

IOWA STATE USBC WOMEN’S BOWLING ASSOCIATION, INC.
ANNUAL MEETING
Council Bluffs, Iowa
March 24-25, 2012

The 6th Annual Meeting of the Iowa State USBC Women’s Bowling Association, Inc. was called to order by President Kristi Reidy on Saturday, March 24, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. at the Hilton Garden Inn in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Presentation of the Colors: Carma Bouska, ISUSBCWBA Sergeant-at-Arms, Sue Strasburger, ISUSBCWBA Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Pat Scheer-Wrinkle, Council Bluffs USBC Director.

The delegates recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Director Connie Rommel gave the invocation.

Jack Powers, 1st Vice President, Council Bluffs USBC, gave the official welcome.

Jon Purvis, Muscatine USBC President, gave the response to the welcome.

Council Bluffs Mayor Tom Hannefin greeted the delegation. Bob Mundt, Council Bluffs Chamber of Commerce, also welcomed the group.

Greetings were given by Gene Wandro, Iowa State USBC BA President; Charlie Kutsch, Iowa State USBC BA Association Manager; Randy Thompson, Iowa Bowling Proprietors President; and Bruce Strom, Iowa Bowling Council President.

USBC Association Services Director Sharon Moen gave her comments to the delegation.

Rules Committee

The report of the Rules Committee was given by 1st Vice President Shirley Bloodsworth. Bloodsworth moved, seconded by Director Sally Reighard, to accept the rules report. The motion was approved.

Credential Report

Connie Heisler-Eggers, Council Bluffs USBC, gave the first report of the Credentials Committee:

Officers	4
Directors	7
Delegates.....	114
Associations.....	39

125 eligible to vote, as of 1:00 p.m. on March 24, 2012.

Awards

Ten-Year Service Award

Charla Green, Association Manager, assisted by President Reidy, presented 10-Year Service Awards to Sandy Isch, Greater Mason City Association Manager, Mary Johnson, Osage USBC WBA Association Manager, and Carma Bouska, Waverly USBC WBA President.

300 Game Award

President Reidy presented the 300 game award to Tanya Grummon, Fort Dodge USBC WBA. Awards were also presented to Amber Simpson, Davis County USBC WBA, MacKenzie Honts, Muscatine USBC, and Taylor Lorenz, Davenport Metro USBC WBA who were not present.

Hall of Fame

Charla Green was honored as the 46th inductee to the Iowa State USBC Women's Bowling Association, Inc. Director and Special Awards Chair Norma Rose, assisted by President Reidy, presented Green with the award plaque, USBC Hall of Fame certificate and the Hall of Fame pin.

Green thanked those involved in the nomination process, the committee for their recommendation and the Board of Directors of the ISUSBCWBA for their selection of her for this prestigious award.

President Reidy called for a 15-minute break.

Following the break, the meeting came back to order. Rose thanked the Special Awards Committee.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Vickie Wetzel, Davenport Metro USBC WBA, moved to approve the minutes as printed in the Annual Report Book. The motion was seconded by Deb Tisor, Washington Iowa USBC. The motion was approved.

Correspondence

Green reported correspondence from USBC regarding the disbanding of the George USBC, and most recently of the Poweshiek County USBC.

2014 Invitation

The Dubuqueland USBC WBA delegates presented their invitation to the ISUSBCWBA and delegates to come to Dubuque in 2014 for the tournament and annual meeting. They stated that "Dubuque is the Scene in 2014."

Reports

Report of the President - President Reidy stated her report is printed and in the delegate folders.

Report of the Association Manager - Green stated her report is also printed and in the delegate folders.

Financial Report - Green stated the interim financial report is printed and in the delegate folders and asked the delegates to review it and asked for any questions. There was one question regarding reserve finances. Charla explained the \$1.00 dues and the continual decline in membership does not cover the yearly expenses and we have used the reserved assets in the past two years to operate.

Auditor Report - The auditor report from Schnurr & Co., LLC is also included in the folders and asked for any questions. There were none.

Acts of the Board - Printed and in the delegate folders; Green asked that the delegates read the report.

Committee Reports

Administrative Policy - Director Carolynn Lee reported that the various changes would be reported by the committees and that the Policy Manual will be updated and available on iowawba.com. Lee then asked President Reidy to report on a new item.

Reidy reported that the Board has established two positions as an Auxiliary Board Member. They will be appointed by the President, with Board approval, for a one-year term. They will perform duties as assigned by the Board. They will be required to attend all Board meetings, and will have voice only privileges. Applications must be submitted to the President no later than June 30. Applications will be distributed, and will also be available on the website.

