



**UNITED STATES JCI SENATE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2023
HOUSTON, TEXAS**



- I. **Call to Order:** President Hal Williams #43912 at 9:00am
- II. **Invocation:** by Chaplain James Rupard #41615
- III. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Veterans and all
- IV. **Mission Statement:** Highlighted by President Hal Williams #43912

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

- V. **Roll Call:** by Secretary Gary Duell #48384. The following members of the Executive Committee were present for roll call:
President Hal Williams #43912, AVP Gary Pittenger #24804
Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655, Secretary Gary Duell #48384
Chairperson of the Board Susan Hatcher #58143, Legal Counsel John Badeen #73089
NVP Region I Peter Jordan #54684, NVP Region II Joan Travis #76201, NVP Region III Randy Willhoite #47435
NVP Region IV Mark Brandel #49789, NVP Region V Jon Bruner #58932, NVP Region VI David Teachout #68700
NVP Region VII Jeff Cardwell #54265, NVP Region VIII DeLisa Anderson #54310,
NVP Region IX Will Hansen #49086

Roll Call of each state and each state's voting delegates:

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

80 out of 111 votes present or 72%. Quorum is met.

- VI. **Approval of Agenda:** President Hal Williams #43912 made the following changes – move Presidential Sweepstakes under Treasurer's Report, item D and add Friendship under Program Managers. Call for the approval of the agenda. Motion by North Carolina, Second by Maryland. Motion passed.
- VII. **Welcome to Texas:** TX JCI President Candace Hollis #65572 welcomed everyone to Houston, TX. Thanked committee, especially Jumper & Hilda Davis and Logan Giesie.
- VIII. **Introductions:** Protocol Officer Kristen Johnson #72859 introduced the following:
ASE President Peter Browning #49104, Foundation Board Members: President Wayne Kiefer #36498, Vice President Joe A Souza #27511, Secretary Julie Rieckman #60573, Treasurer Earl Sawyer #28343, Legal Counsel Earl Rice #47046 and Scholarship Chair Sheri Menendez #47839. Past-Presidents: 1998-99 Mary Sawyer #43930 and First Gentleman, Earl Sawyer #28243, 2004-05 Joe A Souza #27511 and First Lady, Margaret #48490, 2007-08 Jumper Davis #38376 and First Lady Hilda #71500, 2008-09 Pat Hoelker #45893 and First Gentleman Skip FR#10, 2009-2010 Doug Myers #21511, 2011-12 Steve Sutherland #27073 and First Lady Dawne #68900, 2014-15 Randy Young #46420, 2015-16 Carol "CJ" Jordan #45857, 2017-18 John Robinson #55768, 2019-20 Lawrence Pittman #53932 and First Lady Karol FR#55, 2020-21 Ariel Jones #65423, 2021-22 Mike Andrews #58312 and First Lady Linda #71434 and 1986-87 Tony Dominiec #23393 and First Lady Judy #67444.
- IX. **Secretary's Report** Secretary Gary Duell #48384
 - A. Approval of Minutes – June 28, 2023 BOD Meeting in St. Louis, MO– Motion by Indiana, Second by South Carolina to approve. Motion passed.
 - B. Communication's Team
 - 1. Mentors – Chief Editor Angie Jelinek #60570 – Thanked the Mentors Team of Dawne

Sutherland, Mary Allred, Dale Hensley-Smith, Newton Standridge. Articles due October 2nd. Use actual photos. Submit new Senators. Headshots will be at the stairs the same time region pictures are taken.

Business Manager – Christianna Gilliam #78844 looking for lots of ads, which she can design. Mentors sign-in sheets – make sure that only the first letter of the first and last names are capitalized.

2. E-news – Editor Kim Bode #62467 – 6 issues sent, 21 new subscribers. Due to longer e-news issues, the e-news may truncate. If you do not see the Jaycee Creed or our sponsor, Dominion Energy at the bottom, you need to click on the link *view entire message* to see the entire e-news. Send copies of newsletters to have calendar items added.
3. Website – Webmaster Allison Geddes #74777 – Busy time for the website due to the Scholarship Program. Make sure Scholarship Chair information is correct. If you need anything regarding the website or your state's website, contact Allison or Lowell.
4. Social Media – Program Manager Jess Kling #78271 – Increase in Facebook usage. The official U.S. JCI Senate Facebook page has Hal's logo. Instagram posting will start today. Jess took a video and selfie.

Pick up your printed Directory from Newton. 2nd electronic directory went out earlier in the month. Next edition will be out in early December.

