

# **Minutes of the Vintage Softball Club Board of Directors Meeting - August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**

## **Attendees:**

### **Officers**

Mark Loveless, President  
Jeff Greenberg, Vice President  
Larry Murchison, Secretary  
Don Shrank, Treasurer

### **Directors**

Barry Schimmel  
Jim Callan - Absent  
Mike Friedman  
Lester Sutherland  
Bob LeFevre

### **Commissioners**

Tom Simpson, Fun league  
Lou Silver, Saturday league  
Jack Boniface, Tuesday/Thursday leagues

### **General Counsel**

Allen Baden - Absent

## **New Vintage Softball Members:**

The Vintage Softball Club would like to welcome new members Ray Ramsey, David Brown and Mike Mason. Have fun and be careful. New members should ensure that we have all their contact information when they submit their application. Also, if you have moved, obtained a new phone number or email address, please let us know.

## **President's Comments:**

As we enter the final two months of the fiscal year the board is reviewing many of the Clubs activities, financial matters, and policies and procedures. We have started our 2017 budgeting process to ensure that our expenditures and dues are reasonable. We also are looking at our fields, rental rates and field options as well as any maintenance or field equipment that may be needed. We are looking at various vendors to produce new caps and shirts and the several shirt types available. Last but not least, we will be beginning our 2017 election process and Charlie Carinalli has graciously agreed to manage the election again.

Last month we had 75 Vintage members and guests attending the Second Annual Night with the San Jose Giants. A lot of fun and we saw a win for the Giants. Next month, on September 3 we will have our Annual Picnic which will be held at Moffett Field next to the ball fields. We will be asking managers to assist us in getting an approximate headcount for the picnic. Spouses or significant others are also invited. We will be needing volunteers to assist in setting up, cooking, and clean up. More details will soon follow.

Lastly, if you see something that should be done differently or have suggestions for improvement please let a board member know. All reasonable suggestions will be reviewed and considered. Several members expressed interest in moving weekday games to Twin Creeks. The Board considered the request and investigated its feasibility. (see discussion following) The Club belongs to all of us and we all want to make it as fun and enjoyable as we can.

### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:**

The Board approved the July Board minutes which are posted on our website.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

The Treasurer's report was presented and approved. Our cash balance is flat when compared to a year ago as our revenues have been sufficient to cover our expenditures to date. Due to our purchases of the defibrillators, the new website and the upcoming picnic costs, we will incur a slight net loss for the year.

A motion was made and passed that requires:

- A. Expenditures up to \$250 must be pre-approved by an officer of the Club.
- B. Expenditures over \$250 require pre-approval by a majority of voting Board members.

Expenditures that are submitted for reimbursement that have not been pre-approved run the risk of not being approved for payment.

A motion was made and approved to allow an expenditure of up to \$500 for the purchase of dugout protective netting for use at Moffett and other fields if needed.

### **Rules Committee Report:**

This a clarification of when a foul ball is really a foul ball.

If the ball has not yet touched the ground but is in foul territory and the fielder who is in fair territory touches the ball, it is still a foul ball. What determines if it is foul or fair is where the ball is and not where the fielder is. If the fielder catches the ball he is catching a foul ball. Similarly, if the fielder attempts to catch a foul ball and the ball hits his glove and bounces in fair territory, it is still a foul ball.

## **Old Business:**

### **Social Activities (Bar-B-Que, Holiday Party)**

The bar-b-que is scheduled for September 3 and will be managed by Lionel Gill and Jack Boniface. If you would like to assist in this fun event please contact Jack at [jack33rd@pacbell.net](mailto:jack33rd@pacbell.net). The Holiday Party is November 11 at the Flames Eatery and Bar in downtown San Jose. This was a popular location last year with excellent food, a private room and a reasonable price.

A motion was made and approved to allocate \$1,000 for the purchase of food and other necessary condiments, utensils and equipment for the bar-b-que.

### **2017 Budget Update**

Next year's budget preparation is in process as we are still gathering information related to field and uniform costs. The budget will be finalized before the start of our next fiscal year (October 1)

### **Shirts and Caps**

Our inventory of shirts and caps is sufficient to meet our needs for the next few months. During the next quarter we expect to select our vendor who will produce our uniforms with our new logo.

## **New Business:**

### **2017 Election**

The Election, as in past years, will be coordinated by Charlie Carinalli. Please be thinking of those you might want to nominate to serve our club.

### **2016 Awards**

Jeff Greenberg has agreed to head the Awards Committee this year. The committee, which will include Lester Sutherland and Tom Simpson, will be reviewing prospective nominees for the Sportsman and Parseghian Awards. This group will also be soliciting input from managers and commissioners.

### **Twin Creeks**

We inquired of Twin Creeks of playing at the facility on Thursdays with the possibility of further field time on Tuesdays. Without even supplying a quote they told us that they have too many day time commitments to guarantee us consistent playing time year round. They welcomed us to talk with them again next year. At this time all play will remain at our existing fields.

## **League Commissioner's Reports:**

### **FUN LEAGUE**

The league continues to have a strong showing of around 26-30 each Monday and Wednesday. Three potential new members have played their one free game and have not since showed up. We're a tough group.

**TUESDAY/THURSDAY LEAGUES**

Four teams on Tuesday and six teams on Thursday. All is going well even though out of town tournaments have been taking away players during the week.

**Saturday League**

The Saturday league will extend their season in order to correspond with the other leagues. September 24 will be the next draft.

The Board voted to adjourn at 8:55 PM, PDT.

Note: The Vintage Softball Club web site is up and running. Go to:  
**<http://www.vintagesoftball.org/>**  
Look at the pictures, you might find yourself in full swing. Page 1.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Directors will be on September 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm at the Santa Clara Senior Center. This will also be the quarterly general membership meeting which is open to all members. Contact Mark Loveless if you wish to attend as seating is limited.



The Goal of Vintage is to have **FUN**, be **FAIR** and play **SAFE**