

Board of Director's Meeting

SGV BUA

2/4/2021 – 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

Kendall McCarthy – Instructional Chair – present

Phil Diprima – Assigner – present

Richard Ilizaliturri– present

Luis Ortiz –present

Jack Johnson – present

Jim called the meeting to order at 6:11pm. **Mike motioned to approve the agenda for today 2/4. Louis seconded the motion. Everyone voted on the 2/4 agenda and it was approved.** Jim asked for comments regarding the 1/14 meeting minutes. **Richard motioned to approve the minutes for 1/14. Mike seconded the motion. Everyone voted and minutes were approved.**

Open Forum:

- Jeremy mentioned that there are a few basketball meetings that are going to conflict with baseball meetings. He just wanted to put it out there as an FYI.

President's report – Jim De La Torre:

- Nothing to report.

VP's Report - Jeremy Hamlett

- Jeremy said the pool is sold out. Once everything is done, he will donate \$500 either via Venmo or check to the unit.
- Between now and next meeting Jeremy will start getting some stuff together for the ratings. We may end of keeping the ratings from last season if nothing happens. He will work with Jim on the ratings from last year and have something prepared to share next meeting.

Secretary\Treasurer report - Tim Triplett:

- Tim said 18 people have paid their dues as of today, and one of those paid half of their dues. Our account has roughly \$1900. Kendall asked for a list of who has paid so far. Tim will forward it to him.
- Tim said Arbiter has been paid in full and the 1st payment for the liability insurance has been paid. We have 2 insurance payments still. The second one is due next month. Jim asked if we have enough to cover it and Tim said yes.
- Tim said the financials look good. Even if we don't have a season, we will still be able to take care of our financial obligations. The only major items left to pay are the two insurance payments, and the IC and Secretary salary. Tim said we need to discuss if we are having a banquet and awards.
- Jim said that Richard could go ahead with his field clinic at Bosco because we can provide additional insurance certificate if needed. Richard said for background, he contacted Erick the baseball coach at Bosco and asked to use his field for year 1,2,3 class for a field clinic and the coach said no problem. The

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AD may ask for a release of liability. This isn't set yet Richard was just seeing what we will need to do if it works out that we can hold the clinic. Tim told Richard to let him know what he needs.

- Tim said we are running about 20-25 people that attend most of the meetings regularly. He will update the attendance sheet and get it out to the unit in his reminder email.

Assignor's report – Phil DiPrima:

- Phil said he signed the agreement and sent it back to Tim.
- Phil has two schedules so far from schools, Arroyo and Flintridge. He will keep reaching out to schools.
- Phil said he still needs contact info for the new guys so he can add them to Arbiter. Phil said any unit emails being sent out through Arbiter they are not getting because they are no in there. He said we already paid for the slots so it isn't a big deal to add them before they have paid so they can get emails to know what is going on. Tim said he agrees but we don't have their information yet. We do need to get it so we can add them.
- Phil said Arroyo is starting games March 24st and their schedule is a little reduced, all league games except two games at the beginning. Flintridge is starting April 12 and it's only league games.
- Phil mentioned Ernie Dominguez, he lost his wife, daughter, and son. Phil will forward his email address if anyone wants to contact him but everyone should keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

Instructional Chair report – Kendall McCarthy:

- Kendall said he is sending out Information on the designated hitter rule in the morning and then we can discuss it in detail at Monday's meeting.
- Kendall said regarding the COVID mechanics, there is nothing concrete right now. Things are still being decided and he thinks it is a waste to discuss until they come up with something concrete. The only thing we do know is all players should wear a mask. It isn't on us to tell them to, its on the coaches. There is no penalty for it. They also have to social distance, so they will be outside the dugout, but no one knows where they will be yet. Jim said they can't be on the field of play and if they have room, they can extend the dugout. They can also be in front of the stands where the parents are etc. Umpires must always wear masks and carry hand sanitizers. Kendall said we can't ever touch the ball, there is supposed to be buckets, one for clean and one for dirty. The home team is responsible for cleaning the balls.
- Jack asked to make a motion to move on until we have hard rules in place. Jim said we should at least mention what we are going to have to do.
- Louis asked if we are going to have a season. Jim said they are telling us to proceed like we are but there is no guarantee.

Committee Reports:

- Nothing to report

Discussion Items:

- **Member Enrollment**
 - Tim already went over member enrollment letting us now how many have paid. And that we need to push to get people paid and in Arbiter.
 - Tim said he talked to Al Cone and he said that he may not come back. Tim told him if he comes back, we can work with him to get certified. Al was worried he had missed to many meetings. Tim said he would reach out to him to try to get him to come back. Jim said he would reach out as well.
- **Elections**
 - Jim said we are close to time to do elections. He asked Tim where he is with that. Tim said he has been swamped at work and with the other unit stuff he has been doing and he hasn't had a

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chance to focus on it so he will give it to Jeremy. Tim said he can jump in and assist if needed. Jeremy said he will look at it before the next board meeting. He will send something out before next meeting.

- **Unit end of season gathering/banquet**

- **Jack made a motion to pass on an in-person banquet this year. Will seconded the motion.**

Jeremy said he thinks the in-person thing will not work but he thinks we should have a virtual gathering whether we have a season or not just to connect and for the camaraderie. He said we could do it at dinner time or something and everyone could have their own food and/or drinks. He thinks we can do something pretty cool. **Everyone voted and approved no in person banquet this year.** Jeremy will come up with ideas for something virtual as an action item next meeting.

- **Emails from Bob McQueen**

- Jim said the first the email was regarding the Executive Council meeting. Jeremy sent an email recommending all 10 board members attend. It is an open meeting, so everyone is welcome to attend. Jeremy said he was put off by the email. Everybody's struggling, everybody's dealing with the same thing, he thinks it would be cool to invite everybody, not everybody has to have input because that's not how it happened in person, but he thinks it would be cool and for transparency to just invite everybody so. Tim said they may have a limit of the number of licenses they have because you do have to pay for license packages. Tim said that may be why they didn't put it out to everyone.
- Jim said Bob also sent the Financial Report. They came up with their budget for this year, and their end of year fiscal report from last season. Tim said Alan contacted him and said Bob is going to reach out to us regarding purchasing unit kits. Tim said he told Alan we would not need anymore because we have some left from last year. Our unit will not be purchasing kits.
- Jim said the last memo from Bob was the Coaches and Umpires memo that CIF sent out. There are no rule changes this season. They are reemphasizing some things, like the rule 613 and the DH rule. Nothing is new, it is just reminders. Tim asked if any of the emails needed to go to the unit members. Jim said the umpire memo should go to all the unit members. Tim said we should probably give this to the unit but tell them there is no process yet, nothing has been decided yet.

Tim said we need to have our nominations next meeting. We need to be prepared for that. It is a three-board member year. Will said that himself. Richard and Louis are coming off. Louis asked about the study guide. Jim said it opens on the 12th and is due on the 26th.

Next meeting will be **Sunday, February 28th at 6:00pm.**

Jim adjourned the meeting at 7:06pm.