

2023 SSFI First Fall Meeting

Date: October 3, 2023

Place: Continental

Time: 1:00 to 3:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Bob Falzone @ 1:00 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Missing for this meeting Stonecrest, SummerGlen

Field of Dreams: Sunlake: Hugh "Mac" McIntyre, Plantation: Charles "Charlie" Castello, Hawthorne: Dave Huwe, Water Oak: Mitch Siler, Phil Saienni, Ed Hull, Denny Jenkins, Spruce Creek Danny Cooper, Bob Markle, Del Webb: Larry Ashmore, Ken Freese

Minutes:

- The minutes of the Annual meeting in April were approved on a voice vote on motions made by Clerbrook and Spruce Creek

Treasurer's Report:

- Approved by voice vote on motions by Lake @ Leesburg and Pennbrooke

Web Master Report:

- Maryann reported on the new website and demonstrated the new roster form which is to be filled out online. The league will no longer accept handwritten rosters, which must be filled out online.
- Game reporting will also be done online and sent directly to the site. All the appropriate game reporting fields are on this report.
- Steve Hatfield is the new assistant webmaster
- Scheduling for the season will be completed by 10-14

Umpire review Bob Andrews:

- Clinics have been held at Water Oak, Plantation, and Del Webb. The remaining clinic will be held at Sunlake on January 3rd at 10:00.
- The clinics completed so far have certified 142 umpires and 200+ overall.
- Bob emphasized to the park reps the importance of communicating to their managers that problems need to go to the community rep first, then the division rep who will pass that along to Bob Andrews as a last resort.

Old Business:

- The Trump Stote 44/375 ball is still the official league ball, Optic Yellow, red, or black stitching.

- The use of optional 44/375 obtained during the shortage last season can be used for this season only. The manufacture of the ball used to start a game that ball must be used for the entire game.

New Business:

- Tom Myers presented the results of a project he was asked to undertake to look at those members still active after 15 consecutive years in membered communities. Several communities did not participate.
- On Top of The World “OTOW” will compete as a Club Team this season in division 1 and was welcomed by the Board.
- A reminder that the “Catchup Rule” has been eliminated, with the 8th inning still an open inning, with no limit on runs by either team.
- The pitching screen will be mandatory in the following communities: Sunlake, Stonecrest, Legacy, Hawthorne, Plantation, and Lakes of Leesburg.
- President Falzone thanked the members of the opcomm for all the work they have done over the past year.
- New opcomm members will be chosen at the manager's meeting on October 19th.
- A reminder, when a player is under suspension as per League Rule 13.3 that player may not be in uniform, or in their dugout during that suspension.
- 2024 All-Star game will be held on February 17th at Pennbrooke.

All-Star Game Communities:

(Completed)

(Pending)

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| • Continental: (2015) | Legacy: (Opted out 2020) | Sunlake: (2023) |
| • Plantation: (2016) | Clerbrook: (2020) | Pennbrooke: (2024) |
| • SummerGlen: (2017) | Holiday Village: (2021) | Spruce Creek: (2025) |
| • Del Webb: (2018) | Stonecrest: (2022) | Rec. Plantation: (2026) |
| • Water Oak: (2019) | Lakes @ Leesburg: (Opted out 2023) | Hawthorne: (2027) |

Jim Milligan,

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