

FLORIDA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION

SEBRING, FLORIDA

OCTOBER 18, 2014

Minutes

OPENING: Meeting was called to order by President Rebholz at 9:00 am. The invocation was given by Larry Brown, followed by the pledge.

OATH OF OFFICE: The following were sworn in by Landy Adkins—Bob Hovatter and Dick Stonecipher, Central East Coast District; Ruth and Larry Brown, Central District; Jane Moore, Northern District and Bob Rodman, West Coast District.

Roll call: Board members absent were Jay Fitzpatrick, Bob Marshman, David Earle, and Steve Raimondi who sent representatives.

Three guests were introduced and welcomed.

MINUTES: Secretary stated that the Minutes were posted on the FSA website. Secretary asked Ed O'Neal if a link to the agenda could be shown on the FSA website as several board members could not find it. Ed will add it to the Minutes link. Ron Nurnberger stated that an error in the March Minutes under Reports by District President, Southwest Coast District showed John Brennan instead of John Brown as giving lessons. Motion made by Lady Adkins, seconded by Pat King to approve Minutes as corrected. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Jeannie Andrews passed out copies of report. She noted that some bills were due for books ordered. Checks should be made to FSA and not to Jeannie. Motion made by Pat King to accept for audit, seconded by Dick Stonecipher and carried. Dave Kudro stated that the audit committee found the books to be in good order and praised Jeannie for a job well done.

COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: President Rebholz complimented the Executive Board, and all officers and thanked them for a lot of hard work. Jeannie Andrews, Treasurer, reported that Ron Nurnberger questioned if we are a 501C organization and she stated that we pay taxes. Glenn Monroe advised that the districts are under the FSA and not separate entities. This needs to be studied. President Rebholz announced that Joan Cook is only 2 points from her 1,000 and getting a green jacket. Joan said that Betmar is having a celebration but he feels that the presentation of the jacket should be made at a FSA function. He suggested the Roll of Champions tournament in Lakeland on December 8th to which Joan agreed. The Board also felt that this was the appropriate location.

REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE BOARD:

1ST Vice President-Landy Adkins thanked everyone for their prayers when George was so ill. She thanked the scheduling committee, Pat King and Dave Kudro for their work on the 2014-2015 schedule.

2nd Vice President-Dave Kudro welcomed new faces on the board and advised them not to be afraid to ask for help or to present new ideas, etc.

3rd Vice President-Pat King suggested that we consider adopting a rule that we use the same schedule and just change dates. He has had complaints about Betmar but it was suggested that if someone did not want to play in a large venue, they could go to the other location.

Landy Adkins reported on an incident at Port Charlotte regarding a player and buying points. It was noted that a board member should intercede if such a conversation is heard and explain the rule and the penalties.

REPORT FROM KEEPER OF RECORDS: Ed O'Neal had nothing to report.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT PRESIDENTS:

1. West Coast District: Frank Niziolek reported that they had gained 4 clubs. The promotion project is going slowly and they are still working on their data base. They have had referee classes and good publicity. Pinellas Park has a new recreation director and may get some improvements; St. Petersburg has been having as many as 300 players some nights and Clearwater had singles/mingles in April, May and June. The American Amateur, the Canadian Amateur and the Can/Am tournament are being held. They want to work with the recreation departments and school system to try to get younger people involved.
2. Southwest Coast District: Ron Nurnberger stated that he has new officers and they are learning. John Brown and Jerry Everett are conducting classes and the district is adding some draw tournaments. He asked if their Masters which starts on Wednesday is in violation of FSA rules. Glenn Monroe stated that the rule infers that a tournament within 75 miles could not start on the SAME day as a state tournament, therefore there is no violation.
3. Southern District: Ray Buck reported that their numbers are down as well as other districts. Bob and Joyce Smith and others are conducting instructional classes. He is proud of his board. Landy Adkins mentioned that Helen Biaggi had presented a plan to get players out of the parks and it was partially successful. The district is still using this plan to some extent.
4. Southeast District: Ken Offenther reported that Jay is in North Carolina and that they are hosting the Hall of Fame Banquet. Things are going well.
5. Central East Coast District: Bob Hovatter stated that this district has had their 2nd tournament and showed a 50% increase.
6. Northern District: Donna King had nothing to report

7. Central District: Larry Brown reported that their amateur numbers are also down. Winter Haven voted to disband their club at the end of the season.