Lee thanked her committee.

Finance & Budget - Reighard reported the budget for the 2013 tournament in Muscatine reflects an estimated 530 teams, 1,325 doubles, 2,650 singles, 2,480 handicap all events, 210 scratch singles, and 215 scratch all events. No increase in entry fee; however, expenses will be increased due to the distance traveled for the tournament.

Reighard cited the declining membership has resulted in less income and the need for using reserved assets for operating expenses.

Reighard thanked her committee

Legislative - Director Jean Mumm read Proposed Amendment No. 1 which states:

Present Section:

Article V, Board of Directors, Section D. Term

The term for directors is 3 years. The number of terms allowed shall be three (3). The number of years in a term, the number of terms allowed and a stagger system are determined by WBA delegates.

Proposal:

Delete the sentence "The number of terms allowed shall be three (3)."

Delete "the number of terms allowed" in the following sentence.

If adopted, section will state:

The term for directors is 3 years. The number of years in a term, and a stagger system are determined by WBA delegates.

If adopted, the following will be codified to conform:

Article VI, Officers, Section C, Term

REASON FOR PROPOSAL

Under the current proposal, there are qualified board members who would no longer be eligible to serve on the board once they have completed three terms. It also could cause one, two, three, or four current officers or board members to exit the Board of Directors the same year which could equate to a tremendous loss of expertise at one time. The new proposal would allow a current board member to seek re-election to the board by lifting the term restriction.

Presented by: ISUSBCWBA 2011-12 Legislative Committee

Jean Mumm, Chair
Carma Bouska
Sue Strasburger
Shellie Kutsch
Lynne Riordan
Debi Roederer
Terri Carriere

Recommended for adoption by the Iowa State USBC WBA Board of Directors.

President Reidy asked for discussion, there was none. Teri Jennings, Ames Area USBC, moved to accept Proposed Amendment No. 1; it was seconded by Charlotte Pals, Greater Cedar Valley USBC.

The voice vote was inconclusive.

The tellers distributed ballots.

President Reidy instructed the delegates to vote Yes to approve the amendment or no to disapprove the amendment.

The tellers collected the ballots.

President Reidy called on Carma Bouska for her report from Newsletter & Promotion.

Newsletter and Promotion - Bouska reported the newsletter cost for 2011-12 for three issues was \$5,275.00. It has been decided to discontinue printing and mailing the newsletter. The newsletter will still be created and available on the website and will be emailed to all who wish to receive it. Paper copies will be mailed to current subscription holders.

Bouska thanked her committee.

Special Tournaments - Rommel stated the Special Tournaments report is in printed form and in the delegate folders. She then reported that the 2012 Senior Tournament will be held in Pella, and the 2013 event will be at Rose Bowl in Mason City.

Virtual Doubles Tournament - Rommel explained the tournament and encouraged the delegates to enter and communicate the tournament to others. This tournament is a fund raiser for the International Bowling Museum and Hall of Fame.

Mixed State Tournament - Rommel announced the creation of the 1st Annual Mixed State Tournament. It will be held in late October/early November 2012 at Maple Lanes in Waterloo. Entry fee will be \$20.00 per event, \$5.00 for the optional all events. Information will be available in the June mailing from the state office.

Midwest Women's Tournament - May/June 2013, Lansing, Michigan, is the site for this new tournament for all USBC women bowlers. Entry forms are in the delegate folders. Six states partnered for the creation of this tournament: Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, and Ohio. The tournament will rotate yearly to each of these states.

Iowa Queen's Tournament - tabled.

Bowl for the Cure - Director Shannon McHugh stated there is a printed report in the delegate folders. She further reported on the record entry of 3,580 this year, and highlighted this year's winners.

Donations for last year totaled \$12,826.93.

No changes were made for next season's tournament.

McHugh noted this was the 9th year for this tournament.

Items donated by Becky Schoenthaler and Lisa Edwards of Davenport Metro USBC WBA, and Elaine Thomes, Burlington USBC WBA, for raffling at this meeting were acknowledged.

BVL (Bowlers to Veterans Link) - Rommel reported on the 2011-12 tournament, noting 2,888 entries, an increase of over 600 from the previous year. Winners were highlighted. Entry coordinators were thanked for their efforts in making the tournament successful.

Kits are available for anyone wishing to host a tournament.

