

PSGSL
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 6, 2020

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 – Leo V.

Ballers E – Leo V.

Broke Bats – David

Crazy Pitches - Absent

Eagle 501 – Leo N.

Gorillas – Danny

Greyhounds – Billy / Nabil

Orphans – Absent

PS Heat – Stephenie

Retros – Brian T.

Roadrunnerz – Richard

Rounders 2.0 – Jeff

Sandstorm – Nick

Stingers – Steve L.

Tiki Warriors – Absent

Meeting Minutes:

Clay reviewed the meeting minutes from the previous league meeting. Steve L. made a motion to accept the minutes. Leo seconded the motion, and the minutes were accepted at 6:11 PM.

Treasurers Report:

Peter reviewed the treasurers report. There were zero deposits and income for the month. There were a few expenses that did show up such as insurance, as well as, filing with the state of California with changes of officers. There were some teams that registered and paid team fees for the Turkey Shootout. That money is in a separate account just in case refunds need to be issued due to COVID19 and the tournament being canceled. Peter projects we will break even for year 2020. David S. made a motion to approve the report. Danny seconded and the report was approved.

COVID19 Update / Fall Season:

Riverside County is currently in Phase 2 of 4 / Substantial or Red Phase. If the County continues to follow the current State of California Guidelines:

- The soonest for Phase 3 is Oct 19th
- The soonest for Phase 4 which allows adult sports is Nov 9th

Local news is reporting that the Coachella Valley cases are rising. Several ballparks in the Valley have opened and are allowing teams to play or practice at their own risk. There will be no 2020 Fall Season. We considered starting a condensed season in November, playing through December. However, seeding at Demuth Park begins on November 2nd and the fields will be unplayable until mid-December. The board considered playing at BLD. BLD currently has only 1 employee on staff and they do not anticipate ramping back up until after the State/County says it is safe to resume play. Therefore, out of safety for our league members and the lack of available fields until mid-November at the soonest, the Fall Season has been canceled.

Turkey Shootout:

Peter Ho gave an update on the Turkey Shootout. Due to the rising cases in Riverside County and our place in the tier system the Turkey Shootout has been officially canceled. The tournament is the biggest fundraiser for the PSGSL. Steve L. agreed with the decision to cancel the tournament. Leo N. asked if the tournament can be moved to December. Peter advised it could be looked into, but things are not trending in the right direction for 2020.

Governing Manuals

We have been updating the PSGSL Rules and Bylaws and have realized this is a much larger project than making a few additions and modifications. We intend to have completed before the end of the year. In the meantime, there are a few questions we have for the group:

- a. What constitutes a, “reasonable amount of time?” This pertains to the player wanting to change teams rule, where coaches must respond to the request “within a reasonable amount of time.”

Danny and Stephenie both said 1 week. Jeff said he thought 1 week may not be enough time. He suggested during the season 1 week could work but off season 2 weeks. Leo N. asked for clarification regarding players changing teams during the season. Danny agreed with Jeff’s point of off season versus in season time frames. Brian T. thinks that two weeks should be the standard. The group agreed on the two weeks.

- b. Change calling our monthly meeting with coaches and managers to the “Monthly Council Meeting” instead of “League Meeting” or “Board Meeting,” both of which have been used interchangeably. This will match the new wording/clarifications that will be included in the revised governing manuals.

The group agreed with the name changes. Steve G. also added that the name change should be “Executive Board” when talking about just the board members meeting. No objection by the group.

- c. Rules & Bylaws Committee: The Secretary will take the lead forming this committee, which will be responsible for collecting, drafting and presenting proposed additions/modifications to the Board for review/feedback before they are presented to the Council for vote. This group will also be responsible for updating our current documents and keeping them up-to-date going forward.

Clay covered the committees in the sub committee section of the minutes.

PSGSL Sub Committees:

Clay reviewed the current sub committee chairs. He also said suggested that Marketing and Fundraising should be combined into one position. David Binder agreed

Hall of Fame Chair: Steve Gomes –

Pride Committee Chair– Peter Ho

Recruitment Chair - David Binder

Fund Raising/Marketing Chair - Scot Howard

Rules & bylaws Committee – New committee chaired by Brian Thompson also Stephenie Gherardini and Danny Riley. Clay will be attending the meetings as a record taker only and will not have input in the committee.

Free Agents:

David Binder spoke about free agents. He brought up the point that we need to work on keeping free agents engaged during the off season. Which will be especially be more challenging in our current state.

He suggested having coaches reach out if they are holding practices. Ratings would be a possible issue, but we would rely on coaches to let us know if a player belongs in a different division.

Steve G. suggested sharing the free agents list out to all of the coaches in the league.

Old Business

Neon Classic has been officially canceled

Sin City Classic is still on, but will most likely limit the number of teams per division

New Business:

The League has obtained the domain psgsl.gay

NAGAAA Cup Update:

The Margaritaville Resort (formerly The Riviera) is our Host Hotel

Several new sponsors came onboard in September:

John C Kish Foundation / Beam Suntory (Jim Beam) / Porsche Palm Springs / Greater PS CVB

2021 Spring Season

Feb Tournaments:

2nd weekend: PSWC (Demuth & BLD) – *To Be Confirmed*

3rd weekend: Sr American and National League Tournament (Demuth) --

CONFIRMED

4th weekend: Mary Nutter Classic (BLD) -- **CONFIRMED**

4th weekend: Women's Softball Tournament – Vicky Oltean (Demuth) -- *To Be*

Confirmed

Mar Tournaments:

3rd weekend: PSHS Tournament (Demuth) - **CONFIRMED**

4th weekend: NAGAAA Cup (BLD & Demuth) - **CONFIRMED**

