

## Board of Director's Meeting SGVBUA

**3/27/2023**

Roll Call

### **Board Members:**

**Jeremy Hamlett** – President – present

**Luis Ortiz** – Vice President - present

**Tim Triplett** — Secretary\Treasurer - present

**Kendall McCarthy** – Instructional Chair – absent

**Phil DiPrima** – Assignor – present

**Will Fortner** – 2nd term – present

**Jason Plourde**– 2<sup>nd</sup> term- present

**Johnny Villegas** -2<sup>nd</sup> term - present

**Jack Johnson** – 1<sup>st</sup> term –absent

**Steve Rose** –1<sup>st</sup> term - present

Jeremy called the meeting to order at 7:09pm. **Jason made a motion to approve the agenda for 3/27/23. Johnny seconded the motion.** No discussion. **Everyone voted and approved the agenda. Will made a motion to approve the minutes from 1/30/22, 2/6/23 and 3/21/23. Johnny seconded the motion. Everyone voted and approved the minutes.** Tim said he post all minutes on the website, but he wanted to mention that he will not post the emergency meeting minutes on the site. Everyone agreed.

### **Open Forum:**

- Nothing.

### **President's report – Jeremy Hamlett:**

- Nothing to report. His items are in the agenda.

### **VP's Report – Luis Ortiz**

- Nothing – he will wait for the committee report.

### **Secretary\Treasurer report - Tim Triplett:**

- Nothing to report – will update in the agenda portion.

### **Assignor's report – Phil DiPrima:**

- Nothing to report.

### **Instructional Chair report – Kendall McCarthy:**

- Kendall was absent. Nothing to report.

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### Committee Reports –

- **Ratings Committee** – Luis reported he has been looking at the evaluations coming in via email. There are a lot of umpires that are new that are giving evaluations and they are giving 1's to a bunch of other umpires he doesn't know. He asked how are we going to translate these ratings from umpires we haven't seen to give them a proper rating. Luis asked if we should ask these umpires to give themselves an honest rating, what do they think their rating should be. If it is high, then tell them we need to see them. Johnny asked if we could get a list of the new umpires from Phil and then maybe a couple of the board members who have time could go watch their games and do some evaluations. Johnny said he has time to go. Jason said we should be able to find out from their google form how many years they have been umpiring. Luis said the other issue is some of us work with umpires from other units, do we want to put them on the list of playoff officials from the SGVBUA unit. We don't know if they are associate members for our unit. Luis asked if associate members are qualified to be on the list for playoff officials. Will said no. Luis said it is going to be tough coming up with ratings for the guys we aren't familiar with. Johnny, Will and Luis will get together and discuss how to approach this. Phil said asking any umpire to evaluate themselves and submit an evaluation is a waste of time in his opinion. He thinks having a peer evaluation system for our members to submit evaluations isn't working either. The stuff people submit is a waste of time and Phil said he isn't reading them anymore. Phil said evaluations should have things like – why did the umpire walk over to the dugout to talk to the coach? Why didn't he have the coach come to him in his office at home plate? Those types of things. Phil said we really need to have a group of experienced guys who know how to do evaluations go out and evaluate the entire group. We have to give everyone a rating because our by-laws say we do. We need to sit around and talk about it and come up with a number for everyone. Phil said this is just a group discussion with a handful of individuals that Luis puts on his committee to do evaluations, and that's it. He doesn't think we need to interview everybody, because between everybody on the call we all know who everybody is. Johnny asked Phil if he has a sense of which guys could be ready for the playoffs, does he have a list. Johnny said he would go out and take a look at them. Phil said he doesn't think anybody is on the list that could be put in a little circle – is he ready, not quite ready. He said everybody is either yes or no. It's black and white. Phil said he thinks Luis should setup a meeting for Phil and Luis and the ratings committee and they can discuss and give everyone a number and move on from there and have a plan for next year. Luis agreed and said they would plan a date and time to get this done.

### Discussion Items:

- **Banquet** - Jeremy said we will get someone assigned to the Banquet Committee. Johnny suggested asking Jack about doing something at his house again. Jeremy said he is ok with that or going to the Italian place in Pasadena. Money wise it would cost about

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the same. Jeremy thinks we need an in person banquet. Jason asked what price we have set aside for the banquet. Jeremy said he thought it was \$600-800. He said we spent about \$500-550 for the banquet at Jack's house so the savings are not overwhelming. Jason suggested Rudy's Mexican in Monrovia. He said they may be able to do something like \$20 a plate per person. He has used them before and knows them real well and this price included alcohol. They have a banquet room. Jason said he could look into if the board wants. Everyone wanted Jason to chair the banquet committee. Jason said he will call Rudy and look into it and Jeremy will ask Steve Delgado to call the Italian place in Pasadena. Jason said he thinks if the banquet is a more centralized location we may get a better turnout. Jeremy said he would work with Jason and Steve and get it figured out.

