# Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting January 8, 2010

The regularly-scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sun Lakes Senior Softball Association (SLSSA) was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Denny Davidson. The meeting was held in the Ocotillo Room at the IronOaks Arts & Crafts Building. The following Board Members were present: Denny Davidson, Henry Ellis, Harry Roehl, Roger Spark, Jesse Washington and Larry Wolfe. Board member Tom Lorgan was absent. Bob Deken, Treasurer, also attended a portion of the meeting. Association members Dennis Bernaiche, Ken Brenden, Mike Core, Bill Corso, Art Isley, Dennis Kennedy, Jim Kilmartin, Hal Kime, Duane Kramer, Dennis LePore, Gene Metcalf, Ted Miles, Rich Nadler, Ed Sowney and Frank Tanner attended all or portions of the meeting. Karen Kenyon presented the Ladies' Team.

- 1. A motion was made by Dr. Spark to approve the minutes of the December 11 and December 17 meetings. The motion was seconded by Mr. Washington and unanimously approved.
- 2. Ms. Kenyon then updated the Board and members regarding the Ladies Team. The roster includes sixteen players plus Manager Kenyon. The team began play in the Valley of the Sun League on January 4 with an 11-0 victory over the Stingers, but fell to View Point by a 10-8 score. The next two home games are on Wednesday, January 13 and Wednesday, January 20. Ms. Kenyon invited all members to come by the Field of Dreams and root the team on.
- 3. Dr. Spark updated the Board regarding the March 1 Banquet. He will be meeting with the IronOaks Banquet Director and will finalize the menu and pricing. It is estimated that the cost will be approximately \$30 per couple (\$15 per individual). The Board reiterated that the function was budgeted as a breakeven event and that the costs and ticket prices should reflect that scenario. Messrs. Wolfe and Core volunteered to print tickets for the event. Mr. Washington advised the Board that an email soliciting participation in a brief "variety show" for the event was recently sent out.
- 4. Dr. Spark is still working on a date for the Sun Lakes Fire Department versus Sun Lakes All-Star game and event. Dr. Spark is also coordinating the sale of hot dogs, burgers and trimmings for upcoming tournaments.

- The Board noted that these functions should also be financially breakeven to the Association.
- 5. The Board then discussed the split season schedules and season-ending tournament. After discussion, Mr. Washington made a motion as follows: There will be three separate seasons with three champions, including the recently completed fall league season. Seeding for the April 20 tournament will be based upon the team standings of the spring season. In the first round, the six seed will play the one seed, the five seed will play the two seed and the three and four seeds will play each other. Standings will start over for each season but individual batting statistics will be accumulative and year-end awards will be based upon the accumulative statistics. The motion was seconded by Dr. Spark and unanimously approved.
- 6. Mr. Davidson and Mr. Ellis then discussed upcoming travel team tournaments and potential conflicts. There are no conflicts in January and early February. If there are future conflicts which would result in a shortage of players for league play, the league games will be cancelled and the field will be open for informal play on such dates. Also, any games cancelled due to inclement weather will not be rescheduled. The longer winter-spring schedule includes 60 games and was extended in order to potentially "make up" for cancelled games.
- 7. Mr. Wolfe discussed a recent batting out of order situation where the scorer informed the umpire of the error. After discussion by various Board members and other attendees, it was noted that only a member of the defensive team may appeal in a batting out of order situation. It is the responsibility of each manager to know the correct batting order of the opposition. Managers may request copies of their opponent's batting order. This ruling coincides with that of the SS-USA rules.
- 8. Mr. Deken noted that he did not have a monthly Treasurer's Report since he had not yet received the bank statement. He did confirm that a CD had been purchased. It is an eighteen-month prime-based CD with an adjustable interest rate currently yielding 2%. He also advised the Board that the Field of Dreams sign to be installed near the corner of Riggs & Price Roads has again been delayed until a permit is received from Maricopa County. Lastly, he advised the Board that he had renewed our liability insurance at a base cost of \$275 plus \$20 per team, including the four Saturday teams.
- 9. Ken Brenden updated the Board regarding the Saturday League. The league will again consist of four teams. The Board emphasized the importance of obtaining liability waivers from all participants. The Board

