

# SUN CITY WEST SOFTBALL BOARD - Meeting Minutes

Kuentz Recreation Center, Mesa Room

April 3, 2024

**President Nick Missos:** called the meeting to order at 7:30 am.

**Board Members Present:** Nick Missos, Dave Ryg, Kay Peterson, Mitch Czech, Jack Fischer, Tony Perillo and Larry Reed.

**Others in Attendance:** Ken Skinner, Terry Tichenor, Matt Schacht, Rick Hilton, Jim Hardin, Al McDuffee, Dennis Horvath, Gary Scapito, Dottie Johnson, Barb Ruzic, Lloyd Styrwoll, Gary Scapito, John Derylo, Donna Reed, Fred Ostermeyer, Trevor Cornett, Phil Souza, Bob Schneeberg, Jack Ruzic, Peggy Stallbaum, Dave Bennett and Nick Turner (Chartered Club Liaison).

**Approval of Board Minutes:** Nick asked if there were any questions or corrections on the March 6, 2024 Board Minutes, seeing none he made the motion to approve the Board minutes and seconded by Larry Reed and the minutes were approved.

**Finance Report:** Dave Ryg gave the following March 2024 report;

BMO Bank Balances:

BMO BUS	\$47,853.32
BMO MMK	\$25,489.48
BMO CD	<u>\$20,663.66</u>
Total	\$94,009.46

Western Bank:

Treasury	\$29,134.77
West CD	<u>\$ 10,421.68</u>
Total	\$ 39,556.45

Nick made the motion to approve the March 2024 report and the report was approved.

**American League** - Terry Tichenor will meet with his committee early to get a head start on the Fall session.

**Central League** - The 2024 Spring Central League session ends tomorrow. The Central League Committee wants to thank and commend the Board for their assistance and direction during this session. While it may not always seem that your efforts on our behalf are always appreciated, your governance has made our league better. This session, we played roughly 21 of the 24 possible games. Some games were played and later wiped out as a result of later rain in the day. Team 2, Paul Tone, did an excellent job of securing the league championship. Please join us in congratulating them for an excellent season. As we look ahead to the fall session, we will need to coordinate dates and times and rooms for the manager meetings and the draft. We need to continue to update our rules and we need to update some of our procedures. We will present all of this to the Board in the Fall for your approval and guidance.

**Nick reminded all the leagues to get their dates and times for Fall session, so he can file the CR6 forms.**

**National League** - Barb Ruzic reported a trouble free session with good competition between the teams. The one pitch tournament was a success until the sprinklers went off during the championship game. The first place team won shirts. The first summer session draft will be Thursday, April 11th. Barb suggested for the people wanting to play that have never played softball or have not played since their school days, could practice twice a week and be trained by Bev Burger. Then the NL would continue to be competitive and prevent injuries to these players.

Gary Scapito said it is a judgement call when not to rate these individuals. He will work directly with Barb so they get the proper training before being placed on a team and possibly refer them as 9B's.

**Women's League** - Kay Peterson reported the Hot Flashes played Sun City Festival last Saturday and their last game is at Sun City Grand on April 13th at 2:30.

**70's League** - We survived the Wednesday scheduled games with a few bumps and bruises. Remainder of games on Saturday mornings with final games on April 27. Regular umpires scheduled for both leagues working great. Reached out to Steve Oberg from Sun City regarding reciprocal play for the Fall session. Pauline Robinson represents SC Co-Ed and Larry Chapman represents SC 70's will also contact league commissioner in Grand and possibly other communities. Fall session will either be reciprocal and/or Saturday mornings in SCW with no games

The last question was on reciprocal play this summer; when there will be more teams from SCW than SC, will SC have more playing time. Tony said reasonable effort will be made to balance it out and SCW members will get equal time to play. The schedule will make it right.

Mitch made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Larry and the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 am.

**Next General Member Meeting** - April 10, 2024 at the Lecture Hall at R H Johnson Rec. Center.

**Next Board Meeting** - May 1, 2024 at the Mesa Room at Kuentz Rec. Center.

Minutes reported by Kay Peterson, Secretary

## Green Team Policies and Procedures

March 23, 2024

### Amendment 1

- GT P & P has established a procedure for the re-rating of returning players.
- GT P & P has been updated to include additional responsibilities required by the Green Team Coordinator.

**Amendment 1** is now part of the Green Team Policies and Procedures dated November 8, 2023.

### Returning Player Re-Rate Procedure:

Reference:

- American League rule: Section (H). Responsibilities of Players.
- Central League rule: Section (14). Responsibilities of Players.
- National League rule: Under review.

To highlight the club rules referenced above for each league, any player who has been absent for 1 year or longer for any reason shall be required to attend a Green Team tryout for their re-rate. **Amendment 1** will add a procedure for a returning player re-rate through the Green Team process.

