

MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 11, 2013 BOARD MEETING OF THE NATION'S CAPITAL AREA USBC ASSOCIATION

9315 Largo Drive West, Suite 110 • Largo, Maryland

President Mays called the meeting to order at 10:01 am. Dir. Dale led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: President Mays; Vice Presidents Jost, Gonzales, Graves. Directors Adams, Ashley, Blakey, Dale, Drakes, Emery, Garrett, Lewis, Mayes, Merriman, Myers, Parham, Ryan, Sinek, Stewart, Tinsley, Williams. Staff: Cosgrove, McGregor

Minutes of the July 21, 2013 meeting were approved with the following corrections:

- Spell out bowling center abbreviations when publishing minutes on the Web.
- “None of our youth made it to the second round” should clarify, *second round of the North Point Junior Gold National Championship*.
- Southeastern: Next year’s tournament will be held at The Villages in Leesburg, Florida.

Report of the Office Staff

- All of the leagues are up to date. As a reminder, summer league averages are supposed to be turned in to the office. They do not make the *Annual Averages* book, but they are used and put on *BOWL.com*.
- Membership counts: 21,722. If we deduct non-paid, counts are 18,980. Still seeing a decline for various reasons.
- League kits and average books are ready for you to pick up and should be delivered to your centers. If you get a plaque or ring, do not just leave it at the bowling center; you are supposed to present the award to the individual.
- List of lane representatives is available and will be published after it is verified. Mr. Sook should be removed from the Crofton listing due to his illness.

Reports of the Vice Presidents

1st Vice President Jost

Youth Committee: Met on August 3, 2013. Chairperson is still Mr. Dale. Money left over in Youth account from Ways and Means sales will be added back into the scholarship fund, if allowed. Dates and locations tentative (distributed) and posted on Facebook site and Web.

- **Invitational change:** Take 12-game average (instead of 21) to give a few more bowlers opportunities to meet criteria by December cutoff.
- **Awards:** Office has a full supply of youth awards, shirts, etc., for distribution this season in inventory, even though National has discontinued the awards program. Will work with the office to determine the best way to distribute.
- **Coaches Workshop (August 4, 2013):** 22 attendees (12 centers represented). Discussed youth average. Some youth leagues use an other-than-standard house shot; therefore, some averages may be understated. Any thoughts or suggestions, talk to the Youth Committee, as its members work through the issue.
- **Change in 2014-2015:** Youth membership will be \$4.00 (from \$14.50), eliminating jerseys. The bowling center is responsible for processing memberships; therefore, the Association will need to determine how to engage with this new approach.

Hall of Fame: October 5 at Club Meade; announcement in current edition of *BOWL Magazine*: five inductees. Need patrons and help selling tickets.

Audit: Gonzales – Distributed report. Hall of Fame and general account reports will be done by the end of September.

Finance: Drakes – Currently entering 2012-2013 into the new program to generate an accurate report. Next meeting should have 2012-2013 completed and will present the financial status; also will present the beginning of 2013-2014. BVL account currently has \$101.04.

Graves – We are still looking for CPA for external audits. Need to file an extension; report is due 45 days from end of fiscal year. Standard operating procedure since turnaround time is very short.

2nd Vice President Gonzales

Program Evaluation: Youth Committee P&P Policy (distributed by email to all board members): updated to comply with National changes. Two suggestions: streamlining vacancy selection process, update wording in #6 (chair may request removal to the president). Approved.

3rd Vice President Graves: No report

4th Vice President Wallace (absent, report given by others)

Still need to pick a chair for one committee, should be done by next meeting.

5th Vice President Holton (absent, report given by others)

BFTC: Garrett – Bowl for the Cure Kickoff meeting is Sunday, August 18 at 1 pm at Bowl America Shirley; looking for more committee members. No date for the event yet.

Ways and Means: Mr. Tinsley is chair of Ways and Means.

BVL: BVL Web site has a nice write up on Sports Plus/Carmen Don Pro Shop and what it does for BVL. Mr. Ashley has also collected through his summer league and anticipates bringing in \$1,300 to \$1,400.

Myers – Committee's first meeting was held at Shirley. Plan a fund-raiser every month. Welcome any suggestions.

Issues to discuss: Rerate: Leagues bowling on Sport patterns not listed as Sport leagues. HQ is looking into it, but no word yet. We need to look at this issue and get feedback from Mr. Dysart. Ms. Jost volunteered to send a request so that it can be discussed at next meeting.

Reports of Special Committees

Rules: We need to remind league presidents to verify statements and funds monthly.

Southeastern: Dale – Tournament wrapped up last month.

Ranking: Dale – Now that the average book has been published, I can start working on the rankings. Hope to have rankings worked out by next week.

Uniforms: Stewart – Will need to order shirts for a few people.

VA State: Meeting is September 14-15 in Covington, Virginia. Need one replacement delegate to attend.

Reports of the Tournaments

Open Championship: McGregor – About 51 checks still out (~\$3,500). Working on entry blanks for the 2014 tournament; should be ready by end of September. Location: Meade for teams and Shirley for singles/doubles in March/April.

Youth Championship: Scheduled for the last weekend in February and first weekend in March at Annandale.

Mixed Tournament in Support of BVL: November 9/10 and 16/17 at Shirley.

Senior: Last two weekends of October at Parkland.

Unfinished Business

Conflict of Interest policy: Graves – Clarification and discussion. Everyone should look at it again and send comments to Graves by August 18. There will be further discussion at the next meeting.

Tournament Review Committee: McGregor – Process has begun. Will get more input when leagues start.

New Business

Wounded Warrior: Mayes – Target dates are December 7/8 and 14/15. Need help putting together flyer and entry form.

Main objective is to contribute to Wounded Warrior charity.

Stewart: Raise fee for tournament workers to \$15. Motion seconded. Vote: motion defeated.

Vacancies (Adult): Dwight Franklin appointed (approved by the board). Cheryl Jelks moved to volunteer status (approved by the board). Still two vacancies left.

Vacancies (Youth): Two vacancies left to fill.

Gonzales: Volunteered to chair a committee to discuss fund-raiser ideas. Contact Gonzales by email if interested in working on the committee. Everyone should submit ideas for discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 11:58 am.

For the Association,
Ronald McGregor