10:10 AM-President Rebholz called for a 10 minute break

REPORTS ON STANDING AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

1. STATE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR: Glenn Monroe stated that there was some confusion with tournament directors regarding instant pros procedure. He has designed a form to be signed by the players indicating their choice for instant pro status i.e. immediate or next season. It will be on the website.
2. TOURNAMENT SCHEDULING: Landy Adkins stated that all district presidents had received the Proposed 2015-2016 schedule. Correction to the Pros noted that P27-Briney Breezes (Palm Beach County) will host the Masters in April. Changes to the amateur schedule are as follows: A01 should be St. Petersburg; A05 is Southern District (no club at this time); A11 is Southeast Coast District (no club at this time); A20 was changed to Tropical Haven and A21 was changed to Pioneer Village.

Note: Reports given out of order so that Landy could leave if necessary-she just had back surgery

3. HALL OF FAME BANQUET: Landy reported that Colleen Austin has printed flyers and the tickets. Landy, Coleen and Ken Offenther will have tickets to sell for \$34.00. The Banquet is being held at the Rodeway Inn, Ft. Lauderdale. The Rodeway is also being used for accomodations at \$79.99 per night.
4. HALL OF FAME: Landy stated that 2 nominations have been received for Special Award Category. She read the nomination of Jack Wooten as submitted by Pat King. She also read the nomination of Glenn Monroe as submitted by Ed O'Neal. Nominees were asked to leave the room and ballots were distributed. Dave Kudro, Pat King and Ken Offenther counted the ballots. Dave Kudro reported that Glenn Monroe was the new inductee into the Hall of Fame under Special Award category.
5. PREVIEW EDITOR AND WEB MASTER: Ed O'Neal gave out complimentary copies of the 2014-2015 Preview. Southwest Coast District is featured. Ed stated that orders were down and he suggested that the incentive which has been given be dropped. Ed needs photographers to send him more pictures of the Masters participants. He also needs photos from all state redline tournament, both pro and amateur. There was a discussion of what addresses to be used for affiliate clubs. Motion made by Landy Adkins to leave the address out, seconded by Pat King and carried.
6. EXECUTIVE & FINANCE: Jeannie Andrews had nothing to report.
7. RULES & REGULATIONS: George Adkins reminded the Board that 10 days notices for rule changes are due on even years.
8. BY-LAWS: George Adkins reminded the Board that 10 day notices for by-law changes are due every 3 years and 2015 will be the year.

9. MASTERS TOURNAMENT: Ray Buck reported that Lee County will be the host. Bob and Joyce Smith are working on the last day banquet and lunches will be provided each day by a vendor.
10. ADVISORY BOARD: No one present
11. HISTORIAN: No one present

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Glenn Monroe discussed the confusion over the additional \$25.00 for tournament director's fee. He made a motion that the FSA absorb this fee, seconded by Landy Adkins. Motion carried. Glenn stated that he will prepare a new form which will be on the web site.

11: 30am Lunch

NEW BUSINESS: Ken Offenther announced that the 100th anniversary committee would like to promote shuffleboard and dispense the \$4,684 that remains. Districts, etc. may send their ideas and request for funds to Stan McCormack.

Motion made to adjourn by Dick Stonecipher, seconded by Jerry Stannard. Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:45pm

NOTE: Next meeting --January 19, 2015 at Ft. Lauderdale following Hall of Fame Banquet

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Rebholz, Secretary