



Wyoming USBC WBA Minutes
@ Little America Cheyenne Wyoming
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These are unofficial till next year @ Annual Meeting in Sheridan for approval

Call to Order @ 9 am

Housekeeping Notes –

Members were asked to take out the bid form in their packets and destroy it. The board is revamping the form and it will be placed on the web site when complete.

Attendees were reminded that only delegates can make and vote on motions.

Anyone wishing to run for an office today will need to have credentials on file with the Nominating Chair.

Congrats to Gladys Schwab for winning the \$800 from the reverse raffle at the banquet.

Reminder: Board members need to complete a warrant for their expenses and turn it in before leaving the annual meeting.

Roll call of Board- Present

Dixie Huxtable – 1st Vice President

Pat Cote – Sgt of Arms

Gladys Schwab – District #1

District #3 – vacant

Charlene Abbott – District #5

Jann Wingert – At Large

Elaine Overman – 2nd Vice President

Moe Cole – Association Manager

Karen Kenndy – District #2

Tammy Followell – District #4

Kris Ratcliff – District # 7

Rhonda Drehobol – At Large

Absent and/or Excused

DeVonna Frasier – President

Bev Hansen - Tournament Director

Ruth Keck – District #6 - Resigned

Sandy Anderson – District #8 - Resigned

Introductions – USBC National Field Representative - Jeff Breidenbach. If you think of any question during meeting or after I leave, you can contact him at jeff.breidenbach@bowl.com

Dixie asks the membership to write down this question: What do you want out of this meeting?

Correspondence – Summary of correspondence (see attached)

Minutes of Annual Meeting – Elaine Overman moved and Candi Roper seconded to accept minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

Association Manager Report – Each delegate had a copy in their packet. (copy attached)

Budget/Finance/Audit – Chair – Pat Cote

Point of Order – Budget is approved by the board and presented to membership for informational purposes. Charlene Abbott moved and Paula Wilson seconded to accept the budget report as presented. Motion Carried. Report will be placed on file for accountant.

Policy & Procedure – Elaine Overman read Ruth Keck's report that our Policy & Procedure Manual was updated per Nationals updates as of August 2009.

Legislative/Teller/Credentials – Sgt of Arms – Pat Cote

Credential report was given with 28 delegates and 11 board members for a total of 39 voting members. A request was made that all cell phones be turned to vibrate or off.

Special Services – Chair – Gladys Schwab

Recognize – Shirley Krause as our new Hall of Fame Inductee

Memorial – we will do this at the end of our meeting.

Awards – Chair - Jan Steadman Wingert –

Recognize Bowler of the Year – Mandy Irwin

The Wyoming All Star Team for 2009 is Jennifer Charley and Lisa Taylor from Cheyenne, Tabetha Wagner and Krista Divis from Gillette.

There was good response on the new and/or different pins. The first time bowlers enjoyed their pins as well. Association 2009 & 2010 HI Game & Series Pin were sent out or given out to association managers at Hi 5 tournaments.

Wyoming Bowling Council –Elaine Overman reported-

It was a successful banquet last night, attendance was 291. The reverse raffle, which was to help offset the expenses to Jamboree was also very successful. The 2010 Jamboree will be in Sheridan, and 2011 Jamboree will be in Casper. Open Hi 5 will be in Casper and Sr High 5 will be at Camelanes. Newly Elected officers are President-Mike Hartman, Cheyenne ; Vice-President-Duane Keiser, Lander; and Secretary/Treasurer-Charlene Abbot, Rawlins.

Nominating – Judy Geer, Chairman

Point of Order – At nationals there was a change in the bylaws regarding the nominating committee. The nominating committee is no longer considered a standing committee, it is optional. All associations will need to review their bylaws to acknowledge this new change. There is a new option from nationals regarding the election of officers. Bylaws need to reflect whether the association delegates will elect the officers or if the Board of Directors will elect the officers. Legislation for Wyoming USBC Women’s Association will be addressed next year. This year’s officer elections will be decided by a vote of the delegates.

Only delegates can make a motion and positions will be decided by a majority vote.

At large positions –please note that only 2members of the board can be from the same district, per current bylaws.

