



**UNITED STATES JCI SENATE
2023 FALL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Golden, CO
OCTOBER 1, 2023**



I. Call to Order – President Susan Hatcher #58143 called the “order to meet” then called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

President Susan announced that this meeting was being dedicated to our Charter President Jim O’Connell #5046 and Idaho President Ross Chandler #45397. She further announced the passing of Mark Wiley #39704 of Illinois and Texas this morning and asked for a moment of silence on behalf of Mark. President Susan announced there would be a \$50 fine to the Foundation if your phone rang during the meeting.

II. Invocation – presented by Chaplain Nancy Salopek #47610.

III. Pledge of Allegiance - led by Bill Madding #28920 and Veterans.

IV. Mission Statement – given by President Susan Hatcher #58143.

OUR MISSION IS TO FOSTER FRIENDSHIPS AMONG SENATORS WHILE SUPPORTING THE JAYCEE MOVEMENT.

V. Roll Call - Secretary Gary Pittenger #24804 called the roll. The following members of the Board of Directors were present at Roll Call.

- President Susan Hatcher #58143
- Administrative Vice President Hal Williams #43912
- Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655
- Secretary Gary Pittenger #24804
- Chairman of the Board Mike Andrews #58312
- Legal Counsel Stu O’Hara #39768 (exofficio)
- Region 1 NVP Peter Jordan #54684
- Region 2 NVP Bob McDonald #58286
- Region 3 NVP Judy Nuessle #62267
- Region 4 NVP Pam Padgett #51341
- Region 5 NVP Norm Hoffman #25676
- Region 6 NVP Paul Myers #72173
- Region 7 NVP Teresa Beans #67173
- Region 8 NVP Ann Engle #71560
- Region 9 NVP Kathy Miller #74168
- Region 10 NVP Lynne Hansen #69753

A roll call of states had each state’s voting delegates stand and announce how many delegates are present:

STATE ROLL CALL:

Alabama 0	Alaska 0	Arizona 2	Arkansas 1	California 2	Colorado 2
Connecticut 2	Delaware 2	DC 2	Florida 2	Georgia 2	Hawaii 0
Idaho 1	Illinois 2	Indiana 2	Iowa 2	Kansas 2	Kentucky 2
Louisiana 0	Maine 2	Maryland 2	Mass 2	Michigan 2	Minnesota 2
Mississippi 0	Missouri 2	Montana 0	Nebraska 1	Nevada 1	New Hamp 0
New Jersey 2	New York 2	N Carolina 2	North Dakota 1	Ohio 2	Oklahoma 2
Oregon 2	Pennsylvania 2	Rhode Island 0	S. Carolina 2	South Dakota 2	Tennessee 2
Texas 2	Vermont 1	Virginia 2	Washington 0	West Virginia 2	Wisconsin 0

We had 88 votes present out of 111, so a quorum was present with 77.5%.

VI. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda made by Tennessee, seconded by Virginia. Motion passed.

