

# RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.

## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Thursday, February 26, 2009

**PRESENT:** Warren Hoffmann, **Vice President**; Gene Westemeier, **Secretary**; Sue Painter, **Treasurer**; Craig Brown, Tom Loegering, Denny Nichols, Ann Ullman and Diane Worth, **Directors**.

**ABSENT:** Bill Johnson, **President**

**ALSO PRESENT:** Jan Ek, **General Manager**; John Snyder, **Director of Golf & Grounds**; Marion Krell, **Director of Human Resources**; Chris Herring, **IT Director**; Bill Collier, **Director of Finance**; Randy Johnson, **Bowling Manager**; Deanna Szentmiklosi, **Executive Assistant to GM**; Linda Menna, **Executive Assistant to AGM**; Tim Gallen, **Communications**; Helen Thiel, **Executive Coordinator**, 225 RCSC cardholders and three members of the press.

- **Quorum:** Secretary Westemeier verified that a Board Quorum was present.
- **Minutes:** The minutes of the January 29, 2009 Regular Board meeting were approved as printed.
- **Management Reports:** The management staff reports were given by Jan Ek, General Manager; Chris Herring, Director of Information Technology; Marion Krell, Director of Human Resources; John Snyder, Director of Golf & Grounds; Randy Johnson, Bowling and Bill Collier, Director of Finance. Jim Wellman, Assistant General Manager's report was given by GM Ek. These reports can be viewed on [www.sunaz.com](http://www.sunaz.com)

After the management reports were given GM Ek gave an explanation of the reasons for closing the grill and delis.

### **DIRECTORS REPORTS:**

*Legal Affairs:* Director Brown announced that a committee meeting has been set for Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Board room.

*SCHOA:* Director Worth reported that the Homeowners Association is offering free dues for six months to new residents. They are also establishing a Speakers Bureau and anyone interested in having a speaker at their meeting should call SCHOA.

*SCTA:* A large number of residents are using the Taxpayers Association to review their recent property assessments. Jan Hughes now runs the Benefit Check-up program which offers a large number of benefits for the disabled, etc. The association is offering Benefits training classes on March 6<sup>th</sup> at the SCTA office.

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*Golf:* No shows continue to be a problem at the golf courses; 390 did not show up on one Monday in February, Secretary Westemeier reported. He stated that the committee is seeking ways to eliminate this problem which causes loss of revenue. The next committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m.

*Bowling:* The bowling lanes need to be repaired and the committee is seeking ways to get funds for the project, Vice President Hoffmann reported. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

*Lawn Bowling:* The committee is working on adjusting tournament fees for outside bowlers using the RCSC greens, Secretary Westemeier advised. Permanent repairs are being made to the greens. The next meeting is set for Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

*Entertainment:* Director Ullman reported that the spring shows at the Sun Bowl start on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. The committee is currently working on shows for the summer and fall seasons.

*Sundial lawsuit:* Director Nichols advised that the lawsuit is very close to being settled and an announcement is expected very soon.

*Clubs:* The Club Organization Committee will meet on Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room, Treasurer Painter reported.

*Bid Commission:* Vice President Hoffmann reported that the commission approved three bids. A total of \$25,650 was approved for a new lift at Lakeview Center. The old one is not repairable. Well repairs were approved at \$57,707 and \$16,433 was approved for a new pump and controllers.

*SC Posse:* The open house at the Posse headquarters was a huge success, Vice President Hoffmann reported. The Posse acquired two small SUV's, which was approved by Sheriff Arpaio.

### **MEMBER COMMENTS:**

*Paul Herrmann, 25390:* On behalf of the Visitors Center, he presented a proposal requesting RCSC to consider implementing short term Visitors Facility Use Cards.

*Ray Parkin, 6247:* Read a letter on behalf of the Visitors Center strongly objecting to the proposal of the RCSC to convert the grill and delis on the golf courses to vending machine operations and beer sales.

*David Mussaf, 100430:* Apologized to Jan Ek if he insulted her. Is still interested in having an Industrial Engineering firm do a time study of the RCSC operations. He believes RCSC should keep prices at rock bottom and still offer all the amenities to the members.

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*Lloyd Maple, 41519; Ray Rudrud, 85211; Mary Ann Chappel, 17286; Judy Coppi, 41124; Laurel Pracht, 20210; Sue Walker, 38191; Davis Weis, 46284; Mary Kasperski, 35072; Joann Klein, 104417, Larry Karsten, 56286; Rhonda Dunckel, 901050; Tom Bellows, 48955:* All objected to the conversion of the grill and delis to vending machine operations citing a variety of reasons why they should stay open. Suggestions were made for smaller menus, friendlier staff and cleaner facilities. It was mentioned that if RCSC loses some of the amenities that brought people here, it will lose future generations from moving here. The question was asked how RCSC expects to get outside play when all that will be offered to them will be packages from a vending machine. One member stated that golf course amenities enhance the properties and the community. An on-line survey was suggested to get the members' opinions regarding their preference of amenities in Sun City and on the golf courses.

*Walter Rudolph, 42659:* Is upset that the row boats were taken off Viewpoint Lake. Director Nichols advised that the boats were getting old and since they had little usage, the decision was made to take them off the lake. Over the years people's interests have changed and it's a balancing act to accommodate newcomers and please the current residents, Director Nichols said.

*Diane Graham, 13502 and Daryl Wimer, 55810:* Spoke in favor of converting the tennis courts at Mountain View into four pickleball courts.

*Bill Pearson, 22943:* Believes that baby boomers are the key to the survival of this community. Taking away the golf course amenities may cause many of them to move elsewhere. He stated that Sun City and the RCSC are a community first and a corporation second.

*Tom Beckwith, 54886:* When the grill and delis are closed will the clubs be able to use the equipment, he asked. He is unhappy with the rule that no dogs are allowed on the golf course after golfing hours.

*Kay Barngrover, 68950:* Stated that the bowlers have tried to work with Doug Bratsch but have not gotten much cooperation.

**MOTIONS:** #1 – **BP#9 – Cardholder Guests & Host Punch Cards:** Treasurer Painter moved that Board Policy Resolution #9 titled Cardholder Guests & Host Punch Cards, as amended, is approved in its entirety and replaces previous BP #9, titled the same. Following a second by Director Ullman, the motion was unanimously approved.

**#2- BP #10 – Code of Conduct & RCSC Rules & Regulations:** Director Nichols moved that Board Policy Resolution #10, titled Code of Conduct & RCSC Rules & Regulations, as amended, is approved in its entirety and replaces previous BP #10, titled the same. The motion was unanimously approved after a second by Secretary Westemeier.

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**#3 – BP #22 – Refunds:** The Board unanimously approved Board Policy #22 titled Refunds, in its entirety, which replaces previous Board Policy #22, titled the same. The motion was made by Secretary Westemeier and seconded by Director Worth.

**#4 – Pickleball Courts at Mountain View:** Director Brown moved that the trial basis of the pickleball courts at Mountain View become permanent. (Note: the Board approved the temporary conversion of one tennis court into four pickleball courts in April 2007.) Seconded by Secretary Westemeier, the motion carried with seven Directors voting for it. Director Ullman abstained.

Members were given an opportunity to speak on the motions before a vote was taken by the Directors.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 2009 in the Sundial Auditorium at 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by:

*Eugene Westemeier*

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RCSC Board of Directors.