

Sacramento Nisei Bowling Association

General Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2015

Meeting Attendees:

Carolyn Horikawa, Margie Matsuda, George Smith, Chuck King, Russ Harkins, Gary Miyamura, Nancy Namba, Miki Ohta, Glenn Kobata, Yulana Low, Darren Tsumura, Grace Yamasaki, Stan Yamasaki, Diane Fujii, Susan Saika, Michelle Lee, Ryan Wong, Brandon Fong, Ray Ho, Mike Tanaka, Tracy Green, David Saika, May Sease, Karen Nakao

Meeting Highlights:

- David called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.
 - David welcomed new Executive Board members Mike Tanaka as Mens VP and Karen Nakao as Secretary
 - Also thanked Darren Tsumura for being the Executive Board's mentor and taking care of the SNBA website
- **Approval of Meeting Minutes –**
 - David mentioned that under the previous meeting's minutes, Mel Muranaka had asked George Glavas to install the Executive Board officers at the SNBA Banquet. But, George was not available.
 - Gary Miyamura made a motion to approve the meetings; seconded by Carolyn Horikawa
- **Approval of Treasurer Reports –** Diane Fujii made a motion to approve the treasurer reports; seconded by George Smith.
- **Old Business: 2015 SNBA Banquet**
 - David mentioned as old business for the 2015 SNBA Banquet that a receipt was not received for the Chinese Chicken salad, \$70.00. He will talk it over with Tracy.
 - This year's Banquet budget will be compared to last year's Banquet budget.
 - Most attending the meeting said that the Banquet went well.
 - For next year's SNBA Banquet, an attempt will be made to get notice out to leagues earlier.
 - The Nisei Mixed Fours league will be ending on March 30, 2016
- **New Business: 2015/16 SNBA Tournaments**
 - Tournament dates have been set with Land Park Lanes
 - Senior No-Tap Tournament is scheduled to be held November 14, 2015 and November 15, 2015
 - The Sacramento Nisei Invitational Tournament is scheduled to be held February 6, 2016 and February 7, 2016.
 - Darren Tsumura and Mike Tanaka attended the Senior Banquet and asked the seniors attending the banquet to fill out a survey.
 - Some highlights of the survey:
 - 86% responded that they were happy with the current format.
 - 78% of respondents were 70 years of age or older in the Nisei Senior Mixed league.
 - Asked what would make it easier for the Seniors to bowl in the Senior No-Tap Tournament – fill out entry, find partners.
 - Some things that may be considered: a super seniors squad, pots based on age or average.
 - David will check if the house can handle a different format. Ex.: 7 pins down on first ball counts as a strike, 9 pins down with two balls counts as a spare.
 - Darren brought up a point that participation might have to do more with average. Most seniors may have lower averages.
 - Mike mentioned that per the survey, more said division by age.
 - Mike went over the survey results.
 - David will look at past participation, may just make change to the pots.

- The Nisei Senior Mixed league will be ending on May 13, 2016.
- David asked Margie Matsuda if she could ask her league members.
- **New Business: 2015/16 Secretary Packets**
 - Karen explained what was included in the Secretary packet
 - The age for Seniors is age 60.
 - A list of Seniors, age 65 and older, will be provided to the League Secretaries. To be used to determine seniors eligible for awards
 - A list of Non-Niseis will also be provided.
 - Karen will email the lists to the League Secretaries.
- **New Business: Non-Nisei Eligibility Voting**
 - There was one hardship letter submitted. League Officers present at the meeting voted to accept the bowler's hardship. The bowler was accepted back into the SNBA.
 - Eight other bowler names were submitted from the various leagues. All eight bowlers were accepted by the League Officers present.
- **New Business: Senior Survey Results**
 - The Senior Survey results were discussed with the Senior No-Tap Tournament
- **Open Discussion/Announcements**
 - Dates for JANBA 2016 in Las Vegas is set for March 13, 2016 through March 19, 2016. The tournament is going to be held at the Orleans
 - Darren will put something together to gather help. Sacramento is chairing the Doubles event.
 - May Sease asked Gary Miyamura to check with Jennifer Reven and Land Ochikubo about checks issued to them that have not been cashed.
 - The next meeting date is scheduled for Thursday, January 14, 2016, 7:00 p.m., at Land Park Lanes.
 - Carolyn asked how to ask to have any additional bowlers voted into the SNBA. She can send an email to David or to the Sacnisei account. Then, the Executive Board will discuss and return answer.
- **Adjournment**
 - Grace Yamasaki made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Carolyn Horikawa.