

PSGSL  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 2, 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

Broke Bats – David

Crazy Pitches - Marisa

Eagle 501 – Leo N.

Gorillas – Danny

Greyhounds – Nabil

Los Vatos - Victor

Orphans – ABSENT

PS Heat – Vicky

Retros – Dennis

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. Danny seconded the motion, and the minutes were accepted at 6:06 PM.

**Treasurers Report:**

Peter reviewed the treasurers report. No major changes to the report for the month. The only significant expense for the month was for tax preparation and filing, also registering with the State of California. Leo N. made a motion to approve the report. Vicky seconded the motion, and the report was approved.

**Spring Season Update - Team / Player Registration Proposed Schedule**

Scot gave an update on the Spring season and registration. Palm Springs - Riverside County currently remains in Tier 1 "Purple Status," prohibiting team competition. The number of cases is still on the decline but not enough to transition into the next tier. We are monitoring the situation and will continue to post updates, as they happen, on social media and email. The league is still planning a 6-week season: 12 games per team, April 18th through May 23rd, with playoffs being held on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Team registration will open online on February 18<sup>th</sup>. We will not be collecting registration fees until we have a definitive Spring Season start date. Everything is dependent on where we are with COVID. Peter Ho will cover some potential options and Steve Gomes will cover Spring Season's impacted by COVID and what that means for GSWS Requirements.

**Field Options / Team-Player Fees:**

Peter spoke about the fees and field options. He retracted the comment about starting play in the red tier and that it is in fact the yellow tier we need to get to. Peter presented the two field options and the fees that corresponds to both.

	<b>DEMUTH PARK</b>	<b>BIG LEAGUE DREAMS</b>
Current Status	Group Activity Prohibited	Ind. Team Activity/Conditioning Allowed
Team Competition Status	Not until Tier 4 "Yellow Status."	Soonest will <u>consider</u> is Tier 3 "Orange Status."

Facility Cost: C/D/E Div 14 Teams / 12 games ea. (84 G) Plus 6G A/C Inter Div if necessary	\$1,500 (projected)	\$3,150 (90 games @ \$35/game) Does not include Playoffs
Team / Player Impact	Team Reg: \$300 Player Reg: \$31	Team Reg: \$500 <b>OR</b> Player Reg: \$45 (approx) BLD Entry Fee: \$36/player (\$6 @ 6 weeks)
Caveats	2 Fields (Dem 7 & 8) - 10AM - 4PM Requires scheduling/coordinating Umpires	Game times & number of fields subject to change with 48 hour notice (Leagues playing SoS have priority/seniority)

Vicky asked/commented that since the league seems to be sitting on a huge chunk of money, why would the teams be charged for the difference in cost from the two venues? Peter pointed out the league did have some expenses incurred by the league even with the abbreviated 2020 season. Scot added that the league does want to keep a large reserve moving forward. He also added that playing at BLD would mean games subject to be changed 48 hours prior to start time. Peter did say the league does have enough revenue to cover the difference in cost between the two venues. Leo N asked about the difference in cost. Peter stated it would be roughly \$3,150 vs \$1,500 (projected). Marisa expressed concern about the league being low on the seniority list, games being canceled, entry fees and asked who will be voting for the field choice. Marisa made a motion to vote on looking into BLD as a viable option. Steve Gomes stated that we should open the voting open to the individual players of the league rather than just coaches. The council voted to send out a survey to the entire league (players and coaches). Clay advised he will send out a poll via the Election Runner platform. Steve L. commented that the field choice is to play at BLD or not play at all. Dennis asked if the league had looked into other cities in the valley for fields. Scot advised that we had but they could not be reserved and/or the cost were higher than BLD and Demuth. Fernando expressed concern about losing our relationship with Palm Springs if we played in another city for a season. Scot and Steve G. both felt confident that we would not lose our relationship with Pam Springs if we played elsewhere out of necessity. Peter raised a motion that if the league decides to play at BLD for Spring Season that the league will pay the difference between the two venues. Vicky made a motion to vote for the motion. Leo N. seconded the motion to vote. The motion passed the council vote.

Peter added that when registration opens on February 18<sup>th</sup>, the league will not be collecting player fees until we have a certain start date for the season and fields have been secured.

### **NAGAAA Winter Meeting Recap:**

Steve Gomes gave an update about the NAGAAA Winter Meetings. The meetings were virtual for this year. Steve advised Jeff that his proposal did not get brought up since the meetings were shortened. It will be pushed to the summer meetings and be reviewed by the A/B committee. NAGAAA will be working with leagues that are having issues with their game requirements from COVID. NAGAAA is also working on safety protocols for COVID. Louisville, Kentucky is now a part of NAGAAA. NAGAAA is using a new system called Tourney Machine. There has been a significant change/ update to the ADA documentation requirements. Steve shared his screen to show documents from the NAGAAA meetings on Zoom. There were a lot of changes of updates to existing ratings/rules. He advised the council if anyone needed a copy to reach out to him via email directly. World Series 2021 will be held in Columbus, OH August 30<sup>th</sup> – September 5<sup>th</sup>.

### **Free Agents / Player Clinics:**

David Binder spoke about Free Agents. He advised the council that he is sharing all of the free agents email to all coaches. If they are players that have not been rated yet they will need to be rated prior to the start of spring season. David advised that if coaches are not receiving the information to reach out to him as soon as you can.

### **Old Business:**

2020 Insurance Rebate – Scot is expecting a response by the end of the week.  
PSGSL Waiver – Covid Addendum – Insurance crew is reviewing currently.  
PSGSL Board Positions: Nominations open in March for: Assistant Commissioner / Open Division Director / Secretary  
Saguaro Cup / Phoenix: Registration is now open.  
PS Winter Classic shifted to PS Summer Extravaganza and will be held the weekend of June 13th  
Hall of Fame nominations are open. Nominations can be made on the PSGSL website.  
Rules and By Laws Committee has been meeting and is almost ready to present the proposed rules document.

### **New Business:**

Skills Clinics – Hosted by Steve and Fernando - 12 people per event at BLD. \$10.00 per person to cover field costs. People can sign up on the PSGSL website once interest level is established.  
New sponsor – Top Shelf Vodka Co.

Steve L. made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dennis seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 7:18 PM.