

FSA CENTRAL DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, November 5, 2016

The Central District Executive Board met Saturday, November 5, 2016 at Sanlan RV and Golf Resort. President Don Rood called the meeting to order at 9:00 am. Roll call was taken and all officers were present with the exception of Alternate State Delegate Judy Holloway. No mention of the minutes was made.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

President Don Rood—Will report later

1st VP Doug Stockman—Doug reported the Reiny Masters winners as follows:

Amateur women—Pauline Murphy
Amateur men—Raimo Saari
State Amateur women—Edith Weigert
State Amateur men—Bill Baird
Pro women—Glenda Brake
Pro men—Earl Ball

Doug said that things went very well and wished to express thanks to the following clubs/individuals: Tournament director George Adyns, David Earle, Dan Noble, Bob Marshman, Pat Stockman, Zephyrhills Club, Betmar Club and the Lakeland group led by Dean Myklejord.

Those helping with the closing were Marti Noble, Pauline Murphy, Cheryl Conkle and Don Rood.

Thanks to Glenn Monroe for making the signs for the seats and for being Doug's main helper. The 2017 Reiny will be held March 16-17 at Sebring. Deadline for entry is March 5, 2017. Playoffs (if necessary) will be held March 8 at Sanlan. Zephyrhills will host the Reiny Masters in 2018 with a location yet to be determined. It is understood that a 6 year schedule needs to be put in place.

The trophies (plaques) for the state am men/ladies are filled and need to be replaced. Doug had originally come up with a price of \$80 a piece. However, both plaques have been ordered for a total price of \$104.

Doug received some correspondence from Gus Bondi asking for the Hall of Fame Classic to be held on a Thursday instead of Friday. It was agreed to leave it as is due to possible scheduling difficulties at Winter Haven. It was suggested that a change in officers for next year will be needed. Someone else will need to take over the organization of next year's Reiny Masters as Doug will be Central District President.

Doug praised all who helped at the International tournament held at St Cloud this year. He said the food and hospitality were great. Glenn did a marvelous job as director.

Don Rood thanked Doug for all the work he has done with the Reiny.

2nd VP-Jim Chandler-nothing However, there was some discussion about making sure that when there is a No 2 Pro tournament on one side of the district, there is an alternate format on the other side. Since it is becoming increasingly difficult to find amateurs to play with at these No 2 Pro tournaments, it was suggested dropping one tournament at Sebring and one tournament at Avon Park. No action was taken at this time.

3rd VP Marti Noble—The PREVIEWS are all delivered. Her email is incorrect on p. 89. It should read gmail.com, not Comcast. This is Ed O’Neil’s last Preview. Colleen Austin will be taking over the PREVIEW for next year.

4th VP Pauline Murphy—will report later

Secretary Cheryl Conkle—nothing

Treasurer Mike Seyfer—Mike gave the following financial report for the period ending October 31, 2016:

Cash Ex-Trust	11,066.03
Cash-Hall of Fame Trust	1,154.04
Cash—Reiny Trust	<u>1,279.71</u>
Total Assets	13,499.78
Net Worth—February 29, 2016	14, 815.93
Net Loss: March 1, 2016-October 31, 2016	<u>1,316.15</u>
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Mike reported the addition of one new club, Westside Ridge in Auburndale. It has 30 members. Glenn asked if the roster was up to date and Mike indicated that it was.

The report will be filed for audit.

State Delegate Larry Brown- will report at the General Meeting

District Tournament Director George Adyns—George indicated that our tournament attendance is running very even with last year.

Webmaster Glenn Monroe—Glenn said he will be passing out club rosters and is asking each club to mark any members who are deceased or inactive.

Glenn brought up the suggestion of protection for the FSA website. The website is FSA.org. and it would cost \$30 per year to protect it from anyone else starting a site such as FSA.com or .net. George Adyns made a motion to pay the \$30 for the site protection. Larry Brown seconded the motion. Motion passed.

HOF Curators Jim/Marlene Corbeil-Marlene thanked everyone for helping redo the Winter Haven courts. She also said that she and Jim have been curators for 5 years and would like someone else to take over this position. Marti Noble asked what was involved in this position. Marlene said it was putting up pictures/plaques from the Hall of Fame along with collecting money for gift cards during the tournament. She and Jim will be happy to show someone what all is involved.

HOF Classic – Jim/Virginia Chandler—nothing

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Collection of PREVIEW money----will wait until General Meeting

NEW BUSINESS

Amateur Packets—Pauline Murphy presented the board with a letter that included tips for good etiquette/sportsmanship while shuffling. It is meant especially for new shufflers and asked for it to be included in the amateur packets.

