Southwest Coast District Shuffle Club

Board Meeting Minutes Bradenton Shuffle Clubhouse Saturday, January 6, 2024 - 1 pm

Invocation and Pledge

ROLL CALL

9 Board members present: Interim President: Ron Nurnberger; 1st VP Bob Comford; 2nd VP Mary Fowler, 3rd VP Eva Mae Lake; Secretary Kay Lynn Duncan, Treasurer Cheryl Putnam; Keeper of Records, Mona Mapes, State Delegate Tom Putnam; Tourn. Director Terri Smith.

14 Clubs present with voting rights; Piney Pointe, Palmetto, Bradenton, Golf Lakes, Sun City Center, Tropic Isles, Leisure Lake, Trailer Estates, Paradise Bay, Mt. Vernon, Vista Del Lago, Bradenton Tropical Palms, Golf Lakes, Riverside Club.

2 Clubs with members present: Woodland Park, Heather Hills, but cast their vote as SWCD Board member.

Officer Reports

President Ron Nurnberger elected by Board as Interim President. Tom Putnam was appointed State Delegate, and Frank Marderosian appointed Alternate State Delegate. **Secretary**: November 4, 2023 minutes sent electronically. Motion to accept by Jean Wilson, second by Al MacKenzie. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Reporting period 9/30/2023 – 12/31/2023. Beg. Balance: \$18,271.69, Income: \$2,774.86, Expenses: \$1,289.49; Account Balances: Checking \$6,217.28; Masters CD \$5,000; Savings \$3.002.79; CD Hancock Bank \$5,160.13; Total Assets \$19,757.06. Report filed.

1st VP: Bob Comford reported 50/50 sales total \$665.00. Money will be used for District Masters.

2nd VP: Mary Fowler reported 21 Previews left for sale.

3rd VP: Eva Mae Lake No Report.

KOR: Mona Mapes reported Move-ups: Bob Hallman to State Am; Scott Boyd to Pro. **St. Delegate:** Tom Putnam No Report.

Tournament Director: Terri Smith No Report.

BUSINESS

- 1. Shuffle University: Signup sheet passed at meeting for Pros to sign up and identify what role they handle for our shuffle school. Need all hands-on deck. John Brown called for all those with a desire to teach come forward, drift cards usage will be taught. Flyers will be made for distribution sent to Clubs via email to post.
- 2. Announced State HOF Tournament and Banquet is January 15th.
- 3. District Scholarship Program: Three Clubs submitted requests to apply. Two Clubs were accepted for 2024 program, Heather Hills and Golf Lakes, each will be awarded \$100.00.
- 4. Committee for 2024 State Masters at Trailer Estates. There will be a meeting of Committee and Board directly after this meeting to plan and organize.
- 5. Other: 10-day Notices are suggested rule changes which anyone can submit. At the FSA March 2024 meeting, the 10-day notices will be presented. President Ron wants our comments on these notices.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. All requests from Host Clubs for District tournaments were submitted for 2024-25 season.
- 2024/2025 State and District schedules: concern due to conflict with 2024 Christmas/NewYear falling on Mon/Tues causes State Tournaments to rollover to Thurs/Fri and falling on District Tournament days. We discussed our options at District level; took note two State T. could fall in same week, one 12/23-24/24 at BSC; and 12/26-27/24 at St. Cloud. District schedule decisions to be finalized after FSA 1/15/24 meeting and their schedule is confirmed.

No 3. Agenda diverted to:

OTHER: Draw vs. Partner Tournaments

Exchanged thoughts from many on topic pro/con. Primary need for input/decisions because we are not getting enough lady players at Tournaments. Agreed we need game plan in place when only 7 ladies teams show up; possibly consider some rules changes; how to draw more people.

Suggestions:

- 1. Once a month after October, format could be a mixed DRAW.
- 2. Woman play singles if less than 8 teams and men keep their partner. Length of play for singles would prove difficult and not work well.
- 3. We have one division any doubles 1 chart
- 4. Play open doubles anyone can play.

Other comments: Dist. schedule is heavy on 16F/75pt format. 16Frames is faster and no sitting around waiting; however, a few voiced 75pt preference game. SWCD has 2 St. Am Tournaments and we concurred our district needs to keep those at Paradise Bay and Bradenton.

- 4. District HOF Candidates letter/resume to be submitted by 2/1/24 to President Ron N. Cheryl and Tom Putnam are being inducted into SWCD HOF.
- 5. District Masters Committee: Recommended for Rule Changes. Committee: R. Nurnberger, T. Smith, M. Mapes, S. Boyd, A. McCague met and agreed Master rules are going to differ each year based on qualifying players. The Committee presented "for this year only" Amateurs to play:
 - 8 Men and 8 Women in separate divisions.
 - 8 Men and less than 8 Women (i.e. 6 woman) play in separate divisions.

Ron Nurnberger made a motion we accept the 8/6 Rule for this year 2024 for Amateurs Masters and if there are less than 6 in either division, then they shuffle together. Motion seconded by Kay Lynn. Discussion clarified Amateurs and State Ams are still shuffling in separate divisions, and minimum points to qualify for Masters in both Amateur divisions is one (1) point. Motion Carried.

6. SWCD Nomination Committee for March Elections. Nominating Committee will be Terri Smith and Frank Marderosian.

Motion by Jean Wilson to adjourn--2:50 pm.

Respectively Submitted:

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Kay Lynn Duncan Secretary for SWCD

Dated: January 20, 2024