Each league Chairperson shall be responsible for determining that a player has been absent for one year or longer. This will be facilitated by the league Chairperson from the last league the player had participated in. The returning player re-rate results from the Green Team will then establish which league the player will now enter.

Note: Summer ball player re-rate may be excluded at the discretion of the league Chairperson.

*Note: A returning player re-rate session will only be available when there is an established Green Team scheduled for a new player rating session.*

Gary Scapito  
Green Team Coordinator

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## **Green Team Policies and Procedures**

November 8, 2023

### **Softball Club Mission Statement:**

The Sun City West Softball club main objective is to promote and welcome new players to the club regardless of a players skill level and abilities. The Green Team program's main objective is to evaluate all new players entering into the softball club. New players receive a league rating which enters the player into the appropriate league based on the players skill level and abilities.

### **Green Team Coordinator Responsibilities:**

- Receive initial contact from a new player via phone call, email, text, field visit, etc.
- Issue new player welcome package via email, club website or at the field.
- Request a sports bio from the new player to assist with the Raters evaluation.
- Establish the Green Team tryout scheduling date and publish on the club website.
- Coordinate with the lead Rater in scheduling the Green Team session & Rater selection.
- Collect softball league membership dues including new player waiver form.
- Orchestrate the Green Team field tryout session.
- Meet with the lead Rater to discuss the new player final rating results.
- Coordinate new player uniforms issued by the league Uniform Manager.
- Discuss rating with new player and issue an exit document for registration process.
- Publish Green Team rating results to AL, CL & NL leagues committee chairs and officials.
- Publish the Green Team rating results on the club website.
- Guide & assist the new player through the Sports Engine registration process.
- Guide & assist the new player through the league registration process.
- Notify treasurer that all new members have paid their dues and have completed their Sports Engine registration process.

### **Policies:**

Each league shall furnish approved Raters for the Green Team rating session. This ensures the availability of Raters from each league maintaining a sufficient Rater pool representing the American, Central & the National leagues as a 3-league club. The approved Raters shall be rotated at any given session allowing rater diversity for each rating session.

## Procedures:

### ***League Rater Representation format:***

A total of 5 approved Raters will be required to ensure a tie breaker if needed. At least one league representative will be required at all Green Team rating sessions to achieve a balanced ratio of Raters from the American, Central, & National leagues.

The league Rater representation shall allow for a Rater alternate within the combination of the 5 Raters at the discretion of the Green Team Coordinator.

*Note: In the event the correct ratio of Raters was unable to be coordinated due to Rater seasonal scheduling or other unforeseen circumstances, a modified Rater session may be required to accomplish the Green Team program objective at the discretion of the Green Team Coordinator.*

- The Green Team Coordinator **shall not** be an assigned Rater. If an unexpected absence occurs, the remaining Raters (less than 5) will be authorized to rate based on this isolated situation. This will be at the discretion of the Green Team Coordinator.
- The Green Team Coordinator shall approve all Green Team Raters.

**Discretionary Objective:** *In the event of a conflict of a new players unavailability to play on a specific league schedule due to a work schedule or personal commitment, the Raters for that particular rating session will evaluate the new player's circumstances and merit on a case-by-case basis.*

*Actual Case Example: A new player is issued a 3 rating for the AL and is unable to play the AL schedule due to personal circumstances. If the player was only available to play the CL schedule, the Raters would evaluate the specific situation and only the Raters will make the final determination by allowing a revised rating to accommodate a new players schedule. Therefore, the player rating may be revised from a 3 to a 4 rating at the discretion of the Raters allowing the individual to play in the league.*

*It should be noted: It has been widely accepted that 3 and 4 rated players are considered interchangeable between the AL and the CL leagues. Also note: If a new player was issued a higher rating of a 1 or 2, the above case example would not be authorized to be revised to a 4 rating to accommodate a new player's schedule. This would also apply to the CL vs NL league as well and evaluated on a case-by-case basis by the Raters.*

The Green Team Raters are the **Only Authorized Club Entity** to rate new players which shall include the re-rating of a returning player.

Gary Scapito  
Green Team Coordinator

Attendance S.B. Board Meeting 4/3/24 7:30am

Lloyd Strowoff

~~Don Dejno~~

PHIL SOUZA

Jack Ruzic

Barb Ruzic

Alonna Reed

in Harding

~~Bob Schmeberg~~

Terry Tichenor

Rich Hilton

Matt Schuch

NICK TORNA (CHAIRMEN CLUB LIAISON)

DENNIS HORVATH

FRED STERNBERG

AL Mc DUFFEE

TREVOR CORNETT

John Devylo

PEGGY STALLBAUM

Kay Peterson

JACK FISHER

Mitch Czech

TONY PERILLO

Nick Missos

~~Donna Reed~~

Larry Reed

Dave Bennett

Ken Skiaet