

## **DISTRICT IV 2017 ANNUAL SPRING MEETING**

The annual District IV Spring Meeting was held on Feb.18, 2017 in the Rec Hall at Rock Shadows. Pres. Bob K. called the meeting to order at 2:05. The invocation given by Carl Howell and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Carol Howell.

Introduction of the head table: Brian Scott, Executive Director, Al Plante, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, David Long, Placement Committee, , Connie Borszich, Director, Karen Fodchuk, secretary, Bob Kucharczyk, President, Deb Wacker, Treasurer, Lloyd Sandau, Director, Lynne Sutton, Parliamentarian, Peter Bontkes, Rules and Mike Bowden, 1<sup>st</sup> VP.

Roll call was taken from the sign in sheets and there is a quorum.

The minutes of the fall meeting were read by Karen Fodchuk, corrected, (Gold Canyon will host the District IV League Playoffs) and accepted as read.

Treasurer Deb Wacker reported a bank balance as of Feb.18 2017 of \$8154.77 in the checking account and \$809.65 in svgs. The report stands as presented.

### **President's Report:**

- We are implementing a motion or a notice of motion form in the hopes that it will make everyone's job easier. This form will be available on our website and we will have copies available at each meeting as well as a copy in each tournament packet. When someone wishes to make a motion, we will take a five minute break so that person can fill out the form with his own words and then give it to the secretary.
- To all League Presidents, could you please take into consideration when making your schedules that it is very difficult to organize the playoffs when leagues are still playing the week or even days before the playoffs are to start? Please try to complete your leagues at least two weeks prior to the league playoffs. We need time to find the venue and find the volunteers. It would be appreciated.
- We are seeing a decline in memberships and in leagues. There are various reasons for this and we need to come up with some ideas to bring up the memberships.
- While dealing with the storage issue at Super Sun, we have found two boxes filled with the shuffleboard history of District IV. Our last historian, Brian Honan, passed away so we are looking for someone interested in continuing with this task.

### **League reports:**

1. Cactus League: Gloria Toutloff reported that Golden Vista will represent the league in the playoffs. Pizza party planned for the banquet and 6 teams will be playing next year.
2. Coyote League: Dave not present.
3. Cougar League: Susan Bontkes reported that they lost one team, Mountain View and will have 5 teams next year. Fountain of the Sun finished 1<sup>st</sup>, Super Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> and View Point 3<sup>rd</sup>. Banquet March 2<sup>nd</sup> at Super Sun and we would like to find another team.
4. Eagles: Kurt Johnson reported Roadhaven 1<sup>st</sup>, Lost Dutchman 2<sup>nd</sup> and Pacific Mobile 3<sup>rd</sup>. Lost Dutchman will represent the Eagles in the playoffs and the banquet is March 2<sup>nd</sup> at Roadhaven. One team might be folding but working on helping them out.

5. Pima league: Carole Taylor reported that with only 4 teams we made it through the season. The team who were supposed to represent District 1V were unable to attend so the second place team, The Resort will represent the Pima league in the playoffs. Working hard to make sure we have at least 4 teams for next year, if not our league will fold.
6. Scorpion League: Harold Rayborn reported that their league finished on schedule. Very happy with the handicap system. Lost Dutchman will represent them in the playoffs. Anticipate having 6 teams next year and working hard to find another team in their park.
7. Tomahawk League: Al Plante reported that Lost Dutchman finished 1<sup>st</sup> and will represent the league in the playoffs. Eastgate 2<sup>nd</sup> and Las Palmas Grande 3<sup>rd</sup>. We anticipate no problems for next year. Having an end of the season party as opposed to a banquet.
8. Valley Shufflers: Doris Klinger reported that they have 5 teams as VDO dropped out so looking for another team. Banquet was held last night and it was nice. Sunhaven will represent us in the playoffs.
9. Two Board League: Ralph Freeman reported that the league finished off with 11 teams. Two divisions and looks good for next year with 12 teams participating. Tournament next week and March 10 is the banquet.
10. Hopi League: John Klinger reported that banquet is this evening. Fountain of the Sun will represent the league in the playoffs. Gold Canyon finished 2<sup>nd</sup> and Casa Blanca 3<sup>rd</sup>. 6 teams for next year.
11. Superstition League: Sue Bachmeier reported that they had 6 teams thanks to Las Palmas who brought in 14 new players and also finished 3<sup>rd</sup> with the handicap. Golden Vista 2<sup>nd</sup> and Sunland Springs 1<sup>st</sup>. Golden Vista will represent the league in the playoffs. Banquet Fountain of the Sun Thank you Karen and Bob for helping me as this was my first year as president.

#### **Standing committee reports:**

1. Advisory committee: Ralph Conant reported that he has nothing to comment on.
2. Hall of Fame: Mike Bowden reported that there is one nomination from our district, Winn Hausauer. The vote will be taken at the ASA meeting in March.
3. Placement committee: Dave Long reported that we have a couple of new prospective teams. Teams are down in memberships. Down 6 teams this season. Working to find more so that each league has 6 teams. Maybe have to reduce the number of leagues to nine instead of ten so we can have 6 teams in each league. Checking with new parks to promote some interest.
4. President's Award: Brian Scott has nominated Vern Zillyett from Lost Dutchman RV Resort for the District 1V President's Award. A very worthy participant. The plaque will be delivered to him at his home as he was unable to attend this meeting. Bob Kucharczyk has read the nomination that was submitted by Carl Howell for Ken Wardley from Golden Vista for the District 1V President's Award. Ken accepted the award and thanked everyone.
5. Rules: Peter Bontkes reported that they had two clinics with a total of 40 people. If your park wants to have a rules session, Peter will be more than happy to come out and have a clinic. The next session is scheduled for January 6, 2018 at Super Sun.
6. Strategy: Scott Davenport not present.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

We had a motion notice of motion from Scott Davenport, to be voted on at this meeting and as Scott is not in attendance, the motion did not go forward.

**New Business:**

Carl Howell made a motion to have all tournament fees set at \$8.00. The motion was seconded by Joe Casius. Rich Chouinard from Golden Vista has made an amendment to this motion. It is amended to read; that District 1V recommends that fees for tournaments be set at \$8.00. This does not include cash tournaments. The motion is seconded by Peter Bontkes. The motion was voted on and carried.

Garry Bachmeier has made a motion that is recorded as follows; in the beginning of each season, before January 1<sup>st</sup>, all league teams will be able to use three spare players for the first two games. These spares must be from your park and not be playing on any other league team. They must have a District 1V ASA membership but will not be required to pay league fees unless they play their third game. Al Plante seconded the motion. The motion was voted on and carried.

Lynne Sutton has revised the wording in the President's Award guidelines. These guidelines will be posted with the minutes and a copy will be put in with the tournament packets.

Mike Bowden has mentioned to league presidents to take note of the expanded time frame over the Christmas break. Might give you time to get some league games done so the league finishes earlier. Bob K. would really like to see the leagues finish two weeks before the playoffs start. Playoffs next year will be February 26-28 so try to finish by the 12<sup>th</sup> or around there somewhere.

State League playoffs will be held March 6-7. Tournament of Winners will be held at VDO on March 11-12. The system for tracking points for this tournament is not the same as points accumulated for the Hall of Fame. So please do not use points from this tracking system if you are tracking points for the Hall of Fame.

Dale Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:37.