

Board of Director's Meeting

SGV BUA

3/2/2020

Roll Call

Board Members:

Jeremy Hamlett – President - Present
Jim De La Torre - VP President - absent
Tim Triplett — Secretary\Treasurer - Present
Al Cone - present
Will Fortner - Present
Mike Martinez - present
Darren Winkley- instructional chair - absent
Phil Diprima – Assigner – present
Richard Ilizaliturri– absent
Luis Ortiz –present

Jeremy called the meeting to order at **6:15pm**. **Mike made a motion to approve the agenda. Will seconded the motion.** No discussion. **Everyone voted and approved the agenda 5-0. Mike made a motion to approve the minutes from 1/23. Luis seconded the motion.** No discussion. **Minutes for 1/23 approved with vote 5-0. Mike motioned to approve the minutes for 2/3. Will seconded the motion.** No discussion. **Minutes approved for 2/3 with vote 5-0.**

Open Forum:

- Nothing

President's report – Jeremy Hamlett:

- Jeremy had nothing to report. He will have some updates in the agenda.
- Jeremy thanked Phil for getting everything back in Arbiter.

VP's Report - Jim De La Torre:

- Jim was absent. No report.

Secretary\Treasurer report - Tim Triplett:

- Tim thanked Phil for all his work getting everything back into Arbiter.
- Tim was talking to Phil and there are 4 or 5 people who are not insured. We do have possibly 4 slots available from a unit standpoint to put them on our insurance. We could give them a title like special instructor, like Carlos for instance. We don't want him to pay insurance. There are a few others. They are having hardships. Since we have available slots, we should probably use them. They can't be board members, but we can say they are on instructional staff. If the board is ok with it, Tim will call and get them on the insurance tomorrow. The others are Jack Bowden, Jr and Sr and there are two others. Tim will get an email out with the names of those being added to the insurance. There is no cost for this. **Will made a motion that the Board allow Tim to assist any member without insurance using slots we have available. Mike seconded the**

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motion. Phil asked if it was different from the BOD insurance. Tim said yes. **Everyone voted and approved.**

- We did get our accreditation. They were impressed with our paperwork for the accreditation.
- Funds are good. Tim has not paid Darren or himself yet. The banquet and awards have not been paid either. Our balance right now is **\$2,300.05**.
- Phil asked who still owes dues. Tim said there are still 3 members that haven't paid. Tim will get the names to Phil. Phil has money from Ryan Pourdes. Tim said we have been working to help people with dues. Tim said maybe we should include insurance in our fees. We shouldn't have to chase people down for that.
- Tim is going to start working on the website. He wants to have attendance and everything on the website. This way he doesn't have to send emails regarding attendance and fees due. He wants to be able to mark it after meetings and people can just go to the site and see it. He is going to work with Darren on this.
- Tim may have to refund one members fees. He will have to go before the board though to make that request.
- If the 2 or 3 that owe dues pay, we should be over \$2500. We are going to try to collect fees at the banquet - \$105. If you don't pay by the due date, then it's more. Also, we usually charge \$20 for a guest at the banquet. We could bump this up to \$25.

Assigner's Report - Phil Diprima:

- Phil took the backup data file and backup website and is cross referencing those and repopulating the schedule. He has notes and pictures from guys that he is using. We might have 3 or 4 people show up to the same game. We can't we do anything about that right now.
- Our numbers are down from last year. We have 57 people in arbiter and 4 are not working. Larry Sandwold gave back a months' worth of games due to health. That leaves 52 members of which 12 are dual members in other units or sports, that leaves 40 full time officials. Some can only work Fri\Sat, some only nights, some only 2 days a week. We are scraping by. There are every Friday this month and 2 Fridays in April that we are short. He may have to ask AD's to move games. Phil is worried we will lose our 2-man lower level games. Temple City has already asked us not to send 2 officials to their freshman games at TC. It came from Rob Nelson. Jeremy asked if there are places to do double ups. Phil said yes, he is looking at that.
- A lot of the veteran varsity officials are going to end up seeing the same school quite a few times this year because of the number of available quality officials.
- Phil said **Bishop LaMonte** agreed to a 3-man crew for their home games. There will be two this year and one next year.
- Most of this information is in the email he sent out.
- Joe at Marshall has been complaining about Brent because he lost the game. That is the only complaint he has heard.
- Phil said for varsity level – for 3-man games it will show plate and 1st base. JV and freshman will show plate and base. By next year he hopes to have it all organized and it will show plate and 1st base.
- Settings on the schedule tab should be changed if you want to see past games. This setting will change on it's on, so you must check that if you want to see anything other than future games.

