

ARIZONA SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION, INC.
Annual Fall Meeting December 2, 2023, 10:00 AM
9:30 AM District Presidents & Hall of Fame
General Meeting 10:00 AM
SUNSCAPE RV RESORT, CASA GRANDE, AZ

President Clint Gienger called the meeting to order at 10:00 am and welcomed all in attendance. Bill Storck offered the invocation and Ruth Hugan led the attendees in the International Pledge of Allegiance. The sign-in sheet determined a quorum.

President Clint Gienger asked if there were any additions to the agenda and requested a motion to accept the agenda. Sylvia Smith asked for a pocket calendar line item to be added. Debra Besaw made a motion to accept the agenda with a second from Sylvia Smith. The motion carried.

INTRODUCTIONS: President Clint Gienger introduced the Executive Board. The District Presidents then introduced their attendees.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: The minutes are posted on the ASA website. President Clint Gienger asked for a motion to accept the minutes as posted. Bill Smith requested a sentence change for more clarity. "Bill Storck has been asked to chair the Nominating Committee for next year, and we are currently looking for a new Rules Chairperson." Bill Storck made a motion to accept the minutes as posted and was seconded by Elmer Lang. The motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Bill Smith presented a detailed treasurer's report. A hard copy of the report was given to members, secretary, and presidents for their records. Because of Covid membership loss, there is a \$700 deficit per year. The report was approved with a first from Bill Storck and a second from Elmer Lang. The motion passed. The complete report is on file.

ASA PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Clint stressed that one of his main concerns for our organization is the need for more new volunteers to step forward to help with the tasks necessary to keep the group growing. New individuals need to step up to provide input and ideas as the ASA organization moves forward.

Clint addressed the financial concerns for the ASA. At the last meeting, he talked about the need to raise the ASA dues above the current \$2.00. The situation needs to be monitored in the future.

As per ASA bylaws, Clint was procedurally required to appoint Marlin Ordway to replace Bob Colbert as District Director. Elmer Lang has agreed to chair the rules committee for a one-year period. Standing committee chairs Brian Scott (State Supplies) and Bill Smith (Treasurer) have informed him they will not be returning in their roles next year.

District IV hosted the State League Team playoffs and District V hosted the State Mixed Doubles playoffs. Congratulations to the leaders and volunteers in both districts for well-run tournaments. This coming year the state playoff tournaments will be held as follows:

- ASA State Split Singles Championship (Yuma) District III – Feb 15-16, 2024
- ASA League Team Championship (Sun City) District V – March 4-5, 2024
- ASA Mixed Doubles (Mesa) District I – March 11-12, 2024

Clint recognized four of the six Hall of Fame recipients at this year's Western award banquet, the largest gathering of shuffleboard players (283) in the country.

Clint thanked everyone who spent time making shuffleboard and the ASA a successful organization. His complete report is on file.

WESTERN REGIONAL DIRECTOR: Sylvia Smith reported the Western National Team Tournament concluded with 20 teams participating. The AJ Gold Diggers were the winners. National President Kathy Brennan attended the event and presented their pins. The next local National Tournament will be the Bud Walrath Split Singles to be held March 4-7 at Mesa Spirit Resort. Hemet, California will host the National Open Any Singles February 26-29 and National Any Doubles on April 8-11. See Sylvia if interested in entering.

St. Petersburg, FL hosted the ISA World Men's and Ladies' Single Championship Tournament October 22-28, 2023. San Benito, Texas will host the 41st World Team Championship October 27 through November 1st. Application information will be posted on the national shuffleboard website in early 2024.

Sylvia shared a new rule change at the national level. In the future national Arizona tournaments, AZ rules will be followed, and national tournaments played in Florida will use Florida rules. Also, a purposed change for an individual to qualify for the National Board HOF will need to earn 200 points. She expressed her hope the rule will not pass due to the fact it is harder to earn HOF points in the west.

Sylvia added Brian Scott and Clint Gienger's names on the Clearwater National Archive Arizona Presidential Plaque. Her full report is on file.

DISTRICT PRESIDENT'S REPORTS: Each District President gave their district's report. The reports are kept on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

STATE SUPPLIES: Brian Scott reported only District III and V request state supplies. Brian emphasized that this will be his last year of service and feels he may not need to be replaced. No report is on file.

WEB MASTER: Dale Crouch explained the structure and contents of the current ASA webpage. The Webmaster updates and keeps backup pages for the State page and Districts I, III, IV & V. District II is a part of the state website but is edited by Tucson John Murray and request for District II webpage updates need to be submitted to him. Each district needs a single point of contact for submitting content to the website. If not possible, the contact moves to the district president. Sylvia Smith is designated as the contact for the state calendar and any changes must be authorized by her. Dale stated he posts on Sunday and spends 2-3 hours updating each website. All updates are done on the weekend unless it is an emergency.

Dale stated he did not have time due to personal issues to finalize the move to the previously discussed more user and mobile device friendly website platform. He plans to work on the update this summer. His report is on file.

HALL OF FAME: Brad welcomed returning committee members Sylvia Smith (District 1), Melva Murphy (District 2), Brian Scott (District 4), and Tim Lantz (District 5). There will be no nominees brought forward to the Spring 2024 meeting of the Board of Directors in the "Qualified Candidates Not Elected in the Previous

Year” category because all nominees presented for consideration at the Spring 2023 were elected into the Arizona Shuffleboard Association Hall of Fame.

Please advise members of your district to have any applications submitted to their respective district HOF representative by early January 2024. This allows sufficient time for review and any necessary clarifications. His complete report is on file.

RULES: Elmer Lang reported ASA rule wording will be reviewed for further clarification. Any questions or suggestions, please contact a member of the committee. No report is on file.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Bill Storck is preparing for the March elections meeting stating he is looking for a new Treasurer and 2nd Vice President. No report on file.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Syliva Smith requested that the districts submit their 2024-2025 shuffleboard schedules by the end of January; however, the latest cutoff date would be mid-February.

NEW BUSINESS: No current issues were brought up at the president’s meeting this morning.

Each district needs to send their State Tournament qualifiers to the appropriate State Tournament site contact. Include the qualifiers’ contact information (name, phone number, and email address).

2024-2025 State Tournament & Meeting Dates

ASA Meeting Dates

- December 7, 2024
- March 1, 2025

ASA State Tournaments

- ASA Split Singles Championship - February 20-21, 2025 – District IV
- ASA League Team Championship – March 3-4, 2025 - District V
- ASA Mixed Doubles Championship - March 10-11, 2025 – District II

GOOD OF THE ORDER: ASA President Clint Gienger reminded District I to present the Ambassador Award at the Spring meeting. It was stressed that the wax supply be watched in the future to ensure the ASA organization has sufficient supplies. Clint will review current ASA State website sponsors to see if they are still viable supporters. Brian Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:30 pm. Motion was passed.

Jo DeLong, Secretary

The next meeting will be held on March 2, 2024, at 10:00 am at Sunscape RV Resort in Casa Grande, AZ with a meeting change to the Activity Center. The Hall of Fame and the District President’s meetings will be held at 9:30. District IV is responsible for the refreshments.