

PSGSL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 5, 2021

Attendees:

Board Members:

Scot Howard – Commissioner

David Binder – Assistant Commissioner

Stephen Gomes – Open Division Director

Peter Ho – Treasurer

Clay Peterson – Secretary

Team Reps:

Ballers D – Absent

Ballers E – Absent

Broke Bats – David

Crazy Pitches - Vangie

Eagle 501 – Leo N.

Gorillas – Danny

Greyhounds – Nabil

Orphans – Absent

PS Heat – Stephenie

Retros – Brian T.

Roadrunnerz – Richard

Rounders 2.0 – Jeff

Sandstorm – Nick

Stingers – Steve L.

Tiki Warriors – Antonio

Meeting Minutes:

Clay reviewed the meeting minutes from the previous league meeting. Steve L. made a motion to accept the minutes. Danny seconded the motion, and the minutes were accepted at 6:10 PM.

Treasurers Report:

Peter reviewed the treasurers report. Bank account activity in December was minimal as it is off-season. Two withdrawals in the month include: monthly storage fee and one player refund check was cashed. At the end of the month and year, the league's account balance is a bit over \$19k. Overall financials for 2020, the league broke even with a positive year-end result of \$956. The FY2021 budget was presented in similar format as the past with separate spring and fall seasons broken out with spring representing activity from January through and including August and fall is activity from September through December. The budget includes \$4,200 in fundraising during the spring season to balance the first 8-months. Missing from the budget are the team fees for the World Series.

Peter also added: It's important that we remain "present" in the community. One way to do this is to support our sponsors and add a note on the check thanking them for their support of PSGSL.

COVID Update:

1) Current City & CDPH Guidelines

- Physical conditioning, practice, skill-building, and training that can be conducted outdoors, with 6 feet of physical distancing, are authorized.
 - Demuth Park remains CLOSED, with no potential reopening date at this time.
 - BLD is open, at \$75/hour, with safety protocols
- Competitions between two teams is not allowed in California until January 25, 2021, at the earliest. The return-to-competition date will be reassessed in January.
 - At that time, inter-team competitions are authorized only if (a) both teams are located in the same county; or (b) teams are located in immediately bordering counties.
 - Any tournaments that involve more than two teams are not currently permitted in California. Exceptions may be made, with authorization from the local health department, for some sports – softball is not one of them.
- Teams must not participate in out-of-state tournaments.

2) PS Winter Classic

- Is currently scheduled for February 19 - 21, 2021
- Divisions have been set-up as follows:
 - C Division: 24 teams
 - D Division: 24 teams
 - E Division: 12 teams
- It is highly unlikely Demuth Park will be open, putting all games and teams at BLD

3) **Spring Season**

- Currently scheduled to begin April 18, 2021
 - 6-Week Schedule / Playoffs on June 6
- 15 Teams, including A Division
- All games will be played on Demuth #7 and #8 (not utilizing field #5)
- First Games: 10AM / Last Games: 4PM – C Division Games Start: 2PM (Based on Coach/Manager input)

- Divisions have been set-up as follows:
 - C Division: Games on #7 – Inter-Comp: 6x
 - D Division: Games on #7 and #8 – Inter-Comp: 2x
 - E Division: Games on #8 – Inter-Comp: 4x
- Team Registration will open in February, followed by Player Registration
- Registration Fees will not increase for Spring Season 2021.

New Player Clinic:

David gave an update on the New Player Clinic. The League will do there best to have one. Obviously, interest has died down quite a bit from COVID19. We are hopeful to have a clinic in March.

Old Business:

A-Division interleague is still scheduled for Phoenix on February 28th and April 18th. Also for Palm Springs on April 25th

NAGAAA Cup dates have changed Memorial Day Weekend – May 28th- May 30th . Unless Demuth Park opens, all games will be held at BLD

Clay Peterson will take over the Hall of Fame committee once Steve Gomes term is done.

The league has investigated playing at BLD. The cost is very high and probably will not happen.

New Business:

David Binder advised The Sandstorm are holding a Super Bowl Squares Fund Raiser.

The league will not be participating in the Info A Go-Go event this year.

Palm Desert Civic Center fields are open but its first come first serve.

Janice is once again overseeing Parks and Rec for the city of Palm Springs.

Leo Newcomb advised the Council that Lenny Broberg was interested in running for Open Division Director

Scot asked the council to let everyone know if there here of any tournaments coming up soon.

Vangie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Steve made a motion to second the meeting and the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 PM