

New York State USBC, Inc.
10th Annual Meeting – Remo Virtual Platform
Saturday, July 17, 2021

Memorial Service Prayer lead by Reverend Daniel Solimine, NYS USBC

Call to Order President Buckman called the meeting to order at 11:00 AM, Notice of meeting was sent to board and delegates in accordance with USBC bylaws

National Anthem Video supplied by Frank Wilkinson

Introduction President Buckman introduced NYSUSBC Board Member for 2020-2021

Credentials 1st Reading Association Manager Corradino reported

NYSUSBC Adult Directors	12
NYSUSBC Youth Directors	1
NYSUSBC Adult Delegates	32
NYSUSBC Youth Delegates	2
NYSUSBC Adult/Youth Delegates	3
Total Eligible to Vote	51

**** Note all page number reference the program book for the 2021 Annual Meeting ****

Minutes President Buckman called for a vote for approval of minutes on page 12 & 13 (minutes were sent to all attendees prior to meeting). Motion carries by majority vote

USBC Update USBC Director Mike Larson reported on the status of USBC, membership was down about 35% this season and USBC is working hard to bring bowlers back. They have launched a program called “Bowling is Ready When You Are.” They are encouraging local associations to reach out to the bowlers who didn’t bowl this year, the personal touch goes a long way. They also sent postcards in the spring and will send a letter in August encouraging bowlers to return to the lanes. If anyone needs help with their dropped bowler list they can reach out to USBC for assistance.

Reports

President’s President Buckman stated the last 17 months have been tough for NYSUSBC with the COVID Pandemic, Adult Membership was 43,110 this season (down 35%) and Youth Membership was 5,694 (down 32%). Since we last met Mike Pettinella stepped down as Association Manager and Angelo Corradino was hired. He thanked Pettinella for his years of service with the organization. We also have a new website design. He thanked the Board Member, Regional Youth Tournament Managers for all their hard work during this challenging year. He also encouraged people to apply for positions with NYSUSBC. His full report was found on page 5

National Delegate

President Buckman reported USBC held their annual meeting on April 29, 2021, which was virtual. The delegates voted on 19 Bylaw proposals Three new directors were elected, they also ratified the 2020 appointments. Delegates approved new league by laws allowing the officers to grant practice to the teams if they need to switch lanes during league, the board of directors can also make decisions to suspend league bylaws during emergencies. New tournament bylaw passed, tournament manager must provide prize list and financial statements for all participants. Other by laws for prospective board members as well. A full report of all new by laws can be found at bowl.com/convention. Next year's meeting will be in person from April 25-28, 2022 at the Orleans in Las Vegas

Association Manager

Corradino reported despite being closed for 6 months New York State was still able to hold all their scheduled tournaments as planned. The fall tournaments saw moderate turnout but we down 40-50%. In December USBC Announced a COVID Aid Package which will give New York State \$10,000 a year for the next 10 years, this money will be added to the prize fund for all Adult and Youth Tournaments. As we came to the Spring we saw more bowlers come out to the tournaments. We were also granted a \$15,500 PPP loan which was forgiven. His full report was found on page 6.

Finance

Chair DeHart reported there was no internal audit this year due to COVID. Our Accountant audited the books and found everything to be in order. He filed forms 990 and Char 500. Charitable contribution totaled \$27,000 a complete list can be found in her report on page 7.

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Adoption of Rules

Chair Moro read the rules shown on page 4. President Buckman asked for acceptance. Motion carries by majority vote

Legislative

Chair Morn reported there is no new legislation for this season

Pathways

Chair Kaverman reported fundraising went well at all tournament and our July Calendar sales. We will continue to donate primarily to Roswell Park Cancer Institute, Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and Bowlers to Veterans Link. We also have a new raffle this year with Fund Crazz which will coincide with the NFL Schedule for last 5 weeks of the season. Tickets can be requested from Angelo Corradino at bowlnysusbc@gmail.com. His full reports was found on page 11.

Awards

Chair O'Donnell reported there were no Hall of Fame inductees for 2021 due to COVID. All applications are still on file and will still be considered. The 2020 class would finally be inducted. His full report was found on page 10.

Tournament

Association Manager Corradino reported tournament participation was down 30% - 50% this year. Our Masters Champion was Matt Fazzino of Rotterdam who will represent NY in the 2022 USBC Masters. Liz Kuhlkin captured her 3rd straight NYS Queens Title which gave her a paid entry into the 2021 USBC Queens, she finished third. We have 9 bowlers representing NY in the USBC Senior Championship in Vegas in August. Also, the 2022 US Women's Open will be held at Kingpin's Alley Family Fun Center in South Glens Falls in August. His full report was found on page 14.

Youth

Chair Tom Solimine reported all tournaments were run this year with COVID Protocols in place. Pepsi had 4,214 in league qualifying and 1,493 in regional finals which was down 30%. The state finals were split into three staggered sessions to accommodate, 104 scholarships were awarded totaling \$34,700. The State Team Tournaments had 440 entries, down 25 from last year. Only 4 teams from each division advanced to the State Finals this year, this event was split into two squads. \$8,800 was awarded to the four champions. Six members of the Youth Committee are retiring this year and they were honored at the team tournament. The Adult Junior Tournament had 218 teams, down 67 from 2019. A total of \$5,600 in scholarships were awarded. His full report was found on page 15

YES

Chair Wilkinson reported \$14,600 in scholarship were awarded this year to bowlers of all ages. We have Bowlers Ed kits (carpeted lanes, plastic balls/pins & a bowling curriculum) for school and encouraged teacher to apply. His full report and list of scholarship winners was found on pages 17 & 18.

Public Relations

Chair O'Connor reported a large majority of our followers were on Facebook and Twitter are over 35 and we should focus on TikTok and Instagram for the younger crowd. He also suggested we should cross promote for all associations and they should do the same. His full report was found on page 11.

President Buckman made motion to accept all reports as read. Motion carries by majority vote

Elections**2020-21 Elections**

Due to COVID all members up for election were reappointed by President Buckman, those members were Vice President Liz Dehart, Adult Directors Janet Moro, Daniel Solimine and Barry Vee. Youth Directors Stephen Fawcett and Beth O'Brien. President Buckman asked for the nominations to be ratified. Motion carries by majority vote.

2021-22 Elections

All elections were unopposed and approved by acclamation with a majority vote. Those members were President Roger Buckman, Sergeant-at-Arms Janet Moro. Adult Directors Robert Kaverman, Randy Snyder & Maresse Wager-Walawander. Youth Director Thoomas Solimine, Sr.

By electronic vote, the President and Association Manager were duly elected Delegates with the Vice-President and Sergeant-at-Arms as Alternate Delegates to the 2022 USBC Convention in Las Vegas.

Affiliate Organizations BVL, Libbi Fletcher reviewed programs for veterans and thank New York State for their continued support.

NYSW 600 Club President Connie Cannfield reviewed membership, awards, and activities

Adjournment President Buckman adjourned the meeting at 1:04 PM

Recorder Angelo L Corradino