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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors

December 2, 2012

Gus Bar and Grill

Corralville, IA

1. President, Louie Bartels called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.
2. The following officers and league operators were present: President, Louie Bartels; Vice President, Terry Anderson; Barb Hamilton, Secretary; Heide French, Treasurer; Tim Bringman, Table Rats; Bill Rackle, Cedar Rapids; Jamie Courtney, Corner Pocket; Julie Guzman, Des Moines; Dave Holmes, Clinton; John Rozmus, Metro; Dwaine Bowman, Quad Cities; Steve Main, Delaware County; Julie Bolsinger, Delaware County Women; Ira Miller, Hawkeye; Brett Elder, Iowa City Metro; Shawna Elder and Cindy Clark, Iowa City Women; Mike Steffen, Marshalltown; Jeff Clark, Timber City.
3. Louie asked for approval of the agenda. Terry would like to discuss a credit card for the association. Louie also wants to add the discussion on compensation for the President and Vice President. Louie also said we will not be able to discuss the changes to the by-laws because we are required to have 75% of the board present. Dwaine made a motion to approve agenda. Dave Holmes 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
4. Louie asked for approval of the October minutes. Terry made a motion to approve the minutes. Dwaine 2nd the motion. Motion carried.
5. Heide went over the treasury report. We started with \$59K we now have \$61K, so sanctions are starting to come in. Please sign up on the mileage sheet to get reimbursed for your mileage today. She asked that everyone look at the contact list to make sure the information is correct. Heide also said the website and her sanctions are not in agreement. She does not have a letter of intent for Roberts Vending but she does not know if they plan to use the website. Heide is going to send a list of questionable league operators that have no stats on the system and we have no letter of intent. Louie said it is very important that the leagues get their stats in as soon as possible as well as your letter of intents. Motion was made to approve the treasury report. It was second. Motion carried.
6. Tim Bringman asked about putting advertising on the website for other tournaments as we put the advertisement on the website for the MPA pool tournament. Barb said she sent it to Bill to put on the website and all the league operators. Tim said he does not have any problem advertising for the bars that are involved with our association, but not for other tournaments. Terry said we do not really get enough hits on our website to make a difference. Bill said he thought it was good for the players to get the information. Tim suggested to having the

advertisements put on a separate link rather than on the front page of the website. Bill said he could do that but no one will probably find it. Shawna asked if you could have another segment that says other tournaments on the front page that the players could click on. Terry explained how the ACS advertises. After much discussion Bill was going to check into setting up a link for other tournaments that players to access.

7. Credit Card. Terry proposed to have Heide to pursue getting a credit card for the association. Terry and Dwaine have had to use their own personal checks to hold rooms for the association. Getting trophy's and other expenses to the association would be so much easier. Dave said there needs to be a limit. He said you could have a low limit through the low portion of the year and up the limit when it gets close to the tournament. Shawna Elder made a motion for Heide to research applying for a credit card. It was 2nd. Motion carried.

8. Player Levels. Julie asked Barb to resend the Des Moines list. Bill is going to resend the list for Des Moines to JimCook. Louie asked everyone to please make their players aware that they play in the correct level that they belong in. Dwaine said especially new players. New players are not necessarily a lower level player. Jamie asked if we could delete our own members out of the website. Louie said Kevin is currently working on the inactive list (players that have not played in the past 3 years). Julie asked if we could use all other association master lists within the state of Iowa. Dwaine said one of the reasons we have not done this is because the races were shorter. Tim said we should always be able to implement the known ability. In summary, Louie wants all league operators to ensure all their players are the correct level in the system. Tim wants it mentioned somewhere that players are subject to disqualification in the tournament, whether it be on the entry forms or the general information. Terry asked if we have anything in writing what the definition of what a Level 2 player is. We currently do not. Shawna said maybe the qualification committee could write up a definition for all levels to assist the league operators. Dwaine said the biggest problem that we have is the Master players playing in Level 1. It is really hard to control without the league operators help. Louie said I don't think you can come up to a definitive explanation of the players levels. The league operator need take responsibility to ensure their players are in the correct level.

9. November Newsletter. Julie said the newsletter went out to about 800 people. She would like input from anyone that would like something posted. Send any suggestions to julieguzman@msn.com. She also would like everyone to pass the newsletter on to all their players.

10. Tournament Progress. Julie has given John from High Country a tour of where he will bring his semi's into with the tables and equipment. Julie is also working on having a bus to drive players within downtown until 2:00 in the morning. Julie and Barb Avery will be meeting with concessions. Julie also asked Terry for a check list that they used in Davenport. Terry and Dwaine will work on this. Julie is working on getting a parking pass for players parking in the event center parking lot, so players could leave and come back any time during the day. Terry and Dwaine said the event center should be coordinating this when people park. You should not be responsible for the parking. John asked how much is the parking? Julie said it is \$7.00 a day. Terry said you need to get passes for the board but the players will be responsible for their own parking.

11. Vendors. Pat Diviney is good to go. Frank's Center; Frank's son Dan and Vickie is looking to see if they will be able to do our tournament and another tournament in New Jersey for the same weekend, If they are unable to do both, we have other options. Guido has a

concern with 3 lathes being at the tournament. Jamie asked Dwaine how to contact Jacoby. Jamie is going to email the contract to Dwaine and he will get the contract to Jacoby. Jamie stills needs to talk with Jerrod Frideres. Jamie said he has a new vendor, "Break Rack" that would help teach how to break. Tim Bringman gave Jamie a card of a possible vendor if he needs new vendors. Jamie also said Omega cues is a major option to replace Franks if they do not come.

12. Sponsorship. Tim and John asked what was going to offset the \$25,000 sponsorship. Julie said the sports commission guarantees \$25,000. If we get money from internal fund raising and it goes over the \$25,000, the ISPA will get the extra money. Tim says he wants something in writing where the money is coming from. Jamie said this has been set in stone from the very beginning. The Vendors have nothing to do the \$25,000 that we will be getting for sponsorship. For example if we get \$15,000 in fund raisers, the sports commission will pay \$10,000. There was much discussion on the sponsorship. The sports commission is guaranteeing \$25,000.

13. Referees. Dwaine said he talked to the head referee and he said there should be no problem. Dwaine said he would take care of the referees.

14. In2pool website. Julie said she has not gotten too far but her person is interested in looking at the website. Jamie asked if this was something that would be brought up at the June meeting. Terry said there are some free stats software out there that you can also look at. Bill said in discussions with Kevin on In2pool, he indicated if anyone tries to copyright anything on the system that he would sue and is protective of his investment. Bill was cautioning anyone that may be looking at the website. Jamie asked, "what guarantee does the association have" if something would happen to Kevin. We have a yearly contract but Bill said we do need something more concrete. Bill said there was a rash of people not being able to get access. He said it is very difficult to get a hold of Kevin. Julie said we also need to know how many hits the website is getting.

15. Qualification Committee. Don Boll was not present. The master and master team lists will be updated and sent out as there were some errors on the original list that went out.

16. Handicap for the team tournament. Dwaine discussed handicapping with a point system on the teams. After much discussion, all league operators were very much in favor of the handicap for the master team event. It will be going out to all league operators for a vote.

17. Barb asked Julie to have Jim Cook talk with Chrissy Smith on pool etiquette at the pool tournament, due to how Barb was talked to by Chrissy at another tournament that did not even have anything to do with the ISPA state tournament. Julie agreed.

Shawna Elder made a motion to adjourn at 5:05. Steve Main 2nd the motion.

Barb Hamilton
Secretary,, ISPA