X. Treasurer's Report Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655

- A. Finance Committee Chair Mike Andrews #58312 – committee met. Reviewed the 2022-2023 budget to actual report, which was in-line. Reviewed the Audit Committee report, which was satisfactory. Finance Committee will consider recommendations. Bank records are up to date.
- B. Membership Program Manager Dawna Norfleet #61999 – TIE meeting well attended. Next dues kits due 12/1. Goal to have them out by October 10th. We had 1896 due, 79 drops, 75 adds for a net of -4. Current membership is 8,114. 1844 due on 12/1. Address changes or electronic Mentors requests can be completed on the website.
- C. Approval of 2023-24 Budget Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655 – Added \$1,000 to the Computer & Software budget to replace the laptop and for licensing. Insurance costs have increased. Motion to approve the budget by Ohio, Second by Tennessee. Motion passed.
- D. Presidential Sweepstakes Lori Palo #66475 introduced the Presidential Sweepstakes team. Region Party Chair Letha Grimes announced the party booth theme, Margaritaville, with Booths based on a Jimmy Buffet song. Lillian Cheng announced the top 3 sales states, #3 Florida, #2 North Carolina, #1 Pennsylvania and top Region, Region V. Total deposited, \$23,406, 56% of goal. Incentive prizes to be awarded at the banquet.

President Hal dismissed the NVP's to prepare for their reports.

XI. Administrative Vice Presidents Report Gary Pittenger #24804

A. Ambassador Reports

ASAC Ariel Jones #65423 reported that 13 delegates attended the meeting in Bolivia. Ariel presented a gift from ASAC President Victor to Hal. 2 candidates ran for ASAC office, John Robinson for President and Lawrence Pittman for Region Director. After a close vote, the other candidates won. John Robinson addressed the group and offered his thanks.

Canada Karen MacCannell #49497 offered greetings from President Obay. Thanked those who travelled to Canada. Read a message from Ambassador Rob.

Europe Russ Cooper #4638 spoke about World Congress in Switzerland and the British Drumming Out in England. Russ introduced ASE President, Peter Browning #49104. Peter addressed the group. 4/11-14 Senate Experience in Wales, 6/12-15 JCI European Conference in Finland. Peter presented a pin to President Hal.

B. National Vice Presidents

Region I Peter Jordan #5468 – Fall Frolic is 10/5-8 in New London, CT. We have Jaycees in Manchester, NH. The first NH chapter in 25 years. We have 2 regional Facebook pages. Region II Joan Travis #76201 – Highlighted upcoming state events in the region, including

New York's 60th anniversary in April. MAI is 4/4-7.

Region III Randy Willhoite #47435 – Highlighted upcoming events in the region

Region IV Mark Brandel #49789 – Congratulated Region IV as the top growth region and Florida as the top growth state. The next 2 national meetings will be held in Region IV. Region IV Fall Meeting & Florida's Bash is 10/6-8. Check out their websites. Alabama begins the first of their 50th anniversary celebrations next weekend.

Region V Jon Bruner #58932 – Highlighted attendance at the Region V Summer Tour and upcoming region events

Region VI David Teachout #68700 – Connected with Jaycees at JCI-USA and looking to connect with other Jaycees. Working on lost senators and activation. Highlighted past and upcoming events in the region. Region VI meeting 10/6-8 in New London, WI.

Region VII Jeff Cardwell #54265 – Reactivation activities happening in Louisiana, Mississippi and Arkansas. JCI-USA President's retreat at Camp Discovery. TN JCI Senate Mini-National and Region VII Meeting 2/22-25.

Region VIII DeLisa Anderson #54310 – Thanked Texas. Highlighted upcoming region events and holiday parties.

Region IX Will Hansen #49086 – highlighted region campouts and upcoming region events.

A special presentation was given by Wheelchairs 4 Kids Program Manager, John Robinson, of an adaptive cycle by Wheelchairs 4 Kids to Colby, who was accompanied by his parents, Patty and John. Patty addressed the group.

C. Chairman Reports

Convention & Bid Review – Gary Pittenger #24804 – committee met. Updated presentations were given by those hosting future meetings. A bid proposal was received by Oklahoma to host the Fall 2024 BOD Meeting.

Constitution & Bylaws – Elizabeth McInnis #54219 – committee met. A proposed bylaw change regarding audits was given to the Executive Committee. We are working on a couple of other things.

Future Directions – Larry MacQuirter #67377 introduced the members of the committee. The committee meets monthly. President Hal has them looking at a couple things. Hoping to have some items for discussion and presentation in Greenville.

D. Program Managers

Chaplain – James Rupard #41615 recognized the region and state chaplains in the room.

"Whatever the issue, here's your tissue." A chaplain is always available for you. E-news chaplain deadlines are the 12th & 27th of each month. Empty Chairs need to be submitted to the Mentors. Memorial service being planned, please send in pictures.

Wheelchairs 4 Kids – John Robinson #55768 – One way to help is through the Guardians of the Wheel Kids Club. John recognized those involved in the room. Sheets with a QR Code will take you a special US JCI Senate Guardians page with the information you need or see website or John for more information.