Special Awards—A letter from Tom Gionet was read nominating Barbara Fournier for a special award at this year’s Hall of Fame. Tom commended her for her dedication and years of service to the game of shuffleboard. Doug Stockman made a motion to accept this nomination. Pauline Murphy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Amateur move-up points—Pauline addressed the issue of amateur move up points. She said there are 2 problems. 1.) We cannot recruit enough players 2.) Players are moving up too fast. She submitted a letter asking to bring back the Novice Tournament. She is hoping this would encourage new shufflers and they wouldn’t be discouraged. Pauline submitted a letter asking for \$200 to help with any director’s fee, prize money, and any other expenses that might be incurred. The tournament would be open to any amateur who hasn’t earned any move-up points at all. It would be held March 8-9, 2017 at Lakeland.

There was discussion about changing the number of points needed to move up. Glenn said the FSA dictates that 5 points are needed. It is not our decision. Marti suggested eliminating the October schedule which is when many amateurs get their needed points. Glenn said they could be made “no points” tournaments.

Glenn also reminded us of the new FSA rule which states that “if a player does not win at least one match, no points will be awarded.” Please let him know if that happens.

Glenn questioned the wording in Pauline’s letter of “no points in current season”. He said it should read “no points at all”.

Marti Noble made a motion to approve the \$200 request for the Novice tournament. Jim Chandler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2018 State Red Line Doubles –P19- Pat King had contacted Don Rood about the scheduling for the 2018 State Red Line singles and doubles tournaments (P16 and P19 respectively). Don told him Sebring would host the singles and Lakeland would host the doubles. Zephyrhills indicated interest in hosting both of them. Since letters of interest had been submitted by all 3 clubs, they can't be ignored and each tournament must be dealt with one at a time.

Sebring and Zephyrhills submitted letters for P16, the red line singles tournament. If it was assigned to Zhills, the men would play at Betmar and the women would play at Zephyrhills. The last time this singles tournament was held in the CD was in 2010 at Betmar/Zhills (according to George Adyns). Don Rood indicated at the meeting it had been held in 2012 but I later received an email from George with this correction. Marti Noble made a motion to hold P16 in Sebring for 2018. George Adyns seconded the motion. Secret ballots were passed out and voting took place. The result was that Sebring will host the 2018 State Red Line tournament (P16).

A similar discussion took place for the red line doubles for 2018. It was last held in the CD at Zhills/Betmar in 2011 (accdg to George Adyns' email). Larry Brown made a motion to hold the 2018 State Red Line doubles tournament (P19) in Lakeland. George Adyns seconded the motion. Mike Seyfer offered a weather-related reason for having the tournament at Betmar/Zhills. George Adyns thinks the tournament should rotate throughout the district. He said that Zephyrhills currently hosts 7 state tournaments already. The results of secret balloting gave the State Red Line doubles tournament (P19) to Lakeland for 2018.

Inactive/deceased players---save for general meeting

Other—Marlene Corbeil asked for \$200 to promote amateur shuffling in a park tournament at Winter Haven to be held in February, 2017. Marlene Corbeil made a motion to give \$200 to the Winter Haven club for this park tournament. Glenn Monroe seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment---George Adyns made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Cheryl Conkle,

Secretary

FSA CENTRAL DISTRICT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, November 5, 2016

President Don Rood opened the Central District General Membership Meeting at 10:30 with an invocation and the pledge to the flag. He thanked Sanlan RV and Golf Resort for hosting the meeting. He thanked those present for their hard work and dedication in the promotion of shuffleboard.

Roll call was dispensed with and introductions were made of all members and officers.

George Adyns made an amendment to the March minutes by saying David Earle's motion should have read that "\$250, not \$200," be allocated to George Adyns for supplies in the upcoming year. The correction was made to the March minutes and reposted.

Communications-None

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This year's Reiny Masters will be held at Sebring March 16-17. Zephyrhills will host the 2018 Reiny. He is hoping the district will show support at Sebring as well as Zephyrhills for the following year. Don Rood thanked Doug for all his hard work and dedication.

Doug expressed thanks to the Lakeland Club for all its help and support for the 2016 Reiny Masters. Henry Strong asked about north vs south in regards to the location of the Reiny. Discussion will be upcoming.

2nd VP Jim Chandler-nothing

3rd VP Marti Noble—PREVIEWS have been distributed.

4th VP Pauline Murphy—will discuss under new business

Secretary Cheryl Conkle—She will be mailing out the membership forms soon.

