



Vintage Softball Club Board of Directors Meeting – October 3, 2017

Attendees:

Officers

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

Directors

Barry Schimmel
Jim Callan - Absent
Mike Friedman
John Cawley
Bob LeFevre

Commissioners

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

General Counsel

Allen Baden

New Vintage Softball Members:

The Vintage Softball Club would like to welcome a few new members to the Club: Carl White, Kevin Buchanan, Charlie Zavala, and James Crone. Have fun and be careful.

President's Comments:

The nomination phase of our annual election has been completed and you will soon receive your election ballot and be asked to vote for the 2018 officers and directors that you have nominated. Please make sure you cast your vote so that your voice is heard.

Getting games started timely on Saturdays continues to be a problem. If there are a total of 30 players on hand five minutes before game time the four teams will combine to play 15 on 15. Five minutes later four more people show up and the teams now elect to separate and return to their original fields. You can see how disruptive and inefficient this process can become. Players need to communicate with their managers if they will be absent and also need to arrive 15 minutes before game time so that an accurate count can be made. The commissioner and managers are continuing to work on a solution to this problem but the players need to do their part by being on time and communicating.

The following is from our Vintage Softball Handbook:

F. Player Attendance Requirements

1. Players are required to notify their manager if they will miss a game or anticipate arriving late. After two failures to notify, the manager may drop a player from the team roster with the consent of the commissioner.

The Holiday Party is on November 12 at Campo de Bocce in Los Gatos. The cost is \$45 per person which includes the rental of six bocce ball courts and dinner. We plan on organizing a tournament on a couple of the courts and to have casual play on the others. Sign-ups have begun and you may pay via PayPal on our website or pay with check to:

Vintage Softball Club
P.O. Box 3268
Santa Clara, CA 95055-3268

Payments of 2018 dues are also being accepted. A PayPal link will be established shortly on our website or checks may be sent to the above address. The dues are unchanged from 2017. If you play in one league the cost is \$100, two or more leagues is \$125, Fun League only is \$50.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

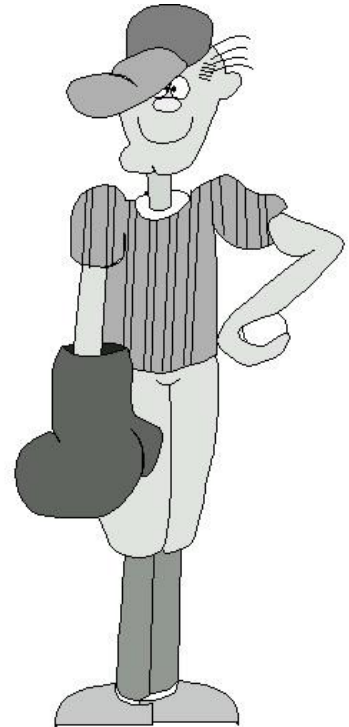
The Board approved the September Board of Director meeting minutes which are posted on our website.

Treasurer's Report:

The end of the fiscal year's Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved. We ended the year right on budget and remain in excellent financial shape. The prior year's tax returns have been filed and we are in compliance with the relevant taxing authorities.

Rules Committee Report:

Our Handbook states that the umpire, or third base coach if no umpire is used, may call illegal pitches. It was decided that in the absence of an umpire or third base coach, the first base coach may make the call on illegal pitches. This change is effective immediately and the Handbook will be updated accordingly.



Old Business:

Caps and Shirts

We have purchased and received 420 (210 pairs) new dri-fit shirts and 240 caps. Most have been distributed but talk to your commissioner if you have not received yours.

Corporate Matters

There are no matters or issues to report.



New Business:

2018 Election

Thanks to those who participated in the nomination phase of our annual election. The nominees will appear on your election ballot which will soon be sent to you. Due to the size of our club we have decided to have two "Sportsman of the Year" awards. One will be for the Fun League and one for the other leagues. We have split the award into two since many Fun League players do not play with other league players and vice versa.

Social Events: Holiday Party / golf

Let's go to Campo de Bocce in Los Gatos for our holiday party, Sunday, November 12, 2017, from 6pm – 9pm. The cost will be \$45.00 each person. The deadline for sign-up is November 5.

We will have six bocce ball courts for our use and dinner to follow. Sign up now on our website or mail your check to our P.O. Box. www.vintagesoftball.org

Our golf tournament is scheduled for Sunday, October 8. All spots have been filled.

Approval of 2018 Operating Budget

The operating budget was presented to the Board and approved.

General Meeting

The October board meeting was also our General Meeting. Data concerning the Club's financial condition and activities was reviewed. This information will be sent to each Club member.

League Commissioner's Reports:

Fun League

Fun League is doing fine with an average of 20-24 players attending.

Tuesday/Thursday Leagues

Please let your coach and the Commissioner know whether you wish to play in the 2017-18 winter season. The draft for that Weekday season will be conducted on Thursday, October 19. Jack will confirm the time and place with the managers.

Saturday League

The league continues to have issues with regard to starting on time. With tournament season coming to an end we hope to have less combining of teams. Allen Baden presented suggestions for getting games started on time which will be reviewed with Lou upon his return from vacation.

The next draft will be on October 14. Let your manager or the commissioner know if you do not wish to play winter ball.

The Board voted to adjourn at 8:58PM, PDT. The next meeting will be held on November 7th at the Santa Clara Senior Center beginning at 7:30 pm.



Please visit our web site at: <http://www.vintagesoftball.org/>



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