FSA CENTRAL DISTRICT EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Saturday, November 4, 2017

The Central District Executive Board of the FSA convened Saturday, November 4, 2017 at Sanlan RV and Golf Resort. President Doug Stockman called the meeting to order at 9 am. Roll call was taken and members not in attendance were 1st VP Jim Chandler and HOF Curators Jim and Marlene Corbeil. Doug introduced two guests, Richard Carl and Mow Bray from Lake Region.

George Adyns made a motion to suspend the reading of the March board minutes since they are posted on the website. Larry Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

President Doug Stockman-Doug commented on player decorum. He stated that he has been involved directly and indirectly with different situations. He also stated there were 3 mentions from the March meeting. Those mentions included berating an amateur, etiquette and rules of the game, and conduct of players in park play. Doug has put together a statement that is to be read during early and midseason tournament opening ceremonies. He asked that it be read by whomever is representing the Board at each tournament. Larry Brown made a motion to accept this statement. Marti Noble seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ist VP Jim Chandler-no report

2nd VP Marti Noble-Previews are available. The invoice system worked well but we still need a better count for ordering. The cost to the District is over \$700.00.

3rd VP John Houghtaling-John reported that Doug Stockman has transferred all Reiny materials to him. However, he will be certain to ask Doug for help in the spring.

4th VP Cathy Mills- As a representative for amateur shufflers, Cathy plans to incorporate a better relationship with the CD presidents. She will need their participation to help increase shuffling. She says presidents are our promoters. Glenn Monroe indicated that the rest of this report should be continued under "old business".

Treasurer Mike Seyfer-Mike gave the following report for the period ending October 31, 2017:

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Mike commented that a net loss for this time of year is normal. Glenn made a motion to file this report for audit. George Adyns seconded the motion. Motion carried.

State Delegate Larry Brown- Larry reported that Landy Adkins resigned as FSA president and Dave Kudro is now the current president. However, the FSA Board did vote to place Landy in the State HOF as a past president even though she was unable to complete her term.

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David Kudro is wanting to get people interested and involved in shuffling and is organizing an Historical Committee. John Brown will chair this committee and Larry Brown will be the CTL District representative. Each district is being asked to put together a traveling exhibit.

There is a problem with low attendance at amateur tournaments (6 teams at Clearwater, 12 teams at Sebring recently). The State wants to do something about the points but for now has left it up to each district to handle the move up points.

The Board is also wanting to get a disciplinary plan in place for any future hearings that might take place. Thanks to Glenn Monroe for keeping the State Board organized and informed. His input is invaluable.

Thanks to George Adyns for not allowing a recent issue at Sebring to get out of hand. It was handled well.

Local clubs need to do a better job of preparing shufflers for tournaments. They are coming to play unaware of basic rules and etiquette.

District Tournament George Adyns- The number of shufflers is down this year, especially at the CD 3 tournament. Last year it was held at Lakeland hosting 104 shufflers. This year, 60 people shuffled at St. Cloud. Amateur tournaments are very poorly attended. It's not the format; they're just not coming. Marti suggested we start the tournaments in November when more people are here. John Houghtaling commented that it's more than one factor. It's lack of interest, travel, lack of promotion.

Webmaster/KOR Glenn Monroe-After 4 tournaments we have 3 shufflers who will be entering the CTL District HOF. They are Pat and Doug Stockman and Linda Marshman. One amateur has moved up to State Am and 3 State Ams have moved up to Pro.

HOF Curators Jim/Marlene Corbeil- no report **HOF Classic Jim/Virginia Chandler**- The same format as last year is being planned for this year.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Additional CD money for CD Masters Tournament- This item will be tabled until the January meeting . Bruce Armstrong initiated this item for discussion but isn't here yet.

Reiny Masters will be held in Zephyrhills (2018), St. Cloud (2019) and Lakeland (2020).

NEW BUSINESS

Possible format change for the CD Masters Tournament- George Adyns suggested that the Reiny Masters be changed from the current 2-day format to a 2 ½ day format. He stated that 2 days is exceptionally long and everyone and everything was in a hurry. Because of this rush, an error was made in communication last year. 2 ½ days allows for a more relaxed atmosphere.

Glenn Monroe has always felt that 2 days was rush. 2 ½ days makes it a more special tournament. The CTL District Masters should be an elite event. He would like to see us try 3 days or at least poll the members. Having lunch the third day would give the tournament director time to get all the results in order.

