

MEETING
FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSN.
SEBRING, FLORIDA
OCTOBER 13, 2018

OPENING REMARKS: President Kudro reconvened the meeting at 9:50 A.M. and reiterated his previous remarks on member conduct.

INVOCATION: Given by John Brown.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by 2nd Vice President, Marti Noble.

ROLL CALL: Officers absent: Roger Smith, President, Southeast Coast District and Southern District Delegate Steve Biaggi (represented by Ray Buck).

GUESTS: There were 15 visitors, including 3 from St. Petersburg who arrived later.

MINUTES: Minutes are posted on the website. Motion made by Glenn Monroe to accept, seconded by Jan Cote and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jeannie stated that income from the Preview was up but so were expenses (\$1,588 legal to cover Helen's suit). She moved \$5,000.00 to checking. There is currently \$9,481.39 in checking; \$8,251.32 in Fixed CD and \$18,675.85 in Money Market for a total of \$36,408.56. Motion made by Doris Hanke, seconded by Rich Anderson to accept for audit and passed.

COMMUNICATION: President Kudro read his President's Message as printed in the new Preview. He complimented Colleen Austin on a job well done on the Preview.

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD:

1ST Vice President, Bob Hovatter had nothing

2nd Vice President, Marti Noble had nothing

3rd Vice President, Bob Smith stated that he had distributed the material to all seven districts this morning. The 2018-2019 Previews were also distributed.

REPORT FORM KOR/WEBMASTER: Glenn Monroe had nothing

REPORT FROM DISTRICT PRESIDENTS:

1. West Coast District: Jan Cote stated that a state tournament is being hosted in St. Petersburg on Monday for the first time in years; there will be \$2,000.00 in prize money. Glenn Peltier is continuing his lessons at Clearwater. The Hall of Fame Banquet is being held in Clearwater and will be discussed later in the agenda. Frank Niziolek reported that the Pinellas Park courts have been redone and attendance is good. St. Petersburg club is now approaching 1400 members with their night leagues. The School League is on hold due to many legalities. The West coast District has created a new position called League /Community Coordinator.

2. Southwest Coast District: Jerry Stannard reported that the Bradenton site is being upgraded. There will be a ceremony to honor Jim Miller at the National Singles Tournament on October 29th. The millenials are still playing shuffleboard on Saturday night. John Brown stated that they have a respectful, caring and supportive district.

3. Southern District: Joyce Smith stated that they will host two tournaments for new players and that later on she wants to pursue something for disabled veterans.

4. Southeast Coast District: Ken Offenther stated that their district begins play in November and that they are saddened by the death of players: Nancy Gruber and Tara Goldman. Briney Breezes and Century Village East will be hosting state tournaments for the first time.

5. Central East Coast District: Rich Anderson reported that Vero Beach has hosted Singles/Mingles tournaments on Wednesdays during the summer and will continue until January. His district needs tournament directors. He also reported the loss of player Dottie Southers. Phil Rebholz stated that the Fort Pierce Club needs help. President encouraged all players to support the east coast and northern districts.

6. Northern District: Pat King reported that the District lost Jack Wooten, their KOR and they also need

tournament directors. Doris Hanke stated that Al Dronsfield has been giving lessons and that they expect two players from their district to make the FSA Hall of Fame. The courts at Coronada/Mainland and Leesburg have been redone and Leesburg may get covers. The attendance of amateurs has been great.

7. Central District: Doug Stockman stated that they have had singles/mingles tournaments all summer. He commented that there were five of his district board members present. Each of the board members have specific duties. Winter Haven is in the process of redoing their courts. Larry Brown reported that Avon Park has made a lot of improvements; their president is a hard worker and they have about 160 members now. Sebring is working to get new lights and they do have Friday night play.

Doris Hanke commented on her visit to the new Shuffleboard venue in Chicago owned by Ashley Albert and Jonathan Schnapp (who own the club in New York). It is very upscale and has a lot of players, 60 teams. The Bobbers also were there this summer and they all received the “royal treatment”.

REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. Roberts Rules/Parliamentarian: Ed O’Neal stated that this is his last season, he is moving to Maine. He pointed out that our By-Laws, Article XV(1), states that any issue not covered by the By-laws shall be governed by Robert’s Rules of Order. He went over some of the myths of Robert’s Rules. Bob Smith thanked Ed for his contributions.
2. State Tournament Director: Glenn Monroe stated that it is the district’s responsibility to train directors. The District President can select directors for district tournaments but the FSA must approve all directors for state tournaments. He asked for District Presidents to submit a list of directors to him. He reported that the ISA tournament will be in Vienna, Austria in 2019 and in Australia in 2020.
3. Tournament Scheduling: Under new business
4. Preview Editor/Lithographer: Colleen thanked everyone for their help. The printer gave her extra copies of the Preview, however the price of each Preview went up. She pointed out that there is also information on pages where she had some space ie. Information for new players on page 69 submitted by Glenn Monroe.
5. Executive/Finance: Nothing
6. Publicity/Marketing: Districts are doing a good job.
7. Audit: That committee is Terri Smith and Pam Nurnberger
8. Rules/Regulations/By-laws: Nothing
9. Hall of Fame (2019): Jan Cote reported that everything is going well for the banquet on January 14, 2019. There are several who will be selling tickets which are \$35.00 each. An information packet is going to each District President. She asked who gets free tickets and was told to check Rules, Article 2(a) which specifies.
10. Advisory Board: Phil Rebholz had nothing to report.
11. Masters Tournament (2019): Central District will host this tournament at Betmar. Joan Cook is the Masters Chairperson. Many improvements have been made. Lunch for the awards banquet will be \$5.00 and lunches each day will be available to purchase.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Implementation of 10 days notices: Changes are in the 2018-2019 Preview and on the website.
2. Sponsorship for tournaments: Dave stated that we cannot put a dollar amount but districts and clubs are expected to have substantial prize money.
3. State Amateur format: Tabled from March 17th meeting, discussion as to allowing 75 point or frame games. Glenn Monroe made a motion that beginning with the 2019-2020 season that the FSA allow the districts to select the format for the Amateur State Tournaments as to whether it be 75 points or frame games, seconded by Pat King and passed.
4. By-Laws: Glenn Monroe stated that the National Association has not had a district representative for years but this was never eliminated in our by-laws. He stated that in October, with a 2/3 vote, a change can be made to the by-laws. He made a motion that the FSA by-laws be amended to eliminate district representatives, seconded by Larry Brown and passed.

Glenn Monroe made a motion to rescind the vote of the Board made on March 12, 2011 regarding the voting right of the State Tournament Director. He stated that the board voted by simple majority and it was improper as to procedure. He stated that the by-laws specify voting officers and the tournament director is

not named. Motion seconded by John Brown and passed.

Lunch break: 11:27 AM to 12:10 AM

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2019-2020 Tournament Schedule: Jan Cote asked that the TOC be moved back to Clearwater. Dave stated that he thought the low turnout was due to location but moving it to Sebring did not bring out any more numbers so that tournament has been returned to Clearwater on this schedule. Changes were discussed but it was requested that each District President review the schedule with Club Presidents (and no one else) and then discuss with the scheduling committee. The 2019-2020 schedule will be voted on at the January meeting. The official schedule will be on the website after the January meeting. Tropical Haven has announced that they will again serve lunches.

2. Special Hall of Fame Award: The nominations are John Brown and Linda Rebholz. Jan Cote stated that she had submitted the name of Ron Prevost (letter misplaced). She and Stan Bober were allowed to speak on his behalf. A new Standing Rule allows voting for up to two nominees, but a nominee must have a majority vote. A closed ballot vote was taken and Linda Rebholz will be inducted into the Hall of Fame, Special Award category in January.

3. Discipline Procedure: Dave Kudro submitted discipline procedure as outlined by Attorney VanEtten. Pat King has also submitted a procedure. Dave Kudro appointed a committee of Glenn Monroe, chairman; Pat King and Bob Hovatter to study these procedures and asked if any member has comments to submit to the committee. He made a motion that the committee be paid travel and lunch expense to meet, seconded by Pat King and passed. The procedure that they compile will be sent to each member, votes will be emailed to the Secretary and it will be effective immediately, if passed.

4. Solicitation of new amateurs: Tabled

5. Discussion of goals: Tabled

6. Nominating Committee: Glenn Monroe explained that a new by-law passed by the Board states that the Board will select the nominating committee instead of the president. Ray Buck, Ken Offenther and Phil Rebholz were nominated. Glenn Monroe made a motion that these be named to the Nominating Committee for this year, seconded by Rich Anderson and passed. A chairman will be selected by the committee.

Ray Buck requested time to comment. He praised Dave Kudro as president. He stated that Robert's Rules state that a president lead impartial meetings and felt that Dave had not done this in recent meetings.

Motion to adjourn made by Bob Hovatter, seconded by Jeannie Andrews. Meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Linda Rebholz
FSA Secretary