

New York State USBC, Inc.
11th Annual Meeting – Double Tree Utica
Saturday, June 11, 2022

- Memorial Service** Prayer lead by Reverend President Roger Buckman, NYS USBC
- Call to Order** President Buckman called the meeting to order at 12:14 PM, Notice of meeting was sent to board and delegates in accordance with USBC bylaws
- Pledge of Allegiance** Lead by President Buckman
- Introduction** President Buckman introduced NYSUSBC Board Member for 2021-2022
Credentials 1st Reading Association Manager Corradino reported
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| NYSUSBC Board Members | 11 |
| NYSUSBC Delegates | 32 |
| Total Eligible to Vote | 43 |

*** Note all page number reference the program book for the 2022 Annual Meeting ***

- Minutes** President Buckman called for a vote for approval of minutes on pages 12 - 13 (minutes were sent to all attendees prior to meeting).
Motion by Mimi Luce from Rochester to accept minutes as printed
Second by Director Maresse Wager-Walawander
None opposed/Motion carries

- USBC Update** USBC Director Mike Larson reported on the status of USBC, he thanked the board for allowing him to attend and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Membership was down about 29% after COVID but is back up 22% this year. They are close to one million members, and are expected to surpass that next season. He said we still have work to do locally, ask someone in the Supermarket to bowl, someone at the deli, etc. Reach out to the lost bowlers and ask them to come back.

The ACE Lane Certification is being rolled out in January 2023. USBC will certify 1/3 of the houses each year. Tiers will be determined by the lane certification crew. The centers will be certified for three years. Check bowl.com/CenterCertifications for more information.

National Dues will increase \$2 this year. At the 2016 Convention the delegates voted to raise national fees by \$5, \$3 in 2018 and \$2 in 2022.

Reports

- President's** President Buckman welcomed everyone back to the live meeting and was excited to see everyone in person again. We are seeing the bowlers come back, membership was up 16% for adults and 9% for youth. We are still looking for a board member and two at-large directors. Please reach out to President Buckman if interested. Sites for the 2023 and 2024 Tournament

have been found for almost all tournaments. We are still looking for a center for the 2024 Open Championships. His full report can be found on page 5.

National Delegate

President Buckman reported USBC held their annual meeting on April 28, 2022, at the Orleans in Las Vegas. The delegates voted on one Bylaw proposal, to allow for delegates to vote by proxy if they can't attend convention. This was defeated. Three new directors were elected, and nine people (including three from NY) were inducted into the Hall of Fame. 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 24-27, 2027 at South Point Casino and Hotel in Las Vegas

Association Manager

Corradino reported all tournaments were held this season with little to no restrictions for COVID. Participation was up for all tournaments this year and we were able to add \$10,000 to the prize fund for our tournaments thanks to BowlTv. The money was dispersed amongst all the tournaments run by NYSUSBC. Three bowlers from New York were inducted into the USBC Hall of Fame this year, Patrick Allen, Patrick Healy, Jr. and Jim Zebehazy. The youth committee saw so long time directors retire this year, thank you to Mike Callan, Kathy Larson, Matthew Hardy and Paul Terracciano for you years of dedicated service.

Finance

Chair DeHart reported our accountant audited the books and found everything to be in order. He filed forms 990 and Char 500. Charitable contribution totaled \$13,000, we will donate \$5000 each to Roswell Cancer Center and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, \$3000 will go towards Youth Scholarships. Financial Statements can be found on page 8 & 9.

Adoption of Rules

Director Johnson read the rules shown on the inside cover of the program.

Legislative

Chair Snyder reported there are two by-laws for approval. Amendment one is require any candidates for office submit their resume with in seven days of the annual meeting, USBC recommends 48 hours to seven days. Amendment two to make the quorum 40 directors/delegates to match USBC changes. A full description can be found on page 7. Voting will occur after all committee reports have been read.

Pathways

Chair Snyder we have raised \$20,609 to date with the July Lottery Tickets still pending. He reminded everyone about our Amazon Smile account and encouraged people to donate to NYUSBC when they buy stuff on Amazon. We will have the FundCrazr football tickets again, in addition if a local association sells 50 tickets they we will send the five extra tickets for their association. Anyone who would like tickets please reach out to Randy His full reports was found on page 11.

