

Citrus Park Women's Softball Executive Board Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2024

Present: Sue Rabbage, Connie Hill, Aggie Frye, Diane Banyas, Karen Rechsteiner, Rita Seabrook, Karen Richardson, Fay Nickel, Grace Albers, Shari Moore

Absent: Brenda Gauthier

Guests: Sheila Fowks, Sandy Berg, Gail Colligan

President Sue Rabbage called the meeting to order at 8:30.

The minutes of the March 5, 2024 meeting were read and approved.

Committee Reports:

President-Elect Connie Hill No report

Past President Aggie Frye Everything is set for the banquet. Teams can come in to decorate their tables any time after 1:00. The past presidents have all been invited and will be seated at a separate table. Happy hour will begin at 4:00 with dinner at 5:00. We will need to clean up after the dinner and before the dance. Joe Turner will begin at 7:00 and all league members and a guest will be able to come in at 7:00.

Aggie suggested for next year that when teams are collecting money for scorekeepers' shirts that at the same time collect enough to cover their dinner.

Registrar / Assistant Registrar Diane Banyas / Karen Rechsteiner We have 49 registered and paid for next season. There are several players who are undecided and some will wait until fall to register.

Team Selection / Player Placement Rita Seabrook Rita expressed gratitude at the willingness of players to step up to substitute when asked. She feels that all players should be reminded that the league is a Monday, Wednesday, Friday commitment. In the first half of the season 36 subs were needed and 101 in the second half.

Ratings Karen Richardson Three prospective players were recently rated, two will be here November 1 and one lives here year-round. One is ready to play, the other two did not meet the running requirement, but plan to work on it during the off season.

Member at Large Grace Albers Grace reported that all the jackets are in and the trophies are ready to be picked up. Due to the change in tournament format, it was unclear who would obtain the prizes. Grace and Rita worked together to obtain prizes.

Umpire in Chief Brenda Gauthier No report

Managers' Representative Fay Nickel Congratulations to the Dynamos for winning the season. The managers have suggestions to make concerning the draft system to be used in future tournaments. A sign-up sheet should be used. Congratulations to the blue team, which won the post-season tournament and to the Black Hats, who won the one-pitch tournament. People really enjoyed the party after the games with the tents. Prizes for the MVPs were also given. Future managers should be informed that only team members of championship teams receive shirts/jackets, etc. and not reserves.

The managers met yesterday to discuss and decide the final ratings. Fay will remain on the board as Managers' Representative until the fall season.

Old Business The issue of adopting a draft system versus the weave was discussed. It was the consensus that the weave system be used for team selection for the season. Special games may be decided by a draft system.

New Business

Sue welcomed the new board members, who were invited today to this meeting.

Sue Rabbage announced that she has been elected Chairman of the League Board for the 2025 season. Scott Boddy will serve as secretary. Mark Markovich will remain on the board as a consultant, relying on his experience in construction to work with park management on the plans for a new tiki hut and other projects. He will not have a vote.

Karen Rechsteiner resigned as Assistant Registrar. Diane Banyas resigned as Registrar, but would like to remain as Assistant Registrar. Shari made a motion, seconded by Fay to eliminate the Assistant Registrar position on the board. It passed unanimously. Our new president, Connie Hill will suggest a new registrar.

A proposed new position, that of Player Representative was discussed. Ideas presented included: expanding the job description of Member At Large to include these additional duties; creating a new position; or no change. After everyone expressed their opinion Connie made a motion to add language to the Member at Large position description, Shari seconded the motion, it was declined. Rita made a motion to create a new position on a one-year trial period. This person would not be a board member and would not have a vote. Diane seconded the motion. It passed with a vote of 5 to 4. Connie suggest a person to act as a liaison between league members and the board.

The next meeting will be April 2, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari Moore, Secretary