Only one Name will be on the slate since it was received by the deadline. Gladys Schwab from District #1. Others that had told Judy they were interested after the deadline will need to be nominated from the floor.

Election –Area directors that are up this year -

President – Dixie Huxtable was nominated from the floor and elected by acclamation.

2nd Vice President –Elaine Overman was nominated from the floor and elected by acclamation.

District 1-Powell, Sheridan Lovell, Cody, Buffalo – Gladys Schwab’s nomination was presented by the nominating chair and was elected by acclamation.

District 3- Wheatland, Glenrock, Douglas, Pine Bluffs, Torrington- Donita Kirchhefer from Douglas was nominated by Marilyn Davis; Jaime Minard from Wheatland was nominated by Paula Wilson. Following a ballot vote, Jaime Minard was elected by a count of 29 to 9.

District 5- Rawlins, Rock Springs, Laramie – Sue Allen from Laramie was nominated from the floor and elected by acclamation.

District 7 – Jackson, Lander, Thermopolis, Worland – Kris Ratcliff from Jackson was nominated from the floor and elected by acclamation .

At Large Director – Jann Wingert was nominated from the floor and elected by acclamation.

At Large Director - Donita Kirchhefer from Douglas was nominated from the floor. Alice Palmer from Casper was nominated from the floor. Following a ballot vote, Donita Kirchhefer was elected to the position of At Large Director.

Dixie congratulated the new directors and noted that these are two year terms. Dixie also mentioned that the board still has a vacancy for 1st Vice President and Directors from Districts #6 and #8. With board approval she can make appointments to serve out the terms. These positions will be up for re election at the 2010 annual meeting.

It was also mentioned, that the board may present some kind of legislative change to down size the board in the future. Not sure if it would include restructuring (district 8 is a very hard position to fill), reducing to one vice president and/or reducing the number area directors.

During the counting of ballots in the election process:

Dusty Bastian from Laramie was introduced as a new association manager.

Veteran Association Managers – Paula Wilson from Wheatland, Darlene Butler from Cody Gladys Schwab from Powell, Shirley Krause from Lander, Candi Roper from Lander is the Kids state manager, Marilyn Davis from Douglas, Rhonda Jones, from Glenrock and Judy Geer is Gillette Youth Association Manager.

Proprietors Krista Divis from Camelanés – Gillette, Tina Geer from Family Frontier Fun Center in Gillette, Marlee Robinson from Silver Spur Lanes in Lander and Michelle Noland from Hurricane Lanes in Worland were welcomed to the meeting

Small break – will reconvene at 10:20 am

Memorial Scholarship – Chair Charlene Abbott-

This year received \$2,500 in donations. This scholarship is for any adult 19 yrs and older who is currently bowling and pursuing a higher education. The recipient for 2009 was Antone Arnold from Cheyenne.

Wyoming Youth Scholarships -Report presented by Rhonda Drehobol.

1. Kristen Smith – Midwest – (\$500.00)education in Child Development
2. Ashton Esponda - Buffalo –(\$500.00)education in Business.

Anyone who knows Kristen, please contact Dixie about her funds. Dixie has not heard back from her school and still has her funds

Tournament – Chair – Tammy Followell

The 2010 State tournament will be at 2 Bar Lanes in Cheyenne. It will be one division. Prize money will be split 75% to handicap 25% to scratch.

Payout will be 1 of 8 in everything other than all events, which will be 1 of 16.

Cost will be \$25.00 - \$9 to lineage, \$6.00 to expenses and \$10.00 to prize fund

For every \$10 into prize fund - \$7.50 will go hdcp and \$2.50 will go to scratch

There will be an optional \$2.00 for all events hdcp and an optional \$2.00 for scratch. You must remember to check and pay these on your entry form.

It will begin April 24 & 25th, and run for 4 weekends through May 15 & 16th. It will run on Saturday and Sunday only each weekend. The tournament can be expanded if necessary.

Tournament entry deadline (postmarked) will be March 15th, 2010.

The team event will consist of 4 women. The center is no smoking, and the tournament director will now be part of the association manager's duties.

