

**DUNKIRK LAKESHORE USBC**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING 7/31/18**

The general meeting of the Dunkirk Lakeshore USBC was held at the First Ward Falcon's Club. In attendance were: PJ Azzarella, JoAnne Arnold, Roberta Patterson, Bill Lanski, Greg Haase, Tom Battaglia, Roger Pacos, Dawn Ritz, Al Pearson, Debbie Skinner, and Mike Lucas.

The meeting was called to order by President PJ Azzarella at 7 PM.

PJ informed the Board members of immediate changes to the board: Roy Dailey had resigned; Brad Bixby was appointed to fill the remainder of Roy's term (thru July 2018). Ben Montague has also resigned, as he has moved out of state; Chris Gruber has been appointed to fill the remainder of Ben's term (thru July 2020).

Merger with Grape Belt Youth Association: Greg reported that he has completed most of the paperwork needed for the merger. He still needs PJ's signature, and a copy of the amended bylaws. Discussion occurred re: status of youth bank accounts now and after the merger. The general feeling is that the youth accounts should be placed under the umbrella of the association but will remain independent of the general budget. There was also discussion re: youth Educational Award program (Bob Frame award) and the need for youth program to continue fund raising to support that program. Funds from the general budget may be available to supplement the youth award account.

Bylaws will be amended to include the youth program. Processing of youth memberships will be done in Bowl.com, not into WinLabs. Greg reported that Debbie Dispense has offered to continue to enter the youth membership info. She is currently receiving \$1 per youth bowler for her services; that stipend may continue.

Association Manager position: Extensive discussion occurred regarding the length of term of the Association Manager and whether the person hired for that position should/should not also be a Board member. It is acceptable with USBC that the manager may also be a Board member. A recommendation was made that if the manager IS a Board member, he/she should be excused from any portion of a meeting where performance in that position is discussed. The Assn Manager position is an employee of the Board of Directors and serves at the Board's discretion. It was agreed that a listing of 'job duties and expectations' was needed. It should be completed and shared with all candidates.

A motion was made to post the position for a proposed term of 3 years. It was approved unanimously. Candidates from both inside and outside our organization, including the current Association Manager, are encouraged to apply.

Election of Officers and Board members:

PJ informed the members that JoAnne has resigned from her position, and that position will be filled thru the election process. He then turned the floor over to Tom Battaglia to complete the process.

Vice President: Mike Lucas was nominated; he accepted the nomination; one ballot was cast by the recorder to elect

Director #1: Tom Battaglia was nominated; he declined, stating conflict of schedules but stated he would remain available and as active as he can be to promote the tournament and association. Dawn Ritz was then nominated; she accepted; one ballot was cast to elect

Director #2: Greg Haase was nominated; accepted the nomination; one ballot was cast to elect

Director #3: Bill Lanski was nominated; accepted the nomination; one ballot was cast to elect

Director #4: Brad Bixby was nominated; PJ indicated that Brad had accepted the nomination; one ballot was cast to elect

Director #5: Al Pearson was nominated; accepted the nomination; one ballot was cast to elect

After discussion about the number of members on the Board, it was decided that one more director position be established. It was also agreed that the new director position would be for one year, with term up for re-election to a 3 year term in 2019. This should help equalize the number of positions up for re-election each year.

Director #6: Mike D'Amico was nominated; PJ stated that Mike has expressed interested in joining the board and would accept the nomination; one ballot was cast to elect

Congratulations to all the new and returning Board members!!!!

Lane inspections: Ben had been our lane inspector. Brad has agreed to take over that duty. Inspections need to be started quickly, before the season begins. PJ will contact Ben to locate the inspection equipment. Instructional videos are available online. PJ also indicated that he would ask Mike to help Brad with the inspections.

Budget: Copies of the 2017-2018 budget was distributed. As there were no questions or objections, the document was accepted as presented.

#### Fund Raising:

- Golf tournament: PJ reported that the tournament held on July 21 was successful. A net total of \$1398.59, including proceeds from the 50/50, Chinese auction, hole-in-one, and closest to the pin. Next year's tournament is scheduled for July 20. Information will be distributed to all leagues early in the spring, to encourage increased participation.
- Meat raffle: PJ reported that this event is scheduled for Saturday, Sept 22 at the Evans Center Fire Hall. There may be a \$5 cover charge. Raffle tickets will be sold at \$1. He also hopes to do some Chinese Auction baskets and 50/50's. Special prizes (such as sports tickets) may be raffled if donated. He has requested meat package prices from Jim Fort (Save-a-Lot) and Sloane Market and will decide on the vendor after those are received. Comment was made that if the pricing is similar, we may want to go with Jim as he is a member of our association and we would like to support local business.
- We will not be selling lottery tickets this year.

#### Committee reports:

- Banquet: no negative feedback was offered, other than the venue being cold
- Hall of Fame: Bill will update the application form and get to Ted to be put onto the website
- Youth: Greg will continue on this committee. Roger Pacos will assist Greg, with the intent that Roger assume that duty next year.
- Tournament: Association tournaments are scheduled to be held at Chick's this year.
- Awards: committee needs to review the criteria to earn awards. Some may be 'too easy' to earn, while others are rarely achieved
- Educational Awards: Bert circulated thank you letters received from Travis Langworthy and Andrew Conti

Motion to adjourn was made at 8:30 PM, unanimously approved.

Next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 6 PM, at the First Ward Falcon's club.