

March 5, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Chico Senior Softball Board of Directors

Attendees: BJ Hobbs, John Burge, Bob Gilbertson, Andy Mayer, Mike Gregg, Rick Piras.

Also: Evan Wagner

-The February meeting minutes were read and approved 6-0.

-Managers status: We need more managers/co-managers in the Open division.

We have four managers/co-managers in the Veterans division, but if we hit the 55-player tipping point we'll need a fifth. If that happens, it may be necessary to rank the managers/co-managers.

-Mike spoke with North State Screen Printing about the jersey ordering process. The long pole in the process is getting the managers to submit team logos and names so they can get the artwork created and approved.

Open and Vets teams are mostly using prior names and logos. Rick will remind Masters managers to get theirs submitted.

-The draft dates are set:

Masters 3/16 Mike and BJ will run the draft

Veterans 3/18 Andy and John will run the draft

Open 3/19 Bob and Rick will run the draft

-Hats were discussed. We'll use the same hats as last year, Mike will contact North State about getting those ordered.

-Rick will send the current expected schedule to CARD for field rentals and prep. The schedule could change if we have to add a fifth team in Vets.

-Sponsors: we have only eight sponsors signed up so far, compared to 20+ last year. Evan will send a reminder email to all players of the need for sponsors.

-Umpire(s) for Masters: Tom is contacting Gary Witteman about umpiring Masters. We have Lefty Chell, Tim Klick, Mike Nelson and others willing to be "fill-in" umpires, but need one person as the "main guy".

We discussed the pay rate for umpires and after discussion the board voted 6-0 to raise the rate to \$35 per game from the current \$30 per game.

-Evan will send registration info to Open and Vets managers. Rick will send that same info to Masters managers.

- Mike will send a general email reminding people to register before 3/16.
- The issue of free shirts for sponsors was brought up. The board decided to provide shirts for special requests or when requested, but not to make it a routine, since few sponsors want one. The board voted 6-0 to remove the wording of free shirts from the paper form to avoid confusion.
- The meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be Thursday, April 9th.