UNITED STATES JCI SENATE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
TAMPA, FL
JUNE 19, 2024

I. **Call to Order** – President Hal Williams #43912 at 1:34pm
II. **Invocation** – by Chaplain James Rupard #41615
III. **Pledge of Allegiance** led by Region IV NVP Mark Brandel #49789
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** – 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
Present 14/15 – 93% present – quorum present
Not Present – NVP Region X Yvette Lee #68707

VI. **Approval of Agenda** – President Hal Williams #43912 called for the approval of the agenda. Motion by Will Hansen #49086, Second by David Teachout #68700. Motion passed.

VII. **Secretary's Report** – Secretary Gary Duell #48384

Approval of the emailed January 12, 2024 Executive Committee Minutes. Motion by Joan Travis #76201, Second by Bruce Sostak #52655 to approve. Motion passed.

Communication's Team

1. Mentors – Assistant Editor Dawne Sutherland #68900 – Thanked those who have submitted articles. New Senators and Empty Chair Senators/Friendship should be separate articles. Deadline for articles is July 1st. Christianna Gilliam #78844, Mentors Business Manager, thanked everyone for submitting ads. Yvonne Sewell FR#50 directed regions for group photos and officers and appointees to see Eldon for headshots.
2. E-news – Editor Kim Bode #62467 – 24 e-news sent, 1522 contacts, which is a 30-person subscriber increase since the beginning of the year. The open rate has increased to 57%.
3. Website – Webmaster Allison Geddes #74777 – There was a successful server move in January. Send in your directory information. Send your events to the webmasters for inclusion on the website.
4. Social Media – Program Manager Jessica Kling #78271 – There will be something fun this Thursday.
5. Directory: Most have sent in their submissions. Double checked some submissions with the NVPs.

VIII. **Treasurer's Report** – Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655

A. Finance Committee – Chair Mike Andrews #58312 – Finance Committee met. Reviewed accounts and current budget to actual report. Reviewed and passed the interim budget.
B. Membership – Program Manager Dawna Norfleet #61999 – Next dues kits due 9/1. Goal to have them out by July 15th. We had 2496 due in June, 131 drops, 95 adds for a net of -36. Growth regions: 2, 4, 6, 8. Top growth states: NY, IA, FL, SC. Year End membership is 8,072 (-46). Top Year End Growth Regions 4 (+36), 2 (+13), 10 (+4), 8 (+2). Top Year End Growth States FL (+19), NC (+13), NY (+12), SC (+12).
C. Presidential Sweepstakes – Lori Palo #66475 – Sweepstakes revenue is currently at $46,500, projecting over $47,000. There will be over 160 door prizes given out tonight. The top 3 states and top region for the quarter will be awarded as well as year-to-date. The top 3 region booths will be recognized.

IX. **Administrative Vice President's Report** – AVP Gary Pittenger #24804 – encouraged everyone to turn in their reimbursement forms.

A. National Vice Presidents
- Region I Peter Jordan #54684 – Big accomplishment this year was extending the Manchester Jaycees. Region I experienced many deaths this year.
- Region II Joan Travis #76201 – Thanked the Board. Commended NJ & DE on a successful MAI and NY on a successful 60th Anniversary celebration. Thanked the Board.
- Region III Randy Willhoite #47435 – Thanked the incoming NVP, Mary Ann Rohr. All states have new boards. Parkersburg Jaycees raised $2000 for a scholarship.
- Region IV Mark Brandel #49789 – Enjoyed working with the NVPs. New NVP is Carla Bailey. Congratulations to Region IV.
- Region V Jon Bruner #58932 – Glad for all the friendships amongst the Board. 70 are in attendance from Region V. New NVP is Kim Hubbell.
- Region VI David Teachout #68700 – New NVP is Dan Badger. Visited 7 states and a couple of regions this trimester. Thanked the Executive Board for guidance. Had a great time with the NVPs. Region VI upcoming events are Fall Meeting in Bismarck, ND and Spring 2025 meeting in Branson, MO.
- Region VII Jeff Cardwell #54265 – Recapped some events. Thanked the NVPs and Exec Board. Appreciates the friendships and knowledge gained. New NVP is Dewayne Sumner. TN Jaycees & Senate will meet the 2nd weekend in August.
- Region VIII DeLisa Anderson #54310 – Great year. Blessed and honored to serve. Learned a great deal. Region VIII was game day ready, everyday! 43 are in attendance. We are at growth. New NVP is Leisa Peebles. Thanks for friendships.
- Region IX Will Hansen #49086 – Thankful for a replacement. States are strong. Willie the one-eyed pirate adventure will be given at the BOD meeting.
- Region X Yvette Lee #68707 – not present
- All NVPs turned in their final evaluation.

B. Enhanced Membership Benefits – Michele Tarantino #63380 – There may be future fundraising opportunities through this program. Will have handouts at the BOD Meeting.

C. Convention and Bid Review – Gary Pittenger #24804 – committee met. Updated reports from past meetings and currently scheduled meetings. There is a contested Fall 2025 board bid between Kansas & Ohio. Letter of Intent was received from Texas.

