FSA Central District Executive Board Meeting

March 7, 2015

The Central District Board Meeting was held on March 7, 2015 at Sanlan RV and Golf Resort. President, Bob Marshman called the meeting to order at 9:10 am. Roll call was taken and all officers were present. Minutes from the January 2015 meeting were approved.

Reports of officers is as follows:

President Bob Marshman---will give a report later

1st Vice-President, Don Rood ----2015-16 schedule is posted on the website

2nd Vice-President Doug Stockman--- Doug commented on the fact that the Top 8 district players in each division is coming together. 5 people are tied for 3 positions in the Pro women and there are possible playoffs in other divisions. The playoffs will take place at Sanlan on Wednesday, March 11. He credited many people for helping him track down the amateurs. ZSC has offered to help Lakeland with the District Masters. Gary Pipher will be the photographer. All alternates should report the first morning for pictures, pins, and lunch. They then may go home if they wish.

3rd Vice-President Judy Holloway—She is working on the Preview and updating the ads and phone numbers.

4th Vice-President Marti Noble—Marti reported an increase in amateur play. It was mentioned that the Central District had 140 amateurs playing recently in one day. She and Max Tate are finalizing the plans for the amateur tournament in Sebring for next season.

Secretary Barb Fournier—no report

Treasurer Mike Seyfer—Mike presented the financial statement for the period ending February 28, 2015. It is as follows:

Cash Ex-trust	12,139.63
CashHall of Fame Trust	1027.42
Cash—Reiny Trust	1209.27
<u>Total Assets</u>	14,376.32
Net Worth—February 28, 2014	11,207.19
Net Income: Mar 1, 2014-Feb. 28, 2015	3169.13
Net Worth—Feb. 28, 2015	14,376.32

We have 1 new club, Lake Bonnet Village in Sebring. This year's financial report was audited by David Earle. Don Rood made a motion to accept this audit with Lorraine Pollock seconding the motion. Motion was accepted.

State Delegate David Earle—David will present to the state the idea of the Central District having 2 and 4 for practice. He reported that Ruth Brown usually takes his place at the fall meeting with the President sending an e-mail to explain the reason for her presence.

District Tournament Director Lorraine Pollock—Lorraine complimented George Adyns for the job he has been doing in taking over her position. A big thank you was extended to Lorraine for her years of service.

Webmaster, Glen Monroe—Glen read the names of all those who have qualified for Reiny Masters, all top 8s and ties. He mentioned that Larry Metzgar is sitting at 96 points for the Hall of Fame with Chuck Moulton sitting at 94. The move-up points are not final as of yet.

HOF Curators: Jim Corbeil reported that Ruth Tate and Sue Krynak will be inducted into the Central District HOF as players and Bob Marshman as past president. The plaques and pins are ready. So far, \$758 has been collected in gift certificates. These names will be posted on the website.

HOF Classic: Cheryl Conkle reported that 180 players have signed up to play in this year's HOF. This is approximately 40 more than usual. We will have 14 teams of 12. Every team will play 4 games and sit out for 3. The games will be 12 frame games. She also said that she and Bob would like to have someone else take over the tournament. They have run it for 5 years and feel it's time for some new people to step up.

Unfinished Business:

PREVIEW: Betmar's ad needs to be revised.

HOF: Already reported.

2015-16 SCHEDULE: It was agreed to change the spring board meeting from Feb.27 to March 5, 2016. It was also discussed and agreed to change the Amateur singles tournament Winter Haven (CDA 19) to a Fri/Sat tournament (March 4/5, 2016) One reason was due to the large numbers of players and many amateurs having to wait. Also, George Adyns reported of a computer glitch during this year's tournament which could have occurred due to the high number of players.

PLANS FOR THE MASTERS: Already reported.

CD SINGLES TOURNAMENT: After much discussion, it was decided that for ALL singles tournaments next year, they would be best 2 out of 3-- 8 frame games through the quarters and then 12 frame game for the semis and finals. Glen Monroe made a motion to accept this format. David Earle seconded motion and the motion passed.

REPORT ON NEW AMATEUR TOURNAMENTS: ZSC had 32 teams (41 applied) and acquired 11 new members. Winter Haven had 14 teams of 6 and receive 8 new members.

Max Tate commented on the fact that this is the 11th year that he and Ruth have sponsored the parks tournaments at Sebring. This year they are hosting 12 parks. Also, he and Marti are still working on the new amateur tournament at Sebring for next season. They have contacted Tanglewood and Sebring Village but arrangements are still not final.

CD FUND USE: Central District Funds have reached \$14,000 since adding the \$6 entry fee.

3 proposals for use of this money were presented:

- Lorraine Pollock suggested that instead of the club receiving \$1.00 per player and the district receiving \$2.00, divide the money evenly so the club and the district each receive \$1.50 per person.
- 2.) Help fund the singles tournament at Lakeland. There is very little prize money for the 4 divisions.
- 3.) At least 2 tournaments were funded by 100th anniversary money this past year. Perhaps, clubs could apply to district to help fund more of these no point tournaments.

It was also mentioned that we had spent \$1000 on amateur packets and perhaps take a year off and apply the money elsewhere.

Marlene Corbeil commented on how great these no point amateur tournaments are. David Earle mentioned how much amateurs enjoy free lunches.

Don Rood made a motion to change the financial form for disbursement of club and district monies. a Jim Corbeil seconded the motion. Motion carried. The fee change will go in effect in the fall. David Earle made a motion that everyone should get their entry money in prize money and Don Rood seconded it. Motion carried.

