



SIR STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE

SIR Del Locke, Chairman

SIR Jerry Sabo, Secretary

SIR Ray Young Treasurer

SIR Bob York, Operations Subcommittee Chairman

SIR Bill Cooper, Policy Subcommittee Chairman

SIR STATE BOWLING COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of meeting held on January 10, 2012

Location: Vallejo Veterans Hall
420 Admiral Callahan Lane, Vallejo

Chairman Sir Del Locke called the meeting to order at 9:36 AM.

SIR in attendance: Atkins (160), Benson (112), Bruegeman (113), Buttacavoli (45), Cooper (147), Cordova (59), Cox (10), DiBasilio (113), Duggan (41), Elmer (161), Elvik (103), Genova (103), Locke (73), Lord (59), Manning (108), Martegani (49), Monahan (128), Oaks (101), Quinones (01), Rodrigues (73), Sabo (59), Spisak (112), Takesh'ta (148), Torres (105), Wells (29), West (19), York (123), Wong (101), Young (147).

- I. Opening:** SIR Elvik thanked the group for support the past two years.
- II. Introduction:** All present were asked to introduce themselves.
- III. Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.
- IV. SIR Locke** discussed the “New” Tournament documents package to include **1)** a cover letter that discusses the newly adopted SIR Bowling Manual (By-Laws and Standing Rules) and the newly adopted SIR Bowling Tournament Guidelines **2)** updates for Tournament Managers (formerly Directors) **3)** other items such as mailing labels and recap sheets. Tournament Managers were encouraged to notify SIR Sabo if e-labels rather than printouts were needed and to notify Sir Sabo whenever recap sheets were not needed. Sir Locke also requested input for items to be included in his report at the State meeting.
- V. Treasurer’s Report:** SIR Ray Young handed out and discussed our current financial statement. The proposed 2012 budget retains the Ten Pin assessment of \$0.50. We are currently in good shape because the \$400.00 for the last luncheon was not spent because no lunch was served. A motion was made by Sir Buttacavoli to delete the \$5.00 luncheon charge that was to be assessed at this meeting and to retain the \$0.50 Ten Pin assessment. Motion seconded by Sir York. Passed unanimously.
- VI. Remarks from SIR President’s Representative:** SIR Locke invited Sir Rich Dettmer, Sir State Representative from Yuba City to attend our meeting. Sir Dettmer contacted Sir Locke and declined the invitation due to another previously scheduled commitment.
- VII. Administrative Remarks:** Sir Locke mentioned that some of his “report to State” ideas included the concept of “What would you like to see done to gain a Sir

Bowling presence from some of our Central California branches such as Monterey and Bakersfield?” The State will also want to know our plans for 2012. Sir Locke also expressed appreciation to Sir York who drafted the “new” SIR Bowling Tournament Guidelines and SIR Bowling Manual documents, and others that worked on refinement of the documents.

- VIII. Report from the Operations Subcommittee:** Sir York informed the State Bowling Committee that the SIR Bowling Tournament Guidelines and the SIR Bowling Manual were now in place. The new documents give much better description of the actual operations of the Bowling Committee and a clear description of such items as the determination of a tournament bowler’s average. The Tournament Guidelines also include such things as payout charts for various situations. Another important item that was included in the Bowling Manual was the method for selection of State Tournament site. In the past, the State Tournament was up for bidding, but bids were seldom submitted. The Bowling Manual states that the State Tournament will rotate thru the annual tournament list. For the year 2012, Sir Takesh’ta representing Branches 73 and 148 submitted a bid for the State Tournament. The bid was accepted unanimously; following a motion by Sir Martegani and a second by Sir Buttacavoli. Next year, Paradise would be offered the State Tournament next Sunnyvale as specified in the rotation. Tournament Managers are to send tournament results to Sir York, Operations Subcommittee Chairman rather than the State Secretary under the new Bowling Manual and Tournament Guidelines. Another significant change in the Bowling Manual is that Bowling Committee members are now ex-officio members of the group with voting rights.
- IX. Report from the Policy Subcommittee:** Sir Bill Cooper stated that one of the concerns of his committee is just how many SIR Bowlers are in each branch and each league within the branch. There is a definite concern about eligibility of such bowlers. Bowlers in a SIR league must be SIR members in good standing.
- X. Old Business:** Sir Martegani led a discussion on “Rule 319e”. The rule, briefly stated, contains the concept that each tournament bowler is responsible for keeping track of his own tournament average, and that if his tournament average of 21 or more tournament games is 15 or more pins higher than his USBC average, the tournament average is to be used. It seems that few if any of the State Committee members present even knew the language in Rule 319e, while in most of our Tournament fliers, we state that Rule 319e is to be followed. In the first place, very few of the members even knew that it was their responsibility to keep a tournament average record. If Tournament Managers were to enforce the rule, it would require them to tally the tournament scores of each bowler for one year. This would necessarily include tournaments that were not SIR tournaments. Again, the language: A bowler shall adjust his/her entering average if, during the 12-month period immediately preceding the time and date of bowling, the bowler’s accumulated average for all, but not less than 21 tournament games, exceeds the average to be used for entry by 15 or more pins etc. This implies that each month requires a new average to be compiled and compared to the USBC average. Tournament Managers do have this rule available to them if a bowler is suspect of violation of this rule. Bowlers in our tournaments most likely do not even know that Rule 319e exists, and Tournament Managers still have ways to re-rate a bowler if so desired. When a bowler is to be re-rated, notification should be made if possible before the bowler arrives at the tournament. Perhaps Rule 319e should be waived

for our tournaments because it would be extremely difficult to enforce if the wording of the rule were followed. Another method for discouraging “sandbaggers” might be to have payout rates at 1 in 4 rather than 1 in 6. A lunch break followed the discussion: Break from 12:05 until 12:54.

- XI. New Business: Sir Locke** was able to get a few State Board items and recapped other items that took place during the meeting.
- a. Two houses would welcome a SIR Tournament, Tracy and Black Oak Casino.
 - b. Should we have more weekend tournaments?
 - c. We now have “new” Guidelines and By-Laws. They are not set in concrete, but we have workable set of documents thanks to Sir York.
 - d. Where are SIR leagues?
 - e. How many bowlers are in each branch.
 - f. What about 319e?

The meeting was adjourned by SIR Locke at 1:15 PM. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, August 14th.

Respectfully Submitted, Sir Jerry Sabo, Secretary
SIR State Bowling Committee