

ASA DISTRICT IV FALL MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2019
SUPERSTITION SUNRISE, APACHE JUNCTION, AZ

President Mike Bowden called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Stuart Solem gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Dale Robinson.

Introduction of District IV Officers and Directors:

Mike Bowden, President
Al Plante, 1st VP
Mick McNeely, 2nd VP
Debra Besaw, Secretary
Gwen Bowden, Treasurer

Directors: Connie Borszich, Bob Rinehart,
Dave Crucq
Bob Kucharczyk, Executive Director and
Peter Bontkes, Director were excused.

Roll Call: Taken by Debra Besaw. A quorum was determined as noted on the sign-in sheet.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the Spring 2019 meeting were e-mailed to all District IV members and posted on the website. Mike Bowden asked for a motion to approve minutes as printed and posted on the website. Al Plante motioned to accept as printed, seconded by Mick McNeely. With no corrections, the motion carried. Correspondence, nothing currently.

Treasurer's Report: Gwen Bowden presented a detailed treasurer's report. Starting checkbook balance from 4/1/2018 was \$6,912.47. Income \$6,427.17 (including transfer from savings \$1,810.29). Expenses \$6,451.19. Balance as of 2/16/2019 was \$6,888.45. Audit was performed by Bill Smith. Motion by Don Martens to accept; seconded by Joe Casias. Motion carried.

President's Report: Mike Bowden asked everyone to stand and take a moment of silence for Pete Rawlins and Bob Davie from Countryside who passed away, and to keep their families in our thoughts.

It was announced that Peggy Bullock was handing out 2019-2020 tournament packets.

As reported by the treasurer, District IV expenses exceeded income for the past season. The Executive Committee suggested rethinking methods to increase annual revenue. This will be addressed at a future meeting. In tournaments, District IV had charged \$1.00 per player; several years ago, the entry fee was reduced to \$0.75 per player. For future tournaments, District IV may consider raising to \$1.00 per player.

Last spring, District IV approved to purchase a printer that would print card stock. The printer is large and heavy, and we were unable to find a smaller one. If anyone has knowledge of where to get a smaller and lighter printer please contact Mike Bowden.

District IV has several positions open on the Executive Committee and for Directors expiring this spring. Al Plante is forming a nominating committee.

The Spring 2020 Meeting will take place February 15, 2020 at Eastgate at 10:00am; the league presidents' meeting will be at 9:00am.

Pocket calendars have been printed and handed out. District I had corrections for the last two tournament dates; check their website for those dates.

Lastly, Mike Bowden thanked the Executive Committee for all their help this past year.

League Reports:

Cactus: Jan Sweet reported they have five teams this season and will start 11/21/2019. They will be cross playing on a bye week with the Scorpion League.

Coyote: Dave Gettman reported they have six teams this season and will start 11/14/2019.

Cougar: Susan Bontkes reported they have five teams this season and will start 11/29/2019.

Eagles: Brian Scott reported they have six teams this season and will start 12/5/2019.

Pima: Pat Wilson reported they have four teams this season. Meeting with captains is scheduled for 11/13/2019.

Hopi: Maurice Agnew reported they have four teams this season possibly five teams and will start on 11/29/2019. They will be cross playing on bye a week with the Valley Shufflers League.

Scorpion: David Long reported they have five teams this season and will start 11/21/2019. They will be cross playing on bye week Cactus.

Tomahawk: Al Planted reported they have six teams this season and will start 11/21/2019 and will finish on 2/7/2020. Meeting with captains is scheduled for 11/16/2019.

Superstition: Jerry Lindstrom reported they have five teams this season and will start 11/21/2019. They lost Countryside, the Vice President from Countryside, and are looking for a Vice President as well.

Valley Shufflers: Harold West reported they have five teams this season and will start 11/29/2019 and will finish on 2/7/2020. They will be cross playing on a bye week with the Hopi League.

2-Board: Jack Grey reported they have ten teams, two divisions this season and will start 11/29/2019. Meeting with captains is scheduled for 11/14/2019.

Standing Committee Reports:

1. Advisory Committee: Dave Gettman, nothing currently.
2. Hall of Fame: Debra Besaw reported that the State HOF Committee has a proposal that will be presented at the ASA meeting on 12/7/2019. Some of the proposed changes are clarifications of existing by-laws. The most significant change proposed is the qualifying

points required per district. District IV members were encouraged to visit the ASA website to read the proposals and contact the Executive Committee with comments. New HOF nominations must be given to Bob Kucharczyk by 1/15/2020, so they can be reviewed and sent to the ASA before they meet. Criteria are listed on the website.

3. Placement Committee: David Long reported members need to help captains reach out in their parks to recruit new players. The player pool has five people playing on teams from parks that don't have teams. If anyone needs a player, contact David Long. District IV Mixed Gender League Rules must be followed for all teams. David Long contacted several parks to get teams started. David Long assigned a new team to Hopi League, LaHacienda; Jack Bradshaw will be the captain. Tuesday meeting with Superstition Buttes about a team.
4. President Award: Deadline for nominations is 1/15/2020, before the spring meeting. Criteria are listed on the website.
5. Rules Committee: Debra Besaw reported the next Referee Clinic will be held Saturday, 1/4/2020 at 1:30pm, Superstition Sunrise. Work continues to update some of the language for the ASA State Rules. Copies of the updated League Rules for both 3- and 4-board have been forwarded to Debra Besaw to update.
6. Strategy Committee: Nothing currently.

Unfinished Business:

Lynne Sutton stated that the President's Award deadline is 1/31/2020. Given the tight timeline for the Spring meeting, Bob Kucharczyk will investigate the timelines.

New Business:

Mike Bowden mentioned that a traveling trophy is needed for the Cactus League. Members were asked to check with their parks for any old trophies that can be reused.

John Klinger spoke about the Snowman Classic tournament (12/2-12/4/2019). Registration is being taken tonight.

Dale Robinson mentioned the Can-AM tournament dates have changed to three days due to Thanksgiving. Starting date of 11/25 and finishing 11/27.

Don Martens spoke about the VDO tournament next week. Food will be available for purchase, and registrations are being taken tonight.

Al Plante spoke about the Nominating Committee for election Spring 2020 and David Long will chair that committee. Al is still looking for two members to sit on that committee.

Al Plante also talked about the new Horse Collar tournament (12/26-12/27/2019). If any members enjoy this type of tournament, Al Plante has software available that can be used.

Lynn Sutton spoke about the Masters tournament points structure. Members can go to District IV website for current listing of point totals.

Debra Besaw reported that the District IV 2019-2020 Schedule was provided in each packet. This is where members can find the directors' contact information for upcoming tournaments.

ASA membership for Non-League players for 2020 can be paid tonight to Cheryl McNeely or Debra Besaw.

The Spring 2020 General Meeting will be held February 15, 2020 at 10:00am at Eastgate. The League Presidents' Meeting will take place at 9:00am.

Dale Robinson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 pm; seconded by Don Martens.

Debra Besaw

ASA District IV Secretary

Approved 2/15/2020