



**UNITED STATE JCI SENATE
2022-2023 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
Kenner, LA
JANUARY 20, 2023**



The meeting was called to order at 1:27 pm by President Susan Hatcher #58314.

Chaplain Nancy Salopek #47610 gave the invocation.

Region III NVP Judy Nuessle #62267 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mission Statement: Given by President Susan Hatcher #58413.

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

The Roll Call was taken by Secretary Gary Pittenger #24804. A quorum was present. The following members of the Executive Committee were present at Roll Call:

President Susan Hatcher #58413
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 (ex-officio)
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

The agenda was presented for approval by President Susan Hatcher #58413. She requested item 2 under New Business be moved to item 3 and Winter Board Meeting – 2024 be added as item 2. The motion for approval was made by Region III NVP Judy Nuessle #62267, seconded by Region IV NVP Pam Padgett #51341. Motion passed.

President Susan #58143 announced the Introductions were being suspended and will take place at luncheon banquet tomorrow.
President Susan #58143 announced the Ambassadors & Liaison Reports were being suspended and will take place at BOD Meeting.

Secretary Gary Pittenger #24804 led the Secretary's Report.

- A. Gary announced that approval was needed for the minutes from the Fall Exec Committee Meeting in Golden, CO as distributed to the board and published on the website. The motion for approval was made by Region I NVP Peter Jordan #54684, seconded by Region IV NVP Pam Padgett #51341. Motion passed.
- B. Communications Team
 - 1. Mentors – Chief Editor Angie Jelinek #60570 announced the next deadline for articles is March 6th. People submitting pictures and sign-in sheets need to include event name, location and date. Since we can expand the number of pages in the next issue, article word assignments are Exec Committee 400-500 words, Program Managers and State Presidents is 150-200 words and new Senators and Empty Chair is 100 words. This issue was published at about half the cost of the Fall issue. Gary thanked Angie and her staff plus Newton for their outstanding efforts in reducing costs but providing a quality product for the winter issue.

2. E-News – Editor Kim Bode #62467 announced that we have changed sources to Constant Contact for the E-News provider. The number of subscribers increased from 1422 to 1510 and 51% of the subscribers actually opened their E-News.
3. Social Media – Program Manager Kim Melachrinis #66672 was unable to attend the meeting due to a family commitment. Secretary Gary gave her report. Make sure you LIKE the Senate Facebook Page if you haven't done so yet. Many pictures of Wreaths Across America are currently on display. Continue sending pictures of events, meetings and any other Senate-related functions. Send photos to Kim at her email address.

Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655 led the Treasurer's Report.

- A. Membership Report - MIS Program Manager Dawna Norfleet #61999 distributed the December membership results. She reported that 1,853 members were due – 97 drops and 89 adds for a net change of -8. Total membership 8,109. She reported 4 regions grew and 20 states grew. The March dues kits have been sent out and are due March 1st.
- B. Presidential Sweepstakes – Chairman Sabitha Venkatesh #71858 reported total ticket sales to date is \$37,710. She plans on recognizing top 3 state and top region sales from July 1 thru December 31. Sabitha called on party chairman Melodie Ainslie #69200 to report on those activities. Melodie announced the theme of Experience The Senate Fair. Each region booth will sponsor a game for participants to play. She needs to meet with the NVPs after this meeting for drawing of which game they will sponsor and to go over the rules. She also needs to know the name and email address of each region chairman.
- C. Budget to Actual Report – Treasurer Bruce Sostak #52655 reviewed changes made since previous distribution. He announced the Mentors was done just under \$9,000 and that there is \$12,000+ available for the final issue of the fiscal year. He reminded Exec Board members to file their reimbursement forms so that he can make appropriate payments.
- D. Finance Committee – Chairman Lawrence Pittman #53932 reported the Finance Committee had met in the morning. They reviewed the Budget to Actual Report and found it to be in order. He announced that the Finance Committee had approve investment and cash management transactions.
- E. Budget Updates – Finance Committee Chairman Lawrence Pittman #53932 discussed some line item changes requested by President Susan. These included increasing Sweepstakes income from \$40,000 to \$45,000, increasing Miscellaneous US JCI Senate Foundation Donation from \$1,500 to \$5,000 and increasing Presidential Discretionary Fund from \$500 to \$2,000. Motion made by Region III NVP Judy Nuessle #62267, seconded by Region II NVP Bob McDonald # 58286 to approve these changes. Motion passed.

