

PSGSL
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 26th, 2019

Attendees:

Board Members:

Scot Howard - Commissioner

Stephenie Gherardini - Assistant Commissioner

Stephen Gomes - Open Division Director

Vicky Harrison - Treasurer

Clay Peterson - Secretary

Team Reps:

Ballers - Leo

Broke Bats - Jimmy G.

Desert Dawgs - Rick

Gorillas - Carl

Greyhounds - Ross

Guys & Dolls - Kevin V.

Heartthrobs - Leo N.

Orphans - John

PS Heat - Jimmy B.

Retros - John Michael

Roadrunnerz - Richard

Rounders 2.0 - Jeff

Stingers - Steve L.

Team Rosa - Joel

Tiki Warriors - Robert

Minutes:

Clay reviewed the minutes from last month's meeting. Jimmy G. made a motion to accept the minutes. Carl seconded the motion and the minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

Vicky reviewed the treasurers report. The report was the same as it was in the previous meeting. Steve made a motion to accept the report. Jimmy G seconded and the report was accepted.

New Player Clinic Wrap Up:

Steve Gomes advised that the first clinic had been rained out. The second clinic had 12 players and that the majority of that clinic were E players. We had enough to form a 3rd E division team, the Guys & Dolls. Jimmy Greene helped in the forming of the 2nd team. The third clinic had 9 players show up for that clinic and most of those players have already been placed. A couple players showed up that are already in the league that wanted to be rerated, which was not allowed. Vicky advised the board assigns a divisional assignment but not a rating. Kevin Vinnes and Steve Gomes both will be coaching the Guys and Dolls. John Michael asked if there was a chance that new players fell through the cracks and did not get placed. Steve and Vicky will follow up with each player to make sure they have heard from a team.

Spring Season Schedule:

The schedule will be posted online live after the meeting. Scot gave the break down of the team count in each division and gave the break down of Inter Division games vs Intra Division games. The determination on who made Upper D vs Lower D divisions were made off of team totals. Scot advised that there will be a day that Upper D will have a triple header on either March 31st or April 7th. There will be a break in between games. All bye weeks have been factored in for C division. Roadrunnerz March 17th, Greyhounds March 10th, Stingers March 3rd. A division plays 4 games, B division plays 10 games, C division plays 12 games, Upper D division plays 14 games, Lower D division plays 14 games and E division plays 12 games. E division will have an interleague tournament in Los Angeles on April 28th. There are no scheduled games in Palm Springs that weekend for E division. Fields 5,7,8 at Demuth Park will be utilized for Spring Season.

Opening Ceremonies:

Scot advised that opening ceremonies will be begin at noon at Demuth Park at Field 7. Stu Shevitz will cater the picnic. There will be hot dogs, hamburgers, sides, chips and a beverage. The league is asking for a \$5.00 donation for each player to off set the cost of the picnic. This would be an easier route than the pot luck style picnic. The presentations will begin at 12:30 PM. The first games will start at 2:00 PM. Team photos will be taken at the fields. Ross asked about if teams had a later start time could they do their pictures later in the day. Scot said teams can take their photos later in the day and email them to him. Steve G. reminded everyone that part of the tournament stipend was attendance at the opening ceremonies. 10 players, or representatives, from each team must be at the field in order to

meet the requirement. Scot advised that the new director of parks and rec would be at the field, as well as, the mayor of Palm Springs. Carl asked if we were doing a food drive this year. Vicky advised the interest in participation was very low so we opted not to do one this year. We do not have a singer to perform the national anthem confirmed as it stands currently. Jimmy asked if there was going to be an announcement about the Desert Dawgs winning the world series at opening ceremonies.

