

Sun and Fun Senior Softball League Meeting Minutes

Clerbrook 9:00am

October 7, 2008

The Meeting was called to Order at 9:01am

Roll Call: All Members of the Operating Committee were present. All communities were represented by their Park Reps with the following exceptions: Jim Herbert represented Hawthorne and Don Barrows represented Holiday Travel. New Park Reps are John Betts from Water Oak and Ron Pike from Del Webb.

The Minutes from the Meeting held on April 1, 2008 were approved as published without correction.

The Treasurer's report was approved as published with a current balance of \$612.96. The league has had no expenditures since our last meeting. The league has no outstanding debts.

President's Comments Dave opened the meeting by expressing the league's gratitude to the departing Vice President Arnie Lumbers who will not participate in the league this year.

Election of Officers

The Secretary reported that in spite of emails to the Park Reps and notification on the website, no names have been submitted to fill the league offices. No nominations were forthcoming from the floor. Dave Sparrow (WO), John Martucci (PE) and Paul Malashevitz (DW) were nominated for the offices of President, Vice President and Secretary/Treasurer respectively. A final request was made for other nominations. Election of the officers was by unanimous voice vote.

Constitutional Change - Role of the Vice President

The Operating Committee recommended to the Executive Board that the role of League Director be eliminated and that the responsibilities of the League Director be assigned to the Vice President. A motion to accept the OC's proposal was made by Continental and seconded by LAL. After a brief discussion, the motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

2008-2009 Divisional Reps

The president announced the following appointments to the position of Division Rep: Rick Smith (ST - Division 1), Jim Milligan (SL - Division 2) and Bill Gardner (WO - Division 5). He asked for volunteers to fill the slots in D3 and D4. There were none. Dave requested that the reps do their best to provide candidates to him prior to the next meeting. If none were forthcoming, he will make assignments as necessary.

Waivers and Contracts

Waivers: Dave Sparrow discussed the League's requirement for liability waivers signed by every participant.

1. Once signed, players do not need to provide additional copies. The Vice President retains all waivers.
2. New players must have a waiver on file or they will not be permitted to play. Failure to comply may result in forfeiture of games in which the player participated.

Contracts: New Contracts will not be required this year unless the player is new or the image of the driver's license on the existing contract is not legible.

Bats

Phil Massie discussed ASA's current intent to require re-certification of all bats as of January 1, 2009. A copy of the ASA Banned bat list (July 3, 2008) was distributed to all Park Reps.

A motion from the floor was made by Stonecrest to abandon the use of the ASA Standards by the S&F League for the coming season and allow the use of the Miken Freak. The motion was seconded by Plantation. Following debate: the motion was defeated by a roll call vote of 12-3. Voting in favor: Plantation, Stonecrest and SummerGlen. The remaining 12 community reps voted against the motion.

A motion was made from the floor by Royal Highlands that we accept the ASA's Banned Bat List dated July 3, 2008 as published on the ASA website for the 2008-2009 season. The motion was seconded by Pennbrooke. The motion was passed by voice vote.

The Executive Board recessed for 11 minutes and resumed deliberation at 10:14am.

Divisional Alignment for 2008-2009

The president reported to the EB that 3 communities were forced to drop teams because they did not have enough S&F players: Del Webb, Stonecrest and Royal Highlands. Pursuant to the recommendations of the Operating Committee, Dave presented the following realignment for consideration by the Park Reps.

Division 1

- 1 Clerbrook
- 2 Del Webb
- 3 Pennbrooke
- 4 Plantation
- 5 Royal Highlands
- 6 Stonecrest
- 7 SummerGlen
- 8 Water Oak

Division 2

- 1 Continental
- 2 Del Webb
- 3 Holiday Travel
- 4 Legacy
- 5 Plantation
- 6 Spruce Creek
- 7 Sunlake

Division 3

- 1 Del Webb
- 2 Del Webb
- 3 Pennbrooke
- 4 Royal Highlands
- 5 Spruce Creek
- 6 Stonecrest
- 7 Water Oak

Division 4

- 1 Hawthorne
- 2 Holiday Travel
- 3 Lakes at Leesburg
- 4 Pennbrooke
- 5 Plantation
- 6 Royal Highlands
- 7 Sunlake

Division 5

- 1 Del Webb
- 2 Holiday Travel
- 3 Pennbrooke
- 4 Plantation
- 5 Spruce Creek
- 6 Stonecrest
- 7 SummerGlen
- 8 Water Oak

The President discussed the difficulty of putting together an alignment that would please every community, and acknowledged that the current solution was not perfect. The floor was opened for discussion.

