

FSA CENTRAL DISTRICT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, January 11, 2020

The Central District Board of the FSA met Saturday, January 11, 2020 at Sanlan RV and Golf Resort. President John Houghtaling called the meeting to order at 9:30 am. John offered an invocation followed by Cheryl Conkle leading us in the pledge to the flag. John expressed his thanks to Sanlan RV and Golf Resort for allowing us to continue having our meetings at this central location.

Roll call was taken and all members were present with the exception of 1<sup>st</sup> VP Jim Chandler, HOF Curators Bob and Linda Marshman and HOF Classic Organizer Virginia Chandler. Introduction of club presidents and guests followed.

George Adyns made a motion to suspend the reading of the November 2, 2019 minutes as they have been posted on the website. Jim Corbeil seconded the motion.

Mike Seyfer gave the following treasurer's report for the period ending December 31, 2019:

Cash Ex-Trust	8,403.42
Cash-Hall of Fame	704.92
Cash-Reiny Trust	<u>2,153.04</u>
Total Assets	11,261.38
Net Worth-October 31, 2019	10,377.98
Net Income-November 1, 2019-December 31, 2019	<u>883.40</u>
Net Worth-December 31, 2019	11,261.38

Mike also reported that the Central District is declining in member clubs. We currently have 39 clubs who have paid their 2020 dues. This is down from the low 50's a few years ago. Sec. Cheryl Conkle and Webmaster Glenn Monroe asked for a list of these 39 clubs. Mike reminded all clubs to pay for their PREVIEW copies. Three clubs have yet to pay. Glenn reminded us that each paid member club is entitled to one free PREVIEW. He also stated that your member club dues must be paid by the first of the year before you are eligible to shuffle in a tournament.

**Communication-** The first item of communication was a letter from Paul Hawkins. It was a letter rescinding his request for move up status from District Amateur to State Amateur. No further discussion or action is needed. The second item was a letter from Sec. Cheryl Conkle asking the Board to accept her resignation citing personal and family reasons. John Houghtaling also shared the news of John MacLennon's passing. John was a charter member of ZSC and a HOF member of the Central District.

**REPORT OF OFFICERS**

**President John Houghtaling-** John commented that we've had a successful year to this point. Even though the numbers are down, the venues are very nice and well kept. Thanks to the Executive Board for the work they do to make everything go smoothly.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP Jim Chandler-** unable to attend but the 2020-21 schedule will be discussed later.

**2nd VP Jim Corbeil** - Jim reported that the original estimate for the Reiny pins was \$1400. Thanks to some research by Mike Seyfer, \$777 was saved with another company and the pins have arrived.

**3rd VP Linda Armstrong**- Linda commented that this has been a challenging year but she has mostly enjoyed it. She has worked well with Stephanie Swain and Josh Dulabaum with the PREVIEW. The main issue was with the FSA in regards to several PREVIEW checks from Central District Clubs totally more than \$1670. The FSA said they didn't receive them. However, Linda has the receipts and had them sent registered mail in one envelope along with a summary sheet. The checks were cashed on Nov. 14 and 15 and 2 deposits were made. Linda will follow up on this issue with State Treasurer, Joyce Smith.

**4th VP Tim Baker** Tim has amateur packets and current schedules to hand out to new amateurs. John Houghtaling encouraged all to take these packets back to your clubs. Tim asked David Earle to comment on the Woodbrook tournament. David said it is an ideal tournament for amateurs. They play all day the first day and then the top 16 come back the second day and play off. There were 56 players. On the second day, a "vote" was taken and it was decided that the first 2 games would 12 frame/75 pt and if a third game was needed, it would be 16 frame game with 8 on each color.

**Secretary Cheryl Conkle** --There were 3 clubs whose membership application was returned. Those were dispersed among members to be redirected. After some discussion, it was decided that some coordination between Secretary, Treasurer and KOR is needed to keep this club list updated.

**State Delegate Larry Brown**- Larry commented on the Avon Park Club. He said Tom Clayton is doing a fine job and has 40-45 shufflers playing at one time. However, these shufflers are not encouraged to play in tournaments. He also stated that if any tournament dates are available on the schedule, Sebring will accept those dates. On a personal note, he thanked everyone from the bottom of his heart for their calls and cards with the passing of his wife, Ruth.

**Alternate State Delegate Judy Holloway**- She stated that there are more than 200 people attending the HOF Banquet in Bradenton. The Central District has 3 inductees, Mike Seyfer, Dean Myklejord and Larry Brown. Thanks to Larry for the donation to the Orange Blossom Memorial tournament in memory of Ruth Brown.

