

Board of Director's Meeting SGV BUA

1/03/2022 – Zoom meeting

Roll Call

Board Members:

Jim De La Torre - President – present
Jeremy Hamlett – Vice President - present
Tim Triplett — Secretary\Treasurer - present
Will Fortner – 2nd term - present
Mike Martinez – 2nd term- present
Kendall McCarthy – Instructional Chair – present
Phil Diprima – Assigner – present
Jason Plourde– 1st term- present
Johnny Villegas -1st term - present
Jack Johnson – 2nd term - present

Jim called the meeting to order at 6:36pm. **Jason made a motion to approve the agenda for 1/3. Will seconded the motion.** Jim asked if anyone wanted to add anything to the agenda. Will asked to add to the discussion items going to virtual meetings due to everything going on with Covid. **Everyone voted and the agenda with the added discussion item.** Jim said Tim sent out the minutes for 12/6 and the revised minutes for 11/15. **Will motioned to approve the revised minutes from 11/15 and the minutes from the 12/6 meeting. Mike seconded the motion. Everyone voted and approved the minutes.**

Open Forum:

- Nothing

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 we have 20 members paid. Our account balance is almost \$5,000.00. He just made our first of 3 insurance payments. Anyone on the board who does not have insurance, their insurance has been renewed. Those who don't work multiple sports you are covered under our board insurance. Tim said for those on the board like him and Jeremy who are covered under another sport like basketball, we may have a couple slots open to cover a member who is having a hardship. As of right now, we have 2 spots.
- Jason confirmed we have 20 people who have paid and asked if any payment arrangements have been made by anyone. Tim said the number is actually 21 people who have paid and no payment arrangements have been made. Kendall and Jason both said that is not good.
- Jason asked who we need to take off the list besides Al Cone and Fred Carrillo who are both retiring. Johnny said Al Sanchez isn't coming back and Mike confirmed that Edard Hayes is not

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Tim said it was around 46-47. Jim said Richard I is also not coming back. Johnny asked if there was a way, we could break the group up and each board member call 5 or so people and see what their status is. Jason asked Phil how many umpires he needs for a season. Phil said he doesn't know because he doesn't have any schedules yet. Jason asked going off past seasons how many. Phil said we got by with low 40's last year but we had less games and there weren't as many lower level games.

Assignor's report – Phil DiPrima:

- Nothing to report.

Instructional Chair report – Kendall McCarthy:

- Kendall said he is prepared to do the field clinic on January 12th. For the meeting on the 11th, there are a number of things he wants to cover. He plans to cover a number of things in the meeting on the 11th so that on the 12th we can just go on the field and jump right into 2 man and 3 man. He doesn't think it will last longer than an hour to 90 min because he plans to cover most everything on the 11th. The field clinic is from 6:00 -9:00pm at Arroyo Park South Pass. Johnny asked if we are going to require all umpires to be vaccinated. Kendall said he has nothing to do with that, it's out of his control. There is a state meeting on the 5th. Jim said we can not mandate our umpires to be vaccinated, it's a personal choice. Johnny said he agrees with all that, but we will be pretty close to each other and have some contact. Kendall said we will socially distance. Kendall asked if we should talk now about meeting virtually on the 11th. Will said he thinks it should be virtually, that is why he put the email out. Kendall said if we decide to virtually meet maybe we should decide to keep the Feb 5th field clinic.
- Will asked when the Study Guide is due. Kendall said it closes on Jan 28th. The classification exam opens on Jan 31st. Kendall said he doesn't think we should get so wound up in our score on the study guide just take it because the questions are screwed up to begin with. They are constantly changing the questions, so if you just take it, you know what you don't know and the score doesn't really matter, the classification, is what matters. He said he got questions wrong that were right, and he doesn't know why every year we have this difficulty with questions. It should be straight out of the book, it should be right or wrong. Kendall plans to mention this at the meeting on the 11th and let them know not to get hung up on the numbers.

Committee Reports:

Discussion Items:

1. **First Unit Meeting Agenda** – Jeremy said we should discuss Will's idea regarding virtual vs in person meetings because that will guide the meeting agenda discussion. Jeremy asked what everyone feels about doing virtual meeting next week. Johnny said with everything going on it's a good call to go virtual. Jack said he agrees that we should do virtual for the foreseeable future. Mike also agreed because of the way the virus is going right now. We should go virtual until its safer. Jason also agrees and feels we should get the word out to everyone asap and also tell them to check their emails and be flexible. Will said with the season starting in a month, we should be safe and proactive until then. **Jack made a motion that we meet virtual until we decide not to meet virtual going forward. Will seconded.** Kendall said he agrees with the 11th being virtual but on the 12th for the field clinic do we want to do 10 at a time. Jim said no, if we are having in person field clinic then open it to all who want