Marlene Corbeil made a motion that clubs apply to the board for CD funds for non-point tournaments. Marti Noble seconded motion and motion carried. Clubs may apply in the fall. David Earle suggested that the applications come to the board and it will be made formal at the board meeting.

There was discussion about a revised FSA application form. Max and Glen are working on a revised form.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1.) Asking for 2 and 4 for practice
- 2.) 75 point games—only ones are just at Betmar; they are continually asked to change to a frame games but it hasn't happened yet .
- 3.) Discussion around the state regarding 3 day tournaments....how can they be shortened?? Here are a couple possibilities:

- a.) Have a 75 points game for 1st two games and then 12 or 16 frame game for 3rd game in a match (this could work under current by-laws)
- b.) 2 –75 pt games and the winner of the match would be total points. (a little more drastic and not legal under by-laws)

It was announced that 3555 players played in CD tournaments this year as opposed to only 2604 last year.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32

FSA CENTRAL DISTRICT GENERAL MEETING

March 7, 2015

President Bob Marshman opened the meeting at 10:45 with an invocation and the pledge. He thanked Sanlan for hosting the meeting. Roll call was skipped and introductions of all persons present were made.

REPORT OF OFFICERS:

<u>President:</u> Bob Marshman thanked the board for all their cooperation over the past 2 years as this is his last meeting. The highlights of his 2 years were:

- 1.) Changes in format (8 on each side for 3rd game)
- 2.) 800 amateur packets being distributed
- 3.) New no point amateur tournaments
- 4.) Success in attracting new players

He also mentioned how the state continues to look at the Central District for changes and new direction.

1st Vice-President: Don Rood expressed his thanks to Bob Marshman. He also recognized Lorraine Pollock and Barb Fournier for their contributions to the board over the years.

<u>Treasurer:</u> Mike Seyfer gave the financial report found in the executive board minutes) stating that the report was filed for audit and had been accepted. Jerry Jones made a motion to accept the report and Bill Pollock seconded the motion. Motion carried.

<u>State Delegate:</u> David Earle mentioned he will present to the state a 1 year trial period for 2 and 4 for practice.

Bob Marshman has a letter from Betmar asking to host a state amateur tournament. They are asking for CD approval. Winter Haven asked for another state amateur tournament as well. Max Tate said Sebring has asked FSA directly for a state tournament. He wasn't aware that he needed to go through the district board. Jim Corbeil made a motion to accept these proposals and Ruth Brown seconded it. Motion carried.

<u>District Tournament Director:</u> This is Lorraine Pollock's last meeting as head of tournament directors. A big thanks to Lorraine!

Webmaster: Glen Monroe listed all the top 8 Masters/ Reiny players and all those on the "bubble".

<u>HOF Curators/ Classic:</u> Jim/ Marlene Corbeil and Cheryl Conkle gave reports on the upcominig HOF which can be found in executive minutes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

<u>PREVIEW</u>: Judy Holloway reported on the "Preview" stating that all the emails have gone out and Betmar's ad is being revised.

<u>2015-2016 SCHEDULE:</u> It was again noted that the spring meeting will be held March 5 instead of Feb. 28 and that the singles tournament in Winter Haven will begin on Friday (March 4, 2016)

<u>CD SINGLES TOURNAMENT:</u> It was shared that the next year's singles tournaments will be best 2 out of 3 eight frame games through the quarters and then the final 2 rounds will be 12 frame games as usual. This will be on a trial basis for next year. The CD will also help fund the Lakeland tournament.

Helping districts subsidize tournaments will be brought up for discussion next fall.

<u>NEW AMATEUR TOURNAMENTS:</u> A report on the non-point amateur tournaments was discussed and can be found in executive minutes. Max Tate commented on Avon Park hosting a parks tournament as well.

<u>CD FUND USE:</u> It was reported that the Central District will offer money to those clubs who apply and want to host non-point amateur tournaments. Also, next year, the host club and the district will each received \$1.50 per player. Ruth Brown asked if the club/districts needed the money or should it go to the players. Lorraine stated that all places should at least get their money back.

Marti Noble commented about the increase in amateur play. She introduced Cathy Mills, an amateur shuffler from Sanlan who recently played in a tournament at Winter Haven.

Cathy Mills was thoroughly disgusted with the attitude of some players. Some didn't want to come back the second day and she mentioned that there was a lot of "wheeling" and "dealing" going on. She heard players talking about buying points and exchange of money. This is not the way shuffling tournaments should be run.

Much discussion followed. Max Tate said that in Canada there is a "no play---no pay and no points" system. It was mentioned that a 10 day notice would need to be written in order to get some movement going on this topic. After lengthy discussion, Bob Marshman said more discussion about the best avenue to take is needed and will resume in the fall.

<u>PLANS FOR CD MASTERS:</u> Doug Stockman has the Reiny Masters all ready to go with playoffs scheduled for Wed. March 11th at 9am. He expressed thanks to Dean Myklejord and the Lakeland Club as well as ZSC and Sanlan for all their assistance. Congratulations to all the players!

<u>ATTRACTING NEW CLUBS TO FSA:</u> Discussion was held as to how to shorten 75 point games. Please refer to the executive minutes for the details.

NEW BUSINESS:

SWEARING THE NEW BOARD: Larry Brown thanked the board for their work and contributions and to Glen Monroe for all that he contributes. The new board was sworn in and the meeting adjourned.