

FSA Central District Executive Board Meeting
9:00 A.M. March 1, 2014

The Central District Executive Board met in Sanlan R.V. Park March 1, 2014.

Call to Order: President Bob Marshman called the meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

Roll call of Officers: Roll call of Officers was taken. All were present but Lorraine Pollock.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: President Bob Marshman asked if it was necessary to read the Minutes of the last meeting January 18, 2014. It was agreed it was not necessary as they are posted on the Website. Don Rood made a motion that the minutes need not be read. Doug Stockman seconded it. Minutes stand as approved. Motion carried.

Doug Stockman had a question in regards to the minutes. He asked to clarify who the committee was that the funds went to that were donated by the Zephyrhills Water Company. David Earle explained that the funds will be given to President Paul Sauerwine for the Lakeland Club to use for the Reiny/Pro Masters. They can use the funds any way they wish.

Report of Officers:

President Bob Marshman: Will report later in the meeting.

1st Vice President Don Rood: Don advised the Board that at the State Tournament in Avon Park March 10th, 2014, a short service in remembrance of Clarence Wright will be held. FSA President Phil Rebholz will speak. This will start at 8:30 A.M.

2nd Vice President Doug Stockman: Will report later in the meeting.

3rd Vice President Judy Holloway: Judy reported she is working on the PREVIEW for the 2014-2015 season.

4th Vice President Marti Noble: No report.

Secretary Barbara Fournier: No report.

Treasurer Mike Seyfer: Mike presented the Central District Financial Statement dated January 1, 2014 – February 28, 2014.

Position Statement – February 28, 2014.

Cash – Ex Trust	9,440.10
Cash – Hall of Fame Trust	822.82
Cash – Reiny Trust	944.27
Total Assets	11,207.19
Total Liabilities	0.00
Net Worth – February 28, 2014	11,207.19
Net Worth – December 31, 2013	12,179.27
Net Income – January 1, 2014 – February 28, 2014	-972.08
Net Worth – February 28, 2014	11,207.19

Mike reported we have 52 club memberships of which 5 are new clubs this year. There are 565 courts and approximately 2,400 shufflers. Glenn Monroe asked Mike to update his list and please give him a copy. President Bob Marshman thanked Mike for his outstanding job as Treasurer.

Judy Holloway made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. David Earle seconded it. Motion carried. The report will be filed for audit.

State Delegate David Earle: David asked President Bob Marshman about the stacked byes that he was going to bring before the FSA. Bob said he and Glenn Monroe were working on it. Bob said they also would bring modified draw doubles and the third game to the FSA meeting.

Alternate State Delegate Ruth Brown: No report.

Tournament Director Lorraine Pollock: Absent due to directing a tournament.

Webmaster/KOR Glenn Monroe: He will report later in the meeting. Glenn asked Doug Stockman about getting the trophies back from last years winners. Doug said it had already been taken care of.

Hall Of Fame Curators Jim & Marlene Corbeil and Tournament Directors Bob & Cheryl Conkle: Cheryl gave a report on the Hall Of Fame Classic to be held March 14, 2014. She said that there were 107 players signed up to date. Plans were going well. Cheryl and Bob will be leaving to go home for a family situation. The Corbeils and Ruth Tate will be in charge until they return. Jim Corbeil reported that they had collected \$420.00 in donations and \$160.00 in Gift Certificates to date. Name of donors are announced to the winners unless you request to remain anonymous.

Glenn Monroe told the Board that the Central District has a website to post things on. Just let him know what you would like posted.

Unfinished Business:

PREVIEW – Ads: Judy Holloway is working on this. Judy would like help in getting e-mail addresses for some clubs. She also needs the names of contact people in the clubs. President Bob Marshman asked everyone to give her a hand. If you have a change in President etc. give the information to Judy and she will pass it on to Ed O'Neal.

Hall Of Fame Finalization: The three nominees for the Hall Of Fame are Cathie Hurst, Lofty Haskim, and Mary Christensen. They will be inducted March 14th, 2014 at the Hall Of Fame Classic in Winter Haven.

CD Schedule – Final Review- President Bob Marshman advised that we tell people to check the schedule in the fall to check for changes. Check the Website or PREVIEW. The Amateur Schedule has a change A06A to be held in Winters. The format will now be a Modified Draw Doubles. The Central District Meeting will be changed from Feb. 28, 2015 to March 7th, 2015. Other meetings will be held Nov. 8th, 2014 and January 17, 2015. The meetings will be held at Sanlan R.V. Park. Marti Noble asked about a possible change in date for the March No Two Pro Tournament another year. She felt it cuts down on the Amateur tournament numbers the next day. President Marshman said this has been discussed before but there hasn't been a solution. Bob said if the southern part of the District would like to have something other than a tournament of No Two Pros it is possible. Doug Stockman suggested tournaments that are No Two Pros be played earlier in the season. This will be discussed again at a later meeting. A discussion was held on

draws versus singles. David Earle reminded the board that we have to keep in balance the number of points earned at a tournament. David advised the Board that if you have singles in one area and doubles in another doubles gives out twice as many points. 16 points are given out in a draw and 8 in singles. Also discussed was the format of who plays at the foot and the head at a No Two Pro Tournament. This would have to be taken to the FSA to make any changes. Don Rood made a motion to accept the schedule for 2014-2015 as is. Glenn Monroe seconded it. Motion carried.

