

Board of Director's Meeting

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7/28/2020 – Zoom meeting

Roll Call

Board Members:

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

Jim called the meeting to order at 6:04pm. **Will motioned to approve the agenda. Mike seconded the motion.** Jeremy wanted to add 2020 ratings and CBUA committees. Jeremy wants to talk about the email regarding the 2020 ratings because there was some misinformation. We will add these items to the discussion items. Jeremy motioned to add the two new items to the agenda. **Will seconded the motion. Everyone voted and approved.** Approval of June 29 minutes. **Will made a motion to approve the minutes. Jeremy seconded the motion. Everyone voted and approved.**

Open Forum:

- Nothing to report.

President's report – Jim De La Torre:

- Nothing to report.

VP's Report -: Jeremy Hamlett

- Nothing to report.

Secretary\Treasurer report - Tim Triplett:

- Tim said for the next meeting he will have an operational budget for next year to present. No dues received yet for next year. No funds in and no bills out.
- He is checking into discounts for insurance since it was a partial season.
- Tim is removing Jim from the back account and adding Jeremy per the by-laws. Until Jeremy is on the account, Jim won't be removed. Jeremy just needs to go to the bank.

Assigner's Report- Phil Diprima:

- Nothing to report.

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Instructional Chair Report - Darren Winkley:

- Allen emailed Darren asking for the unit's instructional needs and ideas for improvements. Darren told Allen (1) that test results need to be received immediately for umpires and the IC, (2) we would like to download PDF of the exams, (3) as far as instructional program goes the PDF's of mechanics has typos and errors and inconsistencies, and (4) we don't have guide for 4-man mechanics. Also, that we would love to see HS baseball videos. Darren has created curriculum the last 2 seasons, but we would like curriculum provided from CBUA. Allen wrote back and said many units want changes in instructions. There are no one man mechanics. They are working hard to tackle about 11 items.
- Depending on college football, if we have a fall season, he is good to remain on as IC. If football is pushed till Spring, he can't do it.
- Jim said Allen is talking to Arbiter about the ability to take the online study guide and exam through Arbiter.

Action Items:

- **Assignor\IC positions.** The contracts have expired. We need to either extend the contract a year since we didn't have a season or open it up for new applicants. Darren said he is ok either way and suggested opening it up to see if others are interested. Will said he is ok with extending the contracts another year. Tim said he agrees with Will, he feels we should extend the contract another year. Darren can have an assistant and if something happens, the assistant can take Darren's place and they can work together. Jim said this is a paid position and we shouldn't pay someone that might not be able to work the season. Jeremy said he agrees with extending the contracts a year. Tim said Darren won't accept a fee if he isn't able to do all the work. Richard asked if we want to supersede our by-laws which states their contracts come up for renewal after 2 years. We can't split it, either both positions are open, or they are not. Tim and Will agreed to not use the word extend and just give Phil and Darren a new 2-year contract. And we need to move forward with contracts since we haven't in the past. Jim said, as a board, we have an extenuating circumstance with the virus so extending their contract does not supersede the by-laws. We can do that. Phil said he appreciates everyone thoughts. Phil said these jobs require constant communication. Phil believes this needs to be put out to the membership rather than the board just appointing them for another 2 years. Mike said if Phil feels the same as Darren, he has no problem putting it out to the membership. Tim said if Phil and Darren want us to open it up, he is ok with that. Tim will send an email to the unit letting them know that the positions are open, and anyone interested should reply to Tim by **August 15th** and that interviews will be held at the next board meeting. Tim will use the same zoom meeting link and add breakout rooms for the interviewees to stay in until their interview time.

Discussion Items:

- **Item A: Membership Dues and Fees** – Jim said we should table until next meeting when Tim provides the Operational Budget for next season. This is tabled for now.

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- **Item B: Start of the season and umpire coverage** - Jim said that CIF announced that all fall and winter sports are pushed to Jan. For those who work multiple sports, they might be in the middle of playoffs so the beginning of the baseball season we may be shorthanded. We need to come up with a recruitment idea and keep the young guys we have. Phil said we should come up with a recruiting committee as soon as possible so they can come up with some plans and present them at the next board meeting. Phil was placed on the Fees Committee by Allen.

- **Item C: Committees**

Jim mentioned the committees that need a chair. Anyone interested should let Jim know and it will be discussed next meeting. Richard said he would like to work with Darren, or whoever is IC, on the Instructional Committee. Mike said he would volunteer for the Audit Committee again.

- i) Ratings and Evaluations Committee Chair -Vice President

- ii) Assigner's Committee Chair

- iii) Audit Committee Chair

- iv) Instructional Committee Chair

- v) Banquet Committee Chair

- vi) Publicity and Recruitment Chair - President

- vii) Ethic and Governance Committee Chair

Item D: Jeremy's added items:

Ratings 2020 – Jeremy had a concern about the email that went out regarding the Ratings for 2020. The email said stated it was for the semi 2020 season and that was incorrect. If you look at the minutes the ratings were supposed to go out before the start of the season. There was no context, no prior ratings in the email. Jeremy said if he was just a member he would have been discouraged. Jim said the committee wasn't setup and he wasn't added until after the season started. Jeremy said he spoke to the membership a couple times in Jim's absence and let them know the ratings would go out before the start of the season and they didn't. Jim said that wasn't relayed to him. We can't go back but we will correct it going forward.

CBUA committee – the communication and transparency. Allen sent an email to the President's and Jeremy is still on the email so he forwarded it to Jim and asked to share it with the board. Allen's email said to share it with your board and membership. Jeremy felt the email could have been shared with the board, we didn't have to make a decision. Now we hear there are multiple people on these committees and there were no notifications that these positions were open. How are people getting on these committees if the board is not pushing out this information? Jim said he wasn't going to do anything without the board's approval, he was waiting until we had a meeting. He said Jeremy could have forwarded the email to everyone. Phil and Richard

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were contacted directly by Allen and the committee people and asked to be on the committee. Jeremy said we should have sent that information out to the board and membership. Tim reminded everyone that going forward we can vote and discuss things electronically. Jim said he made a decision, it was probably wrong, but he sticks by it. Tim said we need to continue being transparent. Tim said Allen contacted him and asked about Richard and some of the members and asked him to be on the Audit Committee.

Jim said there are no local teams playing right now and there won't be anytime soon. Jeremy said we maybe should be proactive and see if we can work with coaches when creating schedules. Some sports may overlap, and some athletes play multiple sports and schedules will have to adjust because of that. The schools will have to work with assigners on schedules.

Next meeting will be **Monday, August 24th at 6:00pm**. We will start the meeting and approve minutes. They can listen to the board meeting and then we will conduct interviews after that. We can move the interviewees into the breakout rooms. We will bring them in when it's their turn to interview. Tim asked should we send the links to the membership in case they want to attend the meetings? Jim said we should put the meeting link on Arbiter in case they would like to attend. After the interviews they can stay or leave the meeting. Jim will call an executive session and we will vote. Tim will email the board a list of qualified applicants after the 15th.

Please send Jim or Tim any agenda items.

Jim adjourned the meeting at 7:14pm.