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to attend. We will make sure we social distance. Mike said he agrees but he thinks we should wear masks, even though it is outside. He said he would feel safer that way. Will said he agrees. Kendall said he will send out an email about the field clinic and also mention that social distancing and face coverings are required. **Jack made a new motion, that all our meetings that were supposed to be in doors are now going to be virtual and the outdoor meetings will be held outdoors and social distancing and masking will be required. Will seconded the motion.** Mike asked if we are playing this meeting by meeting. Johnny said all meetings indefinitely. **Everyone voted and the motion passed.** Jim said we should send out an email tomorrow to the unit letting them know meetings will be virtual until further notice. Tim will get the email out and include the meeting link. Tim asked Phil if he could contact the school.

- Meeting agenda:
 - i. Jim will speak first
 - ii. VP - anything he has to report
 - iii. Secty/treasurer – where we stand with account. Remind them they can do payment arrangements and insurance
 - iv. Phil – update on where he stands with schedules. He can remind them to do blocks in arbiter.
 - v. Kendall - instruction
- 1. Kendall asked if Tim is sending out the email about virtual meetings and the field clinic. Jim said Tim should send the email about the virtual meetings, but Kendall should send out an email about the field clinic. Tim said he will just mention the field clinic on his email, but Kendall can still send a separate email. Jason asked if this is a voluntary field clinic and Kendall said it is. Jim asked if the Feb 5th field clinic is mandatory, and Kendall said yes. Jason asked if you come to the one on the 12th do you still have to come on the 5th. Jim said yes because the 5th is mandatory. Jim said the extra field clinic can be used as a makeup meeting for those who need it. Tim said that is up for discussion but we have always done things like that for people who are short hours. Jason said he doesn't think Kendall should say in his email that the field clinic is voluntary. He thinks he should say option 1 and option 2 will be Feb 5th. Jack said a clinic is mandatory.
 - Jeremy asked if the meeting is going to be 2 hours. Jim said in the past it has been 90 to 2 hours. Kendall said what he has to discuss should take close to 60 minutes unless there are a lot of questions. Jeremy said Tim should be 6:00pm – 8:00pm in the email to the unit. Will asked which field is being used for the field clinic. Jack said there are three fields, so we have to be specific. Kendall said we are using 2 of the 3 fields. Kendall said we are meeting at the smaller field parking lot. Kendall said it is the larger field. Will said it is called Claridge Field. Johnny asked if there is a dress code. Kendall said we can wear anything. Jack said it gets really cold in that valley so remind people to wear proper clothing. Jason said he will not be there on the 12th he has a basketball game.
- 2. **Discussion/Action Items** – Jeremy reminded everyone that discussion items go to the board, first we discuss it and then they go back as action items. Sometimes

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there's things like tonight where we have to go back virtual, so it comes into the discussion item in the same meeting. We bring it back, we do it as an action which is fine, but typically what we do if we have time, it would be a discussion item, and then it would come back as an action item. Then for discussion items and this really only applies to Tim, Phil and Kendall, Jim and Jeremy, when we're giving our standing reports if we're doing anything more than just a quick update, then that should be a discussion item. The reason is just to make it easy if people are looking at the minutes. It's just easier to follow. If Tim wanted to go over the budget, he would add that as a discussion item. For Phil, issues with assignors and talking to his umpires and that kind of stuff so instead of that being his in his report that would be a discussion item. And for Kendall, when he wanted us to review and approve his instruction, that is a discussion item. Jeremy said if there is anything that needs to be discussed other than your standard update, make it a discussion item. He just wanted to get us back on track to stay in line with those Robert's rules of orders for our board.

3. **Superbowl Fundraiser** – Jeremy said if everyone is ok with him taking the lead he would like to do the Superbowl fundraiser again. It will be \$25 a square again with 100 squares. \$5 to the unit, so we make \$500 again. If everyone agrees he will get it out in the next week or so. It will be virtual like last year. Jeremy said if the first one sales out quick he might can do 2. The unit would get an extra \$500 if we did a second one. Kendall asked Phil if he is concerned about 21 or maybe 30 umpires. Phil said there will be more. Tim said we will have more people pay. Tim said half of the people that attended the first meeting had paid. People who are attending will pay, because that says they are coming back. Phil said if we can get into the 40's that would be great. Jack said we just need to get the word out there that we need bodies, mention it when you can.

General meeting is **January 11th at 6:00pm**, virtually. On **January 12th** is field clinic.

Next board meeting will be on **Thursday, January 19th at 6:30pm**.

Jim adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.