsors are interested

Annual budget request to RCSC, Steve O, requested drinking fountains, and more picnic tables.

Discussions on League Committees, who's on them? (typically a chairman and the managers), how are they chosen, can it turn in a "good ole boys" club. Replacement of members, accountability. No decisions at this time.

Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting - October 8, 2025 - 6 PM - Clubhouse