

JSSA BOARD MEETING

APRIL 4, 2022.

The meeting was held outside at the Jupiter Community Park Pavilion and convened at 11:00 a.m.

In attendance: John Cariero, Rich Sewell (via phone), Paul Storch, Mike Ignieri, Ken Lees, Gary Newman, Jay Stollman (via phone), Gary Vitaletti, Roger Wyner (via phone), Ron Bialosky, Joel Goldberg, Miriam Ruffolo

Both the Treasurer's report and minutes from the last regular meeting had been previously submitted and unanimously approved following electronic distribution.

Gary V opened discussion concerning election of officers, stating that all three Executive Board members had met and decided upon the following positions prior to the meeting:

Commissioner - Paul Storch

Vice Commissioner - Rich Sewell

Executive Member at Large - John Cariero

To satisfy the JSSA bylaws requirement, a motion was made (Gary V, Miriam) to recognize these officers by acclamation of the entire Board. All were unanimously approved.

Paul motioned that Gary V continue as Secretary and Joe Mercurio be appointed as Treasurer. Both were unanimously approved.

Pursuant to the bylaws provision ensuring future continuity of Board service, a one-time decision was made for a member from each Board section to choose a term of only one year. The following members volunteered for this option:

Executive Committee - John Cariero

Red Division Committee - Gary Newman

White Division Committee - Gary Vitaletti

Blue Division Committee - Joel Goldberg

Potential revision of the Umpire Program was examined relevant to its cost and overall effectiveness. Rich will supervise exploration of several solutions, focusing on self-umpiring specific for each division's needs. These measures could include training sessions by current members who are certified instructors. Further discussion will be held once such options have been enacted on trial basis.

The Equipment issue was divided into items requiring both continual and occasional monitoring. The former includes shirts and hats (John) and softballs (Jay). Field pieces such as pitching nets, home plates and scoreboards will be handled as needed by committee. Since each field currently has a large surplus of used balls, Gary N

suggested their exclusive use in pick up games. Paul mentioned this measure would save approximately \$1,000 over the next several months. When new balls are used in league play, Dan suggested placing game dates on each to help track chronology of use.

The JSSA defibrillator operation, maintenance and training were referred to Joel, who will contact the company to set up a non-certified short course open to all Association members once the Board agrees on potential dates. Barring unavoidable conflicts, all Board members will be encouraged to attend.

Rainouts on game days will be monitored and transmitted to the membership according to the current system. Dave LaCerva will notify Paul (with backup notification to Gary N and Gary V), who will then post on the website homepage. Should such weather occur on holidays or when Dave is off, one of several JSSA members living nearby will be asked to check on the field status.

The closure of JCP from mid July to mid August followed by closure for the entire fourth quarter of 2022 presents a significant problem for our projected programs. Various solutions were suggested, such as developing strategy to work in concert with Jupiter Township and/or paying to play on fields in other towns. Any solution will require complex research and collaboration. Paul, John and Mike will begin this process and report back for further action as necessary.

Rules for mixed pick up games will generally follow the rules specific for the division with the majority of players. Exceptions can be made upon agreement by both captains.

Discussion ensued concerning use of the JSSA Code of Conduct. It was determined that all past incidents of potential violations will be considered completely adjudicated and require no further action. Jay asked that all Board members continue to monitor general player behavior to minimize future such occurrences. With the potential upcoming spring season only weeks away, Joel recommended development of a mechanism to ensure that all players signing up would honor the time commitment involved in league play. Suggestion was made for the team managers to contact each potential player prior to the draft for such confirmation.

Gary V indicated that 3 JSSA members were nominated for election to the Hall of Fame for 2022:

Gerry Elias

Mike Manasia

Bill Pollack

He read the selection process as written directly on the website. Following an open period for oral discussion, a vote was taken among all 12 Board members. The result was the unanimous election of Gerry Elias.

Since numerous members recently expressed interest in a spring season, Paul had sent out a preliminary feasibility survey to gauge member participation. The response indicated a need to continue further research as soon as possible given the immediate timespan involved. Based on said research, specific parameters outlining the season will be determined. Paul will then send out a sign up form to all JSSA members.

John suggested all future Board meetings be held in the Old Jupiter Town Hall as was done in years past.

Paul publicly acknowledged all the assistance he received from Tom in making a seamless electronic transition to conduct all aspects of JSSA administration. Tom has also volunteered similar help in future endeavors.

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 9, 2022
Meeting adjourned 12:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Vitaletti