George Adyns made a motion that the CTL District Masters new format be 6 games on the first day, 6 games on the second day and 2 games, presentation and lunch on the third day. Larry Brown seconded the motion. Discussion followed. Marti Noble would like to poll the members to see how they felt. Mike Seyfer agreed. Glenn moved to table this motion until the general meeting. Mike Seyfer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2018 HOF /Fun Day- As stated before, the format will remain the same as last year.

2017/18 Novice Tournament—Cathy Mills first proposed plans for a novice tournament to be held Sat. Jan 31 at Sanlan. It would be a modified singles or single mingle tournament and would have an entry fee of \$6.00. No points would be awarded. She made a motion that asked for the tournament director's expenses to be paid by the CTL District. Mike Seyfer commented that a better job needs to be done in getting people aware of the tournament. Cathy said she would be sending out an email to all the club presidents. She has ideas for promotion and interaction with the presidents. The qualifications for the tournament are that a shuffler has no points. George said she might want to reconsider the date since there would be back- to- back tournaments at Sanlan that week. Marti seconded the motion for the payment of the TD. Glenn asked for clarification of the motion, then the motion carried.

2018/19 State Masters –Doug received a letter from Neil Pearcy, President of the Betmar Shuffleboard Club, asking that Betmar host this event. Discussion followed regarding letting other clubs have a chance to submit a bid. Glenn said that the State must have the information by their January meeting. It was decided to put this information on the CTL district website to make other clubs aware of this opportunity. The voting will take place at our January meeting.

Special HOF Award-Doug received a nomination letter from Henry Strong. Doug informed Henry he could speak to the board at the January meeting.

State Meeting- Larry Brown shared that there will no longer be Instant Pro or Instant State Am status awarded. Glenn asked how and when the altered move up points should be assigned. After discussion, Glenn made a motion that the CTL District apply its reduced point schedule to CTL District players in

State tournaments effective October 14, 2017. George Adyns seconded the motion. John Houghtaling asked if the players would be notified and was told it would be up to the board. Motion carried. **Lake Helen**-Doug had correspondence from the city commissioner of Lake Helen asking for help in getting their facility organized and revitalizing shuffleboard. Earl Ball followed up on this request. Meetings were arranged but eventually things just phased out.

Fraud Incident- An incident happened this summer where Mike Seyfer received a request to have money wired to a person in New Jersey. Thanks to Mike who, after checking into things and contacting Doug, found this to be a scam.

Tournament Concerns-none

Other-Richard Carl and Mow Bray, representatives of Lake Region, are interested in hosting an amateur tournament next year. They have 16 courts in good condition. They were asked to provide a request in writing soon so the board can consider this at the January meeting. Glenn asked that the information be emailed to him.

John Houghtaling asked Larry about the reduction in state points saying some amateurs were upset because the communication on this issue was not as clear as it should have been.

Larry made a motion stating that the CTL District reimburse Doug and Pat Stockman \$70 for their State HOF banquet tickets. As president of the CTL District, Doug should not have to pay for his tickets. Glenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Cheryl Conkle, Secretary

FSA CENTRAL DISTRICT GENERAL BOARD MEETING Saturday, November 4, 2017

President Doug Stockman called the Central District General Membership Meeting of the FSA to order at 10:35 am with an invocation. John Houghtaling led us in the pledge. Doug expressed thanks to Linda Armstrong for setting up the meeting room. Roll call was taken and all were present with the exception of Jim/Marlene Corbeil and Jim Chandler. Introductions were made of all members present.

George Adyns made a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes since they have been posted on the web. Glenn seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Communications- none

REPORT OF OFFICERS

President Doug Stockman-Doug stated that improper comments have been made to opponents and to tournament directors in recent tournaments. He also stated there were 3 mentions from the March meeting. Those mentions were of berating an amateur, etiquette and rules of the game, and conduct of players in park play. Doug has put together a statement that is to be read during early and mid-season. The board has accepted this statement and Glenn will post it on the web.

1st VP Jim Chandler – no report

2nd **VP Marti Noble**-The Previews are here and Marti has extras. The amateurs were recognized on the front cover.

3rd VP John Houghtaling-He expressed his thanks to Doug and Pat Stockman for job well done at last year's Reiny Masters in Sebring. This year's Reiny will be held in Zephyrhills. Thank you to the Board for the privilege of working with this dedicated group of people.

