MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 9, 2012 MEETING OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL AREA USBC ASSOCIATION

Association Office, Largo, Md.

President Ashley called the meeting to order at 10:15 am. ... 2^{nd} VP Jost led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

In attendance: President Ashley; Vice Presidents A. Dale, Jost, Holton, Graves, and Wallace; Directors Adams, Batts, Blakey, James Butler, Judi Butler (arrived late), Cook, T. Dale, Gonzales, Gray, Lewis, G. Mays, Merriman, Myers, Reichenbach, Ryan, Stewart, Tinsley, Toms, and Williams.

Not in attendance: Directors Garrett, Jelks, D. Mayes, Parham, Sinek, Small, and Spause.

Staff: McGregor, Hayward

ACTION ON MINUTES

Director Reichenbach noted that the USBC officer courses on *bowl.com* are for the secretary and treasurer. There is not a league president course at this time. ... VP Wallace noted that the squad times for the Senior Tournament on page 3 should be 11 am and 2 pm (first weekend is 11:30 and 2:30 because of opening ceremony). ... Motion by Director Reichenbach to approve the minutes as corrected. Second by Director G Mays. Approved by voice vote.

REPORTS OF THE VICE PRESIDENTS

1st Vice President Andrea Dale

Hall of Fame: Director T. Dale reported the event is October 6. If you have tickets, get them turned back in (sold or unsold), as we are running short; no need to print more if unsold tickets are still available. Turn money in to Mr. McGregor or T. Dale *only*. ... \$225 in patron donations turned in today. ... No financial report right now, should have a preliminary report at next meeting.

2nd Vice President Karen Jost

Program Evaluation: Director Ryan indicated that the committee met and recommends combination of Meeting Arrangements and Annual Meeting committees (instead of the Meeting Arrangements and Sunshine committees as approved in August). Motion by committee. Discussion. Approved by voice vote. ... Director Ryan noted that previously approved changes are in each individual's info box. ... Mr. McGregor noted that electronic policy manuals will be distributed soon for all board members, as new board members do not yet have manuals. ... Director Ryan noted that the committee is considering combining all charitable fund-raising activities in one section of the manual as some of the responsibilities are the same.

Lane Representatives: Director Adams distributed the current roster; College Park, Esperanza, and Patuxent need representation. Director Judi Butler will take College Park. ... Director Adams will reach out to Esperanza and Patuxent managers to identify potential representatives from among their league members. ... Several contact information updates were provided. An updated roster will be distributed.

3rd Vice President Ron Holton

Legislative: Mr. McGregor noted the committee met today, and there's no report at this time. *Nominating:* Committee needs to meet and select a chairperson. Director T. Dale will coordinate meeting. *Tournament Site Selection:* Director Stewart will chair this committee.

4th Vice President Willie Graves

Public Relations: Ms. Jost (chair) reported 14 attended skills classes, good feedback. Committee met and plans to reach out to center management to coordinate a meeting in hopes of increasing the availability of coaching and skills classes at more centers.

Average Book: McGregor reported that the average book is finished.

5th Vice President Hazel Wallace

Awards: Mr. McGregor noted that awards and materials for several centers are available for distribution. Please check your info box and get them distributed.

Ways & Means: Director Myers reported the committee met, has done inventory, and will meet again at end of the month to further develop ideas. ... VP Wallace and VP Graves will establish proper documentation procedures for valuing inventory.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Virginia State: Director T. Dale noted the meeting is next weekend. Delegates have been submitted (Bob Ashley, Andrea Dale, Hazel Wallace, Larry Gonzales, Walt Reichenbach, Phyllis Cook). Cook unable to attend. Jane and Andre Andrews are alternates, but Jane was recently hospitalized. Tom will determine if another alternate is available. Jim Zebehazy (USBC) will speak. Meeting is at Bowl America Gaithersburg; Hall of Fame induction is at Holiday Inn.

Sunshine: Director Judi Butler noted that Jane Andrews is in the hospital. She will send a card.

CLIP: Mr. McGregor noted the group is trying to get into Esperanza and Indian Head; Howard University is scheduled.

Ranking: Director T. Dale submitted ranking to office, waiting for feedback. Mr. McGregor indicated the rankings will be posted.