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State Delegate Larry Brown-This past state meeting was held at Sebring. Larry encourages more people to attend. Larry expressed his thanks to Glenn Monroe. According to Larry, without Glenn, many illegal things would have taken place at this meeting. Glenn is there to stop them. Highlights of the meeting are as follows:

- 1.) \$45,827.66 is the balance of the state fund
- 2.) Attendance is up in the first and second tournament
- 3.) No lunch at Tropical Haven (listed incorrectly in Preview)
- 4.) Hard shooting rule-at the discretion of the tournament director; just because it goes over the backstop doesn't necessarily mean it's hard shooting; too many variables
- 5.) Red Line tournaments-After next season, the district will get the singles and the Hall of Fame tournament but not the doubles. In the 2018-19 season, the singles and doubles tournaments will not be held in the same district.
- 6.) This year's masters will be at Spanish Lake
- 7.) George Atkins was nominated posthumously to the State Hall of Fame
- 8.) If you have a problem with a shuffler, send a letter to the FSA President
- 9.) This year's Red line singles and Hall of Fame Banquet will be at Hawthorne, costing only \$15 since they are hosting it.
- 10.) This is Ed O'Neil's last year as PREVIEW Editor. Colleen Austin will be next year's editor.
- 11.) Sebring is still trying to get their second state tournament. Larry has suggested 3 tournaments but schedules are still trying be juggled.

District Tournament Director George Adyns- The total number of shufflers is the same as last year.

Webmaster Glenn Monroe—He has a roster for each club. Please mark if any of your members are deceased or inactive so he can pare down the rolls.

HOF Curator Jim/Marlene Corbeil—Thanks to everyone for working on the Winter Haven courts. They are also looking for a replacement as HOF Curator. They have held this position for 5 years.

HOF Classic Jim/Virginia Chandler—nothing

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Collection of PREVIEW money— Over the past few years much of the PREVIEW money has not been collected. Discussion followed as to possible mishandling. It was suggested that people/clubs pay when the PREVIEWs are distributed. A reminder was given that each member club is entitled to one free PREVIEW. It was said that clubs are given free PREVIEWs and are not accounted for.

Mike Seyfer said last year we paid the state \$831 for PREVIEWs. Our revenue was \$164. Similar situations have occurred in previous years. Don Rood suggested that clubs pay up front for the PREVIEWs.

Glenn Monroe suggested setting up a committee to bring back recommendations for ways in handling this issue. Mike Seyfer agreed with the idea of paying as you receive them.

Henry Strong made a motion to pay for the number of PREVIEWs that you get. Harold Comeau seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Glenn said what about the free ones? Don Rood said the clubs should just bear the responsibility for the free clubs. Linda Armstrong suggested that when purchasing boxes, tell them which clubs are to be given free ones and subtract that amount of money.

Henry Strong amended his motion to say “pay for the number of PREVIEWs that you receive minus the free ones for the member clubs. Motion carried. This method of collecting money will begin this season.

NEW BUSINESS

Amateur packets—The letter composed by Pauline Murphy will be added to the amateur packets. It has tips for having a positive attitude on the courts, good etiquette and sportsmanship.

Amateur move-up points-- Pauline addressed the issue of amateur move up points. She said there are 2 problems. 1.) We cannot recruit enough players 2.) Players are moving up too fast. She submitted a letter asking to bring back the Novice Tournament. She is hoping this would encourage new shufflers and they wouldn't be discouraged. Pauline submitted a letter asking for \$200 to help with any director's fee, prize money, and any other expenses that might be incurred. The tournament would be open to any amateur who hasn't earned any move-up points at all. It would be held March 8-9, 2017 at Lakeland.

Henry Strong said Dave Kudro wants the amateurs to get 3 out of their 5 points from state tournaments. Our discussion was that that would be even easier! George Adyns said the CTL District has done their share in reducing points.

Special Awards—It was announced that Barbara Fournier will be receiving a special award at this year's Hall of Fame. She was nominated by Tom Gionet for her dedication and her years of service to the game of shuffleboard. She was CTL District secretary for 5 years as well.

2018 State Red Line Tournaments- Don Rood stated that the board voted to give next year's State Red Line Singles Tournament (P16) to Sebring and the Red Line Doubles (P19) to Lakeland. Glenn commented that the club hosting P16 must provide a meeting location.

Other—Doug Stockman commented that Earl is a good ambassador for shuffleboard and was glad to see that he played in the Reiny last spring.

Linda Armstrong said she and her husband Henry play in the International at St. Cloud. Some unsportsmanlike play took place. She said it's unsportsmanlike to keep pummeling someone when you're up over 60 points. Plenty of discussion followed giving viewpoints from both sides.

Doug commented that we have many quality players in this district and many role models to follow. Pauline encouraged shufflers to watch these experienced players and learn from them.

Short discussion took place about whether a pro should play against an amateur at a No 2 Pro tournament.

Adjournment—George Adyns made a motion to adjourn at 11:48am.

Cheryl Conkle, Secretary