Awards

Chair O'Brien reported there six members being inducted into the Hall of Fame this year, For Superior Performance Sue Jerzioski of Cheektowaga, Bill Hasiotis from Rochester. For Meritorious Service, Nelson Chase of Hudson Falls and Ben Amberge of Vestal. Service to Youth was awarded to Paul Terracciano of Hawthorne and Service to Bowling was awarded to Connie Hladik of Johnstown. Her full report was found on page 10.

Tournament

Association Manager Corradino reported tournament participation was up 20 – 35% this year. Our Masters Champion was Dan Vick of Rochester who will represent NY in the 2023 USBC Masters. Jennifer Close the NYS Queens Title which gave her a paid entry into the 2023 USBC Queens. We have 6 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 next week. This season we will have online registration for all tournaments beginning with the Senior Master in November. We are still looking for centers to host tournament beginning in 2024. His full report was found on page 15.

Youth

Chair Tom Solimine reported all money in our unassigned funds account must be used within three years. Pepsi participation was up 38% this year and all 120 bowlers who qualified for the state finals received a scholarship, we awarded \$70,000 that day. Our youth team tournament went back to one squad for all bowlers with two team qualifying from reach region. We awarded \$14,000 in scholarships. He reminded all associations about the \$100 package for ads in both the State Team Finals and State Pepsi Finals Program Books and thanked the associations who contributed this year. He then thanks Paul Terracciano for his work with the Adult Junior Tournament for that last 24 years and announced he will step down as tournament manager. Terracciano reported Adult Junior Tournament had 326 teams this year and we awarded more than \$5,000 in scholarships from this tournament. In addition to Terracciano the youth committee had 4 other member retire this year; Mike Callan, Kathy Larsen, Matt Hardy and Jenn Crissan. His full report can be found on pages 16 & 17.

YES

Chair Wilkinson reported \$13,00 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 18 & 19

Public Relations

Chair Vee reported we will start have more email clasts this year and everyone needs to help with our social media presence. When you are at a league or tournament, post on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and tag NYSUSBC. We will have online registration, let your bowlers know.

President Buckman made motion to accept all reports as read. None opposed/motion carries

Credentials 2nd Reading Association Manager Corradino reported

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Amendment 1 - Qualifications must be submitted, in writing, at least 24 hours, or up to seven (7) days prior to the opening of the annual meeting as determined by the delegates. Qualifications are due 24 Hours prior to the opening of the Annual Meeting.

The Board of Directors proposes that this be changed to 7 days to allow for proper review of qualifications prior to the annual meeting as allowed by USBC

Chair Snyder asked for all to approve the vote 43 responded aye, none opposed. Motion carries candidates must submit their resume within seven days of the meeting.

Amendment 1 – USBC has removed the youth director positions. Our Quorum requires 25 adult and 15 youth delegates.

The Board of Directors proposes that this be changed to 40 members

Chair Snyder asked for all to approve the vote 43 responded aye, none opposed. Motion carries a quorum will be 40 Directors and Delegates.

Elections**2022-23 Elections**

All candidates ran unopposed, Vice President: Liz DeHart, Directors Stephan Fawcett, Jayu Kulkarni, Beth O'Brien and Barry Vee.

President Buchman asked to accept the slate as presented. 43 delegates responded aye, none opposed, all member were reelected.

By voice vote, the President and Association Manager were duly elected Delegates with the Vice-President and Sergeant-at-Arms as Alternate Delegates to the 2023 USBC Convention in Las Vegas.

New Business:

Mike Callan of Rochester asked if the by-laws would continue to include youth member. President Buckman and Director Solimine responded the Youth Committee will continue to nominate people to serve on the board from their Committee and the board will recommend those members to the delegates for election. It will be up to the membership to approve them. For vacancies in the board we will contact the Youth Committee Chair for recommendations.

Next year's annual meeting is being planned now and will be announced at a later date.

Affiliate Organizations USBC, Mike Larsen reported on USBC and ACE Lane Certification (see above)

BVL, Libbi Fletcher (video) reviewed programs for veterans and thank New York State for their continued support.

Adjournment President Buckman adjourned the meeting at 2:28 PM

Recorder Angelo L Corradino