Rerate: President Ashley noted that Noel Dysart was added to this committee.

Uniforms: Director Stewart raised a question about changing shirts to remove name and/or position and use name tags. Discussion. Director Merriman made a motion to leave the shirts as they are. Second by Director Reichenbach. Approved by voice vote.

Veterans Committee: Director Ryan (for Program Evaluation) noted that proposed changes have been submitted to the Program Evaluation Committee: No limit on terms as chair; no limit on number to be inducted; voting can be electronic/fax as well as mail; need 50 percent of votes to remain on ballot for year two, 60 percent to remain on ballot for year three, drop if not elected by third year; July 15 deadline to notify the Hall of Fame Committee of selection. Changes will be made and provided to board in advance of October meeting for review. ... Motion by VP Holton that the committee will select its own chair, who will serve two years in that capacity. Second by Director Myers. (Note: This removes limit of terms for chair.) Approved by voice vote.

REPORTS OF THE TOURNAMENTS

Senior: VP Wallace reported that entries have been distributed to all centers and some pro shops. She met with Mike Cassidy at the Bowl America Falls Church. Tournament staff will receive 20 percent food discount and free beverages with tickets. Scores will be printed after each squad. Need to check on tables being provided. Center opens at 8 am. Lanes oiled prior to first squad each day. Ways & Means supplies can be stored onsite for duration of tournament. Four entries in at this time. Please announce at your centers/leagues. Reminder re: 50-54 age category. NCAUSBCA memberships will be sold on site.

BVL Mixed: Director T. Dale noted entries are available. Bowl America centers have theirs. Please pick up and distribute to AMF, independent, and military centers. Will mail to last year's participants. Added singles. Event is at Bowl America Bull Run the first two weekends of November, two squads each day. *Mix/Match Scratch:* Director Gonzales reported that bid letters are being sent out this week. *Open & Women's:* Mr. McGregor noted a senior category is being added.

REPORT OF THE OFFICE STAFF

Mr. McGregor reported that certifications are coming in now. ... He plans to advise Lane Reps regarding leagues that may need support as they are identified. Sharon (Brown) and Tena (Boone) know who needs help. ... Having some issues with WinLABS related to no changes being made in prep for WebLABS. ... Director Adams noted a problem with BLS software. Director T. Dale noted there is a new BLS release out, need to update. ... Mr. Hayward provided the current Treasurer's report. A question was asked about the over-expenditure on the average book. Mr. McGregor noted that in modifying the budget lines this year, the line item for yearbook was underestimated.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Certification cards: More copies are now available.

Director Vacancies: President Ashley recommended Luis Drakes, Mark Bennett, and Jon Emery to fill vacant positions for terms expiring July 31, 2013. All are interested and have credentials in from Annual Meeting. Approved by voice vote. ... Director Stewart will add them to the shirt order.

Holiday Party: Motion by Director Cook to do holiday party away from the office. Second by VP Graves. Approved by voice vote. ... Meeting Arrangements Committee to coordinate.

Bracket Training: VP Holton noted that he will schedule training; let him know if you are interested.

Committee assignments for the committees that are changed will be updated.

Next meeting: October 13 at a center TBD; December 2 holiday party, location to be determined.

Motion by Director G. Mays to adjourn. Second by Director James Butler. Approved by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

ACTION ITEMS

VPs Graves and Wallace: Establish procedures for valuation of Ways & Means inventory.

Program Evaluation Committee

- Combine meeting committees as approved
- Provide proposed changes for Veterans Committee to board for review

Lane Representative Committee: Update roster and assignments and return to office for distribution and publication on Web site.

Meeting Arrangements Committee

- Identify location for October board meeting
- Identify location for December meeting/Holiday Party

Uniforms Committee

- Get order information from newly appointed directors
- Place shirt order

Board members: Turn Hall of Fame tickets and money in to T. Dale or Mr. McGregor.

OUTSTANDING ACTION ITEMS FROM AUGUST MEETING

President Ashley

- Follow up with Mr. Coleman re: Mixed Scratch Doubles supplies, records, etc.
- Distribute full meeting schedule for the year.

VP Graves: Amend budget per approval and redistribute

Respectfully submitted, Karen Jost, 2nd Vice President