## **PSGSL**

# MEETING MINUTES

# FEBRUARY 25, 2020

# **Attendees:**

# **Board Members:**

Scot Howard – Commissioner

David Binder – Assistant Commissioner

Stephen Gomes – Open Division Director

Vicky Harrison – Treasurer

Clay Peterson – Secretary

# **Team Reps:**

Ballers D – Leo V.

Ballers E – Leo V.

Broke Bats – Peter

Crazy Pitches - Vangie

Eagle 501 – Leo N.

Gorillas – Danny

Greyhounds - Billy / Nabil

Orphans – John

PS Heat – Stephenie

Retros – Dennis

Roadrunnerz – Richard

Rounders 2.0 – Jeff

Sandstorm - Nick

Stingers – Steve L.

Tiki Warriors – Robert

# **Meeting Minutes:**

Clay reviewed the meeting minutes from the last month's meeting. Stephenie made a motion to accept the minutes. Vangie seconded the motion and the minutes were accepted at 6:10 PM.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Vicky reviewed the treasurers report. The report was based off of 14 teams however, it looks like we will have 15 teams. All game costs on the report are an estimated cost. NAGAAA costs based are based on 5 teams but there could be up to 8 teams in attendance from the PSGSL for the 2020 World Series. There is only \$3k budgeted for fund raising this year over last. We did much better last spring. Steve L. made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Stephenie seconded and the report was accepted.

# 2020 Spring Season:

Scot addressed the upcoming Spring Season Schedule. Demuth Park Closed from March 12<sup>th</sup> to March 29<sup>th</sup> for regrading and NAGAAA Cup. All games will be played at Demuth Park on fields 5,7 and 8. Scot looked into Big League Dreams, but the cost made it not an option: \$1050.00 for field rentals plus \$6.00 per player. Opening Day: Sun, March 1st – Ceremonies start 12:30. The regular season will run from March 1st through May 17th. Playoffs will be held on May 17<sup>th</sup>. No games will be held on 3/29: NAGAAA Cup, 4/12: Easter Holiday, 5/10: Mother's Day. E-Division Games will be played at Cerritos on March 15th and 22<sup>nd</sup>. C-Division will not be just on field 5 this season. Scot addressed the group regarding length of schedule. He advised that the season was only one week shorter than the previous year. Coaches were also advised at the February 4th meeting of the seven-week schedule. The game distribution will be broke down as follows:

C Div: 3 teams play each other 5x = 10 games

D Div: 7 teams play each other 2x = 12 games

E Div: 4 teams play each other 5x = 15 games

Steve Lisante pointed out that the two holidays off for spring season have existed for quite some time in the league. Leo N. and Nick both expressed the willingness of teams to have a longer spring season. Scot recognized the requests and will look into a longer schedule for the 2021.

# **Spring Season Roster Addition Deadline:**

The Spring Season Roster additions must be submitted by Sunday, April 5<sup>th</sup>. That would coincide with the next league meeting to be held on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Awards Banquet:**

The 2020 Awards Banquet will be held at Cimarron Golf Course on Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup>. The time will be announced as the dates get closer. We will need a head count from all teams as soon as possible.

### Saguaro Cup:

The Saguaro Cup Registration and payment deadline is March 29<sup>th</sup>, the registration fee is \$475.00. Masters Division is \$285.00.

# **GSWS Commitment:**

The Gay Softball World Series commitment checks are due at the April 7<sup>th</sup> board meeting in the amount of \$250.00. The division break down. C Division: 2 Spots, D Division: 2 Spots, E Division: 1 Open Roster, A, B and Master's Open.

# New Player / Skills Clinic Wrap Up:

David Binder spoke about the New Player / Skills Clinic. The turn out this year was very good this year. 16 players turned out for the first skills clinic. David suggested for next year that we do the clinics earlier to allow easier placement of players. John M. suggested the that we investigate a draft process for new players coming into the league. Robert K. was very interested in having a draft. Scot advised that the board would investigate the process with other leagues to get insight on how the process would work.

## **NAGAAA CUP Volunteers:**

David Binder gave an update on the volunteer status for NAGAAA Cup. He said the list was filling in quite a bit. There will still some things that needed to be covered. Demuth Field still had some needs for volunteers. Some teams have taken up entire slots at some fields and he asked coaches and players to encourage their teams and teammates to sign up as soon as possible. Also, added that it could be friends of the league that volunteer as well.

# **Board Elections:**

Clay took Board Nominations for commissioner and treasurer.

Steve L. nominated Scot Howard for Commissioner. Danny seconded the nomination Scot accepted the nomination.

Vicky H. nominated Stephenie for Treasurer. Scot H. seconded the motion. Stephenie accepted the nomination.

Elections will be held on Sunday, May 17th at the fields.

## **Hall of Fame:**

Steve Gomes spoke about the Hall of Fame committee. The committee has received several nominations. The deadline for nominees is April 1<sup>st</sup>. All nominees must be involved in the league for 7 years or 10 seasons, whichever is longer. Steve Gomes, Brian Thompson and Stephanie Gherardini will all serve on the committee.

#### **Old Business:**

A/B Interleague: Sun, Apr 26 at BLD

Tiki Warriors Annual Fundraiser Beer, Boys, and BBQ will be coming up at Toucans Tiki Lounge. Robert will update with more information.

NAGAAA Cup Update: Final Walkthrough

Achieved Hotel Attrition 136 /150 room nights

26 Teams – Registered

Committee Mtg: Wed @ 5PM

#### **New Business:**

C Div Interleague: Sun, Apr 26 – Long Beach

PRIDE Night - Power Baseball: Sun, May 31

GSWS Charity Beneficiary – Mar 23rd

Raise funds for a deserving organization in your city. We are asking each NAGAAA city to identify a 501(c)(3) organization in your city/area that focuses, at least in

part, on mental health and LGBTQ+ people – youth and/or adults – as your GSWS 2020 Charity Beneficiary.

# There will be a board meeting after the elections on June 7th. Time and platform TBD.