

# Vintage Softball Club

## Board of Directors Meeting

### April 2, 2024 @ 7:30 pm PST

**Location:** Zoom

**Meeting Called to Order at 7:30 PM**

**Attendees:**

**Officers:**

Bob Sprague, President  
Cole Maston, Vice President  
Rick Newson, Secretary  
Don Shrank, Treasurer ← Absent



**Directors:**

Chris Milosovich  
Theresa Biagini  
Jim Palte ← Absent  
Kent Gaynor  
Charlie Carinalli

**Commissioners:**

John Leong, Fun League  
Blain Thomas, Saturday League  
Dave Alderette, Tuesday/Thursday Leagues

**Guests:**

George Espinosa

## **New Members:**

WELCOME to our new Club members:

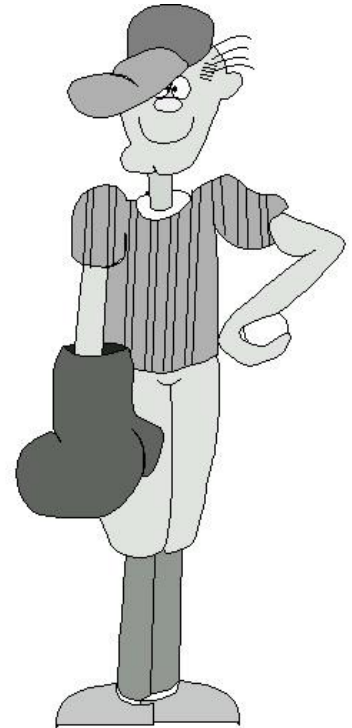
**No new Club members have been added since our last Board Meeting.**

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

The Board approved the February 2024 Board meeting minutes that are posted on our website.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

The Board approved the Treasurer's report.



## **Old Business:**

- **Nothing to report.**



## **New Business:**

- **Budget projection and plan for April Review:** Current budget status is the original budget that was approved projected a \$2000 loss. The revised budget shows a loss of \$7100 for the year. The only way to avoid this loss is to get new members or change our paid field reservations. Field situation and dues will be re-evaluated in the coming months. Any change in dues will be decided by August 2024.

- **Field Status:** Permits for the fields will be submitted in June to lock them in for September 2024 through February 2025. We will not be getting Arcadia Park for the upcoming winter months since we rarely get to use it from December to March due to the wet weather and Arcadia's very strict rainout rules. Final decisions on the fields will be made at the June 2024 Board of Directors meeting.
  - **From VP Cole Maston:**
    - "We currently have fields permitted for all leagues until the end of August. We did get the permit for Mise for the extra month of April that the board approved at the last meeting. New permit applications will have to be turned in around June for the next six months that will take us from September until the end of February. As for Arcadia from January until the end of March, we rented fields for 34 dates (Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday), but have only been able to play 11 times."
- **Rules Committee:** Saturday Commissioner Blain Thomas has been appointed Chairman of the Rules Committee. If any Vintage Member has an issue with the rules, please submit it in writing to Mr. Thomas.
- **Vintage Handbook Update:** The Handbook has been updated to reflect new positions by certain members and to clarify some rules. The Board unanimously approved these changes and clarifications to the Handbook. The new updated Handbook with all changes highlighted has been attached to the Meeting Minutes distribution email and can also be found on the Vintage website.
- **Disciplinary Action:** The Board of Directors approved a motion to suspend a Vintage Member from all 3 leagues after an on-field physical altercation that happened in the Fun League – one player pushed another player near 1<sup>st</sup> base. The suspended member appealed the suspension and after a subsequent hearing by the Board, the suspension was upheld by a vote of 8 to 1.
- **On Field Arguments:** The Board has noticed increased arguing over calls, and this is a reminder that only umpires may make calls and only managers may dispute certain calls according to our handbook.

Please refer and adhere to this section of our Handbook:

*3 Additional rules of play*

*C Umpires*

*3. Managers are the only persons who may question or consult with the umpires (which include the catcher, first and third base coaches if they are serving as umpires) regarding disputes or rule interpretations.*

*Note: Judgment calls must not be disputed. Sportsmanship dictates that individual players shall not dispute the umpire's call.*



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## League Commissioner's Reports:

### **Fun League:** From Commissioner John Leong:

"All's well with the Fun League. We had to move the games to Shoreline Athletic Field for several days because of the poor condition of Hamann Park after a rain. It takes more than a day to drain and dry. Shoreline is a new turf field that is playable unless it is actually raining."

### **Tuesday/Thursday Leagues:** From Commissioner Dave Alderette:

"We have secured MISE for an extra month through April."

### **Saturday League:** From Commissioner Blain Thomas:

"Since the last board meeting, player participation is good, especially the 9am games. Teams are evenly matched. The scores of most of the games have been close and competitive. I would like to suggest that we create a non-competitive for Saturdays."

The Board voted to adjourn at 8:40 pm, PST. The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 2024.



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