- also requested that no player under the age of 50 be allowed to participate. Mr. Brenden requested that the team fees be reduced since the teams will play fewer games than originally anticipated due to scheduling conflicts. Upon a motion by Mr. Roehl, duly seconded by Mr. Washington and unanimously approved, the fee was reduced from \$220 to \$200 per team for the Winter Season.
- 10.Dr. Spark then discussed the need for medical clearances from players who undergo serious medical treatments such as heart surgeries. After discussion, it was agreed that Drs. Spark and Kime should draft a change to our Medical Policy relative to this issue and present it to the Board for consideration.
- 11. Association member Ed Sowney, who had previously been appointed Chairperson of the Grievance Committee, advised the Board that Duane Kramer and Art Isley had agreed to serve on the committee. It was noted that grievances should be submitted to the committee in writing and it was the role of the committee to make recommendations to the Board relative to aggrieved matters. Mr. Sowney requested that Webmasters Core and Wolfe put a note relative to the formation of the Grievance Committee and its role and procedures on the Association's website.
- 12. Association Members Ken Brenden, Ted Miles and others presented their views on the recent suspension of a player for using an unauthorized bat. In general, the members thought the length of the suspension was too severe. Mr. Davidson, Mr. Roehl and other Board members advised the attendees of the facts of the case and reconfirmed their decision.
- 13. Association Member Duane Kramer, Ken Brenden, Ed Sowney and others expressed their concern regarding the use of foul and abusive language at the field. Mr. Davidson agreed to talk to all managers and have them advise their players that the use of such language will not be tolerated. He also urged the members to advise the Grievance Committee of any significant issues.
- 14. Association Member Bill Corso recommended that the members of the Team Selection Committee be assigned to separate teams. He noted that currently three of the members are on one team and two on another. He recommended that they be spread out among the teams. Team Selection Committee Chairperson Lorgan was not at the meeting, but he will be advised of the recommendation.

Mr. Davidson thanked the members for their attendance at the meeting and urged them to stay involved and continue participating. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

## Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting February 12, 2010

The regularly-scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sun Lakes Senior Softball Association (SLSSA) was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by President Denny Davidson. The meeting was held in the Ocotillo Room at the IronOaks Arts & Crafts Building. The following Board Members were present: Denny Davidson, Henry Ellis, Tom Lorgan, Harry Roehl, Roger Spark, Jesse Washington and Larry Wolfe. No Board members were absent. Bob Deken, Treasurer, also attended a portion of the meeting. Association members Mike Core, Doc Metcalf, Rich Nadler and Ed Sowney attended the entire meeting while members Bill Beltz and Bill Corso attended a portion of the meeting.

- 1. A motion was made by Mr. Roehl to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2010 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Washington and unanimously approved.
- 2. Mr. Deken reviewed the financial statements. Mr. Wolfe noted that the sale of banners is currently below budget. He asked all Board members and other attendees to provide him any contacts they may have who might be interested in advertising at the Field of Dreams. Mr. Washington moved that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Dr. Spark and unanimously approved.
- 3. In the absence of Ms. Kenyon, Mr. Ellis gave a report regarding the Ladies Team. He noted that they currently have a record of 8 wins and 7 losses and that league play will continue through March 3. Mr. Ellis also thanked the four volunteer umpires (Messrs, Core, Deken, Washington and Wolfe) and other members for their support.
- 4. Dr. Spark provided an update on the upcoming Annual Banquet. He noted that as of February 12 the expected number of attendees was 148. The event will be held in the Oakwood Ballroom and will include a cash bar, sit-down dinner and entertainment. The event will commence with a cocktail period at 6 p.m. followed by dinner at approximately 6:30 p.m. Mr. Wolfe volunteered to print tickets for the event. Dr. Spark will distribute the tickets the week before the March 1 event. Tickets will be priced at \$15 per person which should provide a breakeven position for the Association. Mr. Wolfe noted that Pat Wolfe volunteered to prepare and print name tags for the attendees.