- **Financial Update** – Tim said our account balance is \$5540. He has 2 more insurance payments to make. He also has to pay his fee and Kendall's fee. All that together should be about \$1800 coming out of the account. This does not include awards or the banquet. Jeremy said he has \$500 to send over from the football pool. Tim said in regards to the banquet, he thinks we should try to get a head count. He hopes people will show up because it seems people are not interested; he hopes that isn't the case. Jason asked what type of prudent reserve do we want to end the season with. Tim said somewhere around the \$4000 range would be great. He anticipates it will be around \$3500. Tim said as long as it is above \$3000 we should be looking good for next year. Tim said we used to be able to anticipate who would come back and we can't do that anymore. Jason asked how many paid members we had. Tim said about 46-47.
- **Playoffs and Finals List** – Jeremy said we need to produce our top 5 pretty soon. Jeremy asked if the group wanted to wait until after the ratings meeting to decide that. Phil said they usually ask for the list about 3-4 weeks from the end of the season. The board usually discusses and comes up with the list. The committee submits a list of playoff people and the board picks the top 5. Phil said the playoff list can be done without a rating number. He doesn't think we should wait for ratings to do the playoff list. Jason suggested doing it tonight. Luis asked about the Zoom for 3 person mechanics that Kendall wanted to do. Tim said that Kendall said he wanted to do it online. In the past this has been for the playoff umpires. Jeremy said it is required for the playoff umpires to attend. Tim said we should check with Kendall to confirm he is doing it online.
  - **Phil started with the list** –
    - Jose Andrade, YES
    - Andy Angelo, YES
    - Ray Briones, YES – Tim said that's fine, but he needs to pay dues.
    - Fred Carrillo, YES
    - Sean Corrigan, NO
    - Robert Curiel, YES
    - Jim Del La Torre, YES
    - Brandon DeGrazia – YES
    - Don DeGrazia – YES if needed
    - Steve Delgado – YES

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- Dewayne Ellis – No
- Will Fortner – YES
- Jose Galvez – YES
- Steven Garcia – No
- Eddie Gaxiola – YES
- Curetha Goodman – No
- Jeremy Hamlett – YES – Jeremy said he doesn't want to work playoffs but he will help in the early rounds.
- Gerald Hopper – No
- Richard I – Yes – only plates
- Robert James – No
- Jack Johnson – YES
- Patrick Keogan – No
- David LaFranchi – No
- William Macareno – No
- Mike Martinez - YES
- Kendall McCarthy – YES
- Mike Nitzani – YES
- Luis Ortiz – YES
- Lloyd Overbey – No
- Jason Plourde – YES
- Joe Rodriguez – YES – as needed
- Teddy Rodriguez – YES – as needed
- Steve Rose – YES
- Raul Ruiz – YES
- Danny Savage – YES
- Fred Spears – No
- Guy Texeira – No
- Rob Tino – YES – Phil said he needs to pay his dues
- Tim Triplett – YES - Tim said he doesn't think he will work deep into the playoffs. It's been a rough year with things going on. He is here to help, wherever Phil needs him.
- Dax Villalta – YES
- Johnny Villegas – YES
- Calvin Wells – YES
- Darrin Winkley – YES
- Ronnie Winn – No
- Phil said we have 31 people on the playoff list.
  - Phil gave his names for finals
    - Steven Delgado
    - Will Fortner
    - Eddie Gaxiola

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- Jack Johnson ?
- Kendall McCarthy ?
- Luis Ortiz
- Jason Plourde
- Johnny Villegas
- Someone mentioned Dax Villalta. He is a first year though and we would have to make an amendment to the constitution and bylaws in order to add him to the list. Jeremy said if we have enough people, he would save him til next year just because of the optics of it.
- The board agreed to remove Jack and Kendall from the list. Jason said he would withdraw his name since he did a playoff year before last. Jeremy suggested replacing Luis with Kendall.
- The board agreed on the 5 for the playoff list ranked in order:
  - Steve Delgado
  - Kendall McCarthy
  - Johnny Villegas
  - Eddie Gaxiola
  - Will Fortner

**Action Items:** none

Tim asked if everyone read the letter going out to Mr. Ellis. Everyone said yes and they are good with it. Phil has already spoken to him on the phone. Tim will send a certified copy via mail.

**The next meeting will be April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**

**Jeremy adjourned the meeting at 8:51 pm.**