

**Minutes of US JCI Senate
Executive Committee Meeting
January 11, 2002
Kissimmee, Florida**

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 p.m. by President Denny DeGroot #40222

Roll Call: Secretary John Price #36383 called the roll. Present were : Region I VP Jeff Kass #32300, Region II VP Jim Sutton #20204, Region III VP Gerry Sproles #14886, Region IV VP Marsha Phillips #47528, Region V VP Pat Malac #41085, Region VI VP Bill Smith, Jr. #38430, Region VII VP E. Ray Hackworth #19564, Region VIII VP Rob E. Wiley #56033, Region IX VP Dale W. Gehrke #39835, Region X VP Susie Irvine #45196, Treasurer Ken Clements #45944, Secretary Price, Administrative VP Jack Pasquale #32806, Chairman of the Board Jerry Wendelken #23161, and President DeGroot. (100% attendance)

Approval of the Agenda: MOTION by Kass; seconded by Sutton. Motion carried by voice vote—no dissensions.

Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge was led by Secretary John.

Meeting Announcements: Co-Chairman Ron Whitmore #25946 said the weather forecast is favorable for the outdoor poolside dinner Saturday night. Meeting room will be set up to accommodate an indoor dinner in the event of bad weather. A brief 30th Anniversary reception for the Senate will be held prior to dinner, and commemorative wine glasses filled with Mimosas will be distributed to those who buy 30th ribbons (proceeds to benefit US JCI Senate Foundation). President Denny praised Ron and the Florida JCI Senate for doing an outstanding job.

Secretary's Report: John asked for a motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting minutes from the June 20, 2001 meeting in Fairborn, Ohio. MOTION TO APPROVE THE NATIONAL CONVENTION EXEC. COMMITTEE MINUTES by Smith; seconded by Wiley. Motion carried by voice vote—no dissensions.

John asked for a motion to approve the Executive Committee Meeting minutes from the September 28, 2001 meeting in New London, Connecticut. MOTION TO APPROVE THE FALL BOARD EXEC. COMMITTEE MINUTES by Hackworth; seconded by Sproles. Motion carried by voice vote—no dissensions.

The rest of John's report is in the written report before the Committee.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Ken noted that the January Financial Statement, and December Dues billing figures are before the Committee. He also said his written Treasurer's Report is being revised due to input received at two meetings today, and will be available at tomorrow's Board of Directors meeting.

New Business: AVP Jack reported that one bid had been received for the **2003 Winter Board Meeting**—a bid from Georgia. The Bid Review Committee reviewed it earlier in the evening, found it to be in order, and recommends that the Executive Committee give its endorsement to the Board of Directors. Georgia proposes holding the meeting in Atlanta, January 17-19, 2003 at the Ramada Inn—Airport South.

Jack asked Georgia meeting Chairman Larry Pierce #56660 to provide additional details. Larry stated there would be free airport shuttle service. Room rates are \$62/night plus tax. The meeting committee has arranged golf outings and tours. Registration is \$55 and includes a barbeque lunch, and sit-down dinner. Hospitality will begin Thursday, and continue through Saturday evening with room for 125 people in a facility (64' x 35') that can be expanded to accommodate 250 if need be.

MOTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE GEORGIA BID BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS made by Wiley; seconded by Sproles. Motion carried by voice vote—no dissensions.

President Denny reported on developments for the Sioux Falls National Convention in June. The Jaycees will hold a "Get Acquainted Party" Thursday evening, and a "Tailgate Party" Friday evening to replace the old "States Party" which will not be held. They will hold their Ten Outstanding Young Americans Awards Congress on Saturday. Denny noted that their new, compressed schedule will make it difficult for Senators to participate with them, and still attend Senate events. Therefore, Jaycee events will not be automatically included in this year's Senate registration, but tickets to Jaycee events will be available for purchase by Senators.

As a result of these changes, and in accordance with policy approved by the Executive Committee in Dayton, the **Registration for the 2002 Annual Meeting is being adjusted** from \$125 to \$100. Those who pre-registered at the old rate will receive refunds. MOTION TO APPROVE REGISTRATION CHANGE by Malac; seconded by Kass. Discussion: Marsha asked for clarification regarding purchase of tickets to Jaycee events. Denny noted that the only Jaycee event that the "Get Acquainted Party" would not conflict with Senate events. If Senators wish to stay an extra day they can also go to TOYA on Saturday. Motion carried by voice vote—no dissentions.

The Sioux Falls Committee (Pat Hoelker #45893 and Herb Koerner #28607) entertained questions. Air travel: Three airlines have 40 flights a day to Sioux Falls—American, United and Northwest. Those flying other carriers might consider flying to Omaha, a three-hour drive to Sioux Falls. Room Reservations: These must be made directly with the hotel--\$76/night. Physical facilities: The hotel is two stories, no elevator. Those needing first floor accommodations should contact the hotel early. We are very close to the Jaycee hotel.

President Denny asked for approval of the following **appointments**:

US Junior Chamber Foundation—COB Jerry Wendelken (Denny explained that past COB Tom Stone #36021 is unable to serve)

Government Affairs—Mike Harris #24801 (Denny noted this is a new position)

Prize Chairman—Larry Pierce #56660 (replaces Kathryn Chung #56255 who is unable to attend Sioux Falls)

Election Committee—Chairman, Jerry Wendelken #23161, Doug Hincker #22200, Don Robertson #21969, and Chuck Fries #18344

Future Directions Committee—Region II, Patrick Mahaney #51255; Region IV, John Matthews #37505; Region VI, D. J. Leppla #44743; Region VIII, Rob Wiley #56033 (no recommendation from Region X).

