

FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION, INC.
SPRING MEETING, SEBRING, FLORIDA
March 17, 2012

OPENING: President Glen Peltier called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M. The invocation and pledge were given by Dick Stonecipher.

GUESTS: Fifteen guests were present and introduced themselves and the district they were from. President Peltier welcomed them.

OATH OF OFFICE: 1st Vice President Phil Rebholz swore in the following: Earl Ball, delegate, Central District; Dick Stonecipher, President, Central East Coast District; Lynda Stonecipher, delegate, Central East Coast District and Jay Fitzpatrick, President, Southeast Coast District.

ROLL CALL: Absent : Stan Williamson, President of Northern District (Pat King was present for Northern District).

MINUTES: The minutes have been on the website for some time. Motion was made by Phil Rebholz and seconded by Landy Adkins to accept minutes and carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer, Jeannie Andrews distributed copies of the treasurer's report. Motion was made by Landy Adkins to accept, seconded by Phil Rebholz and carried.

COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Glen Peltier stated that Tony and Evelyn Tatro along with Don Bell would be presenting their program for online grocery shopping at 1:00 P.M.

REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD: 1st Vice President-Phil Rebholz-No report at this time
2nd Vice President-Henry Strong-No report at this time
3rd Vice President-Landy Adkins- Reported that she is working on the sign up sheet for the Masters and will have it at the Lakeland tournament on Monday.

REPORT FROM KEEPER OF RECORDS & WEB MASTER: Ed O'Neal reported that he had added a Masters spreadsheet package and a new tournament program. He would rather not do membership cards. He stated that the list of new members is on the website.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT PRESIDENTS:

1. West Coast District-President Bruce Fawcett stated that their website is now running and their new web master is Stan Barbor. They are also going to resurface the courts at Clearwater.
2. Southwest Coast District-President Mike Marquis stated that they are working on the Hall of Fame Banquet for next year. The location will be the Courtyard Marriott and dinners will be \$25.00 each. They are working to get a sponsor for the hors d'oeuvres. He also stated that the Masters will be held at Palmetto and meals will be available. The training program has been very successful they are having about 250 players. Manatee is working to have shuffleboard as P.E. for young people.
3. Southern District-New president Jay Fitzpatrick was introduced by delegate, Ken Offenther. Jay reported that the SE District had inducted 6 members into their Hall of Fame. He also reported that Lake Worth may be returning as a Club.
4. Central East Coast District-new president Dick Stonecipher stated that he has no report at this time.
5. Northern District-Pat King reported that they have new amateurs and that some players are beginning to come out of the Mobile Home Parks.
7. Central District-President David Earle reported that he has a new board. Earl Ball is now delegate. He

reported that they are raising their fee to \$6.00 to pay for new tournament directors and for developing a program for new tournament directors. They have a large number of amateurs, especially women. He stated that they are going to use a lot of frame games in order to keep tournaments to 2 days. He feels that State Amateur tournaments are not receiving enough attention and that winners of these tournaments should be announced and officers should make an effort to attend, such as Club Presidents.

REPORTS ON STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

President Peltier stated that he was asking the report from the Advisory Committee first as we have past president Dave Minnich who wishes to speak.

. Advisory Board: Dave commented that the board should exercise common sense and that the Roberts Rules of Order did not have to be followed. He stated that he has served on the FSA board for about 17 years and he would suggest that this board try to do business the way they had done it in the past. It is called the 2/3 to discuss and the majority rules procedure. If any of you want to discuss a subject that is not on the agenda, whether it be a rule to be clarified or changed, or a procedure you would like to discuss, you simply raise your hand and when recognized by the chair, you state that you would like a 2/3 vote to discuss such and such. A vote is taken by all members of the board. If a 2/3 vote is not reached, it dies right there. If a 2/3 vote is reached, a discussion on the topic is held, where all members of the board may be heard. After discussion, a motion is made, and seconded to take a vote, where a majority of the vote rules. Every member of this board may bring up any subject on their mind. Every member of this board gets a vote for the 2/3 needed to discuss. Every member of this board may participate in the discussion and every member gets a vote to accept or deny the motion. This would supercede all Roberts Rules on the voting procedures, if the procedure I explained is adopted or in fact, if any voting procedure is adopted. The only topic that this procedure does not cover is the by-laws which is an entirely different animal. At this time, the Advisory Committee is going to ask the chair to request a motion to discuss this Advisory Committee's suggestion to formally adopt our suggested 2/3 to discuss and majority vote to decide procedure which has been the practice of the FSA for many years.