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- Phil emailed Arbiter to let them know to stop trying to restore data. Tim will follow up with them to make sure they know to stop.
- Most of the Tournament games are back in the system now.

Instructional Chair Report - Darren Winkley:

- Darren was absent.

Discussion Items:

- Classification question – Jeremy will email Darren.
- Rating committee – Jim took the lead. They are supposed to send out before the start of the session. Jeremy will ask Jim what is going with this and where he is at. Phil said he doesn't really need the info at this point. He isn't trying to push anyone into playoffs that wasn't there last year. It is more for membership who keep asking. Will said the evaluations he has done so far, he has sent out and copied Phil. The guys he has evaluated has been very positive and thankful for the evaluations. Anything that is a trend in evals needs to be addressed.
- CIF playoff meetings – they are looking at either Monday 4/20 or Monday 4/27. Jeremy asked if the group wanted to just go ahead and schedule a meeting for Tues 4/21 or Tues 4/28? Or 29th or 30th? Jeremy asked if we could get an email out this week regarding the meeting and Tim said yes. We can also include information about the Banquet and gifts in the email as well. The group decide to have the unit playoff meeting on **Wed 4/29 from 6:30pm – 8:00pm.**
- Tim said he will talk to Darren and ask him to remind base umpires to always bring their equipment. He was hit in the mask during a game and had a concussion. His partner couldn't take over because he didn't have his equipment. Since you never know what can happen, we should tell everyone to always bring their gear.
- President's phone conference call – It lasted about an hour. It started with season updates. They are getting push back from coaches at lower levels that they can't get balls. They talked about the fund balance. They have about \$30,000 at the CBUA level and they are trying to figure out how they can help the unit out. Jeremy asked for \$10 off per kit which would translate to about \$550 that we wouldn't have to pay. Many people asked about the mechanics manuals that we are paying for with the kits. The manual is not up to date. We pay the added cost, but we aren't getting it. CIF wants to go to all online. There is push back from people in areas that don't have access to computers. They talked a lot about insurance. Jeremy will be sending out the notes. He is creating a grid for each unit that shows those that pay insurance with dues and those that don't. Everyone is to mark which option they use, the rate each person pays and the company each person gets insurance from. Even though it's all through NSAO, some are getting charged \$40 and some \$80. Some were going thru NFHS, and it was \$35 per person. Phil uses NFHS to be able to access information in the hub. The coverage is almost the same as NSAO. They talked about if we don't need mechanics books, we should just take it out, so we don't have to pay for it. We can use what Brad puts out. We discussed the study guide timeline. All Presidents were upset you don't get the answers after you complete the study guide. One unit, Channel Coast, their board decided not to require the study guide just the classification exam. Their by-laws say nothing about a study guide, so they went by that. Everyone has frustration with Brad. The CBUA should be working for us. One President suggested giving all the concerns to Brad and see if he changes. If he doesn't, then tell him that we think he should be removed. They are meeting

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again late March\April. Everyone agreed Brad should get the study guide out earlier so that when units have meetings to go over it, they have more time. They want to press Brad to get the study guide out sooner and to have the answers when completed. They also want to go back to the classification exam being on paper and the board administers it. This would address the cheating Brad is concerned with. Will said they need to stop making a joke of the questions or trying to fool us with the questions. Jeremy said this was brought up as well. Al said we should look to get a High School umpire in Brad's role. Phil said they should not give Brad another year to fix things, why wait, push for a change next year? They talked about moving the Executive Council meeting to Dec instead of Jan. Also, the group talked about Bob and getting the financials out. Let Jeremy know if there is anything the board wants him to bring up at the next meeting.

- Al said the card of things to go over with your partner at games is invaluable. He feels everyone should get one. The younger guys don't have one. People who have them seem to use them.

Next meeting will be at Jeremy's on **Monday, April 6 at 6:00 – 8:30pm**. We should discuss playoffs at the meeting. The last meeting will be at ELAC on 4/29.

Will had a question regarding balls and strikes. Will was told when you call it's one ball, one strike etc and not 1 and 1, etc. An evaluation that he did, the official called the IC and was told he could do what he prefers. Will wanted to make sure what we are supposed to do so he can give the right information. The unit said it is a mechanic in the SGVBUA and it should be one ball and one strike, etc.

Jeremy adjourned the meeting at 7:33pm.