

Northern California Nisei Bowling Federation (NCNBF)
Castro Village Bowl – Castro Valley
July 8, 2007

Meeting called to order by Past President/Secretary Louise Utsurogi at 10:00 a.m.

MEETING ATTENDEES

Lori Neishi-Wong	Statistician	Ron Ishimoto	Past President, Sacramento
Grace Yamasaki	Treasurer	Tyler Gee	Past President, San Francisco
Del Corral	Gilroy	Vern Kohaya	Past President, Mid-Peninsula
Johnnie Hanamoto	Gilroy	Doug Nakatani	Past President, Mid-Peninsula
Chuck King	Sacramento	Stan Yamasaki	Past President, Sacramento
Dar Masamori	San Francisco	Jean Nakashima	San Francisco
Karen Nakashima	San Francisco	Thomas Schmidt	Sacramento
Darren Tsumura	Sacramento	Nancy Yoshimoto	Peninsula
Mark Yoshinaka	Tri-City	Dara Chan	Eden
		Louise Utsurogi	Past President/Secretary, Eden

MEETING MINUTES

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- The March 25, 2007 meeting minutes were reviewed and the following correction was made:

Old Business: Readjustment Rules

Greg is recommending that the responsibility of notifying bowlers of *federation* average adjustments should come from the NCNBF and not from the Tournament Directors.

- *Motion to approve minutes as corrected made by Ron Ishimoto, seconded by Tyler Gee and passed by the Board of Directors.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

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- The Treasurer's Report dated July 8, 2007 was approved. The total balance is \$2,149.45. The breakdown is \$336.05 in the 300 Insurance Account and \$1,813.40 in the General Operating Account.

- *Motion made by Tyler Gee, seconded by Lori Neishi-Wong and passed by the Board of Directors.*

NOMINATIONS/ELECTION – NCNBF 2ND VICE-PRESIDENT

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- Mark Yoshinaka announced that T.J. Yanuska is not interested fulfilling the position of NCNBF 2nd Vice-President as discussed in our previous meeting.
 - Mark Yoshinaka is nominated for NCNBF 2nd Vice-President.
 - *Motion made by Dar Masamori, seconded by Grace Yamasaki and passed by the Board of Directors.*

READJUSTMENT RULES

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- Reviewed previous discussions.
 - This topic is tabled until President Greg Gong is available.

NCNBF WEBSITE

- Mark Yoshinaka donated his time to create and manage the NCNBF website.
- NCNBF will pay for the annual maintenance cost of approximately \$100.00 a year.
 - *Motion made by Dar Masamori, seconded by Grace Yamasaki and passed by the Board of Directors.*
- As a sub-committee, Darren Tsumura and Dar Masamori agreed to work with Mark. They will help create and establish a strategy for the maintenance of the website.

UPDATE NCNBF BOARD OF DIRECTORS LIST AND TOURNAMENT ENTRY MAILING LIST

- Current list of the Board of Directors and the tournament entry mailing list were distributed.
- Everyone was asked to send any updates to Louise Utsurogi.

2007-08 NCNBF MEMBERSHIP CARDS

- Lori Neishi-Wong announced that Greg will make arrangements to have this year's cards printed.
- Lori will provide to Greg, the number of cards to be printed.
- Lori will distribute the cards to all the Associations/Leagues by August 15, 2007.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW BUSINESS: TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION CONCERNS

- Concerns were raised about the decrease in tournament participation.
- It was also noted that bowling participation in general, is down.
- After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed that this topic will be tabled for the next meeting and pending review and any updates of the NCNBF By-Laws.

UPDATE/REVIEW NCNBF BY-LAWS

- The remainder of today's meeting was spent on discussing, reviewing and updating the current NCNBF By-Laws.
- Article II – Objectives Section 1: Remove “uniformity in playing rules”
- Article II – Objectives Section 3: Change American Bowling Congress (ABC) and Women's International Bowling Congress (WIBC) to United States Bowling Congress (USBC)
- Article III – Membership and Organization Section 1: Remove “The Federation shall be a representative, legislative, and executive body for tournaments and functions encompassing all its affiliated membership.”
- Article III – Membership and Organization Section 2/Section 3: Shall read “Nisei League *and/or* Nisei Association
- Article IV – Membership Eligibility Section 1 – Shall read “Nisei League *and/or* Nisei Association”, Replace ABC/WIBC with USBC.
- Article IV – Membership Eligibility Section 2 – Shall read “Nisei League *and/or* Nisei Association”
- Article IV – Membership Eligibility Section 3 (1) – Replace ABC/WIBC with USBC.

- Article VI – Appeals and Reinstatements Section 3 – Shall read “Other appeals and requests for reinstatements may be presented by any member and must be submitted through their league and/or association in writing.”
- Remove Article VI – Appeals and Reinstatements, Section 4.
- Article VII – Suspensions Section 1: Shall read “Any member who does not abide by the by-laws, rules, and regulation set forth by the Federation may be subject to suspension.”
- Article IX – Officers and Committees, Section 2: Replace “cabinet” with “Board of Directors”
- Article IX – Officers and Committees, add a Section 9: “Line Officers and Statistician can approve expenditures up to \$50.00 without Board of Directors approval.”
- Article XII – Federation Approved Tournaments Section 1 (1b): Shall read: “Another Federation recognized Nisei League and/or Nisei Association. A list of Federation recognized Nisei League and/or Nisei Association will be published prior to the first Federation tournament of each year.
- Article XII – Federation Approved Tournaments Section 1 (2): Shall read: “A Federation tournament which offers a “team event” must require that at least *one* (1) of the bowlers on each participating “team” be of Japanese ancestry.”
- Article XII – Federation Approved Tournaments Section 1 (3): Replace ABC/WIBC with USBC.
- Article XII – Federation Approved Tournaments Section 3: Replace “entry blanks” with entry forms.”
- Louise Utsurogi will send a draft of the By-Laws, which will include all updates and revisions discussed today, to the Board of Directors for further review.
- Everyone was asked to send any comments/suggestions to Louise after reviewing the first draft.
- Louise will compile a *final draft* to discuss at the next meeting.

2007-08 TOURNAMENT DATES/SITES

- Everyone was asked to report to Louise Utsurogi with their tournament dates/sites by September 1, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, December 2, 2007, 10:00 a.m. at Mowry Lanes in Fremont.
- Greg will be asked to contact a Fremont Nisei League representative to schedule the next meeting.
- Meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.
 - *Motion made by Darren Tsumura, seconded by Chuck King and passed by the Board of Directors.*

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Utsurogi
NCNBF Secretary