

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING OF THE
INTERNATIONAL SHUFFLEBOARD ASSOCIATION
COOLANGATTA, QUEENSLAND, AUSTRALIA
2008 09 13.**

The 2008 Annual Board Meeting of the International Shuffleboard Association was held in the ANZAC Room, Twin Town Resort. The Meeting was called to order by President Gus Bondi at 20:30.

Roll call was taken and the following board members were present: President Gus Bondi; President Emeritus Joe Messier; Secretary, Marie Bondi; Keeper of Records, John Brown; Australia Shuffleboard Assoc. (ASA) President John Connolly; Ian Reiher, Secretary ASA; CNSA President Stan McCormack; German Shuffleboard Assoc. (GSA) President Dieter Hussmann; Oliver Schwarten, GSA; Japan Shuffleboard Assn. (JSA) President Yoshiko Suzuki; Sachiyo Takada, JSA; US National Assn., Jim Bailey & Cecile Messier.

Not in attendance: Executive VP Earl Ball; Treasurer Beth Allen; 3rd VP Michael Zellner; 4th VP Walt Wedel; delegates from Brazil, Dr. Louis Pimentel, Ataide Zotto; delegate from Canada, Max Tate.

President Bondi recognized newly appointed JSA President Yoshiko Suzuki; John Connolly, ASA President; Stan McCormack, CNSA President; returning National Presidents Dieter Hussmann and Joe Messier.

In anticipation of the vote on the Revised Const., Joe Messier addressed the issue of John Brown, as Historian, not having the right to vote. In response, Stan McCormack acknowledged that a motion granting the Historian a vote had indeed been passed at a Meeting of the Board. However; this had never been incorporated into the existing current const. dated 4/01. Sections IV and V this current const. clearly set down the officers who are eligible to vote, and the Historian is not listed. After hearing debate on the matter, President Bondi ruled that the Historian would not be allowed a vote on the Revised Const. Joe Messier announced that he would challenge the decision.

REPORTS: Each National President gave a report on the activities in their nation.

Stan McCormack moved that the Midland, 2007 Minutes, as posted on the Website be approved. Motion 2nd by Jim Bailey, motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report was distributed. The Report, by Beth Allen, contains a detailed explanation of the reinstatement of the ISA as a "Non-Profit Corporation. Jim Bailey moved acceptance of the Treasurer's Report; 2nd by Dieter Hussmann, motion carried. President Bondi explained the importance of the work performed by Beth in accomplishing this task and expressed the sincere appreciation of all Board Members for her dedication.

NEW BUSINESS:

REVISED CONST: Stan McCormack, Chair of the Const. Committee, reviewed the sequence of events leading up to the presentation this evening. Significant changes were summarized. After considerable discussion, the President called a vote by ballot. The vote was counted by Historian John Brown and David Earle, Observer. Results were 15 in favour, 3 opposed, thus giving the 2/3 majority needed to ratify the Revised Const. The Const. dated 2008 07 31 is now in effect.

2009 SINGLES: Dieter Hussmann gave a comprehensive report on the Proposed 2009 SINGLES Tournament. (2009 10 14 to 2009 10 18) Jim Bailey reported that a (Florida) location has yet to be identified but he was working on same. No decision was made with regard to whether the Single Committee (Zellner, Bailey & Hussmann) would continue to be responsible for the Management and Organization or whether it would fall the US National Organization. Moved by Jim Bailey, 2nd by Joe Messier that providing 6 nations were involved the ISA would go forward with the 2009 SINGLES EVENT. Canada was the single vote opposed. Motion carried.

ISA HALL OF FAME: CNSA President McCormack explained that two nominations from Canada had been submitted to Michael Zellner, Chair of the HOF Committee. After discussion, nominees Max Tate, Special Award and Peggy House, Player Award were voted on separately and both motions were approved.

ISA PIN: President Bondi explained that the New ISA Pin was a "Once In A Lifetime" event.

AUSTRALIA FORMALLY ACCEPTED: ASA Secretary Reiher read a letter of Application to the Meeting. Consistent with ARTICLE IV, MEMBERSHIP, the ASA (Queensland) is now eligible to formally be accepted as the Australian representative to the ISA. Stan McCormack moved that the Application be accepted; 2nd by Dieter Hussmann; motion passed.

BOOKLET: President Bondi explained that the Booklet has up to now been financed by each Member Nation paying \$200.00 (US) to the ISA. President Bondi proposed that in future, this “national charge” will be replaced by players paying an additional \$10.00 entry fee. He went on to explain that he had conducted an On Line Vote and 4 nations voted in favour, 1 nation had voted against. Effective the next ISA Event, financing the booklet will be achieved by adding \$10.00 to the player entry fee.

HALL OF FAME ENDOWMENT: Following remarks by Joe Messier, it was decided that Joe would forward his concerns and proposal to President Bondi for follow-up with Sam Allen. John Brown indicated that he would assist in this regard.

YOUTH INVOLVEMENT: GSA President Hussmann discussed methods to increase youth participation. Financial support is a prime factor and Dieter will follow this suggestion.

REPORT BY THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Chair Zellner was not present. Committee Member Stan McCormack presented the slate for the next term. He announced that the following members had been nominated and had agreed to serve: Earl Ball as President; Michael Zellner as 1st Vice President and Beth Allen as Treasurer. There being no nominations from the Floor, the Secretary cast 1 vote for each officer, thus completing the process. In accordance with ARTICLE V of the Revised Const., the President will appoint a Secretary.

ADJOURNMENT: Joe Messier moved, 2nd by John Connolly, Meeting adjourned at 23:00. 2008 09 13.

Marie Bondi, Secretary.