Wreaths Across America – Tom King #59642 – National Wreaths Across America is on 12/16. For every 2 wreaths sponsored, we receive a 3rd. A QR Code will take you to the US JCI Senate Wreaths page. The cemetery you donate to does not have to be the Arlington site. Website instructions will tell you how to donate to another site. Passed out business cards, one says winner. The winner gets 2 wreaths sponsored by Tom to the winner's local site of choice. Thanked Allison and Mike for creation of the video.

President's Information Exchange – Amanda Turner #65613 – 17 Presidents attended PIE, 15 came to the social. Proud to work with a wonderful group of people.

S.O.A.R/First Timers Kim Hubbell #68729 & Nancy Cardwell #54264 – Please send new adds to Kim to be welcomed. 3 First Timers, Marissa Nihill-Garcia (VA), Christianna Gilliam (SC) and Gary Pennington (OK). Winner to be announced at the banquet.

Enhanced Membership Benefits – John Badeen #73089 announced that the Executive Committee approved the partnership with Gallagher Products & Services granting members discounts on various products and services. More information in January.

Business Directory Promoter – Lynne McGill #70634 – We have an online business directory. \$100 per calendar year. There is a QR Code, and it is on the website.

JCI USA Liaison/Return the Favor – Jennifer Ray #68957 shared notes about what current Jaycees are doing. If you want to return the favor in the most effective way, have a conversation, here's how I can help, here are the resources I have. Return the Favor forms are due on December 1 and May 1.

Friendship Lloyd Mueller #57186 recognized the Friendship Award winners in the room. Reviewed some Friendship statistics. Contact Lloyd if you will be doing a state or regional event presentation to allow for enough time to get everything to your state or region on time.

E. Meeting Coordinators

2023 Fall BOD Meeting – Houston, TX – Logan Giesie #51120 & H.T. Jumper Davis #38376 – Lunch will be ready at Noon. Dinner tables will be by regions. Airport shuttles begin at 5am.

2024 Winter BOD Meeting – Greenville, SC – Liz Young #47759 – Thanked Logan & Texas for the on the job training. Make sure you book the Embassy Suites Golf Resort Hotel. Contact Liz with booking problems. Highlighted some events. SC Jaycees annual meeting will be there.

2024 Annual Meeting – Tampa, FL – Cindy Brandel #54928 & Caryn “CC” Ackerman #62039 – Cindy introduced “CC” and Registration Chair Irene. Raffle Tickets, 1st drawing (2 free room nights), 2nd in Greenville (2 free room nights), 3rd drawing (full registration reimbursement). T-shirts available. Cowboy Ducks – if you find one fill out the tag and turn it into Irene. Tour surveys to be conducted. Presented President Hal with his T-shirt. St. Louis duck winner is Jess Kling. Named President Hal Ambassador to Margaritaville.

- XII. **Legal Counsel Report** John Badeen #73089 – The Executive Committee, with one tweak, voted to move on a bylaw amendment that will be presented at the January BOD Meeting, that tweaks the method that we do outside audits.
- XIII. **Chairman of the Board Report** Susan Hatcher #58143 – Thanked President Hal for a great 1st quarter. Thanked Texas for wonderful hospitality. Time to begin thinking about next year's officers. Look for e-news in November about announcing in January.
- XIV. **US JCI Senate Foundation** Wayne Kiefer #36498 – Recognition will happen at the banquet. No auction this weekend, next one in Greenville. Recognized Sonny Jones contribution to the Foundation, whose daughter Colleen is in attendance. There are limited 500 club tickets available.
- XV. **Unfinished Business:** There was no unfinished business.
- XVI. **New Business**
A. 2024 Fall BOD Meeting – Tulsa, Oklahoma – Gary Pittenger #24804 – Cindy Empting and Karen MacCannell presented the bid. Cindy read a letter from the Chair, with details of the bid including, Dates, September 19-22, 2024, Hotel, Renaissance Tulsa Hotel & Convention Center, Full registration \$75, Early hospitality \$20, Room rate \$129/night + taxes. Motion by Missouri to approve the bid, Second by Illinois. Motion passed.
- XVII. **President's Comments** President Hal Williams #43912 – Thanked Logan & Jumper for putting on a great conference. Successfully overcame a couple of bumps in the road. You should know that the mobility device came unassembled. We got to see John Robinson's assembly skills at work. Thanked all for being here.
- XVIII. **Good of the Order** – Angie Jelinek Mentor's envelope #4 was found, Joan Travis Region II/III competed at the social for Wheelchairs 4 Kids. Region III won. \$200 was raised. Pennsylvania JCI Senate raised an additional \$50 and Wreaths Across America bracelets raised \$60. Ann Harrison introduced MAI 4/4-7. Get rooms early due to another big event in Philadelphia. Lynne Hansen introduced Region X Meeting 4/5-7 in Hawaii. Candace Hollis spoke on Maui Relief, Texas has pledge \$1000 and challenges other to do the same. We are working with the US Jaycees Foundation.
- XIX. **Adjourn at 11:18am with the Jaycee Creed** led by TX JCI President Candace Hollis #65572