President Susan recognized Protocol Officer Marsha Phillips #47528 and asked everyone to wish her a Happy Birthday.

Administrative Vice President Hal Williams #43912 led the Administrative VP Report.

- A. National Vice Presidents
 1. Region I NVP Peter Jordan #54684 - Reported his report was on the web and announced his states' upcoming meet and activities. Peter plans on growing for the year and challenged the other NVPs for dinner in St. Louis.
 2. Region II NVP Bob McDonald #58286 – Reported his report was on the web and covered his states' upcoming activities. He announced MAI meeting with Region III is March 30-April 1.
 3. Region III NVP Judy Nuessle #62267 – Reviewed the upcoming meetings for her states. She is looking forward to MAI meeting with Region II in Timonium, MD.
 4. Region IV NVP Pam Padgett #51341 – Reported he report was on the web. She reviewed the upcoming meetings for her states. She announced that Calabash will be held March 23-26 in Myrtle Beach, SC. Pam was very pleased with her states that participated in Wreaths Across America.
 5. Region V NVP Norm Hoffman #25676 – Announced the passing of past president Doug Hincker of Michigan and past NVP Charlie Gouveia from Illinois. He congratulated Michigan for celebrating their 50th Anniversary. Norm announced that the Kentucky Bourbon Bash will not be held in the future due to lack of manpower to handle such a large group. He announced that Kentucky will host an activity in October for just members of Region V. Spring Fling will be held February 17-19 in Galena, IL.
 6. Region VI NVP Paul Myers #72173 – Reported his report was on the web. He enjoyed participating in Wreaths Across America which included placing a wreath on his grandfather's grave. Paul reviewed the upcoming meetings of his states.

7. Region VII NVP Teresa Beans #67173 – She welcomed everyone to Region VII. She announced that the Region VII meeting will be held February 23-26 in Pigeon Forge, TN. The theme for the weekend is MASH. The US Jaycees will be meeting in Nashville and the Tennessee Senate will be assisting with Hospitality.
8. Region VIII NVP Ann Engle #71560 – Reported a great experience attending the meeting in Carson City, NV and watching hot air balloons lift-off.. She reviewed the upcoming meetings and activities of her states. Announced that their Spring Meeting will be held May 5-7 in Colorado Springs.
9. Region IX NVP Kathy Miller #74168 – Reported thing don't heat up in the region until April. She reviewed the upcoming state meeting. She announced their Spring Meeting will be held May 19-21 in Tacoma, WA.
10. Region X NVP Lynne Hanssen #68753 – Announced Region X had a meeting in Las Vegas last October and Charlie Keller hosted a great party at his house. A couple of her states participated in Wreaths Across America. She reviewed upcoming state meetings.

B. Chairman Reports

1. Convention and Bid Review – Committee Chairman Hal Williams #43912 reported that the committee met earlier in the morning. There were 2 new bids submitted for review – South Carolina presented a bid for the Winter 2024 Meeting in Greenville, SC and Florida presented a bid for the 2024 Annual Meeting in Tampa. The committee found both bids in be in compliance with guidelines and will be discussed later.
2. Future Directions – Chairman David Teachout #68700 reported the committee met earlier this morning. The committee reviewed the 7 point strategic plan and decided the top three points to dive into. They were: Support and mentor JCI, Communicate for all Generations and Social Focus & sustain membership. The committee held a Zoom meeting with JCI USA Liaison Jennifer Rey #68957 with positive results. The committee will summarize their thoughts and develop a plan by the 1st of April.

C. Program Managers

1. Photographer Eldon Bowers #45999 – Stated he had no report.
2. Enhancing Membership Benefits Michele Tarantino #63380 – Michele was not in attendance at the meeting.

