

Southwest Coast District Shuffle Club

Board Meeting Minutes

Bradenton Shuffle Clubhouse

Saturday, January 3, 2026 – 1 pm

Meeting called to order at 1:03 pm by President Jerry Stannard followed by Pledge and Invocation

Roll Call - Board Officers present:

President, Jerry Stannard; 1st VP Elaine Antaya; 3rd VP Vacant; Secretary, JoAnn Bryant; Treasurer, Cheryl Putnam; State Delegate, Tom Putnam; Alternate St. Delegate, Frank Marderosian, Tournament Director, Terri Smith. Absent: 2nd VP Mary Fowler and KOR, Diane Dixon

11 Clubs present with voting rights: Bradenton, Golf Lakes, Heather Hills, Leisure Lakes, Palmetto, Riverside Park, The Grove, Trailer Estates, Tropic Isles, Vista Del Largo and Woodpark Condos.

Officer Reports

President: Spoke about the attendance of the SWCD members at tournaments. We have about 40 people weekly at the District Tournaments and averaging 20 at State Tournaments. The willingness of the districts to travel, including the West Coast and Southern districts, has kept shuffleboard alive in our State. We need to get more people to come and keep coming. Jerry reported that he presented his ideas at the FSA November 22nd scheduling meeting regarding the number of tournaments in each district be reallocated based on population and participation. It was not adopted.

Secretary: November 1, 2025 minutes reviewed, 1 correction concerning profit of last year's 50/50. Michael Sadler motion to accept, 2nd by Jean Wilson. Motion carried.

Treasurer: Cheryl reviewed the Financial Reports for period 10/1/2025 to 12/31/2025. Report filed with Secretary and affixed to minutes. It was noted that we made a good profit this quarter, but our expenses start accumulating going forward in this fiscal year.

1st VP: Elaine Antaya reported Previews sales are behind last year at this time. There are 19 left to sell. She encouraged new players to consider getting a copy and reading the rules and regulations in the back. She sent a get-well card to Mary Fowler.

2nd VP: Cheryl spoke for Mary and reported that "Share the Wealth" (i.e. 50/50 sales) has brought in \$624.

3rd VP: Vacant position.

KOR: JoAnn reported for Diane Dixon that we have 9 new amateurs since October 1. Mark Varda has moved up to State Am effective next season.

State Delegate: Tom Putnam reported that there is nothing to report since the last State meeting. He reminded everyone that Ten Day Notices are due. Jerry mentioned that they are due to Glenn by January 9th per instructions on the State Website.

Tournament Director: Terri Smith - Nothing to report.

Masters Committee: will have a short meeting after this one.

Nominations Committee: Nothing to report. Cheryl will stay on as treasurer for another year.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Reminder to submit Scholarship Applications by February 1st. Forms on table.
2. Discussed change of date for Shuffleboard School but not necessary as other conflicts were resolved. Date will be January 17, 2026.
3. Update on status of the future of BSC – Ron reported that the developer told him that we will be able to stay here until the end of the present lease which is 2 years (March 2028). Evoking the 90-day clause is still a possibility but the builder seems steadfast and honest about his intentions to wait.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion ensued regarding the lack of Hall of Fame points being earned, especially by women, due to less teams participating and the change in format, i.e. not bringing your own partner. An ad-hoc committee formed to investigate and recommend point alterations within the SWCD which will be presented for discussion at the March meeting. The committee will consist of Ron Nurnberger, Tom Putnam and Terri Smith.
2. Motion by Marcia Clark to modify District Rules, Section 8, Paragraph 4-E as follows: No matter the size of the State Amateur Tournament, all Amateurs will get move-up points (1 pt in Main, ½ pt in Consolation, no pt for 4th place Consolation if less than 16 teams) as long as they win at least one match, retroactive to 10/1/25. Seconded by Julie Bonenfant. Passed. Reason for change was to reward Amateurs for traveling out of District to participate in tournaments.
3. Motion by Pat Antaya to change the start time of tournaments south of the Manatee River to 9:30. Seconded by Jean Wilson. After discussing pros and cons, the motion was withdrawn by Pat. Seconded by Cheryl.
4. Turkey Shoot is set for March 21 at 5 pm. There will be hot dogs, pop and chips for \$3. Open to anyone including friends and family. Encouraged to expand invitations to the neighborhood.
5. Special Award resumes are due to Jerry by February 1st.
6. Motion by Frank Marderosian to continue District Any Doubles Draw tournaments next year with ladies picking first. Seconded by Tom Putnam. Host Club can determine format and how restricted but not tournament type. Motion passed.
Motion by Marcia Clark to continue Mixed Doubles tournament at Trailer Estates. Pat Antaya seconded. Discussion included making it clear that Mixed Doubles means bringing your own partner. Motion withdrawn by Marcia. Pat seconded.
Motion by Jean Wilson to rotate the location of the District Mixed Doubles Tournament to Host Club's last tournament of the year. Seconded by Tom Putnam. Passed. Next year the Mixed Doubles Tournament will be at Bradenton.
7. Reviewed all 2026-27 Tournament sites and format.

8. The pros and cons of the placement of byes (either bunched or spread out) on a chart was discussed. When there are a small number of teams and byes are bunched, the teams that get them on the bottom two brackets are automatically in the money. On the other hand, when the TD is busy doing registration, waiting to see how many teams will show and preparing draw tickets, it is much quicker to simply bunch the byes together. Spreading the bunches around creates more teams having to wait to play. Jerry asked for a meeting with the Tournament Directors to discuss. He also put in a motion at the FSA to take up this issue.
9. Much discussion about whether the election of officers should occur in January or March. A motion was made by Julie Bonenfant (from Tropic Isles) and seconded by Ron Nurnberger to formally notify Glenn Monroe that we do not intend to have the SWCD elections in January. The information in the bylaws appears to conflict as well as it would be detrimental to our district to hold a vote in January because it is difficult to get a quorum.
10. No election at this meeting therefore no installation of officers.

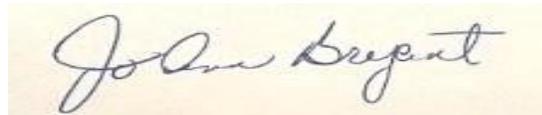
OTHER

A motion was made by Ron Nurnberger, seconded by Marcia Clark to change the date of the January meeting in 2027 from January 2nd to January 9th. Passed.

Next SWCD Meeting will be held on Saturday, March 7, 2026 at 1pm at BSC.

Jean Wilson moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:29 pm. Frank Marderosian seconded.

Respectfully submitted:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "JoAnn Bryant". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured background.

JoAnn Bryant
Secretary for SWCD