Glenn Monroe made a motion to discuss, seconded by Landy Adkins and carried. Much discussion followed which centered around the by-laws which states we will use Roberts Rules. It was stated that the Executive Board may send a letter of warning or suspension but a letter of probation requires the full Board. It was stated that the IRS does not recognize our organization as a sport. It was also noted that if we get outside our rules, higher authority may cause us a lot of grief. Dave stated that if the FSA makes a rule it should be part of the Minutes. Earl Ball made a motion that if a board member contacts the president by written notice with an issue to be put on the agenda for the next meeting that the item be put on the agenda and that the agenda go on the website 10 days prior to the meeting. Seconded by Landy Adkins and passed.

Dave Minnich addressed the issue of proxy votes. He stated that by law you should and are required to receive proxy votes if a member cannot attend. They should have a vote. Of course, the best solution is to attend the meetings and not have that happen.

Break 10:05 A.M.

Meeting resumed at approximately 10:20 A.M. with Committee reports.

2. State Tournament Director: Glenn Monroe reported that he needs names of District Tournament Directors. He also stated that he will direct all Red Line Tournaments as well as the Masters.

3. Tournament Scheduling: 1st Vice President Phil Rebholz reported that he had made a mistake in the Amateur Schedule for 2012-2013 which moved all tournaments from A-12 one week behind. He contacted all District Presidents. Copies of the revised schedule was distributed. Pat King of Northern District noted that Hawthorne will have a conflict with A-19A Feb. 25th so this was switched to A-18B on Feb. 18th. Glenn Monroe made a motion to accept the revised 2012-2013 Schedule, seconded by Landy Adkins and carried. Earl Ball stated that venues should be changed in order to even out attendance. 1st Vice President Rebholz asked that this be tabled to the Spring meeting.

Preview Editor: Ed O'Neal stated that Website passwords should be given to the President of each District and State organization in case the webmaster should not be available for a period of time. He needs e-mail addresses for the new West Coast Hall of Fame members in order to proof bios. If anyone wants their bio to include more than is on the January HOF program, they should let him know.

Executive and Finance: 2nd Vice President Landy Adkins inquired if there should be more than 2 signatures on the checks and it was noted that 2 is sufficient.

Publicity: No one present

Auditing: No one present

Hall of Fame: Landy Adkins will work with Joyce Marquis.

Rules and Regulations:

RESULTS OF 10 DAY NOTICES ARE LISTED NUMERICALLY AS THEY ARE ONLINE AND COVERS ONLY THOSE WHICH PASSED:

(Secretary's note: Complete 10-day notices are on the website.)

TDN-1

Changed to read:

Shufflers email addresses and telephone numbers

(Secretary's note: this was not an existing rule. Refers to the shuffler's e-mail address page that was a project of Ann Hersom)

Vote-yes

TDN-12-Standing Rule #5-

Delete

Vote-Yes

TDN13-Standing Rule #12

Move this rule out of Standing Rules and add to Art. 5

Vote-Yes

TDN-16-Standing Rule 15

Changed to read:

15. Following the March meeting, the Secretary shall compile a list of approved motions as recorded in the minutes that might need to be included in the forthcoming Preview publication. Forward this list to the President for approval. The President may contact Board members for any clarification necessary, then forward those approved by the end of June to Preview Editor for publication.

Vote-Yes

TDN-19-1. Violations and Penalties C-15

Change: From C-15 remove 15b from 1-Violations and Penalties

Vote: Yes

TDN-23-1. Violations and Penalties C-5a

Changed to read:

C-5a in 1-Violations and Penalties should be placed into our rules below C-5

Vote-Yes

TDN-29-State and District Tournament Regulations, Art.4(g). All tournaments must have 4 places in consolation.

