

Northern California Nisei Bowling Federation (NCNBF)
Mowry Lanes – Fremont
December 2, 2007

Meeting called to order by President Greg Gong at 10:10 a.m.

MEETING ATTENDEES

Greg Gong	President	Del Corral	Gilroy
Ron Nomura	1 st Vice President	Tyler Gee	Past President, San Francisco
Mark Yoshinaka	2 nd Vice President	Doug Nakatani	Past President, Mid-Peninsula
Dar Masamori	San Francisco	Vern Kohaya	Past President, Mid-Peninsula
Akiko Ogawa	Fremont	Darren Tsumura	Sacramento
Nancy Yoshimoto	Peninsula	Louise Utsurogi	Past President/Secretary, Eden

MEETING MINUTES

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- The July 8, 2007 meeting minutes were approved.
 - *Motion made by Vern Kohaya, seconded by Dar Masamori and passed by the Board of Directors.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

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- The Treasurer's Report dated December 2, 2007 was approved. The total balance is \$440.88. The breakdown is \$.05 in the 300 Insurance Account and \$440.83 in the General Operating Account.
 - *Motion made by Dar Masamori, seconded by Mark Yoshinaka and passed by the Board of Directors.*

UPDATE – NCNBF WEBSITE

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- 2nd Vice President/Webmaster Mark Yoshinaka announced that the NCNBF website is now up and running.
 - Visit the website at www.NCNBF.com
 - The website currently consists of the following 4 links:
 - *Home Page/Map* – Explains the purpose of the NCNBF and the idea behind this website
 - *Associations* – Identifies the 14 NCNBF recognized Associations, their NCNBF representatives, tournament information and website information
 - *Tournaments* – Includes dates/information for NCNBF tournaments, tournament news, and information from other Nisei Tournaments & Associations
 - *Board of Directors* – Lists the names of all current NCNBF Board of Directors and their Association affiliate
 - Mark Yoshinaka offered to send a letter to the Board of Directors notifying them of the website's existence and what is available.
 - The Board of Directors thanked Mark for his time and hard work in creating this website.

UPDATE – NCNBF BY-LAWS

- Article VIII – Management – Voting Rights/Section 3: Shall read “Failure of a representative to attend at least *one* regularly scheduled Federation meeting per year shall be just cause for removal. The involved league/association will be notified with a request for action.”
 - *Motion to approve the NCNBF By-Laws as corrected by Tyler Gee, seconded by Vern Kohaya and passed by the Board of Directors.*

READJUSTMENT RULES

- After discussion, it was agreed that any adjustments recommended by the NCNBF will continue to be based on tournament scores.
- It was also agreed that the NCNBF Statistician will continue to send each Association any adjustment recommendations. Each Association will have the right to choose whether or not to use these recommendations.

TOURNAMENT PARTICIPATION

- Darren Tsumura announced that last year, the Sacramento Nisei Tournament participation was roughly down 30% from previous years. Based on this, the Sacramento Nisei Association decided they will not require NCNBF Membership, as they have in prior years as part of its eligibility requirements for their tournament to be held in February.
- Dar Masamori also announced that the San Francisco Nisei Association has also decided they will not require NCNBF Membership as part of its eligibility requirements for their tournament to be held in January.
- To see if any impact was made based on this decision, it was agreed that we will visit this topic again after the 2007-08 tournament season.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW BUSINESS: NCNBF CERTIFIED SPECIAL EVENT

- In an effort to bring the NCNBF ‘together’, a suggestion was made that a ‘special event’ (i.e. trios, mixed doubles, century, etc...), certified by the NCNBF, be held at each tournament.
- This topic will be tabled for the next meeting for further discussion.

NEW BUSINESS: HARDSHIP REQUEST – PEGGY ONG

- A letter was received from Peggy Ong, a 25+ year NCNBF member. Peggy has re-located to Las Vegas, NV where she is unable to locate a Nikkei bowling league to join. She is requesting hardship to retain her NCNBF membership status.
- As the NCNBF By-Laws are written, Peggy’s request was denied.
- President Greg Gong will inform Peggy of this decision.

NEW BUSINESS: RAFFLE

- The raffle drawing will be held at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: NCNBF MEETING REPRESENTATIVES

- Concerns were raised and a discussion followed regarding the lack of representation from other local Associations at the NCNBF meetings.
- Concerns were once again raised around the San Jose Nikkei Bowling Association (SJNBA), and their decision to opt out of the NCNBF this season.
- Dar Masamori and Darren Tsumura have offered to contact SJNBA's President, Marc Tsuchiya, and ask if they may meet with the SJNBA Board.
- Doug Nakatani offered to contact Mas Higashi (Monterey) for their representative.
- Dar Masamori offered to contact East Bay and Watsonville for their representative.

ADJOURNMENT

- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, March 30, 2008, 10:00 a.m. at Castro Village Bowl, Castro Valley.
- Meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon.
 - *Motion made by Tyler Gee, seconded by Ron Nomura and passed by the Board of Directors.*

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Utsurogi
NCNBF Secretary