- Mr. Washington then updated the Board on the entertainment plans and Mr. Core reviewed the background slide show. It was noted that Mr. Barry Ediss volunteered to provide background music. The Board agreed to provide two free tickets to Bob Thompson in appreciation for all of his volunteer work at tournaments and other events.
- 5. Dr. Spark updated the Board regarding the Annual Sun Lakes All-Stars vs. Sun Lakes Firefighters Games and social event. The event will be held on Sunday, April 11 beginning at 10 a.m. The Fire Department will provide food for the event. Messrs. Davidson and Ellis will select the Sun Lakes team and manage the team for the event. The team will consist of only Sun Lakes residents and will include at least two members of the Ladies Team.
- 6. Mr. Washington then discussed the desire of a group of IronOaks Food Service Employees to have a similar event. The Board authorized Mr. Washington to further pursue the matter and to specifically determine the skill level of the group.
- 7. Dr. Spark then discussed the proposed addition to the Emergencies and Health Issues Policy. After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Lorgan, seconded by Mr. Wolfe and unanimously approved to add the following to the existing policy: Players who have undergone treatment for serious health problems such as a heart attack should receive clearance from his physician before resuming play. In addition, Mr. Wolfe will send an email to all managers asking them to review this policy addition with their players.
- 8. Mr. Roehl then proposed that the Association encourage the use of masks and shin guards by pitchers. He also proposed that if pitchers prefer not to wear the safety gear, they should be required to sign a waiver. After discussion, the Board agreed to Mr. Roehl's proposals and will implement them as soon as a proper waiver form can be prepared. Mr. Davidson will attempt to obtain a copy of a waiver form at an upcoming tournament.
- 9. Mr. Davidson then advised the Board that Mr. Jim Kilmartin agreed to be the Chairman of the Elections Committee. Committee members will include Mr. Dennis Colbert and Mr. Ed Sowney. It was noted that four positions are up for election. The current incumbents of those positions are Messrs. Davidson, Ellis, Lorgan and Washington. Per the Association Bylaws all four are eligible to run for reelection if they desire.
- 10.Mr. Wolfe reviewed the Elections Policy. He noted that the duties of the Committee are spelled out in the policy. Mr. Wolfe will provide

- the Committee with a list of eligible voters and will prepare ballots if requested to do so by the Committee. A sign-up sheet for interested candidates for the Board positions will be posted at the Filed of Dreams on February 16. The deadline for signing up was set as March 11. Voting will take place on March 16 and 18 at the Field.
- 11.Mr. Lorgan then discussed the situation whereby a team had to play with ten players versus eleven on the opposing team due to a tournament conflict. He suggested that teams be able to pick up additional players to reach a full complement of eleven if the shortage is due to a tournament conflict. After discussion, no action was taken.
- 12. Association member Beltz asked the Board for permission to make a brief announcement at the Annual Banquet to encourage IronOaks members to attend informational meetings regarding the proposed Amenities Acquisition. Mr. Washington moved that Mr. Beltz' request be approved as long as the announcement was very brief and that no Q & A be allowed. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ellis and unanimously approved.
- 13.Mr. Lorgan proposed that we remind managers that all substitute player requests must go through Mr. Ellis (or in his absence, Mr. Davidson). Mr. Wolfe will include that reminder in his email to the managers.
- 14. The Board then discussed the 1 and 1 count. Association Member Nadler noted that he took an informal survey with results as follows: Players preferring 1 and 1 with none to waste (21); players preferring 1 and 1 with one to waste (16); players preferring a full count, i.e. start with 0 balls and 0 strikes (29). After considerable discussion, it was agreed to implement the 1 and 1 with one to waste as a compromise solution effective with the first games of the spring session on February 25. The motion was made by Mr. Roehl, seconded by Mr. Lorgan and unanimously approved.
- 15. The Board then discussed Mr. Bob Hutchins' proposal to implement modified two-inning play to speed up the game which would allow for a return to the full count rule. After discussion, the Board agreed to use that rule during the upcoming summer play on a trial basis and then to consider adopting it for next year's play.
- 16.Mr. Davidson advised the Board of potential tournament conflicts for the March 23 and 25 game dates. He will update the Board in the near future.
- 17.Mr. Lorgan expressed his disappointment that only a few non-resident players volunteer for umpiring, scorekeeping and other volunteer