- VII. Welcome to Colorado:** Colorado JCI Senate President Shannon Klocker #77823 welcomed everyone to Colorado. She thanked her committee for their work. She presented a gift to President Susan and she in turn presented a recognition gift to President Shannon.
- VIII. Introductions** – Protocol Officer Marsha Phillips #47528 asked everyone to stand and be seated as she announced particular groups until only those standing were concerned members who chose to attend the meeting. She further announced that special introductions will be done at the banquet.
- IX. Secretary’s Report** – Secretary Gary Pittenger #24804 handled this portion of the agenda.
- A. Mentors – Chief Editor Angie Jelinek #60570 reported that the September issue had been distributed. She introduced her staff. She announced that due to increased costs for the September issue, some changes were recommended to reduce costs including reduced article length, optional articles, lesser paper grade and fewer pages. The deadline for submitting articles is October 10th at midnight CST.
 - B. E-News – Secretary Gary announced that Chairman Kim Bode #62467 was unable to attend the meeting due to hurricane situations. Kim did send a report that the Mass Email Vendor was being changed which should enable improved delivery of the E-News.
 - C. Webpage – Webmaster Allison Geddes #74777 announced that website is being updated. She encouraged people to use the website and to recommend information for the website.
 - D. Social Media – Program Manager Kim Melachrinis #66672 reported that the correct Facebook page to use is the one with President Susan’s logo. She requested pictures from state and region events.
 - E. Approval of Minutes – Annual Meeting – Secretary Gary accepted a motion from Florida, seconded by Illinois to approve the minutes from the Annual Meeting in Louisville. Motion passed.
- X. Treasurer’s Report** – Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655 handled this portion of the agenda.
- A. Finance Committee – Chairman Lawrence Pittman #53932 reported the committee met on Friday morning. They reviewed the final budget and the Audit Committee recommendations. Mentors expenses are being reviewed while awaiting input for discussion at the Winter BOD Meeting.
 - B. Membership Report – MIS Program Manager Dawna Norfleet #61999 reported that 1,850 members were due the first quarter with 82 drops and 122 adds for a net growth of +40. A total of 7 regions grew and 20 states grew. Current membership is 8,117. Dues kits for the second quarter will be sent out by October 15th and are due December 1st. Members were encouraged to subscribe for an electronic copy of Mentors and for those members receiving more than 1 copy at their address consider dropping 1..
 - C. Budget vs Actual Report – Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655 reported he has reviewed the 2022-23 Actual to Budget Report and it shows we have \$44,500 of income greater than expenses. He stated that the budget now has \$5,000 from Dominion Energy that did not appear in the original budget. \$1,000 of this grant is to be used for a wireless expense.
 - D. 2022-2023 Budget – Treasurer Bruce reviewed the budget with some minor changes including \$2,190 of unallocated funds. A motion was made by Florida, seconded by Vermont to approve the budget. Motion passed.
 - E. Presidential Sweepstakes – Chairman Sabitha Ventakesh #71858 introduced the members of her committee known as The Sluggers along with the regions they represent. She announced the theme for the Regions Party is Experience The Senate Fair Celebration. Regions will select the activity of their fair booth at the Winter BOD Meeting. Members were encouraged to donate a \$100 prize.
 - F. Mentors Business – Manager Jackie Julien #74251 thanked everyone for sending in the Mentors sign-in sheets. She promoted the upcoming holiday ad edition of Mentors. She announced the available ad sizes and amounts can be found on the website.
 - G. Business Directory – Chairman Lowell Vahl #40315 reported that when this project was started last fall, we had 4 sponsors. Today, we have 10 sponsors for a net profit of \$1,000. These are businesses owned by senators with a 1-year commitment. He encouraged those senators with a business to consider purchasing a sponsorship for \$100.

President Susan excused the NVP’s from the meeting.

XI. Ambassadors & Liaison – President Susan Hatcher #58143 handled this portion of the agenda.

A. Ambassador & World Congress Coordinator Reports

1. ASAC – Ambassador Ariel Jones #65423 reported that 13 senators from the USA of 55 total delegates attended the 12th Encounter Meeting in Trinidad/Tobago. That was the largest delegation. ASAC Treasurer Lawrence Pittman #52932 announced that John Robinson #55768 was elected Treasurer of ASAC. ASAC President Joy Brathwaite will attend the Winter BOD Meeting. John Robinson #55768 spoke. Ariel presented a plaque to past Ambassador to ASAC Steve Sutherland #27073.
2. Canada – Ambassador Karen MacCannell #49497 reported she and a few US senators attended the Canada National Convention in British Columbia. Past Canadian President Blair Fraser spoke to the group and announced that Obay Alhaj Ali was elected the new president of the Canada JCI Senate. Canadian Ambassador to the US Linda Blanchard #44776 spoke to the delegates and announced she had 3 new lanyards to give out during the weekend.
3. Europe – Ambassador Russ Cooper #4638 is in Europe attending Senate meetings so Canadian Ambassador Karen MacCannell #49497 gave his report. Karen read a message from Russ. Karen introduced Chairman of the British Senate and European Ambassador to the US Jonathan Nicholson. He thanked the US Senate for the hospitality and invited US senators to Europe for the upcoming World Congress and Drumming Out.
4. JCI USA Liaison and Return The Favor – Chairman Jennifer Ray #68957 reported that US JCI President Margo sent her greetings and wishes for a good meeting. Jennifer asked those senators who attended and assisted the Jaycees with their convention in Virginia Beach. This was a great Return the Favor project. She also announced that Return the Favor awards deadline for the 1st period is December 1st. The Senate set up a booth in Virginia Beach where Jaycees could write suggestions of how the Senate can help the Jaycees. The number 1 suggestion was 1 on 1 communications. We gave away Jack and diet coke for prizes. The Jaycees next convention is in Nashville, TN.

