

August 7, 2011

## **INTERNATIONAL SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

The ISA General Meeting was called to order by President, Michael Zellner, at 13:00 pm with 80 people in attendance. President Michael informed everyone that the ISA had about \$20,000.00 in the treasury to work with. He updated those present on the status of each member Country; details are contained in the Board Meeting minutes, and told them that Norway vote had taken place and they were an official member.

President Michael presented the Norwegian President Hallvard Flatland an ISA Member plaque and gave ISA Participation Pins to each of their 4 players. President Hallvard thanked all in a short speech and they immediately departed for their flights.

President Michael announced that he had appointed Mr. Jim Allen as the Chairman of the Promotions and Publicity committee. The President stated that the ISA Constitution and By-laws had been once again revised and the current revision is 2011-08-06. The changes were required to bring the ISA Constitution on line with the recent changes in the membership and to accommodate the addition of new programs.

President Michael announced that the next ISA Championship will be the 2012 International World Championship for Teams in Seattle, Washington under the control of host Rob Robinson. Rob had presented the board an overview of the tournament program for 2012 at the Board Meeting and his dates were questioned. There are tournaments in both Canada and the USA that finish too close to the proposed start date of 29 July 2012 therefore the new date would be discussed and agreed upon and President Michael would notify each National President. Michael also announced that Lakeside, Hendersonville and St. Petersburg have all applied to host the 2013 competition which would most likely be a Singles event. Since all 3 offered different dates and due to different weather conditions during those proposed dates it was decided to postpone the vote to study in more detail, which would be better for the ISA. Jim Allen was asked to document all three citing pros and cons and present this to Michael. A 60 day extension was set and Michael will contact National Presidents for a vote via e-mail no later than 6 October 2011.

President Michael mentioned website is up and running ([www.World-shuffleboard.org](http://www.World-shuffleboard.org)) and asked Dieter to give a status of the new World Shuffleboard League which received positive reviews. Dieter also announced that site master Oliver Schwarten had agreed to maintain the ISA website for a mere \$100 per year which was immediately applauded.

President Michael had asked all if they enjoyed the Opening Ceremony and Hall of Fame Ceremony and setup. He stated Don Breau and his team, along with the City Of Dieppe had been doing a wonderful job and deserved recognition. All applauded again.

To finalize, President Michael notified all that he had registered the ISA into an international organization known as TAFISA-The Association for International Sport for All. He read a letter from TAFISA President to him stating that the ISA was selected to send a Delegation of 10 members to showcase shuffleboard in front of an audience of over 20,000 in Lithuania from 5-12 July 2012 and that their transport, hotel and meals would all be sponsored. Michael mentioned that he with Dieter Hussmann would be forming and bringing a delegation of individuals to represent the ISA from various nations and various age levels.

Meeting adjourned 2:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted: David Earle, Secretary.