MOTION TO APPROVE APPOINTMENTS by Phillips, seconded by Sproles. Motion carried by voice vote—no dissentions.

Treasurer Ken—noting that the Region VP's, in a meeting earlier in the evening had requested that a committee be formed to establish specifications for bids for a new business service—asked President Denny to make such appointments. The VP's believe the committee should consist of VP's and Past Treasurers, and should have a proposal in time for the Sioux Falls meeting.

In response, President Denny made the following appointments: Chairman, Ken Clements #45944; Marsha Phillips #47528; Pat Malac #41085; and Jeff Kass #32300.

Constitution & bylaws Committee Chairman Bill Potuchek #35278 provided an update on a previous proposal to establish national Lifetime Memberships. The proposal had been referred to the Finance Committee who reviewed it earlier in the evening, and recommended an additional amendment, which was then considered and approved by the Constitution & bylaws Committee. [The amendment changes the dues amount required to \$200.] If endorsed by the Executive Committee, it will be placed before the general membership for a vote in Sioux Falls. Bill said the proposal was created primarily for the benefit of those in states without Senate SOM's. MOTION TO ENDORSE LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP AMENDMENT by Malac, seconded by Sutton. Motion carried by voice vote—no dissentions.

Administrative Vice President's Report:

Region I—Jeff Kass had nothing to add to his written report.

Region II—Jim Sutton invited Senators to MAI in Wilmington, DE in April.

Region III—Gerry Sproles had nothing to add to his written report

Region IV—Marsha Phillips thanked everyone for attending. Anyone with needs or compliments should let someone from Florida know. She thanked VP's for a productive and successful meeting prior to the Exec. meeting, and thanked Treasurer Ken and Secretary John for attending.

Region V—Pat Malac reminded everyone of the Region V “Spring Fling” March 15-17, in Clarksville, Indiana.

Region VI—Bill Smith wished everyone a Happy New Year, and reminded everyone of the Region VI-VIII meeting in Sioux Falls, March 8-10.

Region VII—Ray Hackworth reminded everyone of the Region VII meeting Valentines week in Gatlinburg. He also thanked Marsha for spearheading the VP meeting, and for the hospitality.

Region VIII—Rob Wiley reminded everyone of the Region VIII Winter Social in Tulsa, February 1-3.

Region IX—Dale Gehrke announced the Region IX meeting will be held April 25-26, on the Hood River in Oregon where the OR JCI Senate will celebrate its 40th anniversary.

Region X—Susie Irvine reminded everyone that the Region X meeting will be March 16 in Vallejo, California.

Chairmen:

Mentors Business Manager—Paul Carney #10861 reported that ad revenues were \$660 ahead of this time last year.

Mentors Editor—Ron Whitmore #25946 reminded everyone that the deadline for the March issue is February 15. Late articles will make in the issue if he receives it before he puts the magazine “to bed.” Ron cannot mail issues to senators who did not receive them (unless they would send him postage).

Presidential Raffle—Joe A. Souza #27511 asked that stubs be turned in as soon as possible to be eligible for the Along-the-Way drawing. Asked that anyone donating a prize notify the new Prize Chairman via written form.

USJCC Liaison—Jim Miller #34554 reported that to date there have been no discussions between the Jaycees and the Senate regarding resumption of a joint national meeting.

Jim, who also produces the E-blast Newsletter, reported that it goes out to 1,600+ Senators. He doesn't have names to go with many of the email addresses. Please let him know of any email changes. He can publicize regional meetings.

AVP Jack said his written report would be available at the BOD meeting Saturday. He commended the VP's and the program Chairpersons for the jobs they are doing. Feedback has been “tremendous.”

Chairman of the Board's Report: COB Jerry said that for the sake of brevity he will make all announcements regarding national candidates. Only those whose paperwork has been turned in will be announced. He asked that all candidates inform him prior to the election meeting in Sioux Falls who will be making nominating and seconding speeches.

President's Comments: President Denny noted there is a short period of time available to complete business at the BOD meeting Saturday. He asked everyone to keep their reports as short as possible.

Denny asked that flyers for regional meetings be made available to national candidates. He said he would attend most regional meetings, and asked to be informed of the closest airport to those meetings being held in smaller towns. He noted that Region V and Region X are holding meetings the same weekend. “I'm going to tell you right now, I'm from five; you're gettin' blown off.”

Denny then distributed specially embossed Presidential “money clips” to members of the Executive Committee, and appointees. These high quality items, mistaken by some as file clips, are identical to the one used by our President to keep his huge wad of bills in order.

He praised the Vice Presidents and the Chairpersons for the jobs they are doing.

Good of the Order: Dale Gehrke, displaying a skill for sucking-up not previously evident, presented Denny with a Walla Walla Dog, drawing oohs and ahhs. Marsha noted that Hersul Huyghue and Lisa Carroll from Connecticut are here and will be taking photos all weekend, and will be available to take state or regional pictures. Jack asked everyone to be sure they turned in their reports to him.

Adjourn with the Jaycee Creed: There being no further business, President Denny adjourned the meeting at 9:57 p. m. followed by the Jaycee Creed, led by AVP Jack Pasquale.

Respectfully submitted,
John Price #36383, Secretary
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