

## **Attendees:**

### **Officers**

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



### **Directors**

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

### **Commissioners**

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

### **General Counsel**

Allen Baden

## **New Vintage Softball Members:**

The Vintage Softball Club would like to welcome new members to the Club:  
Paul Ballard, Dave Calhoun, Steve Lebus, and Dave Lerma.

Have fun and be careful!

## President's Comments

Our weeknight league is about to re-start, with the first game on Wednesday March 21 at 6pm at Santana park. It will continue every Wednesday until the end of August, and is **open to all members at no extra cost**. The reboot of weeknight play was a big success last year, and we expect this year to be even better, playing at a nicer park in Santana.

Two of our Vintage members have volunteered to lead our efforts in managing our field reservations (Tim Town) and social activities (Ric Ferras)- thanks guys! Remember we are a volunteer organization and depend on our members volunteering their time- so if you enjoy being a member of Vintage please think about volunteering as a coach, helping with our activities, and proposing your own ideas. In fact we still need a commissioner for the weeknight league 😊.

Finally, for you new members, please make sure you have filled out an application- we need your info in addition to your dues! And if anyone has had their information change- new email, phone number, address, etc.- please let us know. Give your information to any coach, commissioner or board member.

## Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

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

## Treasurer's Report:

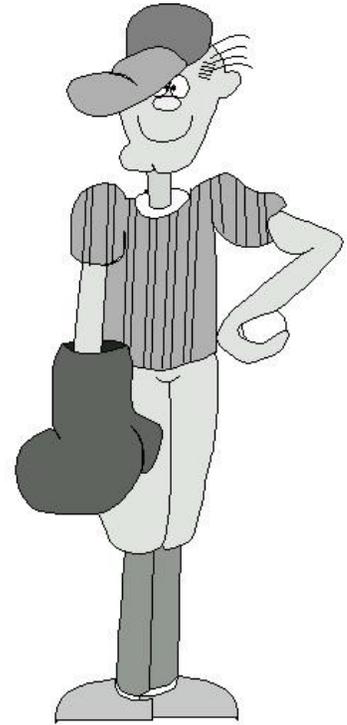
The treasurer's report was approved.

We remain on budget overall, but are about \$2000 short on player dues which has been more than offset by being \$2200 below budget on expenses. We expect to be fine on the dues- between players currently on the injured list and the typical level of new players that join, we should hit our target by the end of the fiscal year in September.

## Rules Committee Report:

A reminder about pitching screens and the need for the pitcher to present the ball:

The Pitching Screen must protect at least half the pitcher's rubber whether placed in front of the rubber, or anywhere in the pitcher's box. The pitcher must pitch behind the screen. Right-handers should release the ball from the right side of the screen, left-handers from the left side, though it is permissible to pitch from directly behind the screen (pitching the ball directly over the screen). In no case, shall a pitcher pitch in a manner in which he is not protected by the screen. (See Vintage Handbook, Section I).



Pitching regulations (SSUSA Rulebook, Section 6, pages 34-35):

### **Section 6.4 BEFORE STARTING THE PITCH**

- A. The pitcher shall not be considered in the pitching position unless the catcher is in position to receive the pitch.
- B. The pitcher must take a position with at least one foot in contact with the pitcher's box ( a 3-foot box 50- to 60-feet from home plate).
- C. The pitcher must come to a full and complete stop with the ball in front of the body. The front of the body must face the batter. **This position must be maintained at least one second before starting the pitch.**

### **Section 6.6 LEGAL DELIVERY**

- A. The pitcher must not make any motion to pitch without immediately delivering the ball to the batter.

B. The delivery is a continuous motion.

C. The pitcher must not use a delivery in which there is a stop or reversal of the pitching motion.



## **Old Business:**

### **2018 Dues Update**

As mentioned above, we are a bit behind in dues, although we expect to hit our targets as injured players return plus anticipated new recruits. But we welcome new members so please feel free to recruit your friends and family to join the Vintage family! Also social media- Facebook, NextDoor, etc.- is a great way of letting your circle know about Vintage.



## **New Business:**

### **New volunteers: Social, Fields**

We have two new volunteers to recognize that are helping the club:

**Tim Town** is our new field reservations manager, working with the city to ensure we have fields to play in, at a fair rate and that the city keeps them in good condition.

The board wants to acknowledge and thank **Jim Batterson** for having done a fantastic job in this role over the last several years. He has also produced excellent documentation that should make for a seamless transition for Tim.

**Ric Ferras** is our social director, leading all the outside activities sponsored by the club. Most recent was the successful BBQ at Little Lou's. He will always need assistance so as we organize future events such as our picnic and holiday party, please volunteer to help.

## **Weeknight League Status**

Our weeknight league will begin on Wednesday, March 21. This league is **open to all Vintage members** and will run through August. This year we will be playing on Wednesdays at Santana Park.

All games will begin at 6:00 pm. Teams will be formed five minutes before game time by each player drawing a black or red chip which will determine your team for that evening. We typically play one seven or nine inning game depending on how much daylight is remaining.

30 of our members have already expressed interest in playing on Wednesdays. This is always a fun league and we hope to see you out there.

We are still looking for a commissioner for the weeknight league. The requirements are very simple, as compared to our other commissioners, mainly to lay out the cones for the game and make sure the teams are selected. Please let a board member know if you are interested.

## **Investing Our Cash**

Don Shrank, Barry Schimmel, and Jeff Greenberg have been evaluating options to invest some of our cash in interest generating CD's. Keypoint Credit Union has been identified as the optimal place for our money.



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

### **Fun League**

Fun League is doing OK. The dispute between the neighbors of Hamann park and the Fun League over the sun screen attached to the backstop has been settled amicably.

### **Tuesday/Thursday Leagues**

The draft was completed and Jack noted that all is going well on both Tuesday and Thursday. There are 60 players on Tuesday and 80 players on Thursday.

### **Saturday League**

The Saturday draft was also completed and there are 105 players for the Saturday league. For this session, recognizing that we are starting the

tournament season, there will be 7 teams, with one team having a bye each Saturday. Players on the "bye" team have preference for playing out of the bucket.

The Board voted to adjourn at 8:30PM, PST. The next meeting will be held May 1.



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