

**Delaware State USBC Bowling Association
Annual Meeting 23 June 2007**

Meeting: Held at Milford Lanes, Milford, Delaware. Called to Order at 7:00 PM by Association President Herbert W. Dempsey. A moment of silence was observed for John Boc, past member of Wilmington's Board, Hall of Fame and Life member. He was also a Director for the Lower De USBC BA. and a representative on the State USBCY. John passed on April 6th 2007.

Members Present: Herb Dempsey, President, Lynn Marsh 1st Vice President, Alger Peterson, Association Manager. Directors: Leo Barrett, John Blankenhorn, Sonny Swain. Delegates; Dave Chance, Karen Chance, Dave Sirman, Carl Thacher **Absent;** Bruce Johnson and Jim Marine (excused). There were 3 visitors present.

Purpose: Annual Meeting

Agenda: Items Concerning State Association, Note that all items (M) & (S) were approved unanimously.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Minutes approved as read (M) Barrett (S) Marsh

Treasurer Report: Balance as of June 2006 \$684.51.62. **Deposits:** De State Tournament check \$659.00. * \$.20 per sanction bowler state Fees \$2018.80. * **Disbursements:** Assoc. Mgr. Salary \$125.00, \$23.94 to replenish Petty Cash to it's \$20.00 total. Incorporation Renewal Fees \$25.00. Master's Entry Fee \$450.00, John Boc memorial to St. Judes' Children's Hospital \$25.00. USBC voided sanctions \$3.00 **Total disbursement** of \$ 651.94. **New Balance** as of June 1, 2007 of \$684.51. * **Items:** WBA over paid \$18.20 (\$1.85 verses \$1.80) for State Tourney. LDUSBCBA overpaid \$892.60 in Sanction fees in Oct 06. Check for \$18.20 for overpayment repaid to WUSBCBA (M) Barrett (S) Swain. LDUSBCBA overpayment (\$892.60) to be coordinated with USBC to insure accounting and transfer procedures match. Treasures report. Approved. (M) Swain (S) Barrett

MEETING:

1. Mr. John Walton of Greenwood DE was the State Associations entrant to the 2005 Masters. He didn't make the cut but enjoyed the opportunity to participate.
2. Secretary Salary of \$125.00 and \$19.34 for Petty Cash replenishment. Petty Cash amount to be raised to \$30.00. (M) Barrett (S) Marsh.
3. State Fee Collection: First year collections by USBC went well. LDUSBCBA did have some computer problems and an over payment of \$892.60 in Oct of 06. See Treasurer Report above. WBA sanctioned 3387 bowlers and LDUSBCBA 2019 for a total of 5406. There were 11 voided sanctions.
4. Corporation Renewal Procedures: This is now done by Electronic Transfer. No problems noted

NEW BUSINESS:

5. Mr. Swain, LDUSBCBA President reviewed 2007 State Tournament Results. He reported 43 Teams, 87 Doubles and 174 Singles and 113 All Event entries.
6. State Tournament: Pres. Dempsey feels that that the state tournament, regardless of where it is held, should be consistent, from entry blanks to the different categories. He will chair a tournament committee, whose goal will be to set the standards for State Tournaments in the future. Committee members will be Dempsey, Marsh, Chance and Swain. (OPEN)
7. Web Site: Fred Brace has provided web space for State and Youth news. He's done a good job and both Associations appreciate the space.
8. 2007 Masters Tournament will be held in Milwaukee WI on the week of Oct 21-28 and will again a part of the PBA tour. The finals will be televised on ESPN from the Miller Park Arena on 28 Oct 2007 at 1:00 PM Eastern time. DE top three nominees are 1) Donald Pyle 2) Keith Poppiti 3) Brian Bennett
9. Senior Olympic Announcements: Mr. McKay's email stated that the Senior Olympic Bowling would be sanctioned this year. Non sanctioned bowlers will pay a \$5 participation fee and not be eligible for USBC awards. Qualifying events will be held at Price (25-27 Sept 07) and Milford (2-4 Oct 07) Lanes. Finals for the qualifiers will be bowled on 9-11 Oct at Brunswick Doverrama.
10. YABA: Pres. Ken Condiff and Assoc. Manager Michelle Turner-Billings attended this meeting and reported that the State USBCY is alive and well in Delaware. The Assoc. has given out over \$10,000 in Scholarships, adopted a dress code that will set examples well into adulthood, need only 3 more schools into the program to make bowling a school sport, established a bumper tournament, working to get more parents support and into bowling. They do need adult Assoc. help with their programs and publicity of their efforts.
11. Merger of Associations: The consensus of all present is that merging needs to be addressed. The Wilmington Associations have started talks and now meet once a week. Swain, Marine and Barrett will form a transition board to look at and open a dialog with State Associations and explore the prospects of a merge. (OPEN)
12. USBC Information: A) It has been determined that given today's phone, email and database technologies, Field Consultant positions have become obsolete. All Association support will be provided directly from USBC Headquarters. B) 100 Pins over average watch replaced with an emblem C) 298-299 rings have been discontinued. 11 In a Row plaque will be issued instead. League High Game and High Average awards have also been discontinued. Pres. Dempsey asked Mbrs to make a suggestion list of what could be awarded by Assoc.

13. State Assoc. to buy half page advertisement in the WBA 2008 Final Average Booklet.
Cost \$100.00 (M) Dave (S) Karen
14. Leo Barrett assigned as State Representative to the Wilmington and State Youth Board
by Pres. Dempsey
15. Comments: A) USBC Assoc. Manuals should be distributed in July. B) Suggested that
State Board members have shirts or a means of visual recognition of their State positions.
(Open)
16. Mr. Walt Postles was selected by Pres. Dempsey and appointed by the board to assume
Assoc. Manager Position as of Aug 1 2007. (M) Barrett (S) Chance
17. Election of Officers: All Officers retain same office for coming years. Acclamation vote
by Mr. Postles. Mr. Peterson accepted nomination as a Director. (M) K Chance (S) Swain
18. Comments from Attendees: Very constructive meeting, We got a lot accomplished and a
lot of initiatives to be worked.
19. Closing Comments by President: Pres. Dempsey thanked Mr. Peterson for his past 7
years service as Assoc. Manager and welcomed him as a new Director. He thanked all in
attendance for their interest, concern and personal effort to make this a meaningful State
Association. Adjournment. (M) Barrett (S) K Chance 9:10

Submitted by ALGER L. PETERSON, Assoc. Mgr. for DE State USBC BA