Tournament Site for 2011- All bids were received prior to the June 1st deadline. Bids are:

- 1) Gillette - Frontier Family Fun Center - 20 lanes @ \$3.00 per game, Shoes free, Friday, Saturday & Sunday (Separate Bid)
- 2) Gillette - Camelanes- 20 lanes @ \$3.35 per game, Shoes \$1.50 Saturday and Sunday (Separate Bid)
- 3) Sheridan – Cloud Peak Center - 20 lanes @ \$3.50 per game, \$1.00 shoes 1-6 pm On Fridays, all day Saturday and Sunday
- 4) Lander– Silver Spur Lanes -12 lanes @ \$3.25 per game, Shoes Free. Friday, Saturday and Sundays

First cast of ballot votes – 38 votes cast

Camelanes with 8	Cloud Peak with 6
Silver Spur with 11	Family Frontier Fun Center with 13

Second cast of ballot votes – 39 votes cast

Camelanes with 10	Family Frontier Fun Center with 16
Silver Spur with 13	

Third cast of ballot votes – 39 votes cast

Family Frontier Fun Center – 19	Silver Spur Lanes with 20
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2011 State Tournament will be held in Silver Spur Lanes in Lander

Nationals Tournament for 2010-Will be held in El Paso Texas from March 27 thru July 9th, 2010. Last day to enter is 1/22/10 & last day for roster lineup is 11/11/09.

National Delegate Report for 2009 – 2009 National Delegate-Dixie Huxtable reported- Convention was held in Reno on April 29 thru May 2nd this year. It was her first time to be at a USBC Convention. First day she enjoyed the acknowledgement of all the winners to scholarship, Hall of Fame, Bowl for the Cure and etc. Second day was legislation. There were 6 league rules amendments that all passed. There were 8 National Bylaws amendments as follows:

The amendment with a date of completion for all associations to be merge - Failed
Association Performance – Passed

Membership Dues - A VERY INTENSE AND HEATED DISCUSSION on Membership.

They had attorneys trying to clear up amendments and confusion- All amendments Failed.

There were 5 State Bylaws and they all passed. The format for women's national has changed. It will all be handicap with 3 divisions. The tournament will be held in a convention center vs. local center from now on.

Entertainment – Kris Ratcliff –

Divided attendees into 8 groups and provided each with a set of questions. First set of questions were based on rules and the second set were designed to allow attendees to get to know each other. She shared that Group #2 was the only group to get all the answers correct. Very well received – a great job!

National Convention is Reno on April 28th thru May 1st

Dixie Huxtable was nominated and elected as our State Delegate to the National convention for 2010 by acclamation.

Old Business – Senior Nationals Qualifying was dropped due to lack of interest

Comments on low entries to state where:

Recession and economy, format, conflict of times with kid's state and women's state.

The kids 3 weekends were the exact same time as the women's.

Not enough weekends.

The board has pulled the bid form and will rethink the process and possibly add additional criteria. It will be available on the web when completed. Currently our process is to have centers bid the tournament and after the election we inspect the winning center. We need to reverse that procedure. The board will work on it. It was noted that we need to vote on an alternate to Nationals in the event Dixie can't go per our policy manual. Charlene Abbott was nominated as our National Delegate Alternate and was elected by acclamation.

New Business

Jane Nelson from Cheyenne was recognized at the banquet as Wyoming's oldest active bowler. She is 94 years young and has a 126 average.

A report by association on 'Bowl for the Cure' was given by Moe Cole- Gillette \$2,460, Lander \$728.00. Cheyenne\$3,160 and Laramie \$25,000. For a grand total of \$31,348. Moe challenged membership to have more associations participating in donations. Can raise funds as a league, pass the bucket, money for each time you don't get average, tournament or fund raiser. We have lost a lot of bowling family members to cancer this year. IT affects everyone – young and old. You can work with your local men's association. You can designate the funds to stay in Wyoming. Laramie received a bowl for the cure beaded reward for a job well done. Local association managers were given a thank you by Moe Cole for a job well done. Dixie shared that at Nationals it was mentioned that Wyoming was the only state that does not have a High School bowling program. Dawn Cummings from Casper shared that the Natrona school system is trying to work out a process to have high school participation.

Memorial Services –Kris Ratcliff presented a poem and read the names of those who had passed away this past year.

Adjourned at 11:29 am

NOTE – All directors were asked to stay after for a brief meeting.