Changed to read:

The number of places in a tournament will be determined by the size of the field in each division. 16 or more teams will have 4 places in main and consolation. 14-15 teams will have 4 places in main and 3 places in consolation. 12-13 teams will have 4 places in main and 2 consolation. 10-11 teams will have 4 main and 1 consolation. 8-9 teams will have 3 main and 1 consolation. 6-7 teams will have 3 main and no consolation. Less than 6 will have 2 main and no consolation.

Vote-yes

New Business:

President Glen Peltier stated that Stan McCormack has to leave because of another obligation. At this time he would like to hear Stan's report regarding the 100 year Anniversary of Shuffleboard in Florida.

Stan reported that the actual date of this anniversary is the second week of October. He would like to see us have events for the entire year of 2013. He has a committee of Jim Allen, Dorothy Wagaski and Gus Bondi at this time and would like a member of the Executive Board on this committee. He would like the theme of the Preview to feature this anniversary. Ed O'Neal would need pictures and it was stated that those are already being collected. Earl Ball made a motion, seconded by Ken Offenther that the theme of the Preview be our contribution to the 100 year anniversary of FSA. Motion carried. There is going to be a major event in St. Petersburg by ISA. There was some discussion as to the involvement of each District in promoting other events. Mike Marquis suggested a tie-in with the Hall of Fame Banquet.

President Peltier introduced Don Bell, Tony and Evelyn Tatro. Mr. Bell handed out material and explained the program of his company for grocery shopping online. If they could use our website there would be no out of pocket expense but FSA could realize an income of 2% monthly. There was some discussion. Earl Ball stated that if the company would sponsor a tournament and talk up his company that he would have better results than this board could.

President Peltier stated that FSA has been paying \$4.00 to Sebring for our meeting lunch. The club has requested \$5.00. Motion made by Ed O'Neal, seconded by Glenn Monroe to raise the amount to \$5.00 and carried.

By-laws: 2nd Vice President Henry Strong has nothing at this time.

Masters: David Earle reported that everything is going ok.

Advisory Board: Jim Bailey stated that we really wanted to speed up the game that we go to 16 frames or 75 points.

New Business continued:

Glenn Monroe made a motion to rescind the amendment to Standing Rule 18 and was seconded by Henry Strong for discussion. Glenn Monroe then read a proposal as follows: "The format for the Florida Masters tournament shall be walking singles. In the event that a player in any division is unable to participate in walking singles for medical reasons and provides medical documentation of the restriction, that person, and any other player in that division who chooses to do so, may play any or all matches as non-walking singles. If either player in a given match chooses to play non-walking singles, both players in that match must play non-walking singles. If the match is non-walking, the assigned court referee, or other volunteer, shall be responsible for pushing the played discs back to the shooting end of the court at the conclusion of each

frame. In all cases, a match will consist of three games of 75 points each.”

Dave Minnich stated that this could not be made an amendment to the original motion. Landy asked that original motion be read by the secretary. Vote was taken on motion to rescind and carried. Glenn Monroe then made a motion that the Masters format be amended as he proposed, seconded by David Earle and carried. David Earle questioned if this would also affect the TOC and discussion revealed that it would. Earl Ball made a motion to eliminate (under Rules) , Article 8, (players eligibility), L & M, seconded by David Earle and carried.

Glen Peltier announced that he is resigning as President of FSA at this time. He has too much going on. Everyone was surprised. After discussion, it was confirmed that each of the executive board will move up as they are already sworn in, Phil Rebholz, President; Henry Strong, 1st Vice President; and Landy Adkins, 2nd Vice President. This will leave an opening for 3rd Vice President.

Outgoing president Peltier gave the gavel to new president Phil Rebholz. Although a little stunned, Phil remarked that Glen had been a mentor to him and had been a good president. He told the board members that he would need a lot of help. It was stressed that a nominee for 3rd vice president could not be someone from the same district as another executive officer.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 3:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Rebholz, FSA Secretary

NOTE: Fall meeting- October 13, 2012-Sebring