- projects. He noted that allowing non-residents to play in the league is a privilege for them and that they should be expected to help the program when requested to do so.
- 18.Mr. Lorgan also expressed his disappointment that certain players refrain from participating in the post-game "congratulatory line." He proposed that managers encourage all players to participate to enhance good sportsmanship.
- 19. There being no further business, Mr. Davidson adjourned the meeting at 12:01 p.m.

These minutes were recorded and attested to by Larry Wolfe, Secretary.

## Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting March 12, 2010

The regularly-scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sun Lakes Senior Softball Association (SLSSA) was called to order at 10:03 a.m. by President Denny Davidson. The meeting was held in the Ocotillo Room at the IronOaks Arts & Crafts Building. The following Board Members were present: Denny Davidson, Henry Ellis, Harry Roehl, Roger Spark and Larry Wolfe. Board members Lorgan and Washington were absent. Bob Deken, Treasurer, was unable to attend. Association members Mike Core, Rich Nadler and Ed Sowney were also in attendance. Karen Kenyon represented the Ladies' Team.

- 1. A motion was made by Mr. Roehl to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2010 meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Spark and unanimously approved.
- 2. Ms. Kenyon reported that the Ladies' Team finished the season with a record of 14 wins and 12 losses in the Valley of the Sun League. A season-ending party will be held next week. In addition, the team will play an exhibition game on Sunday, March 28 at Arizona State University prior to the ASU-Cal Poly game. All members are urged to come out and support the team.
- 3. Mr. Davidson then asked how the consumption of soft drinks at Ladies' games was handled. Ms. Kenyon noted that the SLSSA has always furnished the drinks free of charge. Mr. Davidson asked that Ms. Kenyon provide an estimate of the cost of this program at the next meeting.
- 4. Dr. Spark reported that the Annual Banquet was a success and thanked all volunteers and participants. Over 150 people were in attendance. He also thanked the Board for the Spirit of Sun Lakes Softball Award that was presented to him at the event. He noted that the net cost of the event was approximately \$400, but that the overrun was "made up" from profits at recent tournaments. The Board expressed its gratitude to Dr. Spark for all the hard work he put into coordinating the event.

