

April 4, 2019

Sun and Fun Tri County Senior Softball League, Inc.

Place: Continental Country Club

The meeting was called to order by President Don Sprout at 1:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: In attendance, Clerbrook, Continental, Del Webb, Hawthorne, Holiday RV Village, Lakes@Leesburg, Legacy, Pennbrooke, Plantation, Recreation Plantation, Spruce Creek, Stonecrest, SummerGlen, Sunlake, Water Oak.

Minutes: The minutes for the January 3rd meeting were accepted on a motion made by Lakes@Leesburg, seconded by Sunlake.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report was accepted on a motion made by SummerGlen, seconded by Sunlake.

Old Business:

- Motion to pay the web master for the fall and winter season was made by Pennbrooke, seconded by Legacy and carried
- Motion to pay the web master for the summer season @\$30.00 per team was made by Stonecrest, seconded by Lakes@Leesburg and carried.
- The All-Star game held in February by hosting community Water Oak was a huge success with many compliments given by the participating communities.
- The All-Star guideline sent out by the secretary to the communities detailing in part the criteria used to host the event was approved by the Board and will be posted on the web site in the document section. This document is just an event guideline and can be supplemented by the community hosting the event.
- The Del Webb tournament report was given by the tournament chairman Kevin Cheeks with all the hosting communities having successful events.
- The SummerGlen tournament being held on April 8th thru the 12th is on schedule as reported by Jim Maguire community representative.
- The protest committee heard and upheld a protest at a meeting in March.
- President Sprout gave his views on the new umpire evaluation process and made some recommendations to improve the process. Comments made by the members enforces the fact that more communications with umpires, managers and players are needed.
- Discussion on and if we should have an umpire in chief for the league. Currently the Vice President oversees the evaluation process as stated in the umpire guideline.
- Discussion on the run by rule which is 5' in the playing rules is a guideline
- President Sprout brought to light an issue with the pitcher not getting behind the screen and fielding a batted ball. After discussion the Board agreed to the following inclusion into the **Playing Rules Section VII: 7.4 bullet point 4 will read:**

When a pitcher does not move behind the screen and fields a batted ball, the umpire will declare a dead ball and issue a warning to the pitcher pursuant to 7.4.3, awarding the batter 1st base with all the other on base runner moving one base

- President Sprout brought to the Boards attention the current section of the Constitution under Section III., which does not preclude a Board member from also holding one of the three elected offices. On a motion made and carried the Board vote to include into **Section III. Governing Body the following:**

Community representatives are not allowed to also hold an elected office in the league

Election of Officers:

- Al Smith was elected to a two year term as league President succeeding Don Sprout.
- Bob Andrews was elected to a one year term as league Vice President.
- Jim Milligan was re-elected to a two year term as Secretary-Treasurer.

New Business:

- President Smith laid out his agenda and his goals for the upcoming summer season and upcoming year. One objective was to ask the board for some variances for the summer league season for a one year period.
- **The following revisions to league rules were voted on and approved by the Board for the summer league season only:**
 - Reinstating the flip-flop rule
 - Eliminate the catchup rule
 - Liberal substitutions allowing players to leave and re-enter a game to mitigate the summer heat and fatigue
 - Division A lineup will have no more than 6 division 1 players in the lineup at the same time
 - Seven inning games
 - **The Board voted against ladies using non-approved bats**
 - The inclusion into the Constitution a head umpire and define that role
 - Developing a person to fill-in and or help the web master
 - Royal Highlands will rejoin the league this fall, with one team in division 6, their admittance will be voted on at the first league meeting in October. They will present a roster for the first alignment meeting on September 13, at Continental time to be determined.

Additional Business topics:

The alignment meetings: Continental

- Friday, September 13th and Friday September 20th time and appeal dates to be determined

League Meetings: Continental

- Friday, October 4th, 1pm community rep's and officers
- Friday, October 11th, 1pm community rep's, officer's and manager's

All-Star Game Assigned Years

*** Continental (Completed 2015)	Legacy (2020)	Sunlake (2025)
Plantation (Completed 2016)	Clerbrook (2021)	Pennbrooke (2026)
SummerGlen (Completed 2017)	Holiday RV Village (2022)	Spruce Creek (2027)
Del Webb (Completed 2018)	Stonecrest (2023)	Rec. Plantation (2028)
Water Oak (Completed 2019)	Lakes @ Leesburg (2024)	Hawthorne (2029)

Motion to adjourn asked for and accepted by President Smith

Respectfully submitted for your review and acceptance.

Jim Milligan, Secretary/Treasurer

April 5, 2019