X. **Legal Counsel Report** – John Badeen #73089 – No report

XI. **Chairman of the Board Report** – Susan Hatcher #58143 – Elections will be held on Friday. The Nominator should introduce the seconder(s).

XII. **Unfinished Business**

A. Policy Manual – Article II Memorial Awards – Outstanding Chaplains. Approval of the state (Tom Selmer Memorial Award) and regional (Walter Cahoon Award) chaplain awards were removed from the table after confirmation of sponsorship. Motion by Gary Pittenger #24804, Second by David Teachout #68700 to remove from the table and approve. Clarification that the amendment also changes the title of Article II to Memorial/Honor Awards. During discussion, Susan Hatcher #58143 offered an amendment to delete the words "region or" from Outstanding Regional Chaplain. Second by Bruce Sostak #52655. Motion to amend passed. With no further discussion, the main motion passed.

B. 2024 Winter BOD Meeting – Greenville, SC. Liz Young #47759 thanked Susan Hatcher for pushing them outside their comfort zone. Gave a wrap-up of the meeting.

XIII. **New Business**

A. Policy Manual – Article II Memorial Awards – Return The Favor –Hal passed the gavel to John Badeen. Motion by Peter Jordan #54684, Second by David Teachout #68700 to approve. Motion passed with one abstention.

B. Policy Manual – Article I, Part 2 – Criteria for Fall and Winter Meetings – Section 5 & 6. Motion by Joan Travis #76201, Second by Mark Brandel #49789 to approve. Discussion included:
   - Susan indicated that page 5, Section 5 and page 8, Section 11 of the Policy Manual covering all meetings, already provides for the host organization to charge a fee to any group not specific to the US JCI Senate for set-up or clean-up. Page 8 details fundraising activity, other than fundraising for the US JCI Senate or US JCI Senate Foundation, other fundraising is subject to the approval of the AVP. It also references 30 days instead of the conflicting 90 days in the new proposal. We are being redundant.
   - Comments were allowed by Marsha Phillips, Chief of State, the current policy seems to guarantee meeting space for groups like the Silver Foxes according to the schedules. Susan pointed out the schedules were sample schedules only and not guarantees.
   - At this point the gavel was passed back to President Hal.
   - John offered a difference between the proposal being considered and what is already in Policy, in that the earlier pages refer to allowing the host organization to charge a fee to groups and this proposal saying that the host organization will affirmatively pass on those fees. In addition, the 30-day rule referred to in earlier pages only refers to fundraising activities and not the request for meeting space.
   - Discretion for additional meeting space is already left up to the AVP.
   - Point of the new policy is to make things more cut & dry instead of leaving the decision up to the AVP's or host committee's discretion.
   - President Hal called for the vote. Motion failed.

C. Policy Manual – Article I, Part 3 – Criteria for Annual Meetings – Section 6. No motion was offered pursuant to the proposal. Proposal fails due to lack of a motion.

D. Policy Manual – Article III – Recognition of and Membership in JCI Regional Organizations. Motion Mark Brandel #49789, Second by David Teachout #68700 to approve. Discussion included:
   - ESSAC does not currently exist and should not be added.
   - ASAC should be deleted.
   - Motion by Bruce Sostak #52655, Second by Susan Hatcher #58143 to divide the main motion into 2 parts, to consider the removal of ASAC from Policy and membership in the other organizations separately. Dividing the main motion passed.
   - To the removal of ASAC from the Policy. Motion passed.
   - Now before the body is consideration of adding ESSAC and ASE to the Policy Manual. Motion by Bruce Sostak #52655, Second by David Teachout #68700 to table this section until September 2025 Executive Committee Meeting. Motion passed with one nay vote.

E. 2025 Fall BOD Meeting Proposals – Ohio & Kansas. John Badeen #73089 explained the bidding process. The board has the option to pass both proposals onto the Board (with or without a recommendation), one onto the Board, or neither onto the board based on their merit. Ohio & Kansas offered their proposals. Motion by Gary Pittenger #24804, Second by Bruce Sostak #52655 to move both proposals forward to the Board of Directors. Discussion surrounded whether or not to choose one over the other. Can this wait until Tulsa? President Hal called for the vote. Motion passed.

XIV. **President's comments** – Hal Williams #43912 commented that the year has gone well. The Audit Committee bylaw passed. Pleased the Senate organization embraced Wreaths Across America and Wheelchairs 4 Kids. Only disappointment was that the year ended minus 46 members. Proud of this year's team.

XV. **Good of the Order**

A. Marsha reviewed banquet seating. Asked NVPs to review their list and report discrepancies.
B. Walk on Saturday with spouse/significant other. Spouse will go to the table. Officer to front.
C. Susan commented that the Bylaws on the website need to be updated. John to look into this.
D. Michelle: JCI Move ME – For Any "Body" 9AM Cypress room.

XVI. **Adjourn at 3:20pm with the Jaycee Creed** – led by Joan Travis #76201.