Rommel thanked Elaine Thomes for her donated item for the BVL raffle also.

Re-Creation, a musical group that tours VA facilities will be touring Iowa City June 7, Marshalltown June 8, and Des Moines June 11, 2:00 p.m. for each performance.

Ballot Results

President Reidy announced the result of the proposed amendment vote. 125 votes were cast. 82 required for adoption. 78 Yes, 47 No. The amendment was rejected.

Special Awards

Rose reported receiving nominations for the Hall of Fame and the Above & Beyond Award. These nominations will be acted on during the fall board meeting.

Rose thanked her committee

Championship Tournament

Director Sue Strasburger reported no major changes to the championship tournament. However, the entry form will have a new look with all vital information in a shorter version.

The 2012 tournament consists of 581 teams, 1,459 doubles, 2,918 singles, 2,736 handicap all events, 232 scratch singles and 236 scratch all events.

Strasburger cited the drop in numbers as compared to the tournaments in Council Bluffs in 1983 (2,355 teams) and in 1997 (1,585). She challenged those present and planning to bowl in Muscatine to bring just one additional team to the tournament.

The delegation was asked if there was any interest in paying tournament entry fees with a credit card and with a \$15.00 processing fee. The majority was no interest.

The 2013 tournament will start on February 16, 2013, and conclude May 19, 2013, unless extended. Entries open August 1, 2012, and close December 15, 2012. The annual meeting weekend will be March 16-17, 2013, and will be at the Clarion Hotel in Muscatine.

Strasburger thanked her committee.

Workshop Advisory

Bloodsworth reported that the Annual Meeting workshop had 120 in attendance. Sharon Moen and David Prange from USBC conducted the workshop and highlighted several different topics.

\$300.00 was collected for the Iowa Bowling Council scholarship program from the workshop attendees.

The summer workshop will be held in Newton on July 14, 2012. The theme will be "Take Me Out to the Bowl Game." Lunch will be available for \$5.00 by reservation. The flyer for the summer workshop is in the delegate folders but has a date error. New flyers will be included in the June mailing from the state office and will also be posted on the website.

Bloodsworth then addressed the delegation regarding possible changes to the Annual Meeting weekend, in the interest of reducing costs. Suggestions were to delete the Friday night party, or have a smaller social gathering on Friday night, delete the Saturday morning workshop, retain the Annual Meeting as usual on Saturday and Sunday until concluded.

Following discussion and show of hands, the majority was in favor of eliminating the Friday Night Party. The Saturday morning workshop will be continued. Keep the remaining events, meeting, hospitality rooms, memorial service, and Sunday meeting as is.

Memorial Committee

2nd Vice President Marilyn Mittan reported needing about 20 volunteers for the Memorial Service.

USBC Message

David Prange spoke to the delegation regarding communication and service to the bowlers.

Announcements

Reidy announced the Iowa Women Bowling Writers will meet in the Wabash Room. The 600 Club will meet following the Writers. The Iowa Bowling Council will meet at the recess of this meeting.

She announced Dubuqueland's hospitality room.

The meeting was recessed at 4:20 p.m.

Sunday Session

The meeting was called back to order at 9:20 a.m. by President Reidy, following the Memorial Service.

Connie Heisler-Eggers gave the final report of the Credentials Committee as of March 25, 2012, at 8:45 a.m.:

Officers	4
Directors	7
Delegates.....	115
Associations.....	39
Total eligible to vote.....	126

Heisler-Eggers thanked her committee: Cindy Kesterson, Faye Young, Shirley Erick, Janice Cooper, and Pat Scheer-Wrinkle.

Unfinished Business

Mittan thanked the participants in the Memorial Service, and thanked the Committee and Board.

Reidy then thanked the Council Bluffs USBC for the Friday Night Party.

Jackie Jacobs, Fort Dodge USBC WBA, stated that she feels there is confusion among the delegates regarding Proposed Amendment No. 1, and she asked that it be brought to the floor for discussion and re-vote.

President Reidy asked if Jacobs was on the prevailing side. Jacobs stated she was. Reidy further advised that in order for the amendment to be brought to the floor it must be motioned, seconded and opened for discussion. Jacobs moved, seconded by Danielle Appel, Clinton USBC WBA, to bring Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the floor for re-consideration. There was no discussion. The voice vote was inconclusive. Reidy asked for a standing vote. Following the standing vote, it was declared the amendment would be brought back to the floor for re-consideration.