XII. Administrative Vice President's Report – AVP Hal Williams #43912 handled this portion of the agenda.

A. National Vice Presidents

The NVPs entered the meeting room dressed as vendors at a baseball stadium to the song of "Whiskey For My Men, Beer For My Horses" by Toby Keith. They distributed bags of pretzels throughout the room.

1. Region 1 – NVP Peter Jordan #54684 reported on upcoming state activities and promoted the Fall Frolic being held in Maine.
2. Region 2 – NVP Bob McDonald #58286 stated not all sizes fit all for the NVP outfits. Bob reported on upcoming events for his states. New York is meeting in person for the first time in 2½ years.
3. Region 3 – NVP Judy Nuessle #62267 thanked Colorado for the wonderful time. She reported on her states' upcoming activities and holiday parties. She has 3 states meetings the same weekend.
4. Region 4 – NVP Pam Padgett #51341 thanked Colorado for the great weekend. She enjoyed her time working with the Jaycees at their Annual Meeting in Virginia Beach. She announced the upcoming Florida Bash in Panama City Beach and the Region 4 Meeting in Greensboro.
5. Region 5 – NVP Norm Hoffman #25676 announced the passing of Mark Wiley and JoAnn Smith from Illinois. Norm mentioned that Michigan was celebrating their 50th Anniversary next weekend. He announced that Spring Fling was March 17-19 in Galena, IL. He enjoyed serving as a judge in the Region 6 sausage contest with Secretary Gary Pittenger and AVP Hal Williams.
6. Region 6 – Paul Myers #72173 thanked Colorado for the weekend. He announced the IL/MO wine tour was October 14-15 in Union, MO. His report is on the web.
7. Region 7 – NVP Teresa Beans #67173 stated her report was on the web. She announced that the region meeting will be held on February 23-25 in Pigeon Forge. She has met with all of her presidents. Her region finished at +1 for the quarter.

8. Region 8 – Ann Engle #71560 stated her report was on the web. She thanked everyone for coming to Colorado. She reviewed the upcoming events and activities of her states. Colorado will be celebrating their 50th Anniversary on November 11th. The spring region meeting will be held in Colorado Springs.
9. Region 9 – Kathy Miller #74168 reported on her states' activities. She stated that Wyoming is working on reaching the level of membership to regain state status. She announced that Idaho president suddenly passed away and they have no VP so they are searching to appoint a president.
10. Region 10 – Lynne Hansen #68753 announced her states' activities and holiday parties. Hawaii is scheduling their Old Timers weekend in February. The spring region meeting will be held the first weekend of May in the San Jose area.

B. Chairman Reports

1. Convention and Bid Review – AVP Hal Williams #43912 announced the committee had received a bid request from the Texas Senate to host the 2023 Fall BOD Meeting in Houston. He further announced they had received a Letter of Intent from the South Carolina Senate to host the 2024 Winter meeting in Greenville, SC.
2. Constitution & By-Laws – Chairman Alan Richardson #50550 introduced the members of the committee and thanked them for their work so far. They met earlier this weekend and have no major changes but are reviewing some minor housekeeping changes.
3. Future Directions – Chairman David Teachout #68700 announced that the committee had met in person and virtually. They have put together a plan and have submitted it to President Susan. They hope to pick a couple of the items and concentrate on getting them implemented this year.

C. Program Managers

1. President's Information Exchange – Chairman Jess Kling #78271 announced her report was on the web. She introduced the PIE mascot – Louie. Jess stated the presidents had a good meeting on Friday and asked all state presidents to stand.
2. S.O.A.R./First Timers – Chairman Nancy Gianetti #69463 asked states to make sure they are participating in SOAR. She announced that there are 5 participants in First Timers and introduced them. The winner will be named at the banquet.
3. Wreaths Across America – Chairman Bill Hossman #41293 announced that December 17th is the official day and that you can participate at any cemetery. He encouraged states and regions to participate. Bill asked for a show of hands of those who plan on participating.
4. Enhancing Membership Benefits – Chairman Michele Tarantino #63380 announced this new program that would make services available to members at a discount rate. She is working with a company to establish this program. A proposal and agreement should be available at the Winter BOD.
5. Historian – Dave DeLaney #41203 praised past presidents Randy Young, Jumper Davis and Mary Sawyer for their great job in conducting the 50th Anniversary in Louisville. Dave displayed a time capsule that will be used to collect items for the next 25 years.

