

38th ISA ANNUAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES (October 29, 2019)

1. The meeting was called to order by ISA President Myrna Bilton at 6:45p.m.
2. **Roll Call** (by Norman Lindsay “sitting in for Secretary Joyce Smith”)

President: Myrna Bilton

Secretary: Norm Lindsay

Treasurer: Beth Allen

Australia: President, Ian Reiher; Observer, Marj Govett

Austria: President, Peter Krappel

Brazil: President Representative, Paulo Pavao

Canada: President Representative, Norman Lindsay, Observer, Eileen Hildebrand

Germany: President: Dieter Hussmann, Observer, Birgitt Hussmann

Japan: President: Akira Kawai, Observer, Toshio Kohda

Norway: President: Hallvard Flatland, Observer, Terje Hanssen-Tangen

UK: President: Peter Davis, Observer, Lesley Davis

USA: President Representative, Michael Hirsch, Observer Doris Hanke

Special Guests:

Bernice Lindsay, Evan Engell, Ann Engell, Pam Hill, Curator of Hall of Fame. Oliver Schwarten (absent)

4. **Minutes:** (Minutes of the 37th annual board meeting, July 17, 2018 were posted online)

Motion to accept the 37th annual board minutes as printed by Ian Reiher, seconded Beth Allen, passed.

5. Reports:

5.1 President: Myrna Bilton thanked all the Presidents for their reports and help throughout the year. A special mention of Dieter Hussmann helping out this past January. Myrna mentioned each country's gifts should be brought to the table at the banquet before it would start.

5.2 Treasurer Report:

A copy of the treasurer's report was given at the meeting. Treasurer Beth Allen gave report on bank revenues received for opening accounts in the current bank. Beth also reported on the different funds found in the report.

Motion by Peter Davis and seconded by Michael Hirsch to accept the treasurers report as printed, all in favour.

5.3 Audit Report: Evan Engell reported that he and Ian Reiher looked over the books and found everything in good order. Motion by Evan Engell to accept the auditor's report and seconded by Dieter Hussmann. All were in favour.

5.4 Tournament Directors Report: Acting tournament director Dieter Hussmann (Glenn Monroe was unable to attend)

Dieter Hussmann gave a report on the running of the tournament, trying to be fair in making up the groups.

Hallvard Flatland reported that he would like to see the games move a little faster. Presidents will talk to their players about this matter.

Motion by Hallvard Flatland and seconded by Dieter Hussmann that the countries rank their players for singles tournament to have fairer play in championship games. A discussion followed and all were in favour.

5.5 Website Operations: Oliver Schwarten was unable to attend so Dieter Hussmann reported that Oliver is still working on the ISA taking ownership of the ISA website and its contents. The question was raised about a waiver for privacy about information going onto the website. The ISA has an insurance policy to cover the Presidents/Directors and executive from any personal liability.

Motion by Ian Reiher and seconded by Dieter Hussmann that a waiver be signed by each on the application form for an ISA event, that they shall agree their name and images to become the property of the ISA and be used for ISA purposes.

5.6 Hall of Fame: Ian Reiher reported Oliver Schwarten and Rich Phifer were nominated for the Special Awards. Doris Hanke and Alice Enos were nominated for Player Awards.

The Committee examined the nominations and reported to the President that each of the nominees fulfilled the criteria for nomination to the HOF under their respective categories.

As the then Constitution had a limit that only 3 new members could be admitted to the HOF in any year the President arranged for the Secretary to conduct an election and Oliver Schwarten, Rich Phifer and Alice Enos were successful.

5.7 Promotion and Publicity: Beth Allen reported for Jim Allen that the ISA events are using social media to promote shuffleboard. Live streaming was used in High River and now in Vienna showing the final games played. Ian raised concerns about shuffleboard on Cruise ships. Hallvard Flatland reported that his daughter has had a lot of response on her instagram page in the last 2 days on shuffleboard and also on TV appearances. A discussion was held on the promotion of shuffleboard throughout the world. Beth is to pass on the information to Jim Allen.

5.8 Hall of Fame Curator: Pam Hill reported no major issues. Michael Zellner past president helped in adjusting the hall for the different countries as new ones join. Pam has not received any pictures or information from the High River ISA tournament in 2018. Myrna will look into this. Pam asked Peter Krappel for past pictures and sweaters of the Austria Association progress from the beginning to present to put in the Hall of Fame. An official site is being made to download pictures from the Vienna tournament on “shuffleboard.at”. Pam asked Hallvard Flatland regarding pictures from Norway inaugural. Pam would like the two ISA flags to add another star for Austria.

5.9 Constitution and By-Laws: Dieter Hussmann and Jim Allen rewrote a new constitution for the ISA. This has already been voted and passed by the ISA presidents.

Motion by Ian Reiher and seconded by Dieter Hussmann to remove the points from friendly games to not be counted for ISA Hall of Fame nominations. Only points from World Championship tournaments will be counted. Passed. Ian Reiher clarified in the ISA hand book, under International Friendly Matches that 2.4.3 be removed.

A discussion was held on the changing of the by-laws

Peter Davis made a motion and seconded by Dieter Hussmann to leave the constitution as approved. Passed

6. Application for ISA Membership

President Myrna Bilton congratulated Austria on becoming a full member of the ISA. Myrna presented Peter Krappel President of the Austrian Shuffleboard Association with a plaque. Welcome Austria.

Peter Krappel would like the presidents to distribute the books from the Vienna tournament to the players of their country.

7. ISA Championship in Australia

Ian Reiher presented Australia’s package for the 2020 ISA Team Tournament to be held in August 2020. The cost of the package will be available in the application process in mid-December.

9 New Business:

9.1 Request to Host an ISA Championship 2021

Evan and Ann Engel presented a proposal for the 40th ISA Singles Tournament to be held in Texas on October 16 – 23, 2021.

A discussion was held on the proposal which did not include accommodations. A discussion was held on the facilities and court type, which are similar to Florida courts.

Motion by Norm Lindsay and seconded by Peter Davis to accept the proposal for the 2021 ISA Single Tournament. Passed

9.2 Discussion about membership status and responsibility

A discussion was held on the status of the Russian Shuffleboard Association. Beth Allen will give a detailed report on some of the reasons to President Myrna. Myrna will send a letter to start the process of removal of the Russian Shuffleboard Association from the ISA as laid out in the constitution.

Motion by Hallvard Flatland seconded by Dieter Hussmann that ISA begin the process of the removal of current Russian Shuffleboard Association. Passed

A complaint was filed by a U.S. player regarding another player in the tournament. The U.S. will deal with this issue and individual.

10. Adjournment. Motion of adjournment by Beth Allen.