

**ASA DISTRICT IV SPRING MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 2026 – 1:30PM
EASTGATE MOBILE HOME PARK, MESA AZ**

President Debra Besaw called the meeting to order at 1:29pm with 30 members in attendance. Debra asked for everyone to stand as Marilyn Sanders asked to remember our shuffleboard family that we have lost and for those that are sick and ailing to wish them well in their recovery and to wish everyone safe travels home. A moment of silence was given in remembrance of our shufflers.

International Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jim Heiar.

Roll Call & Introduction of District IV Officers and Directors were presented by President Debra Besaw and done at the same time. Donn Weber 2nd Vice President was not present. A quorum was reached.

Mick McNeely – Executive Director

Jim Maddox -- Treasurer

Debra Besaw – President

Dave Crucq – Director/Nominating Committee

Marilyn Sanders – 1st Vice President

Jim Heiar -- Director

Donn Weber – 2nd Vice President (Absent)

Doug Sanders – Director & League Coordinator

Cheryl McNeely – Secretary

Committee Chair people in attendance were Barb Murphy – Hall of Fame, Mick McNeely – ASA Rules Chairman, Dave Gettman – Advisory, Jim Sammons – ASA Nominating Committee.

Secretary's Report: Debra asked if everybody had a chance to look at the minutes posted online. Asked if there were any corrections. Hearing none. Debra asked for a motion to accept. Clark Kooning made a motion to accept; Larry Catcott seconded the motion. Everyone was in favor. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None currently.

Treasurer's Report: Jim Maddox presented a detailed financial report from November 15, 2025 to February 7, 2026. A hard copy of the report has been placed on record and copies of the report were available for anyone to have. Having no questions from the members Debra asked for a motion to approve the report. Moe Agnew motioned to accept the report as given, seconded by Steve Devoe. Everyone was in favor. Motion carried.

President Report: Debra Besaw's final report as president, stating that the district had 519 members as of date. We had 110 new shufflers get their membership card and out of that 69 were non-league players and 41 were new to league play. Monte Vista brought in 58 to date new members out of the 110. Very important as a district to keep our membership numbers up. It was a successful season with several tournaments left to go. We continue to hold etiquette, strategy and rules training with

continued excellent participation. Tournament participation was very strong this season. Next season there will be some changes both in locations, dates and names of tournaments.

I would like to thank Brian Scott for all of the hard work he has done for shuffleboard in his many seasons here in Arizona. Thanks again for allowing me to be your president and thank you for the many volunteers that have served with me and guided me on this great journey.

Standing Committee Reports:

Hall of Fame: Barb Murphy announced that Gloria Toutloff has been nominated for induction into the ASA Hall of Fame player category. Gloria accumulated 177 points from 2007 to 2025. Barb read the nomination letter from Marilyn Sanders and announced the other nominees from other districts all nominated for the player category. There are no nominations in the Special Category. She explained that all voting will take place at the state spring meeting.

Rules Committee: Mick McNeely went over rules, strategy and etiquette. He discussed this year and next year's presentations and dates.

League Reports: Doug Sanders league coordinator gave the report on long and short season leagues we have 40 league teams spread out across 10 leagues.

Long Season Leagues

1.) Coyotes	Rock Shadows	Paul Andres	Captain
2.) Superstition	Roadhaven	Dot Noad	Captain
3.) Tomahawk	Golden Vista Road Runners	Dave Crucq	Captain
4.) 2 Board League	The Resort	Randy Carder	Captain

Short Season Leagues

1.) Apache	Countryside	Dave Gettman	Captain
2.) Cactus	Sunland Springs Village	Connie Thrasher	Captain
3.) Cougar	Sunland Village East	Dave Scheels	Captain
4.) Scorpion	Las Palmas Grand	Howie Farrell	Captain
5.) Eagles	The Reserve	Doug Appleyard	Captain
6.) Hopi	La Hacienda	Stan Warrington	Captain

These ten champion league winners will playoff February 16 -19, 2026 to determine our district state representative to be played on March 2 - 3 at district II (Tucson).
Doug's report is on file.

2-Board League: Randy Carder President reported that this season they had 8 teams playing, with last year 10 teams played. Montessa won the league tournament but is unable to field a team so 2nd place team The Resort will be representing in the league playoffs. League play for next season starts the 1st Thursday of December and they are looking for more teams if anyone is interested.

President's Award: The nomination letter was read by the nominator Mick McNeely. The 2026 President's Award was presented to Brian Korotash for his many accomplishments and attributes to shuffleboard. Debra Besaw presented him with a plaque. A hard copy of the nomination letter is on file.

Unfinished Business: League team playoffs will be held next week February 16 -19 at Monte Vista with 10 teams competing.

New Business:

Two motions were brought forward:

Notice of Motion #1: Made by Mick McNeely. District League Play Change: Move from 3 board singles and six matches worth 12 total points to 3 board doubles with 3 matches worth 6 total points. (2points per win 1 each per tie). Doubles partner to be determined by BLIND CHIP DRAW. All leagues would start this format Fall 2026.

RATIONAL: This brings us in alliance with all other districts and aligns with district playoffs and state final format. The only difference, and it's a big one, district IV leagues will blind draw for doubles partner (vs) assigned by captain.

Moe Agnew seconded the motion to bring the motion forward.

Notice of Motion #2: Made by Dave Crucq. In the event that a team in an out of park league is not able to continue regular play, the games completed should be counted. Reason being, if a team qualifying for playoffs losses a player because not enough games played a team could be disqualified.

Discussion followed both motions. Brian Korotash seconded motion #2 to bring the motion forward. Both motions will be voted on at the fall meeting.

Elections for District IV executive board. Elections were performed in accordance with the District IV bylaws. Dave Crucq elections officer asked for nominations from the floor, hearing none. One vote was placed on record for incoming President, Marilyn Sanders, incoming 1st Vice President, Donn Weber, incoming 2nd Vice President, Jim Heier, Secretary Lou Devoe, and current Treasurer Jim Maddox. Newly appointed President Marilyn Sanders has appointed her new directors as Dave Crucq, Melissa O'Hara and Steve Devoe. Doug Sanders will no longer be a director but will still be league coordinator of the 3-board league. Committee Chairpersons stay the same State Rules Committee: Mick McNeely, ASA & District Hall of Fame: Barb Murphy, ASA Nominating Committee Jim Sammons. Advisory Committee is no longer a position that needs to be filled.

Jim Heiar spoke about the Lost Dutchman tournament leaving Roadhaven and coming back to The Reserve @ Lost Dutchman. The correct dates of the Western will be November 2 – 6, 2026.

Clark Kooning from Monte Vista spoke about there shuffleboard club and they have everyone that shuffles pay there ASA membership, he recommends all parks consider this idea. There club has really been revitalized with 87 members.

Presidents Final Address: Debra Besaw thanked everyone who helped her along the way and wished the new board members well.

Marilyn Sanders thanked the outgoing board members for there years of service and contributions to shuffleboard.

Debra stated the next fall meeting will be held at Eastgate Park November 14, 2026 @ 1:30 pm.

Debra then thanked everyone who came to the meeting and called the meeting adjourned at 2:36pm.

Respectfully Submitted
Cheryl McNeely
ASA District IV Secretary

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