- 5. Dr. Spark stated that the Sun Lakes All-Stars vs. Sun Lakes Fire Department game and event will begin at 9 a.m. on Sunday, April 11. Messrs. Davidson and Ellis will select the Sun Lakes team and Mr. Ellis will manage the team. Dr. Spark has lined up volunteers for the event
- 6. Mr. Davidson discussed the new Senior Softball-USA rule relating to the requirement that pitchers wear safety head gear and shin guards or, alternatively, sign a special waiver of liability. After discussion, the Board adopted that rule and asked Mr. Wolfe to produce waivers for both visiting team pitchers and our own SLSSA pitchers. The rule will be effective March 13 for tournament teams participating at the Field of Dreams and March 16 for SLSSA pitchers. The requirement will apply to all play at the field, including Monday play, league play, summer play and the ladies' team.
- 7. The Board then discussed the status of the upcoming elections. No potential new Board Members signed up as candidates; therefore, if all four Board members whose terms are expiring agree to continue serving, they will be appointed by acclamation and no election will be required. Since Messrs. Lorgan and Washington were not at the meeting, this will be determined on March 15 prior to the election dates of March 16 and 18.
- 8. Association member Mike Core then presented a proposed staggered term election process which would ensure that we don't have four openings at once in the future. The proposal was accepted by the Board; however, the change will require revisions to the By-laws, requiring a vote of the membership. Messrs. Core and Wolfe will review the By-laws and provide recommended changes for consideration by the Board prior to a vote of the membership. It is anticipated that the vote to change the By-laws will take place in the fall prior to the start of the new season.
- 9. Messrs. Davidson and Ellis discussed potential tournament conflicts. It was noted that the 70s team had a tournament scheduled for March 23-25, but that it was expected that by using substitute players no games would need to be cancelled.
- 10. The Board discussed Mr. Lorgan's email proposal to have managers rate their players as an aid to next year's team selection process. After discussion, the item was tabled for further consideration at the next meeting.
- 11. The Board discussed the substitution rules and agreed that some modifications should be considered for next season. One suggestion

was that all substitutes should be level three players. This would provide a much larger pool of substitutes than the current process. This will be considered during the Board's review of rules for the 2010-2011 seasons. The Board also confirmed its decision to utilize the modified double-inning play procedures during the summer and will consider implementing it for the fall season. Harry Roehl noted that he has noticed inconsistencies in the umpires' interpretation of illegal pitches (high and low). It was suggested that some training was warranted. He also recommended that the Board modify the rules to allow scorers to notify the umpire of batting out of order situations. That suggestion will also be considered for inclusion in the 2010-2011 rules.

- 12.Mr. Ellis recommended that a notice be posted in the scorers' booth showing the physical address of the Field of Dreams for emergency call purposes. Mr. Wolfe will prepare and install the notice.
- 13.Mr. Davidson then discussed a reported use of inappropriate language during a recent game. It was noted that if a player had a specific grievance against another player, he should take the matter to Grievance Committee Chairman Ed Sowney.
- 14. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Davidson at 11:33 a.m.

Minutes prepared by and attested to by Larry Wolfe, Secretary.

# Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting April 9, 2010

The regularly-scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sun Lakes Senior Softball Association (SLSSA) was called to order at 10:03 a.m. The meeting was held in the Ocotillo Room at the IronOaks Arts & Crafts Building. The following Board Members were present: Denny Davidson, Henry Ellis, Tom Halloran, Harry Roehl, Roger Spark, Jesse Washington and Larry Wolfe. Other attendees were Bob Deken, Treasurer, and Association members Mike Core, Bill Corso and Evan Hansen.

- 1. Mike Core presented an overview of the proposed revisions to the Bylaws. The major change focused upon changing the terms of Board positions to insure that no more than three seats would be up for election at any one time. The objective is to provide for a degree of continuity for Board membership composition. The Board will review the proposed changes and approve the revisions that will be presented to the membership for approval. It is anticipated that voting relative to the revisions will take place in October during the registration time frame.
- 2. Mr. Davidson welcomed new Board member Tom Halloran. He then asked for nominations for officer positions for the 2010-2011 term. Dr. Spark nominated Denny Davidson for President. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Roehl. Mr. Davidson was elected unanimously. Mr. Roehl nominated Jesse Washington for the position of Vice President. The nomination was seconded by Dr. Spark. Mr. Washington was elected unanimously. Mr. Roehl nominated Mr. Wolfe for the position of Secretary. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Halloran. Mr. Wolfe was elected unanimously. Mr. Davidson recommended that Bob Deken be appointed Treasurer. Mr. Deken was unanimously elected to the non-Board position of Treasurer.
- 3. Mr. Davidson then assigned various duties to each Board member. (See Attachment 1)
- 4. The members then reviewed the draft minutes of the March 12 meeting. Mr. Roehl moved that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Halloran and unanimously approved.

