

SUN AND FUN SENIOR SOFTBALL LEAGUE
Minutes of Special Meeting Held on Monday, Jan. 23rd at Water Oak

REGULAR MEETING BUSINESS:

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by President Dave Sparrow.
2. Roll Call - All teams were represented except for Harbor Hills
3. A. The minutes from the Nov. 4 meeting were approved as submitted.
B. The treasury has \$755.87 as of this meeting.
4. Report Cards:
 - A. Reporting - Sharon Pierce said that reporting was very good overall. She stressed that name spelling and instruction for substitute reporters needs improvement.
 - B. Sportsmanship - Dave Sparrow asks all Community Reps to talk to their teams regarding sportsmanlike conduct. We must maintain this characteristic to be consistent with the concepts of the Sun and Fun League.
 - C. Umpires: Although much progress has been accomplished, Dave Sparrow asks that we all think about ways to improve our umpiring to reduce mistakes. This will be discussed at subsequent meetings.
 - D. Softball Usage - Playing Rule 5.3 is very specific in outlining the correct ball to be used in the Sun and Fun League. All teams must obey this rule.
5. Newspaper Write-ups: Paul Malashevitz passed out a handout showing the proper procedures to be used when reporting games for the newspaper. The Community Reps are asked to instruct Managers and their assignees for reporting games to view this handout. This will greatly ease the workload for the Division Reporters in relaying info to the media.
6. Player Waiver (Release of Liability): Dave Sparrow asked us all to review the waiver form that was made part of his handout package and be prepared to talk about it at the next meeting.
7. Rule Changes:
 - A. The Communities voted by a 14 to 1 decision to allow changes to the Constitution/By laws, League and Playing rules to be voted on at Special meetings. The dissenting vote came from Legacy. Also, an amendment motion was made to only make changes in these documents effective the next year, with exception of critical issues. This amendment passed 13 to 2 with Continental and Lakes of Leesburg dissenting.
 - B. Constitution and By law Change -- Article X - Standing Committees. The following changes were approved unanimously and will read as follows: "The Executive Board must approve all standing committee recommendations."

A. Operations Committee

1. Shall be made up of the three elected officers and the appointees for Division Director, five Division Representatives, and one At-Large member all selected by the president.
2. Shall be responsible for the operation of the League affairs between meetings and during the summer.

B. Division Committee

1. Shall be headed by a Division Director appointed by the President.
2. Division Director will oversee business relating to all Divisions.
3. Each Division Representative shall be responsible for up-to-date rosters, contracts, and other business relating to their specific division.
4. Each Division Rep is also responsible for granting permission to communities that have teams in more than one division to move players to an upper division. To move players down or laterally, the Community Rep needs approval first from the Division Rep involved, then the Division Director, and finally the President.

C. Protest Committee:

- C.1.b. The Division Representative of the game being protested.
- C.2.c. One Community Representative appointed by the Vice President.

CHAIN OF COMMAND:

Executive Board
President
Division Director
Division Representatives
Community Reps
Manager
Player

8. The proposed Title Changes in the League and Playing rules were approved unanimously as proposed in the handouts. However, the substances of the rule changes were not voted on due to time constraints and will be discussed and voted on at subsequent meetings.

9. Playing Rule 5.5 - Illegal Bat Rule -- After much discussion the changes proposed to this rule were tabled until a future meeting by unanimous vote. The current rules will stand as written until recommended changes can be evaluated. Everyone should think about this one for future voting.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.. The next meeting is scheduled for March 3rd, at Continental Country Club at 2:00 P.M..

D. Lenahan, Fin. Sect.