Plans for the Masters: Play offs will be played if the number 8 position needs to be determined. Paul Sauerwine has things in order in Lakeland, and Glenn Monroe has been very helpful in getting the names on the Website each week for positions. Players have written instructions explaining the format and the time to report each day. Glenn has put this on the Website as well as the meals to be served. Doug has the plaques and pins. There is no Pro money as there are no sponsors. A donation from Zephyrhills Water Department will go to Paul Sauerwine for the Reiny/Masters and a donation of \$3.00 has been requested for meals. Play offs will be held in Sanlan or where ever it is convenient. Doug thanked Sue Krynak for her help and the great job she did when in that position. President Marshman thanked Doug for his good work.

Format Reviews:

President Bob Marshman told the Board that the bunching of the sub charts, third game sixteen frames, and Modified Draw Doubles are being used in several parks. Modified Draw Doubles seems to be drawing District Ams out as they do not have to wait around. Bob will report at the State Meeting that we have decided to use these formats the rest of the year. Comments from the Executive Board were favorable. Other districts are thinking of trying the three formats. When the other Districts take the formats to the FSA, eventually changes may take place. We have four Modified Draw Double Tournaments being played in the 2014-2015 season. The Board voted and agreed to keep these three formats next year unless the host club does not want to use them. This will be taken to the General Meetin for discussion.

New Business:

HOF Curators and HOF Tournament Committee: President Bob Marshman told the Board that these two duties have been split. The Corbeils are the HOF Curators and the Conkles are the HOF Tournament Committee. They do not have a vote as it is an appointed position. Doug Stockman made a motion that the HOF Curators and HOF Tournament Committee be added to the Executive Board and each position will have full voting privileges. The motion was not seconded so it will stand as is.

Taking the Game to the Players: Will be discussed later if time permits.

Possible New Locations: President Bob Marshman advised the board that he had been contacted by a group of Amateurs from Lake Region who are interested in getting together with him in the fall to talk about getting an Amateur Tournament on the schedule again. They have 16 courts. Bob will work with them in hopes to add them as a possible new location for tournaments. Bob said keep looking around for new locations to hold tournaments.

Attracting New Clubs to the F.S.A. Max Tate asked we have a discussion on this. We had 5 new clubs join the F.S.A. this year and this promotes places for Tournaments. David Earle said we could get more Amateurs out by having tournaments in more locations. Three tournaments can be run the same day if we have Directors. Many Amateurs do not like to travel and by doing tournaments in their parks it is taking the game to the players. Marti Noble commented that

sometimes Amateurs get discouraged that you may go to a Tournament where the locals always win. David Earle said you need to keep going back and eventually you will win. Bob commented that it is universal and not just the Amateurs.

Amateur Packets – What next: The Amateur packets have gone very well. 600 packets have been distributed. The packets have cost about \$800.00. About 60 Packets contained a PREVIEW. Please think of ideas to help with What Next.

Adjournment: Don Rood made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Barbara Fournier seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

FSA Central District General Membership Meeting
10:30 A.M. March 1, 2014

Call to Order: President Bob Marshman called the meeting to order at 10:30 A.M. President Marshman gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Bob thanked President Linda Armstrong and the members of Sanlan R.V. Park for hosting the meeting.

Roll Call of Officers: All Officers were present except Lorraine Pollock.

Introduction of Club Presidents/Delegates: President Bob Marshman asked that the Club Presidents, Delegates, and the Audience introduce themselves and what club they represented. Bob asked that any letters of appointment to vote be given to the Secretary.

Minutes from the Previous Meeting January 18, 2014: A motion was made by Max Tate that the previous minutes need not be read as they are posted on the Website. Don Rood seconded it. Minutes stand as approved. Motion carried.

Communications: None

Report of Officers:

President Bob Marshman: President Bob Marshman told the audience that we have distributed around 600 Amateur Packets. PREVIEWS were put in 60 of the Packets. The cost for 700 packets was approximately \$800.00. We have extra money left from the extra dollar collected at tournaments. Please be thinking of ideas for the use of the funds. Your suggestions will be appreciated.

1st Vice President Don Rood: Don advised the audience that on March 10th, 2014 in Avon Park before the State Tournament a memorable service would be held for Clarence Wright. This will start at 8:30 A.M. FSA President Phil Rebholz will speak.

2nd Vice President Doug Stockman: Will report later.

3rd Vice President Judy Holloway: Will report later.

4th Vice President Marti Noble: No report

Secretary Barbara Fournier: No report.

Treasure: Mike Seyfer: Mike reported the Central District Financial Statement for March 1, 2013 – February 28, 2014.

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Don Rood made a motion to accept the report as is. Barbara Fournier seconded it. Motion carried. The report will be filed for audit.

State Delegate David Earle: No report.

Alternate State Delegate Ruth Brown: No report.