Jacobs again moved to bring Proposed Amendment No. 1 back to the floor for re-consideration. The motion was seconded by Danielle Appel, Clinton USBC WBA.

Reidy opened the floor for discussion.

Jacobs spoke about the confusion regarding the term limits and the potential loss of expertise from the Board in the next three years. She cited the upcoming officers could have very little experience.

Shellie Kutsch, Dubuqueland USBC WBA, asked if a director can run for an officer, and if an officer can run for a director. Reidy responded that a director can run for an officer position, but an officer cannot step down to a director position.

Connie DeGreef cited the lack of people running, and that if people are interested, they need to put their papers in and run, and if defeated, to keep trying.

Tammy Sheker, Fort Dodge USBC WBA, spoke regarding only having one board member from each local association, and limiting qualified people from running.

Chris Supino, Jasper County USBC WBA, spoke regarding seeing both sides of the issue and cited USBC set it up this way and everyone knew this. Supino also stated that the Nominating Committee was not on site 24 hours ahead of the opening of the meeting and that she turned her papers into Charla Green on Friday at 1:09 p.m., nine minutes past the deadline. Because the papers were nine minutes late, the decision of the committee was not to accept them. Supino then cited the need for people to run but the nitpickiness of the situation.

President Reidy advised the delegation the papers were dated March 1st, but were turned in on March 23rd at 1:09 p.m.

Reidy asked for further discussion. There was none. She then explained the current Board members, and when their terms are finished and the effect on the Board. In the 2016-17 season, there will be a president with no experience in the position, a 1st vice president with two years experience, if no shifting of positions, a 2nd vice president with three years, and a sergeant-at-arms with one year, two directors will have two years, four will have one year, and five directors will have no experience.

Reidy further explained the Special Tournaments, citing who is going to take over the Bowl for the Cure when McHugh goes off the Board and the BVL when Rommel is done. Both those tournaments are very time consuming.

Connie DeGreef stated that we have to start somewhere. Reidy cited this being part of the reason the Board decided to establish the Auxiliary Board Member position for a one-year term, as a training tool and to see if a potential new member has the time to dedicate to the Board.

Jackie Mundorf, Cedar Rapids USBC WBA, asked if the Auxiliary Members can be from any local association. Reidy replied that according to our policy, all Board members must be from different associations. She also said that the policy manual can be changed to allow Board members from the same association. This action could be taken today.

Karen Nablo, Marshall County USBC WBA, moved to call for the vote on Proposed Amendment No. 1. The motion was seconded by Sharon Roads, Marshall County USBC WBA. President Reidy directed the tellers to distribute the ballots.

All Hall of Fame members were asked to stand and be recognized. She then asked all first time delegates to stand.

President Reidy read Proposed Amendment No. 1 to the delegation. Reidy asked for any further discussion. A question was asked if this amendment affected both officers and directors. Reidy responded that it affects both. The officer paragraph in the Bylaws will be codified to conform as stated in the proposed amendment.

Instructions were given to use Official Ballot No. 1 and to vote Yes if approving of the amendment; vote No to disapprove the amendment.

The tellers picked up the ballots and retired to the counting area.

Rommel and McHugh drew for the raffle prizes for BVL and Bowl for the Cure. Muscatine and Dubuque also gave out door prizes.

Reidy announced that the Iowa Bowling Council met on Saturday afternoon. There were 35 scholarship applications; one did not have the required number of years in the program. The Council voted to award 34 \$400 scholarships.

The tellers returned. The results of the balloting were 121 vote cast; 80 needed to pass. Yes vote 86, No vote 35. Proposed Amendment No. 1 was approved.

Gail Huerter, Pella USBC WBA, made a motion that two board members/officers can be from the same local association. Tammy Sheker, Fort Dodge USBC WBA, seconded the motion. President Reidy asked for discussion. There was none. Reidy stated that since this is not a Bylaw vote that a simple majority is needed to pass. The motion carried on a voice vote.

There was no further Old Business.

New Business

Nominating Committee Report

Deb Tisor, Chair of the Nominating Committee, gave their report:

Deb made corrections on the written report, from 4th Annual to 6th Annual report. Also, the empty position is Director #6; Shannon McHugh is Director #5.

- President Kristi Reidy, Independence USBC WBA
- Director #5 Shannon McHugh, Greene County USBC
- Director #6 none
- Director #7 Sally Reighard, Washington Iowa USBC
- Delegate to USBC Kristi Reidy, President and Independence USBC WBA
- Alternate to USBC Charla Green, Assn. Mgr. and Fort Dodge USBC WBA

1st Vice President Shirley Bloodsworth took the podium. She then asked for nominations from the floor for President. There were none. Gail Huerter moved to elect Kristi Reidy by acclamation; seconded by Jackie Jacobs. Reidy accepted.

