

April 6, 2017

Sun and Fun Annual Meeting

Prior to the annual league meeting at Continental being called to order by Vice President Don Sprout who presided over the meeting in the absence of Jim McGuire who has recently resigned as President of the Sun and Fun, acting president Sprout yielded the floor to Mark Pillar SummerGlen's park representative and a member on the seeding committee who recapped the essence of why the seeding committee was put in place by the league, the agenda of the committee, meeting's that took place during the summer months and on into the fall and the process used to align and realign the divisions prior to the season start and at the Christmas break.

The meeting was then called to order and a roll call was taken by Jim Milligan acting as secretary in Greg Alms absence, with all community representative present.

The Treasurer's report was read and accepted on a motion by Spruce Creek, seconded by Plantation and carried by the majority.

The minutes of the previous meeting which were placed on line prior to the meeting for review by the community representatives were accepted on a motion made by Clerbrook, seconded by Plantation and carried by the majority.

Some procedural issues were covered to elect a new President and Secretary after Secretary Greg Alms decided to step aside. Acting president Sprout suggested that the positions of secretary and treasurer be combined into one position and that was done on a motion made by Lakes at Leesburg, seconded by Spruce Creek and carried by the majority.

Current treasure Jim Milligan will assume both the secretary and treasure's position on a motion made by Spruce Creek, seconded by Recreation Plantation and carried by majority vote.

Jim Milligan reminded the body that the league's by-laws would need to be changed to reflect this change. Milligan will make that change and bring that back to the league at the next scheduled meeting in October.

Acting president Sprout asked for nominations for the office of President. Don Sprout was nominated for president by Plantation, seconded by Clerbrook.

Acting president Sprout asked for nominations for the vice president's position and on a motion made by Del Webb, seconded by Pennbrooke Bob Falzone was nominated.

The vote for President and Vice President was taken by roll call as one vote and carried by the majority.

President Sprout thanked Jim McGuire for his tenure as president over the past four years and the work by Jim in service to the Sun and Fun and also Greg Alms for his service to the league.

Old Business

The topic of alignment, parity, communities' placement of players according to their skill level and ability, were discussed at length with many community representatives voicing their opinions, frustrations, and views going forward. Many of these topics will be discussed by the **Operations Committee, which is made up of the three (3) elected officers, effective 4-6-17, and the six divisional representatives** during the upcoming months.

New Business

President Sprout awarded each divisional winner a check for \$50.00.

Divisional rep's comment on the season and issues that needed some attention.

Discussion took place on Holiday Travel's movement from D2 to D1 at the Christmas break by the seeding committee. After much discussion as to whether Holiday Travel dropped from the league or just did not play any additional games in division 1, a solution was agreed to whereas Holiday Travel was fined the sum of \$1.00, placed back into the division 1 alignment and will be aligned in the league by the Operations Committee during the alignment process for the 2017-18 season on a motion made by Hawthorne, seconded by Plantation and carried on a roll call vote, with 11 for and 4 against.

All Star Game Report

Mark Pillar reported that this year's event was a success with some games a bit lop sided and other fairly close. Mark gave much of the credit to Bob Merlano who ran the event for SummerGlen. Del Webb is slated for the 2018 event with possible dates of 2-10 or 2-17 with Del Webb's choice of either.

Del Webb Invitational Tournament

Jim DeLucia reported that the tournament went well with some difficulty in posting the brackets online due to teams not submitting the entrance fee on time, teams dropping out, and final league standing's all of which determined the seeding. Jim also noted that Del Webb had to host both the D1 and D4 events, and thanked the other hosting communities for their help. Discussion took place on letting teams know ahead of the tournament start and how to get that accomplished in support of Del Webb.

SummerGlen's 70's Tournament

Mark Pillar reported that tournament play was ongoing to date with games slated for Saturday 4-8 with 6 teams and great support and thanks again to Bob Merlano for getting the field in shape.

The mercy rule and flip flop rules were discussed and will become mandatory in the 2017-18 seasons.

The pitching screen use and its dimensions were discussed and the conclusion reached is as follows: The screen size will be 72" in height and a width of 30" to a max width of 32" be the standard. The use of the screen and the option to use it by a pitcher was approved on a motion by Pennbrook, seconded by Recreation Plantation. The roll call vote was 13 for and 2 against.

Summer League

Play to start in May and finish in early August. The 5 man D1 rule will be in effect once again. Teams committing to play are: Stonecrest, Del Webb, Water Oak, Plantation, and Spruce Creek/Stonecrest combination. No make-up games will be played. Al Smith from Stonecrest will coordinate summer play.

Al Smith asked the operations committee to look at the following possibilities: Divisional alignment from 6 to 3 divisions, and split seasons.

Operations Committee

The operations committee will review the following issues discussed and those issues that may come before the committee to be reviewed.

- Ball's hit into the pitching screen
- Scoring plate removal
- Moving the second first base further away
- Catchup rule
- Divisional alignment shrinkage from 6 to 3
- Instituting a three season league
- Home run rule: Does player have to run
- Unlimited runner in the offense lineup

October Meeting Schedule

Tuesday the 10th, and Tuesday the 24th at Continental at 1pm.

Discussion topics:

The secretary reminder the body that there is an agenda which needs to be followed to insure that the minutes are recorded correctly. Jumping from one agenda topic to another makes it difficult to track important topic's within the agenda item. The secretary also stressed the importance only the park representatives communicating during meetings.

Jim Spaulding ask that the minutes reflect the many years of service that Paul Malashevitz contributed to the Sun and Fun league and the difference his contribution made.

Motion to adjourn made by Spruce Creek, seconded by Recreation Plantation and carried by the majority.

Jim Milligan