President Bob Marshman told the audience there will be a State Meeting in Sebring March 15, 2014.

Webmaster/ KOR Glenn Monroe: No report.

Central District Tournament Director Lorraine Pollock: Absent due to directing a tournament.

HOF Curators: Jim & Marlene Corbeil & HOF Tournament Committee Robert & Cheryl Conkle. Jim Reported that they had donations to date of \$420.00 in funds and \$160.00 in Gift Certificates for the HOF Classic March 14, 2014. Nominees that will be inducted are Cathy Hurst, Lofty Haskim, and Mary Christensen. Cheryl Conkle reported that plans for the HOF Tournament were going well. There are 107 players to date. The Conkles are going home for a family matter and Ruth Tate will be in charge until they return. Jim and Marlene will be there to help also. The tournament will be held in Winter Haven. Cheryl received a hand of applause for her hard work.

Unfinished Business:

HOF Classic Finalization: Cheryl Conkle has covered this.

PREVIEW- Ads: Judy Holloway advised the audience that is being worked on. President Bob Marshman asked that if your club would like to put an add in the PREVIEW please contact Judy as soon as possible.

Central District Schedule: You can find the schedule on the Website. Please check the Website in the Fall in case there are other changes. To date the following changes have been made. A06A at Winters Park will be changed to a Modified Draw Doubles. The District Meeting in March will be March 7, 2015 instead of February 28, 2015. The Central District Meetings will be held Nov. 8, 2014, January 17, 2015, and March 7, 2015. The meetings will be held at Sanlan R.V. Park;

The Amateurs are excited about the Modified Draw Doubles. If a club wants to change their format before next year it can be done if we have time to advertise it. To date there are four Modified Draw Doubles Tournaments scheduled for the 2014-2015 season - three Amateurs and one Pro.

Plans for CD Masters: Doug Stockman reported that the finale results for the Reiny/Masters were not available yet. Written instructions have been given to possible players in regards to dates, time, formats, and lunches. Doug thanked Glenn Monroe, Paul Sauerwine, Sue Krynak, and Dean Myklejord for their co-operation in helping with the Reiny. The plaques are ready. No money will be given to the players as there are no sponsors. A \$3.00 donation is asked for lunches. A \$200.00 donation from the Zephyrhills Water Company will be donated to the host club. Playoffs will be

for 8th, and 9th position. Play offs will be in Sanlan or if needed a more convenient place. The tournament will be a two day event. Format will be 12 frame games and each player will play each other twice. David Earle requested a group picture for the Zephyrhills Water Department.

Amateur Packets – What next?

President Bob Marshman said this has been a success. What next? Suggestions from the floor were: Have Pro Players go to the parks and give lessons if asked, encourage new players to stay and watch the better players to learn, hold more novice tournaments, hold just District Amateur Tournaments, encourage players to play Modified Draw Doubles, and challenge new players by suggesting they take certain days and just play tournament play at their parks. What to do with the extra dollar will be discussed at the next meeting.

Format Reviews:

The Central District has asked the State to be able to bunch the sub charts this year and we were granted that. It is working well and has helped shortened tournaments in most games. Another district has asked to do this but was denied until they see how it goes in our District. The Modified Draw Doubles has been very successful. Most everyone enjoys the format as they are not sitting around. Third game sixteen points is also successful. Betmar is the only club now that does not use these formats. Larry Brown said we should encourage people to be at the State Meeting to support these formats. Glenn Monroe expressed the new formats have all but eliminated sitting around and waiting. It speeds up the game and more Amateurs are coming out. David Earle said he would like to find a way to get out early and still play 75 points. At another time, we need to address what to do with the odd bye and slow play. Tournament Directors need more say in a tournament. Please be thinking about it. Glenn said The third game is not used just for helping to speed up the game it is used for fairness. This is not a new experiment for the District it is in the FSA rules. The Board agreed to these formats this morning for next year as long as it is accepted by the FSA.

New Business:

President Bob Marshman said he will meet with Lake Region in the fall and discuss with them about having a District Tournament there again. If you know of any clubs who have twelve courts who would like to host an Amateur Tournament let us know. Taking the games to the players helps attract new clubs. We had five new clubs join the FSA recently. Jim Corbeil's club has 40 some players coming out for lessons. Keep working on attracting new clubs to the FSA. Joan Mondry suggested giving new players a free membership for the year. Avon Park, Lakeland, St. Cloud and Winter Haven are some of the clubs that entice new members with some form of a free membership.

Other Business:

Ruth Tate asked about the Ten Day Notices. There are only three this year. Glenn Monroe read the three ten day notices and explained each one. He explained that it use to be the only way to get a rule changed. The 2/3 vote is more acceptable now and things are getting easier to settle without having to present a 10 Day Notice.

Linda Armstrong suggested some of the extra money the District has, be donated to the Reiny/Pro Masters. Glenn Monroe moved that we table this until the next meeting. It was accepted and President Marshman said he would put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Larry Brown commended the Board on the job they did this year.

Officers will be installed at the Fall Meeting.

Adjournment: Glenn Monroe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Don Rood seconded it.
Meeting adjourned at 11:50 A.M.