**Tournament Director George Adyns**- In district tournament play, George stated that we had 14 more players than last year and 10 of those were amateurs. In the State tournaments, both amateur and pro, we are up 16 players from last year. However, we had a third state tournament and a Red line tournament this year in the Central District. Otherwise, we would be down by 85 players.

**Webmaster/KOR Glenn Monroe**—Glenn stated that we have 2 players with 90 or more points. Delane Ruess has 99 points and Richard Cron has 92 points. We have 8 State Ams moving up to Pro status and 8 District Ams moving up to State Am status.

**HOF Curators Bob/Linda Marshman**- Not present, no information.

**HOF Classic Jim/Virginia Chandler**—Not present, no information

## OLD BUSINESS

**Reiny Masters Expenditure item (pins)—Jim Corbeil/Mike Seyfer**—This item was already discussed. Great job to Mike in finding this discounted price. These pins should last 6/7 years.

**Other-Modified Doubles tournament**—Glenn Monroe fully supports David Earle with the change of format for the amateur modified doubles tournament held at Woodbrook. However, he feels this change needs to be a rule. Tim Baker made a motion that the format for the second day of the District Amateur Modified Doubles should be 12 frame/75 points for the first two games followed by a 16 frame, 8 on each color third game if necessary. Jim Corbeil seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Glenn also reiterated that the ZSC website is not the CTL District website. It is a good website but he encouraged shufflers to please check out the CTL District Website for information and shuffler data. This website represents all shufflers in our district.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Tournament Groupings—George Adyns**-- The main concern George has is when there are 3 tournaments scattered throughout the district. We are already short on directors and this just makes it more difficult. He deferred this issue until after item #2 has been discussed.

**2020-21 Central District Schedule-Jim Chandler**—Jim was absent so rough drafts of the schedule were passed out. Winter Haven has given CDP06 to Avon Park. Jim Chandler talked with Tom Clayton, Pres. of Avon Park regarding this issue. This also resolves George's problem of 3 tournaments in different locations. Avon Park will now have an amateur and pro tournament at their location. Much discussion ensued regarding the imbalance of tournament assignments. All venues have either 3 or 4 tournaments. However, when the state tournaments are added in, Winter Haven and Avon Park have 8, Lakeland has 7, and Sebring, Betmar, and Sanlan have 6. Glenn made a motion to approve the 2020-21 tournament schedule as printed with changes to CDA11 and CDA16B and for the location of CDP 06 to be determined. Larry Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**FSA State Schedule 2020-21**-- It is possible that the CTL District will be receiving a new National Tournament for Amateurs. However, this is still pending.

**Code of Conduct**—John Houghtaling said there have been a couple issues of poor conduct this year. He read a possible player decorum statement listing 10 items dealing with good sportsmanship. Do we need a committee to write a statement of player decorum? Glenn stated there is already a Player Decorum Statement on CTL District Website. David Earle suggested that just "setting the tone" before the tournament is perhaps all that's necessary. After much discussion, it was decided to continue with what we currently have.

**10 Day notices**- Voting took place on the first 2 items. Section. 2 Art. 1 —the vote was yes; Section 2, Art. 4—the vote was yes.

**Report of 2020-21 Nominating Committee**—In Bob Marshman’s absence, John Houghtaling read the slate of officers. All current officers will remain in place with the exception of Sec. Cheryl Conkle and 4<sup>th</sup> VP Tim Baker. Cathy Renwick has been nominated for the Secretarial position. We are still in search of a 4<sup>th</sup> VP. Judy Holloway indicated she may have someone in mind and will report back.

**Amateur Packets-** Tim Baker announced that all his amateur packets are gone but he will be getting additional copies.

**HOF Nominees-** There are 2 nominees for Special Award for the Central District HOF this year. They are George Adyns and Cheryl Conkle. John Houghtaling reread their nomination letters. After consideration from the Board, both members received a majority vote. They will be inducted in March.

**Other**—Larry Brown encouraged everyone to attend CTL District Meetings at Sanlan and State Meetings held in Sebring. Congratulations to Mike Seyfer and Dean Myklejord for their upcoming induction into the State HOF in Bradenton. He also said how very fortunate we are to have Glenn Monroe at our meetings and in our district.

**Adjournment**—Tom Gionet made a motion for adjournment. Meeting adjourned.

Cheryl Conkle, Secretary