

PSGSL
MEETING MINUTES
April 2nd 2019

Attendees:

Board Members:

Scot Howard - Commissioner

Stephenie Gherardini - Assistant Commissioner

Stephen Gomes - Open Division Director - Absent

Vicky Harrison - Treasurer

Clay Peterson - Secretary

Team Reps:

Ballers - Kirk

Broke Bats - Jimmy G.

Desert Dawgs - Rick

Gorillas - Carl

Greyhounds - Nabil

Guys & Dolls - Kevin V.

Heartthrobs - Leo N.

Orphans - John

PS Heat - Jimmy B.

Retros - Brian T.

Roadrunnerz - Richard

Rounders 2.0 - Jeff

Stingers - Steve L.

Team Rosa - Victor

Tiki Warriors - Ken

Minutes:

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

Treasurer's Report:

Vicky reviewed the treasurers report. We have improved are balance on player fees. At this time, we are not sure if Palm Springs is going to charge us for use of the fields that will factor in for the fall. We are currently showing a negative for the Spring Season. Carl made a motion to accept the report. Jimmy B. seconded and the report was accepted.

World Series/Playoffs:

Scot confirmed the World Series commitment checks that were turned in. We received checks from the; Greyhounds, Stingers, Roadrunnerz, Heat, Desert Dawgs, Orphans, Heartthrobs. B-Division will not be sending a team to the World Series. The extra berth will go to D Division and not C division so that the C division teams will be able to pull from the third team not going to the World Series. Scot reminded the coaches that players must play in 50% of regular season games in order to be eligible for the playoffs and the World Series. Attendance sheets were handed out to each team so they could review their current attendance record. No one asked any questions regarding their attendance or World Series. Jeff H. asked about the D division playoff seeding for lower D playing into the upper D playoff bracket. Scot did say that there will be an Upper D and Lower D division champions.

Ratings Changes:

Scot thanked everyone for getting their ratings changes in. Steve Gomes was not at the meeting on travel. Scot did inform everyone that Steve would be getting in touch with each team upon his return if anyone had any questions. Stephenie did advise that some teams did submit the entire roster rather than the players that needed to be adjusted.

Saguaro Cup:

The board had not received a roster from Team Rosa as of the meeting but Victor was working on getting it done. All other teams have submitted their rosters that were attending. Scot advised all teams playing in the tournament that there was going to be a microscope on all teams playing in the tournament as a byproduct from the Long Beach issue. The commissioner of Phoenix and Scot have already had a conversation regarding good sportsmanship and good behavior. Reminded coaches about players slinging bats after a hit. There was an incident where an umpire was hit above the eye and had to receive first-aid. Rick advised that the umpire was in good spirits and recovering fine. He wished everyone good luck that was playing in the tournament.

Fund Raising Committee:

Clay gave an update about the two active fund-raising efforts. Bowling night is set for Sunday May 19th from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM at Palm Springs Lanes \$26 per person entry fee. Bowling will begin closer to 1:00 PM. There will be prize raffles and no tap tickets. We will also be doing a high game / high series side pot. We are asking all teams bring 2 - \$20.00 minimum prize contributions, gift cards, prizes, etc. You can prepurchase raffle tickets on the PSGSL website 10 tickets for \$5.00 or 25 - tickets for \$10. We would like to have those prizes by the next board meeting if possible. Clay handed out the bat raffle flyers and envelopes that had the raffle tickets. The bat raffle tickets are available to be purchased online on the PSGSL website. We are requiring each team to sell a minimum of 20 tickets per team. The raffle ticket drawings will be at the awards banquet.

Hall of Fame:

Stephenie advised the nomination process for the Hall of Fame is officially closed. There were 6 people that were nominated. The HOF committee will be meeting soon to discuss the people that were nominated.

Board Nominations:

Scot advised that there are 3 positions on the board that are up for vote. Jimmy Green withdrew his nomination. Jimmy also made a motion to nominate David Binder for the Assistant Commissioner position. Leo N. seconded.

Steve Gomes - Open Division director - nominated

Clay Peterson - Secretary - nominated

Stephenie Gherardini - Assistant Commissioner - incumbent

Jimmy Green - Assistant Commissioner - withdrew

David Binder - Assistant Commissioner - nominated

A motion was made by Carl to motion to close any new nominations for board positions. Steve seconded the motion and the nomination process was closed. Voting will take place during playoffs on May 3rd. Scot encouraged all board nominees to meet with teams before there games when possible. Each coach will receive a ballot with their coaching packet. Also, on the ballot will be, Team MVP, most improved player and team spirit award. John from the Orphans asked that the board members meet with more teams on a regular basis.

Old Business:

Interleague play will be on April 28th for A & B teams in San Diego. E- Division interleague teams will play on 4/28 in Los Angeles. Scot gauged interest in sending a second E-Team if available. The PS Hot Rodeo is looking for volunteers for Thursday-Monday May 2nd - May 6th. The rodeo has been a long supporter for the softball league and anyone interested in volunteering should reach out to Scot for information. Scot gave an update in regards to the Long Beach League situation. Encouraged teams to look for alternatives to playing in the Liberty Classic.

New Business:

Awards Banquet will be Sunday May 2nd time TBD. A vote was taken to change venues from Cimiarron Golf Club to the Hilton - Palm Springs. The meeting attendees voted to keep the banquet and its current location, Cimiarron Golf Club. They have parking and more options that fit into our budget. A former member of our league, Aaron Alter, was injured at the shooting at Toucans. The league voted to do a donation fund at the fields for his medical expenses. The board will send out a league wide email to notify teams about the donation jar for the last few weeks of the season and playoffs to donate to the GoFundMe page Aaron. The Retros are having a fundraiser on Saturday, May 18th. It will be a bachelor auction. ASANA World Series will be held in Long Beach 8/27-31. ASA Hall of Famer Steve Imlay will be hosting a hitting Academy at Demuth Park on April 17th. The cost will be \$200.00 per person.