- 5. Mr. Deken then presented the financial report. He noted that income and expenses are under control and that we currently have a positive variance versus the budget. He cautioned that the positive variance will decline over the summer months as expenses continue while little additional income will be generated.
- 6. Mr. Ellis presented the Ladies Team report on behalf of Karen Kenyon. He noted that the regular season had concluded but that an exhibition game was held at ASU on March 28. It is anticipated that the exhibition will become an annual event.
- 7. It was noted that the scheduled games and social event involving the Sun Lakes Fire Department had been postponed due to a scheduling conflict. The event may be rescheduled.
- 8. The Board then discussed the upcoming April 20 season-ending tournament. Dr. Spark will coordinate the social event and cookout. Jesse Washington will serve as Master of Ceremonies for the event and the awards presentation. Bob Hutchins will be asked to prepare the various awards certificates. The following awards will be presented: Most Improved Player (MIP), Sportsmanship Award and .600 Club members. To qualify for the Men's .600 Club, a player must have a minimum of 150 at bats. Messrs. Roehl and Washington will solicit nominations for the MIP and Sportsmanship Awards from the team managers and present the nominations to the full Board for final selections. The games will be played using normal league rules EXCEPT for the substitution rule. Substitutions will be allowed; however, missing players ranked at levels 1, 2 and 3 will be replaced by level 3 players only. Missing players ranked at levels 4 and/or 5 will be replaced by players ranked at levels 4 and/or 5.
- 9. The Board then discussed Saturday pick up games. The formal Saturday League season has concluded; however, Ken Brenden, coordinator of the Saturday League, and certain other players, including several non-residents, would like to continue using the field and playing pick-up games during the summer months. The Saturday League was not a part of the Sun Lakes Senior Softball Association (SLSSA). The teams in that league rented the field from the SLSSA. Currently, ONLY members of the SLSSA and Sun Lakes travel teams are authorized to play at the field due to the Bylaw provisions limiting the percentage of non-resident players utilizing the facilities. This covers Mondays, all Tuesday-Thursday league and summer play and any proposed Saturday play. No other non-resident players are authorized to use the facility at any time. Messrs. Washington and

- Roehl will advise Mr. Brenden of the current status and advise him that any modifications to the current status must be presented to the Board for consideration.
- 10. The Board then briefly discussed potential changes to the playing rules for the 2010-2011 seasons. It was noted that the time consumed between innings was the biggest "time waster." Therefore, it was agreed that the modified double innings procedures will be used during the fall season. The Board will also consider other rules changes at the May 14 meeting.

There being no further business, Mr. Davidson adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m.

These minutes were prepared by and attested to by Larry E. Wolfe, Secretary.

# Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting September 10, 2010

The regularly-scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sun Lakes Senior Softball Association (SLSSA) was called to order at 10:06 a.m. by President Davidson. The meeting was held in the Library at the Oakwood Clubhouse. The following Board Members, representing a quorum, were present: Denny Davidson, Harry Roehl, Roger Spark, and Larry Wolfe. Board members Ellis, Halloran and Washington were absent. Other attendees were Bob Deken, Treasurer, Olena Buxton, representing the Ladies' Team, and Association members Ron Brown, Mike Core, Bill Corso, Larry Delaney, Evan Hansen, Steve Kay, Dennis LePore, Bill Maxwell and Rich Nadler.

