

FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION
FALL MEETING, SEBRING, FLORIDA
OCTOBER 12, 2013

OPENING: The meeting was called to order by President Rebholz at 9:00 A.M. The invocation was given by Linda Rebholz followed by the Pledge.

OATH OF OFFICE: George Shaver (representing Dick Stonecipher, CECD), Earl Ball (representing Bob Marshman, Central District), Ruth Brown (representing David Earle, Central District), Mel Gianotti (representing Jay Fitzpatrick, Southeast District), Wayne Kitchins (representing Lynda Stonecipher, CECD) and Donna King (representing president, Northern District) were sworn in by Landy Adkins.

Eight guests were welcomed by President Rebholz.

ROLL CALL: All Board members were present or represented.

MINUTES: The minutes of March 16th meeting were posted on the website. Motion made by Landy Adkins, seconded by Jeannie Andrews to accept as published. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer's report was distributed. Motion made by Landy Adkins, seconded by Dave Kudro, to file for audit. Motion carried. Jeannie mentioned that expenses are exceeding income and we may have to begin withdrawing from savings.

President Rebholz stated that he had a heart attack this summer and appreciated the cards and well wishes. He expressed sympathy to Earl Ball in the loss of his mother. He commended the Board members on their cooperation and thanked Ken Offenther and Colleen Austin for the work they have done on the 100th Anniversary committee. He also complimented Palmetto Club and Southwest District for a successful Masters tournament.

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD: 1st Vice President, Landy Adkins-No report at this time
2nd Vice President, Dave Kudro, No report at this time
3rd Vice President, Pat King, No report at this time.

REPORT FROM KEEPER OF RECORDS : Ed O'Neal reported that he had updated some district records concerning deceased or inactive members and asked that districts try to keep updated. He reported that there had been a small problem with the website (GoDaddy will discontinue) but he has another program. Jeannie Andrews also requested that districts update their court fee records.

REPORTS FROM DISTRICT PRESIDENTS:

1. WEST COAST DISTRICT: Steve Raimondi stated that he and Frank Niziolek are working on the pilot program and it will be started soon. They need a survey database and hope that Ed O'Neal can help with this. He distributed a packet that they are using and which can be used by other districts as fits their needs. He stated that ISA players are going to be touring the Hall of Fame at Clearwater on Sunday and that the Mayor of Clearwater will be there. Landy complimented Steve on a good job and reminded everyone that Helen Biaggi from Southern District had presented a similar program a year ago and she had paid for it. Jeannie Andrews asked if there is a time frame and Steve said the program is ongoing. Earl Ball stated that last year Stan McCormick had publicized a tournament and the turnout was overwhelming. We need players and promotion works.

2. SOUTHWEST DISTRICT: Mike Marquis had nothing at this time.

3. SOUTHERN DISTRICT: Ray Buck reported that the Hall of Fame Banquet is being held in his district and thanked the committee and the Biaggis for all the work. He said the construction at the Lee County courts is almost finished, the opening is scheduled for October 25. Lunches will be provided by the Ft. Myers Little League.

4. SOUTHEAST DISTRICT: Ken Offenther stated there have been no changes.

5. CENTRAL EAST COAST DISTRICT: George Shaver had nothing to report.

6. NORTHERN DISTRICT: Donna King reminded the board that tournament P-06A will be played at Hawthorne this year while the Deland club is being renovated.

7. CENTRAL DISTRICT: Earl Ball stated that their season has not started yet, will begin the middle of October and end the 3rd week of March to accommodate the snowbirds. The district is a 90 mile triangle and they split about 30% of their amateur tournaments. St. Cloud does not have enough people so they are working on alternate formats for them. All courts at St. Cloud are now covered and they would like to have more state tournaments.

REPORTS ON STANDING & SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

1. STATE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Glenn Monroe stated that he will do the redline tournaments at Port Charlotte. He stated that there is some disagreement as to interpretation of Rule 9A. He feels that the intent is no interference with a shooter and does not mean that his opponent may not sit. Slow play was mentioned and whether it is intentional, etc. After discussion, Glenn stated that he will send a memo to all tournament directors regarding these issues as we do not need rule changes. Glenn stated that he has been asked to do a computer class for tournament directors and asked that he be notified as to who will plan to attend. He felt this should only be for directors and that anyone directing has to be able to do a chart by hand.

2. SCHEDULING: Landy Adkins distributed copies of the Proposed 2014-2015 schedule. Glenn Monroe reminded everyone that this should only be used by board and district presidents and should not be duplicated. It was discussed that the rotation has 2 redline tournaments in a district and should be adjusted. There were several changes discussed and Landy will do another schedule with corrections and get to District presidents. The schedule will be finalized at the January meeting.

3. PREVIEW EDITOR AND WEB MASTER: Ed O'Neal thanked John Bushee who picks up the Previews. Each district receives one box of 32 books. There are several extras and should be given to the advertisers. He stated that we lost 14 advertisers and gained 7, however, the districts are ordering more books for promotion purposes. He stated that Nidy was one of the advertisers that we lost but was replaced by Florida Sports. He made a motion to reimburse the districts for advertising, seconded by Jeannie Andrews and passed. He noted that the e-mailer's page was moved to the back of the Preview because there are not as many. Ways to change this were discussed with no solution.

