

USA National Shuffleboard Association

January 25, 2010 Annual Meeting Minutes

Established 1931

The USA National Shuffleboard Association Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 25, 2010 in the Meeting Room at Trailer Estates in Bradenton, Florida. The President asked Carol Howell to lead us in prayer. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to our USA flag.

A Roll Call of the Presidents and Delegates that were in attendance due to a Teleconference System that had been connected prior to the opening of the meeting were: President Skip Blum and Delegate Paul Stroup, North Carolina; Delegate Ray Buck, New Jersey; President Rob Robinson and Delegate Chuck Crouse, Washington; President Liz Backus and Delegate Rosemarie ElRite, California; President Ray Jones and Delegate Bob Zaletel, Arizona; and President Bob Rinehart, Iowa.

A Roll Call of the Board Members in attendance were: Joseph Messier, President; Jim Bailey, 1st Vice President; Gus Bondi, 2nd Vice President; Ann Wedel, 3rd Vice President; Cecile Messier, Secretary; Betty Lloyd, Treasurer; Walter Wedel, President Emeritus; Hall of Fame Curator, Ann Wedel; and the Tournament Director, Dolores Brown. Also in attendance were Delegate Sue Krynak, Ohio; Delegate Landy Adkins, Florida; President Don DeHart, Indiana; Delegate Dolores Brown, Indiana; President Carl Howell, Missouri; Delegate Carol Howell, Missouri; President Charlie DeVries, Michigan and NE Regional Director John L. Brown.

The President asked for the reading of the minutes of the Semi-Annual Meeting that was held on July 21, 2009 at Lakeside, Ohio. A motion was made by Gus Bondi and seconded by Landy Adkins to dispense with reading of the minutes, as all State Presidents, Delegates, and Boards Members have received a copy. Motion carried.

The President then proceeded to name three Ballot Counters. They were Ann Wedel, Bud Lloyd and Don DeHart. The President proceeded to make the announcement that the Two Ten Day Notices, no matter what the outcome will be, will not count due to the fact they needed to be submitted before the Sem-Annual Meeting in Lakeside, according to our Constitution. He stated he knew this but wanted to make all the State Presidents and Delegates aware of what is going on between the ISA and the National Countries. The ISA changed their Rules and By-laws and have many things in it that he is not in favor of. He believes that all Countries that have equal vote should also carry equally the responsibility of the financial doing of that Organization.

The President asked the Treasurer for her report. Betty Lloyd proceeded to read her Financial Report. As of June 30, 2009 the Checking Account was \$5,533.81. The balance in the Checking Account as of December 31, 2009 was \$3,275.41. In our Vanguard Account, we have a total of \$16,112.91. Our total assets as of December 31, 2009 was \$19,388.32. In the Hall of Fame Account, we have total assets of \$6,245.69 as of December 31, 2009. A motion was made by Walt Wedel to accept the Treasurer's Report. This was seconded by Jim Bailey. Motion carried. On a remark pertaining to the Financial

Report, Bob Zaletel questioned if it was feasible that all States be given copies of the Financial Report. He was assured that they will be receiving a copy.

The President gave a report on the East-West Tournament. He explained all the expenses of the Tournament and the actual cost per person. At the end of the week, expenses were \$85.00 per person so \$15.00 of the actual \$100.00 of the initial amount that they had paid for the trip was returned to each of them.

Under Communications, the President reported that we had inquires on Rules, National Points and many pertaining to the International World Singles that was being held in Betmar, Florida. The most important was the request from Iowa for membership in the USA National Shuffleboard Association. The President then entertained a motion that was made by Jim Bailey that we accept them as a member. This was seconded by Betty Lloyd. Motion carried.

The President stated that we are awaiting the results of the counting of the Ballots. He will announce the winners and swear in the new Officers and then Jim will conduct any New Business. At this time, Jim Bailey questioned Sandi Quinn about not having the results from two other National Tournaments, N02 and NA02 from Alamo, Texas. Colleen Austin, the Web Master, said that there is a form on the NSA Web Site that they have to fill out and submit. It will go directly to her for entry into the database and posting on the web site. The monies collected are to be sent to the Treasurer. Sandi Quinn raised the question as to whether the East-West Tournament was a sanctioned USA National Tournament and was told that it was and that each participant had received 8 National Points. Betty Lloyd announced that she had received a check from Rayma Hoskins from Texas, but it came in after the books had been closed. It will go to the new Treasurer and that all that is needed now are the results of the Tournaments.

Committee Reports: 1st Vice President, Jim Bailey said that the only thing that he has to say is that the equipment being used tonight is compliments of his son at no cost to us. He did ask that everyone give him a hand in appreciation. The 2nd Vice President, Gus Bondi had no report. The 3rd Vice President, Ann Wedel was counting ballots and would be in shortly.

Paul Stroup, President of North Carolina, wanted to know what action would be taking place on the Ten Day Notice about raising our dues to support the ISA. After a few words of discussion, Ray Jones, President of Arizona, asked for a point of order, stating that the President had already declared it as unconstitutional.

John L. Brown, the N.E. States Regional Director, gave his report. He said that throughout the year he refers people to the State Organization that they live in. Carl Howell, President from Missouri, said that he has talked to several people from the East and is requesting a list of the New Officers that are being nominated. President answered by stating that at the Semi-Annual Meeting, John L. Brown, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the Slate of Officers and that the only contested office was that of the Treasurer. All the names of the nominees were in the Minutes of that meeting that were sent out to all the Presidents and Delegates of each State.

Rosemarie ElRite, Delegate of California, asked "How come the ISA held in Betmar in September was changed to the 28th Annual World Cup?" Jim Bailey replied that this had taken place at a meeting in October by the ISA. Jim Bailey asked Bob Zaletel, the newly elected 3rd Vice President, if he was

withdrawing his application to Germany and he said that he was. Jim also made the statement, upon the recommendation of Rob Robinson, that he would be naming Jan Crouse the Western Regional Director. Rob Robinson then requested from the President, as to what wording he should put on the trophy for the East-West Tournament. It was agreed to call it The Good Will Games.

The Ballot Counters returned to the room with the results of the Ballots. Ten-Day Notice #1, an overwhelming vote to reject the \$1.00 fee to the ISA. Ten-Day Notice #2, the vote was more evenly divided, leaving the Board to discuss it and come up with a proper proposal.

Hall of Fame Winners: Special Award, Dick Sternberg from the West was elected. In the Players Category, the winner was Red Rudolph for the West. In the Players Category for the East, there was a tie between Jim Bailey and John Brown. In our rules, in the event of a tie, they both will be inducted. The result for the position of Treasurer on the Board was Carl Howell. The President asked the Web Master to take a picture of the Past Board and one of the Present Board, after which, he proceeded to swear in the New Board Members.

Ray Jones asked the newly elected President, if he could be kept informed as to everything that was happening in the Nationals. Jim replied that he would be in touch, this he guaranteed.

Jim Bailey informed Dan Smith, that the East-West games are being held in Clearwater, Florida and that the Quality Suite Motel will have a room available for Happy Hour. President Jim Bailey at this time appointed his loving wife, Ninfa, as his Secretary. Officially, he said that the new Regional Director for the W States will be Jan Crouse, the Regional Director for the NE States will be John L. Brown and for the SE States will be Richie Burrell. He stated that Dolores Brown will stay on for at least another year as the National Tournament Director. He then thanked the 3 Ballot Counters.

Jim Bailey entertained a motion to adjourn at 8:15. Carol Howell made the motion and was seconded by Sue Krynak. Motion carried.

Cecile R. Messier, Past Secretary

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