D. Meeting Coordinators

1. 2022 Fall Board Meeting – Chairman Ron Holzer #56549 thanked everyone for coming to Colorado for the meeting. He announced a couple of housekeeping items: no alcohol is to leave the hospitality room, there are 2 hospitality rooms available and lunch will be provided in the hospitality room after the meeting. He introduced the members of his committee and thanked them for their assistance. President Susan presented Ron with a gift for serving as chairman.
2. 2023 Winter BOD Meeting – Chairman Dan Badger #67974 promoted the Iowa Senate hosting the meeting in Kenner, LA on January 19-22, 2023. He provided specific information and invited everyone to attend and enjoy New Orleans. He announced that a facebook page is being created.

3. 2023 Annual Meeting – Chairman Stacy Rawls # 63600 promoted the upcoming meeting in St. Louis. She announced they would be having a welcome barbeque. The Cardinals are in town that week so they are putting together an experience including a tour and a game.

- XIII. Legal Counsel Report :** Legal Counsel Stu O’Hara #39768 announced his report was on the web. He further asked why abbreviation was such a long word?
- XIV. Chairman of the Board Report:** COB Mike Andrews #58312 thanked the Executive Committee and President Susan for doing a great job.
- XV. US JCI Senate Foundation:** President Wayne Kiefer #36496 announced that all 50 scholarships had been awarded. He promoted the auction being held and encouraged senators to join the Foundation. Wayne announced he would present level awards at the banquet and reminded people to present contributions at the banquet.
- XVI. Unfinished Business:**
2022 Annual Meeting and Convention: Chairman Tracy Luttmann #54773 presented the final report. She announced 353 people attended the 50th dinner, 408 people attended the banquet and there was 1,020 room night used. Tracy thanks all those individuals that helped with hosting this event.
- XVII. New Business**
2023 Fall Board Meeting: Texas senators Logan Giesie #51120 and Jumper Davis #38376 presented a bid to be held in Houston on September 21-24, 2023. Logan announced the hotel is the Hilton in North Houston and if flying, use George Bush airport. The Astros will be in town that week and they are working on tours. Motion by Illinois, seconded by Georgia to approve the Texas bid. Motion passed.
- XVIII. President’s Comments:** President Susan Hatcher #58413 encouraged everyone to enjoy the day. She recognized the things that are making the year successful so far: Sweepstakes, Future Directions, membership growth, communications, officers and appointments and money for the Foundation. President Susan reminded us to Experience The Senate.
- XIX. Good of the Order:** The following individuals made presentations:
Sabitha Ventakesh – announced that \$1,710 had been collected this weekend for Sweepstakes bringing the total over \$29,000. She conducted the drawing for prizes. Gift cards were won by Judy Nuessle and Jess Kling. The free registration was won by Bruce Geddes.
Michele Tarantino – announced the CT Senate is having a raffle fundraiser for a quilt made by Sue Pasquale.
Nan Holzer – announced the raffle being conducted over the weekend by Colorado. Tickets are \$1 each or 9 for \$5.
Dawna Norfleet – announced VA also grew by 6 for the first quarter.
Sam Young – announced the Maryland Senate awards sippy cups to deserving individuals. Sam presented one to President Susan.
Wendy Turner – announced Michigan was celebrating their 50th Anniversary next weekend in Frankenmuth, MI.
Angie Jelinek – announced the schedule for region pictures would be posted in the hospitality room.
Jaci Newmark -thanked COB Mike and AVP Hal for attending the meeting and thanked everyone for prayers for the people of Florida. She announced the Florida Bash.
- XX. Adjourn with the Jaycee Creed:** Motion to adjourn by Missouri, seconded by Region 6. Motion passed. Region 8 NVP Ann Engle #71560 led the Jaycee Creed.

Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.

Respectively submitted,
Gary Pittenger #24804
Secretary