

SCF Softball Club Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2021

I. Call to order

President David Markowitz called to order the regular meeting of the SCF Softball Club at 10:00 am on April 13th on the SCF Softball Complex infield, with 34 members in attendance.

II. New Member introduction

No new members were present.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Minutes were posted to the website following the March meeting. Motion to accept the minutes as posted John Hoyer; Second Guy Homoly. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's report

Tom Boudreau reported that the March 30th balance was \$9,282, a decrease of \$603 year-to-date. The only deposit >\$100 was from the States Tournament player fees in the amount of \$780. Checks in excess of \$100 were \$290 (tournament awards) and \$375 (Graham Sports). With \$1,173 in revenues and \$708 in expenses, the States Tournament cleared a profit of \$465. Motion to accept Treasurer's report –Gary Stonewall; Second – Guy Homoly; Motion passed.

V. Committee Reports

Commissioner's Reports

- a) Big 12 – David Markowitz – league play has concluded.
- b) Tier 3 – Dennis Krosschell – league play has concluded.
- c) All Festival League – Joe Cabanaw – league play has concluded. A fun tournament was held with players still in the area.

Membership – Rick Klein was not present.

Field Prep – Joe Cabanaw – the field should be ready for league play by May 11th. Carescape is completing the spring prep.

Umpires – no report.

Scorekeepers – Dane Jacobsen – things went very well. Dane received positive feedback due to his weekly reminders to the scorekeepers. Dane will continue scheduling for the summer league.

Safety – Gary Stonewall thanked everyone for their efforts. He is hopeful that these measures will not be needed by next winter season.

Ladies Team – The Fireballs assistant coach, Jack Deming reported that the ladies are looking forward to playing in the Tier 3 league next fall. President Markowitz mentioned that he is

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hopeful that all of the women that are full-time residents will play in the summer league. He also mentioned that it was impressive to see the improvement that the ladies team made during the year.

Evaluation Committee – Rick Kaylor was not present. President Markowitz stated that to his knowledge all of the new members have been evaluated.

VI. Old business

- a) **States Tournament** – The Second Annual States Tournament was considered a great success, despite the covid-19 restrictions. The members present were asked if they had any suggestions or comments for improvement that they wished to share. Several members talked about the manner in which some teams used pinch runners. The general consensus was that runners should only be for injured players, not to gain speed advantage. It was also suggested that players be asked prior to the tournament if they were injured (perhaps on the entry form), in order to further even the teams' abilities. It was stated that teams should not be pinch running for the female players unless they are injured. It was also suggested that substituting should only occur at the first base the batter reaches. Robin will send out an e-mail to the membership inviting comments on the tournament, both positive and constructive. Comments will be gathered, but not identified by member. Although they were not present, a round of applause was given in honor of Rick and Pam Kaylor and all of the work they do put on the States Tournament.

VII. New business

- a) **Webmaster** – President Markowitz asked John Hoyer to stand to be introduced to the group. With Tom Wallace's move, John has graciously agreed to take over the webmaster duties.
- b) **Summer League** – Robin reported that approximately 70 members have responded, indicating that they wish to play in the summer league. Of that number, roughly a dozen has indicated they only wish to sub. The overwhelming response was to play on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Summer Commissioner, Steve Kreitzman stated that the games will be held at 7:30 and 9:00. Steve will be contacting the managers that volunteered. He would like to hold the draft the last week of this month and start the league on May 18th.
- c) President Markowitz stated that he was contacted by Audre Skakoon. She would like to use some of the photos taken during the States Tournament for an upcoming advertisement she will be sending it out. Audre feels, and the board agrees, that her advertisement could bring some attention to the club and would be positive for the community as a whole.

VIII. Open Discussion

- a) President Markowitz asked if there were any new items for discussion. Neil Cornell mentioned that SC West has a league of +70-year-old members that has eight teams. Neil suggested that SCF look into starting a + 70 team(s). The board will look into this idea.

IX. Adjournment

Gary Stonewall motioned to adjourn the meeting; Guy Homoly seconded; motion passed. President David Markowitz adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12th. The board may evaluate that date to allow a greater number of the membership to attend. Provided we are allowed to have indoor meetings, the meeting would return to 2:00 p.m. Notice will be given to the membership in advance of the meeting.

Minutes submitted by: Robin Shahan.