

Iowa State Pool Players Association

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“Largest State Association 8-Ball Tournament”

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Annual League Operators Meeting

June 25th, 2017

President Louie Bartles called the meeting to order at 1pm. All officers and league operators were present except for the following: Corridor League Operator; Kerry Heilskov and Osceola League Operator; Sean Schrodt.

The Agenda was addressed and the following topics were added for discussion: #8. Scholarship Fund #9. 4-person teams for women in 2018. #10. Entries and Sanctions. #11. Handicap in master's division. #12. Women's ranking when playing in a Men's Event. Louie asked for motion to approve the agenda. John Rosmus motioned to approve 2nd by Ira Miller. Motioned passed with all present.

Treasurer Barb Avery gave the Treasury Report and explained the financial statements that were passed out to all. The question was asked why the scholarship fund has not been separated from our regular account. We are discussing changing banks and will do this when that happens. One of the reasons we are considering changing banks is the fact that US Banks charges us approximately 200 Dollars to cash the tournament checks. Our total liability for the Juniors now is 13,500.00. Louie asked for a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Patty Anderson motioned to approve and 2nd by Don Boll.

Bruce Berg was introduced as the New Tournament Coordinator. Julie Guzman and Jamie Courtney have resigned and Bruce has worked with them from the beginning. He knows how to do everything and we feel confident that everything will go smoothly as always. As always, we discussed the food and beverage issue but there were fewer complaints and praise given to the food vendors in Hall A. The food at the concession stand in the tournament room is still an issue. The Date for room reservations is July 10th starting at 8:00am. Tom Rossman commonly known as Dr. Cue has asked if he can come to the 2018 Tournament. He is asking for \$1000.00 and three-room nights (Thurs. Fri. Sat.) We will discuss this at the next board meeting and we will see if we can get him here.

We discussed all the added events and encouraged the league operators to make sure that their players are informed of these events. There will be written rules posted for all added events to avoid any controversy. One of the league operators has asked for a list of the events and the rules be sent out to them. Barb and I will make this happen.

Louie addressed that we need to amend our bylaws concerning trans gender players. Therefore, we will amend the bylaws to read that “said person will be classified according to what their state issued id says. A state issued Driver's license is a legal document and can be used to determine gender. Everybody agreed that this should be done.

There should have been an election of President and Treasurer. There were no nominations so President Louie Bartles and Treasurer Barb Avery will remain in office for another 2-year term.

With the resignation of Julie Guzman, there was an opening on the qualification committee. This position will now be filled by Melissa Hills. She is from the Des Moines area and a Master Player. She plays in a lot of Tournaments and will be able to offer opinions to the committee on the Master Women Players.

We would like to welcome all the new operators to the ISPA and we appreciate your participation. We had an open discussion on protected nights of play. This has been a sore subject for years. Our goal as an organization is to grow. We need to try and find a workable solution to this dilemma. After listening to all the operators there will be no change made to the protected nights, however the board has asked the operators of all areas try and work together to increase players coming to the tournament.

The plaques we give to the winners came up for discussion. Most everyone that gets a plaque is very appreciative. The consensus is to keep the plaque but maybe explore a different style. The board will consider other plaque styles.

The following rules will be implemented at the 2018 tournament: 1. \$5.00 roster change fee if made after 5pm on Friday. 2. \$100.00 fine to all operators who do not have stats entered by the 4th week of play.

Barb is working with comp u sports to make sanctioning easier. We are hoping for a quick click system that will tell you who you have sanctioned and exactly how much you owe. You must check each player as sanctioned and send a list with your check. No personal checks from players will be accepted.

The 3-man Senior Event was a success. This year it will be sign up on site only. This will eliminate all confusion and hopefully increase the number of teams. No masters on the 3-man senior's teams. Must be 55 or older and can be man or woman. Player rating is senior 5 and senior 6. A senior 6 is one that has placed in the top 4 of any senior event.

Miss Madison Bond will claim her scholarship from the ISPA this year. We are very proud of her accomplishment. When she in roles in college this fall the school will send us a letter and we will send the money to the school.

We discussed the option of moving to 4-person teams. The men do not want to do this now. After some discussion, there was a vote taken and everyone was in favor of moving the women to 4-person teams this year. (2018 event) Operators please inform your women players of this change.

There was much discussion on the handicapping of the master's team division. There was no progress made on this. This topic was tabled to discuss at the next board meeting.

We opened a discussion on women who play on a men's team. Some believe they should be allowed to play at a level that is 1 step below what they would be in a women's event. This will not be allowed.

The players status will remain the same regardless of the event they play.

President Louie Bartles asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was made by Shawna Elder and 2nd by John Rosmus. Meeting adjourned at 4:15pm.