

# MINUTES OF THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL AREA USBC ASSOCIATION

March 25, 2007

Holiday Inn Eisenhower Metro Center • Alexandria, Virginia

President Thomas E. Dale called the meeting to order.

**Roll Call:** President Dale, Vice Presidents Andrews, Robinson, Johnson and Emery, Directors Ashley, Batts, Beatty, Brown, Butler, Cook, Dale, Gielda, Gruszkowski, Holton, Jelks, Kilby, King, Nusbaum, Robinson, Sook, Trace, Vaughan, Wallace, Williams, and Young.

President Dale called for a count of the attendees. A total of 81 members were in attendance. He explained that our bylaws require 100 members to be present to conduct business; however, *Robert's Rules of Order* does permit business to be conducted if we get unanimous consent of those present. George Sook moved that the bylaws be suspended so the business can be conducted. Ted Gruszkowski Jr. seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

President Dale some special guests: Grace Barnes, the current "Susie Bowler"; WIBC and NCAUSBCA Hall of Famer Bea Bennie; and our USBC Field Rep, Kim Main.

## **Reports of the Officers:**

5th VP Emery thanked the chairmen of his committees and explained the duties each committee and their progress.

4th VP Johnson is responsible for all the tournaments. He thanked all the tournament managers and the other committee chairmen who head the other committees reporting to him. He announced the winner of the bowling ball being raffled the Ways and Means Committee. Kirk Williams won the ball. The committee is also selling shirts in the back of the room.

3rd VP Humphries (absent), President Dale thanked all the committee members serving under VP Humphries.

2nd VP Robinson noted the calendar of events is published in *BOWL Magazine* and on our Web Page. Each center has a lane rep, so if you have an honor score you want presented call the office. The Youth Committee falls under me also.

1st VP Andrews identified the committees serving under her. The Policies & Procedures Committee is working to put together a manual using the men's manual and the women's manual. We received a letter from our national organization informing us that we were one of the largest contributors to the BVL campaign.

President Dale called on the Women's Tournament Manager, Barbara Vaughan, who gave a report of the tournament and the trials of having to move the tournament from one center to another. The roof collapsed at the original center.

Scott Gielda, manager of the NCAUSBCA Open Championship and Guys and Dolls tournaments, explained that entries were still being accepted up to next Saturday. Guys and Dolls entry blanks are being mailed out, and they're on the Web page.

President Dale reported on the Youth Tournament and the Senior Tournament.

Ray Brothers gave a brief report on the office. We have just on the north side of 28,000 members.

Ray Brothers, spokesman for the Nominating Committee, presented the ballot for the officers to be elected. All the officers were reelected by acclamation. The ballot for director had 12 names. The committee elected to list the names that they thought would do the best job for the association. Some incumbents were left off, so if you would like to add them, the floor is now open for that purpose.

Hazel Beatty was nominated from the floor. Jacqueline Thomas was nominated but was not in attendance, and she did not advise us 24 hours in advance. Victor Pringle nominated himself for a position of director. He, too, had not notified the committee, but if he gave us his qualifications, we would decide if he would be added. The committee took five minutes to consider Mr. Pringle's qualifications. After deliberating, the committee decided to add Mr. Pringle to the ballot. Mr. George Blackwell was nominated from the floor. Hank Osbourne moved the nominations be closed. Several seconded the motion.

Each nominee was given a chance to speak and list their qualifications for the board. Robert Ashley, Judi Butler, Phyllis Cook, Ron Holton, Kirk Williams spoke for James Stewart, Hazel Wallace, Kirk Williams, Michael Coleman, David Gregg, Darron Mays, Sharon Weber, Hazel Beatty, Victor Pringle, and George Blackwell all addressed the meeting, listing their qualifications. Instructions were given to the attendees reference voting.

Next, the ballot to be considered was for delegates to the USBC Convention to be held in Kansas City, Mo. A total of 14 names is now listed, so are there any more interest from the floor. Robert Ashley nominated Scott Gielda. Michael Coleman nominated Christa Arnold-Coleman. The proposal was made that all be elected by acclimation.

Ballot for Virginia State Women delegates – The names of Hazel Beatty and Tavawyaha Batts were added.

Ballot for the Virginia State Open Association delegates – Michael Coleman was added. Hazel Wallace was added.

The results of the Virginia State Open Association delegates: Jane Andrews, Robert Ashley, Andrea Dale, Ronald Holton, Cheryl Jelks, Lee Johnson, and Hazel Wallace.

Thomas Dale presented an amendment to the bylaws to change the number of attendees from 100 to 75. Ray Brothers moved that the amendment be amended to 50 instead of 75. Jonathan Emery seconded the motion. The amendment to the amendment was passed. Mr. Dale called for a vote on the amended amendment. The amendment passed.

Andrea Dale gave a status report on BVL funds collected. At this point, we have collected over \$16,000.

USBC Field Rep Kim Main was called on to provide us with words of wisdom. She asked that all those that don't get elected should volunteer to help with programs. The Youth Committee and the Association Manager must have a background check, according to the USBC Registered Volunteer Program. Some centers can opt out of this program. She also passed along more information about the program.

The vote for directors was announced. Those elected were Butler, Wallace, Williams, Holton, Ashley, Stewart, Cook, Weber, Beatty, Pringle, Mays, and Mayes. These terms expire July 31, 2010.

Tom Dale announced that there three vacancies in the unexpired terms, and we will make some additional appointments to the board.

We are trying to come with a consistent date for this meeting so that everyone will know when it is and can make plans to attend. Ashley suggested that we hold the Annual Meeting on the last Sunday in February.

Tom Dale opened the meeting for any concerns that those in attendance had or wanted to discuss.

Ann Swann had two concerns of notification on the meeting. Excessive vulgar language being used by members of leagues and tournaments should be stopped. Ted Gruszkowski Jr. asked why USBC doesn't recognize the coaches background investigation.

Sharon Weber moved to destroy the ballots. Ron Holton seconded the motion.

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Meeting adjourned at 3:53 PM