Spruce Creek reported on the success that Del Webb had achieved in recent years and asked the league to require DW to have 2 Division 1 teams. The President explained that the players leaving the league from DW included the top players from the 2007-2008 Division 1 teams. Del Webb supported the President's statement with a list of the departing players (only 10 remained from the 27 division 1 players from last year).

A request was made for a list of the names which was provided by the secretary.

The President asked Stonecrest for a list of the players departing from its Division 1 team. The following names were reported as men who will not play in S&F this season: Jim Erwin, Dennis Neuharth, Tony Falcinelli, Mark Abram and Bert Truskowski.

In light of the fact that the league was permitting DW to drop a Division 1 team, SummerGlen, respectfully and with apologies to DW, offered the following motion in order to protect the integrity of the league. "The following residents of Del Webb shall be ineligible for play in 2008-2009 S&F league games and for the post season tournament for S&F teams: Cal Allison, Ken Breakiron, Larry Busnardo, Jim DeLucia, Bob Falzone, Rob Hamblin, Walt Harmon, DJ Jones, Gregg Lewis, Andy Pytel, John Ramage and Fred Willman." The motion was seconded by Spruce Creek. The ramifications of the motion were discussed.

The motion passed by a roll call vote of 10 to 3 with 2 abstentions. Voting against the motion: Hawthorne, Plantation and Royal Highlands. Abstaining: Del Webb and Lakes at Leesburg.

SummerGlen, Clerbrook, Stonecrest and Royal Highlands discussed their concerns with the alignment. A motion was made by Spruce Creek to accept the proposal from the Operating Committee. The motion was seconded by Royal Highlands. The motion was approved by a roll call vote of 13-2. Voting against the proposal were Clerbrook and SummerGlen.

2008-2009 Requests for the Use of Non-Resident Players

The following communities requested the use of outside players.

1. By a roll call vote of 14-1, Clerbrook was granted permission to use Will Egner, Mike Donovan and Bob Caldron. Stonecrest opposed the motion.
2. By a roll call vote of 15-0, Continental was granted permission to use Mike Gallus and Jerry Anderson.
3. By a roll call vote of 15-0, Lakes at Leesburg was granted permission to use Carl Perry and Dave Boram.
4. By a roll call vote of 15-0, Legacy was granted permission to use Bob Polson and Jim Reardon.
5. By a roll call vote of 14-1, Spruce Creek was granted permission to use John Bafaro. Del Webb opposed the motion.
6. By a roll call vote of 15-0, Sunlake was granted permission to use Chet Novak, Ray VanDyke and Bob Burns from Harbor Hills on their Division 2 team.
7. By a roll call vote of 15-0, Water Oak was granted permission to use Bob Ramsey in Division 5 and Bert Belanger in Division 3.

Calendar Issues

1. By voice vote, the league unanimously approved the playing dates for the 2008-2009 season.
2. Spruce Creek affirmed that it will host the All Star Games on February 21, 2009.
3. Del Webb affirmed that it will host the post-season tournament for S&F teams to be held during the week of March 23, 2009.

2008-2009 Contact List

The secretary requested that the Park Reps provide him with the following information about themselves, their managers and assistant managers by no later than the next EB Meeting: name, phone number, email address and cell phone (optional).

The creation of the Contact List is vital to maintaining communications throughout the league.

League Dues

Payment of League dues is required at the next EB meeting. The dues are \$15.00 per team. Receipts will be provided. If paying by check, please make check payable to "Paul Malashevitz". If paying in cash, please try to have the exact change.

The Next Executive Board Meeting will be held at 9:00 in the main ballroom of the Community Center at Del Webb on October 31, 2008. The meeting is intended for Park Reps, Operating Committee members and all team managers.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:03am.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary/Treasurer
10-08-2008