4. EXECUTIVE AND FINANCE: Jeannie Andrews stated that the expenses are exceeding our income and distributed some bills.

5. PUBLICITY: Jeannie Andrews had nothing to report.

Break at 10:30 A.M and meeting resumed at 10:45 A.M.

6. AUDITING: Joyce Marquis stated that Margaret Hartzler did the audit.

7. HALL OF FAME BANQUET COMMITTEE: Landy Adkins stated that tickets prepared by Colleen Austin will be available for sale on Monday. There will only be 130 tickets available. Helen Biaggi reported that all is going well and that Steve Biaggi has obtained some great prizes. The banquet will be held at Cross Creek Country Club, meals will cost \$25.00. The hotel is the Best Western at \$59.00 and is close to the banquet hall. There will be four inductees into the Hall of Fame: Ken Offenther, Judy Ross, Shirley McCullough and Nicole Huot.

8. RULES AND REGULATIONS/BY-LAWS: George Adkins had nothing to report. Suggested that job

descriptions for all district board members as well as FSA board would help new officers.

9..MASTERS TOURNAMENT: Steve Raimondi reported that Carl Rogerson has been working on this and Holiday Park is ready.

10. ADVISORY BOARD: No one present

11. 100 ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE: Stan McCormack reported that the ISA Banquet on October 25th will conclude this celebration and marketing has ended. He feels that this was a successful promotion. Dave Kudro asked about the DVD which was supposed to be produced and Stan stated that it was too costly but some other teaching tool may be in the works.

12. HALL OF FAME: Landy Adkins reported that there was a nomination for a group for the Special Award. Earl Ball read his nomination for the 100th Anniversary Committee. Some suggested that a plaque for each member would be more appropriate. After discussion as to whether the rule allowed a group nomination, Glenn Monroe stated that the rule could be interpreted for a team. It was agreed that this as a legitimate nomination. Landy stated that there was also another nomination, Coleen Austin, made by Elton Brown, when he was president of Southern Distrct. A written vote was taken and Colleen Austin was voted to be the Special Award recipient. Glenn Monroe asked that we discuss honoring the Committee. Landy Adkins made a motion that the 100th Anniversary Committee members be awarded a plaque to be presented at the FSA Hall of Fame Banquet, seconded by Steve Raimondi and passed. Landy volunteered to get the plaques. The committee members are Stan McCormack, Jim Allen, Colleen Austin, Ken Offenther and Dorothy Wagasky.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Dave Kudro had Glenn Monroe read his proposal regarding the buying or selling of points.. Earl Ball expressed concern that the FSA could be sued. It was stated that you would need witnesses when appearing before the Board (the Board meaning Executive Board). After much discussion, Landy Adkins made a motion to accept Glenn's proposal as amended, to become effective January 1, seconded by Pat King and passed. The standing rule, subsection 11.A.3 would read as follows:

1. Any person accused of buying or selling FSA tournament points or move-up points shall be notified to appear at a hearing before the FSA Board to answer the allegation.

2. Anyone so notified, who fails to appear, shall be deemed to have waived their rights to be present at the hearing.

3. After such hearing, anyone who is found to have participated in the buying or selling of Points shall have their accumulated Points reduced by ten (10).

4. Any person so penalized will also forfeit automatic selection to the FSA Hall of Fame. Instead, having amassed two hundred (200) officially recognized points, the individual may petition the FSA Board for inclusion to the Hall of Fame.

A. Such discussion and election shall be in a closed session with only the Board and Secretary present.

B. Persons failing to achieve selection by the Board may petition again in subsequent years.

Lunch at 12:00 provided by the Sebring Shuffleboard Club, meeting resumed at 12:30.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Glenn Monroe stated he had a request to raise the state tournament directors fee to \$100.00 for each state tournament. In order to accomplish this, most Districts would have to raise their entry fee. George Shaver made a motion to discuss raising the state tournament fee from \$5.00 to \$6.00 effective January 1, seconded by Jeannie Andrews . Glenn Monroe stated that this is a board policy and not a rule. This is not on the agenda and requires a 2/3 vote. Motion passed. Some discussion as to how some districts can raise their fee. George Shaver made a motion to raise the state entry fee from \$5.00 to \$6.00, effective January 1, seconded by Jeannie Andrews. Motion carried. George Shaver made a motion to raise the State Tournament directors fee to \$100.00, effective January 1, seconded by Jeannie Andrews and passed. There was discussion as to where the extra would go. Glenn Monroe made a motion that the extra would go to

the State and Club 50-50 . This was seconded by George Shaver and passed.

2. The 100th Anniversary Committee has requested that the MVP (Most Valuable Person) list which will be in a special ISA book, be placed in the FSA Hall of Fame in Sebring. NOTE: This item was not brought before the Board as the Executive Board agreed that it could be done.

Earl Ball made a motion that the State meetings be changed by moving the Fall meeting to November and the Spring meeting to the last week of March, seconded by Ruth Brown. Failed to get enough votes to discuss.

Pat King passed out a summary of tournament participation for information.

Pat King made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Dave Kudro. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 1:20 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Rebholz, FSA Secretary