Player Registration:

Vicky sent out an email to coaches regarding player/team status. All of the teams have been registered. There are still quite a few players that had not registered and paid. There are also a few team sponsorships that are still outstanding. The deadline for player registration and payment is Friday, March 1st. Sign in sheets for each team were passed out for each game. Coaches are responsible for printing out sign in sheets. Each player must sign the sheets to get credit for playoffs and world series births. Sheets must be filled out completely. Vicky can email the excel sheet to the coaches if needed. Scot reminded coaches that in order to qualify for World Series players must play half of the games in order to be eligible to participate. If players are being added they should be filled in at the bottom of the sheets. Steve L. asked about line up cards. Steve G. advised that the line up cards will be handed out on Sunday before the games. Also, managers packets will be handed out on Sunday at opening ceremonies.

Winter Classic Wrap Up:

Scot gave the wrap up on the Winter Classic tournament. He congratulated all of the participants from the tournament. Advised that; Team Rosa finished in 2nd place. Hunters Mix and Match finished in 3rd place. The Stingers went undefeated and took 1st place. The Gorillas also finished in 1st place. The tournament was a success and the board thanked Vicky Oltean.

Fund Raising Committee:

Steve advised that the Bowling Night Fund raiser will be Sunday, May 19th, from 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM. Bowling will begin at 1:00 PM. The fee will be \$25.00 per person. This includes 3 games and shoe rental. We are waiting to hear back from the lanes if they will be charging us \$10.00 or a different rate. Leo N. is working with the lanes to negotiate the actual price per player. We are going to add a line item in the league store on the website to pre purchase raffle tickets for the prize drawings at the bowling fundraiser. We need to sell out the lanes this time. Dennis from the Retros is going to make up the flyers for the bowling night fundraiser again. Steve is working on getting the tickets for the bat raffle printed out. The original printer had increased their fee and minimum ticket requirements. The bat raffle will take place at the awards dinner. Steve reminded teams there is no limit on tickets they can sell.

Hall of Fame:

Stephenie advised that the deadline to nominate inductees is April 1st. After the 1st she will be contacting the committee members to discuss the induction. There are currently 4

nominees as it stands. Stephenie reminded everyone the nomination forms are on the web site.

PSGSL Logo Design:

Steve passed around the updated logo design. The newer concepts are based off of feed back from the previous concepts. The meeting attendees gave feedback on the updated designs. Steve will follow up with the designer.

Old Business:

Robert reminded everyone that the Tiki Warriors would be holding their fundraiser at Toucan's Tiki Lounge on Saturday, March 9th between 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM. There will be prize drawings and Jell-O shots. Robert also gave Steve G. his contact for printing tickets and flyers.

Steve Gomes advised that we can post league events on the visitpalmsprings.com and visitgreaterpalmsprings.com web page.

New Business:

The Palm Springs Gay Rodeo is May 2nd through the 5th. We will be reaching out for volunteers to work at the rodeo on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. That is also playoff weekend for the league.

Scot took a head count on teams intending on going to the World Series. He advised that World Series Commitment checks are due by the April 2nd meeting. Teams that are wanting to go are: Rounders / Team Rosa / Stingers / Greyhounds / Roadrunnerz / Heat / Orphans / Heartthrobs / Desert Dawgs / E is an open division. The league will get 5 bids for the World Series. If we use all 5 bids, a 6th bid is then available.

Vicky advised that board positions are up for election in the spring for; Assistant Commissioner, Open Division Director and Secretary. The nominations are officially open for the next two meetings.

- Carl Clinton-Taussig nominated Jimmy Green for the Assistant Commissioner position
- Steve Gomes nominated Clay Peterson for the Secretary position
- Vicky Harrison nominated Steve Gomes for the Open Division Director position
- Scot Howard nominated Stephenie Gherardini for the Assistant Commissioner position

Vicky advised coaches to speak with there teams to find out if anyone had any interest in filling a position.

A motion was made by Steve L. to adjourn the meeting. Jimmy B. Seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 PM.

NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT HUNTERS ON TUESDAY, APRIL 2nd AT 6:00 PM