- 1. A motion was made by Mr. Roehl and seconded by Dr. Spark to approve the minutes of the April 9 and April 15 meetings. The motion was approved unanimously.
- 2. Mr. Deken presented the Treasurer's Report. Based upon actual results through August, it is expected that the Association's net income will meet or exceed the budget for the fiscal year ending September 30.
- 3. Mr. Deken then presented the preliminary budget for the fiscal year beginning October 1. Based upon maintaining player fees at their current levels, attaining \$3100 in billboard revenues and assuming a breakeven result for the annual banquet, the net income would be \$1970. After discussing the estimates of each of the major expense categories, a motion was made by Dr. Spark to approve the budget as submitted. The motion was seconded by Mr. Roehl and approved unanimously.
- 4. Larry Delaney then discussed various alternatives to repair the outfield grass. He noted that he had discussed the situation with various parties and received quotes from several entities that ranged from \$7,500 to up to \$20,000. Given those significant costs, he then discussed the situation with Mr. Deken, representing the IronOaks HOA. Mr. Deken was able to enlist the help of Charles Keys, the IronOaks Golf Courses Superintendent. It was agreed that Mr. Keys will provide guidance and direction to restore the field to its prior or better condition. Immediate action has included aeration of the field.

placement of sand in the bad spots, application of liquid fertilizer and the purchase of several new sprinkler heads. Mr. Keys has recommended that we not re-seed this year. Based upon the level of improvement, it may be necessary to place grass sprigs or plugs in certain areas next spring. It was also noted that the IronOaks HOA will be donating used equipment to the SLSSA, including a grass sweeper. The Board commended Messrs. Deken and Delaney for all their extra work related to this maintenance issue and thanked them for saving the Association significant expenditures versus other alternatives.

- 5. Given the solutions discussed in item 5 above, the Board concluded that no special assessment fees will be required to solve this maintenance issue at this time.
- 6. The Board and attending members then discussed various proposed changes to the playing rules and policies for the upcoming season. Several proposals were discussed in detail. The following were improved for implementation with the fall season: (A) All league games will be played under the Modified Double Innings Rules; (B) All substitute players will come from a pool of players rated at levels 3, 4 and 5. No level 1 or 2 players will be used as substitutes; (C) Player batting statistics will be based upon Modified On Base Percentage (MOBP) rather than traditional Batting Average. MOBP is defined as hits, walks and reaching base on errors divided by total plate appearances, which includes outs (other than sacrifice flies), hits, walks, reaching base on errors and reaching base on fielder's choices; and, (D) Designated runners from home plate, at the manager's option, will be available for certain previously identified players. Such players shall be advised of their status prior to the application period for the fall season. The designated runner will be the player that made the final out in the previous inning. (Note: This was later revised via email vote to be the last out, not necessarily the last out of the previous inning.) After a designated runner reaches base, the batter may replace him on the base and become a base runner. If the manager elects to keep the designated runner on base, no further pinch runners may be used during that inning. If the batter does become a runner, then another pinch runner may be used. In addition, the Board reiterated the policy that players in the Tuesday-Thursday League must agree to play both days. No Tuesday only or Thursday only players will be assigned to a league team. The Board also confirmed that any players missing three or more play dates without informing

- their manager in advance are subject to be removed from the team. All items were approved unanimously with the exception of item 6 (D) above. Dr. Sparks voted against that item. Mr. Wolfe will make the appropriate revisions to the Playing Rules.
- 7. Mr. Core updated the Board regarding the proposed revisions to the Bylaws. The proposed revisions along with an explanatory letter have been posted on the website. Voting by resident players only will occur concurrently with the sign-ups for the new fiscal year in October.
- 8. Dennis LePore was appointed Coordinator for both umpires and scorekeepers scheduling.
- 9. Ms. Buxton provided the Ladies' Team report. An organizational meeting will be held in November. Practice begins in December and league play commences in January.
- 10. The various Coordinators then presented brief updates. Mr. Roehl noted that he will provide the field use schedule to Mr. Core so that it may be included on the website. Mr. Wolfe presented a draft schedule for the fall season. The schedule was approved with the exception that games originally scheduled for November 16 and 18 will be cancelled due to scheduling conflicts with various tournaments. Mr. Wolfe will post the schedule on the website. Dr. Spark updated the Board on various social activity plans.
- 11. The Board set the following dates for sign-ups and paying dues: October 19, 21 and 26. October 26 was set as the absolute deadline for signing up for the Tuesday-Thursday League. Players will be encouraged to fill out the Application & Waiver Form on the internet and print it out prior to submission.
- 12. The Board then met briefly in a closed session.
- 13. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

Prepared by and attested to by Larry E. Wolfe, Secretary.

# Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting October 8, 2010

The regularly-scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors of the Sun Lakes Senior Softball Association (SLSSA) was called to order at 10:02 a.m. by President Davidson. The meeting was held in the Library at the Oakwood Clubhouse. The following Board Members, representing a quorum, were present: Denny Davidson, Tom Halloran, Harry Roehl, Roger Spark and Larry Wolfe. Board members Ellis and Washington were absent. Other attendees included Bob Deken, Treasurer and Karen Kenyon, representing the Ladies' Team. Association members Mike Core, Mike Krakowiak, Ted Miles, Steve Kay and Rich Nadler attended all or parts of the meeting.

- 1. A motion was made by Mr. Roehl and seconded by Dr. Spark to approve the minutes of the September 10 meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.
- 2. Karen Kenyon noted that an organizational meeting for the Ladies Team will be held on December 2. Practice will begin shortly thereafter and league games will begin in January. Ms. Kenyon will advise Mr. Roehl regarding dates that the team will need the field for practice and home games.
- 3. Mr. Davidson appointed Mike Core, Steve Kay and Ted Miles to the Elections Committee for coordinating the voting on the revisions to the Bylaws. Voting will be held on October 19, 21 and 26 at the Field of Dreams. Only resident members of the Association are eligible to vote.
- 4. Mr. Davidson appointed Jim Kilmartin and Ray Bertsch to coordinate the collection of dues and application/waiver forms. Registration will be held on October 19, 21 and 26 at the Field of Dreams.
- 5. Mr. Deken then presented the Treasurer's Report. He noted that the Association will be required to file a tax return with the IRS due to changes in the rules relative to small non-profit organizations.
- 6. The Board then discussed the possibility of a Saturday League. It was noted that Ken Brenden, Commissioner of the Saturday League, had not yet advised the Board of his plans. Informal Saturday play will continue until such time that a Saturday League is formed and approved. Only Association members and members of the various

- Travel Teams are eligible to participate in the informal Saturday program.
- 7. Mr. Deken advised the Board that funds for a new scoreboard are in the 2011 HOA#3 Budget. Mr. Davidson requested that when looking at options that we consider installing the new scoreboard in centerfield. Mr. Deken reminded the Board that per HOA regulations, we must attempt to secure three bids for the project.
- 8. Mr. Wolfe will provide a mock-up of a proposed new sign for the side of the building to Mr. Deken, who will present it to the HOA's Image Committee for approval.
- 9. Dr. Spark advised the Board that the Annual Social Event has been scheduled for Monday, March 7. The prices for attendees will be determined after details are obtained regarding the cost of the event. The approved budget assumes a breakeven scenario for the event.
- 10. Discussion was held regarding separate playing rules for the men's and ladies' teams. Ms. Kenyon noted that the Valley of the Sun League already has a separate set of rules for the ladies.
- 11.Mr. Davidson will chair the Player Selection Committee. Other committee members are Bill Corso and Evan Hansen. The Committee will meet after the October 26 deadline for signing up for the Tuesday-Thursday League.
- 12. The Board determined that new hats will be purchased for new members only.
- 13.Dr. Spark will coordinate a date for the Sun Lakes All-Stars to play the Sun Lakes Firefighters.
- 14.Mr. Halloran recommended that we look at obtaining a protective screen to use at a ball collection spot in short centerfield for batting practice. He also recommended that we look at using a pitching machine in batting practice. Mr. Halloran was authorized to research the costs of these recommendations and present his findings to the Board for consideration.
- 15. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

The minutes were recorded by Mr. Wolfe, Secretary.