D. Meeting Coordinators

1. 2023 Winter BOD Meeting – Kenner, LA Chairman Dan Badger #67974 – Welcomed everyone to Kenner. Reported 344 full registrations and 621 room nights. Reminded everyone that the meeting room needed to be cleared right after the business meeting tomorrow so the room can be set up for the luncheon and make sure you bring your nametag. Announced the Pontchatoula Jaycees served the Thursday night meal in the hospitality room as a fundraiser for the chapter.
2. 2023 Annual Meeting – St. Louis, MO Chairman Stacey Rawls #63600 – Announced they were taking registrations at a table in the lobby. If interested in attending a Cardinals baseball game, you can sign up interest at their table. Make sure you reserve your room because another group is in the same hotel prior to our meeting.
3. 2023 Fall Meeting – Houston, TX Chairman Logan Giesie #51120 – No report since no representative was in attendance.

Legal Counsel Report – Stu O'Hara #39768 reported he had no report. John Badeen #73089 also reported he had no report. President Susan stated he had been trained well by Stu.

Chairman of the Board Report – Mike Andrews #58312 reported he had been busy playing golf 3 days a week. He announced that the filed NVP candidates would be announced from the podium. Those filed for National office could have 1 person announce their candidacy. His second responsibility was the official timekeeper for President Susan.

Unfinished Business

1. 2022 Fall Board Meeting – Golden CO Chairman Ron Holzer #56549 reported a great time was had by all. There were 305 full registrations, 90 participants in tours, 36 bottles of liquor consumed, 384 beers consumed and 720 bottles of water drank. He thanked the Senate for allowing them to host this meeting.

New Business

1. Annual Meeting and Convention – 2024 – Florida President Cindy Brandel #54928 presented a bid for the 2024 Annual Meeting and Convention to be held in Tampa, FL. The dates are June 18-24, 2024. The host hotel is the Embassy Suites at \$140 per night. Registrations will be available in St. Louis. Motion by Region IV NVP Pam Padgett #51341, seconded Region VIII NVP Ann Engle #71560 to accept the bid from Florida. Motion passed.
2. 2024 Winter Board Meeting – Liz Young #47759 presented a bid for the 2024 Winter Board Meeting to be held in Greenville, SC. The dates are January 11-14, 2024. The host hotel is the Embassy Suites at \$132.50 per night. Motion by Secretary Gary Pittenger #24804, seconded by Region V NVP Norm Hoffman #25676 to accept the bid from South Carolina. Motion passed.
3. 2023-2024 Election Committee Appointment – President Susan announced the Chairman will be Mike Andrews #58312 per the bylaws and she would like to appoint Mary Sawyer #43930 and M.S. "Doc" McCarty #14783 to serve as members of the committee with this body's approval. Motion by Region I NVP Peter Jordan, seconded by Region X NVP Lynne Hansen #68753 to approve the Election Committee. Motion passed.

President's Comments – President Susan #58143 reviewed the strategy presented at Fall BOD and sent out a few weeks back. No issues indicated at meeting. Susan indicated that we needed to communicate it and begin to market it.

EXPERIENCE THE SENATE. Have you? What has been your experiences in the senate so far this year? We should be One Team heading in the same direction! Plan, Execute, Celebrate! Which can be summarized as Experience the Senate! We remain at growth in membership year to date. Communications continue to flow! We are here in fun New Orleans where the drinks, fun and shrimp are here for the taking! Thank you to the Iowa JCI Senate for hosting the meeting.

Can we do more – YES and we will. We have 6 more months to go! We are only 4 2/3 innings into the gamehalf way to end of this game

Let's celebrate our accomplishments to date! Cheers!

President Susan asked the NVPs to do their walk-in and give their reports within a 30-minute timeframe. She further announced that NVPs will be giving their reports in reverse order, Program Managers have 3-4 minutes and bid presentations will be limited to 5 minutes. Susan asked the Board to fill our lives with experiences. She mentioned selecting an All-Star team of top performers to be presented at the luncheon. She reminded Board members to be thinking of nominations for deserving individuals to receive year-end awards. She invited the Exec Committee to a reception following the meeting to celebrate the year so far.

Good of the Order – Region III NVP Judy Nuessle #62267 commented on the Wreaths Across America project. Melodie Ainslie #69200 reminded NVPs to meet after the meeting. Susan announced that \$80 had been collected as the result of phones ringing during the meeting and that there was another phone that rang if the person would come forward with their \$20.

Adjourn with the Jaycee Creed – led by Region VI NVP Paul Myers #72173.

Meeting adjourned at 3:06 pm.

Respectively submitted,

Gary Pittenger #24804
Secretary