4th **VP Cathy Mills**-Cathy shared that she plans to make improvements and generate added interest in shuffling among amateurs. She wants to interact with the CD presidents and get some needed feedback. She's willing to listen to problems, suggestions, complaints, etc.

Secretary Cheryl Conkle-2018 Membership forms will be mailed out soon.

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There is concern that people are moving up to fast. The State is leaving it up to each District to handle the move up points.

There is a need for a set procedure for disciplinary action. No one quite knew how to handle the hearing that took place last spring. Thanks to Glenn for keeping things in order.

District Tournament George Adyns-George stated the number of shufflers is down this year, noticeably in tournament CD3.

Webmaster/KOR Glenn Monroe-Glenn announced that Pat and Doug Stockman and Linda Marshman have qualified for this year's HOF. There are three State Ams that have moved up to Pro and one amateur moving up to State Am.

HOF Curators Jim/Marlene Corbeil- no report **HOF Classic Jim/Virginia Chandler**- The same format will be used for this year's HOF Classic.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Additional CD money for tournaments—This item will be tabled until January meeting for lack of additional information.

Reiny Masters- The Reiny will be held in Zephyrhills this year, St. Cloud in 2019 and Lakeland in 2020.

NEW BUSINESS

Format change for CD Masters- George Adyns shared how 2 days for the Masters is just too rushed and would prefer the third day. It would be approximately 2 ½ days. Glenn made a motion to move the motion from the table. Marti seconded it. Bob Marshman commented about the third travel day. Harold Comeau said that people were still shuffling while awards were being given. Linda Armstrong said it should be an honor to play and if they don't want to play, it's their choice.

The motion was reread to say the new format for the Reiny Masters is 6 games on the first day, 6 games on the second day, 2 games on the third day with lunch and the presentation. Motion carried. This format will be in place for March of 2018. It was decided the third day would be on Saturday as it would be a better travel day and would not interfere with P24A/B.

2017/18 Novice Tournament- One of Cathy's goals is to encourage amateur play. She is planning a Novice Tournament for Wed. Feb. 7 (note the date change from the Exec board minutes). It will be a one day mingle single tournament with no points awarded. All proceeds will go toward prize money and the CTL District will pay for the TD. Those shufflers placing this year will not be eligible to play the following year.

2018/19 State Masters-This tournament will be played in the CTL District next year and any club is permitted to submit a request in writing to host this event. Glenn will post this information on the web. The FSA provides the host club with money for the meals and prize money.

Special HOF Award- This will be dealt with at the January board meeting. We have 1 request.

State Meeting- Nothing further; minutes are on the web

Lake Helen-There was a request to assist the commissioner of Lake Helen to get shuffleboard organized. Earl Ball did a conscientious job but in the end things fizzled out.

Fraud Incident-Mike Seyfer received an email requesting funds be wired to a person in New Jersey. It looked legitimate but after checking into it, it was a scam.

Bunching of Byes-This was a topic of conversation at FSA. George Adyns says it's a very good thing at the district as well as state level. Tournaments are completed quicker and people are allowed to go home earlier in the day. Glenn says someone needs to write a 10 day notice to get bunching of the byes returned to the State.

On the subject of 10 day notices, Bob Marshman will be writing one stating that 16 frame single games need to return to 12 frame games.

Tournament Concerns-Glenn said he received an email from the FSA President with a sheet listing all locations of tournaments and wanting it made available to all shufflers. If you want the location of a tournament there is a link already available.

Other-Bob Marshman has compiled new amateur packets. He encourages all clubs to take some and distribute to new players. There is an Amateur tournament at Winters Nov. 14. Doug thanked Bob for continuing to put together these packets.

Larry Brown commented that clubs haven't done a good job in teaching/preparing the amateurs before going out to play.

Linda Armstrong said by the end of November all 16 courts at Sanlan will be covered and redone. The work is being done by the Zephyrhills group.

Larry Brown reminded everyone about the State HOF banquet in Sebring this year. Sebring can host approximately 150 people.

Glenn asked if a nomination committee had been appointed. Bob Marshman will chair the committee and will ask two others to work with him.

The next meeting will be held Saturday, January 6, 2018.

Meeting adjourned at 11:42 am.

Secretary, Cheryl Conkle