President Reidy returned to the podium. For Director #5, Reidy asked Shannon McHugh to stand. Reidy asked for nominations from the floor. Janice Cooper, Council Bluffs USBC, moved to elect McHugh by acclamation. The motion was seconded by Carla McCollough, Webster City USBC WBA. McHugh accepted.

Reidy then asked for nominations from the floor for Director #6. Kathy Ahrens, Boone County USBC, nominated Diana Sidler, Boone County. Danette Honkomp seconded the nomination. Reidy asked Deb Tisor, Nominating Committee Chair, if

she had Diana Sidler's credentials. Tisor stated she did, and that they were submitted on February 19, 2012. Reidy asked Sidler to stand, and directed Tisor to read her qualifications.

President Reidy asked for any other nominations. There were none; she declared the polls closed, and via a voice vote Diana Sidler was elected Director #6. Sidler accepted.

Reidy asked Sally Reighard, Director #7, to stand. She then asked for nominations from the floor. There were none. Reidy asked that Reighard be elected by acclamation. Motion carried. Reighard accepted.

For delegate to the 2013 USBC convention, Bloodsworth returned to the podium and stated that Kristi Reidy is on the ballot as delegate. There were no other nominations; Reidy was elected by acclamation.

Reidy then stated that Charla Green is on the ballot as the alternate to the 2013 USBC convention. She was elected by acclamation.

Muscatine and Dubuque handed out door prizes.

Deb Tisor thanked the Nominating Committee: Kim Grady, Cedar Rapids, Teri Jennings, Ames Area, and Terri Thompson, Camanche.

2014 Tournament & Annual Meeting Site

The delegates selected Dubuque as the site of the 2014 State Championship Tournament and Annual Meeting.

President Reidy then thanked Jean Mumm for her service to the Board as Jean had chose not to seek re-election. Jean spoke to the delegation, thanking them for allowing her to serve for 18 years.

20 Year Club - Irene Cassens distributed their prizes.

500 Club - Connie DeGreef stated their report is in printed form in the delegate folders and stated their 2012 tournament will be held in Creston and to encourage all bowlers to join the 500 Club.

Iowa Bowling Writers - Carolynn Lee reported that they met on March 24, 2012, at Hilton Garden Inn in Council Bluffs. They received two new members. Chris Supino was re-elected as President; Charlotte Marvin was re-elected as Sergeant-at-Arms. Committees were appointed for the coming year.

600 Club - Shannon McHugh reported her report is in printed form in the delegate folders and touched on highlights from their meeting.

Nominating Committee 2012-13

President Reidy announced that Teri Jennings, Ames Area, will be the chair. Committee members will be Deb Tisor, Washington, Kim Grady, Cedar Rapids, Charlotte Pals, Greater Cedar Valley, and Pat Scheer-Wrinkle, Council Bluffs.

Legislative Committee 2012-13

Shirley Bloodsworth will be the chair. Committee members will be Marilyn Mittan, ISUSBCWBA, Sally Reighard, ISUSBCWBA, Robin Horsman, Ottumwa, Janice Cooper, Council Bluffs, Marlys Fear, Mt. Pleasant, and Tracey Pomerson, Greater Siouxland.

Reidy then asked for other names interested in committee work for 2013-14.

The Auxiliary Member form, which was incorrectly identified as Director-at-Large, was made available to those wanting to apply. June 30th is the deadline for applications. This allows time for the President to select two members and get Board approval.

Gold Pin Ceremony

Janice Cooper, 2nd Vice President, handed the Gold Pin to Jon Purvis, President of Muscatine, symbolizing the move of the ISUSBCWBA events to the next hosting association. Janice wished much success to the Muscatine USBC in 2013. Purvis accepted the pin and stated they're looking forward to 2013 and the bowlers' visit.

President Reidy asked for any other new business. There was none.

Resolutions

The resolutions were given by Deb Jones, Des Moines Area USBC WBA. Deb stated:

"Be it resolved that the acts of the officials and delegates of the Iowa State USBC WBA since the last Annual Meeting be and hereby ratified and approved."

Deb Jones moved; seconded by Teri Carriere, Ames Area. Motion carried.

President Reidy declared the meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charla Green
Association Manager