

*Northern California Nisei Bowling Federation (NCNBF)
Castro Village Bowl – Castro Valley
March 30, 2008*

Meeting called to order by President Greg Gong at 10:01 a.m.

MEETING ATTENDEES

Greg Gong	President	Del Corral	Gilroy
Ron Nomura	1 st Vice President	Donald Lee	San Mateo
Mark Yoshinaka	2 nd Vice President	Dar Masamori	San Francisco
Grace Yamasaki	Treasurer	Karen Nakashima	San Francisco
Lori Neishi-Wong	Statistician	Darren Tsumura	Sacramento
Stan Yamasaki	Past President, Sacramento	Nancy Yoshimoto	Peninsula
Doug Nakatani	Past President, Mid-Peninsula		
Louise Utsurogi	Past President, Secretary, Eden		

MEETING MINUTES

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- The December 2, 2007 meeting minutes were approved.
 - *Motion made by Grace Yamasaki, seconded by Mark Yoshinaka and passed by the Board of Directors.*

TREASURER'S REPORT

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- The Treasurer's Report dated March 30, 2008 was approved. The total balance is \$1,851.38. The breakdown is \$58.05 in the 300 Insurance Account and \$1,793.33 in the General Operating Account.
 - *Motion made by Dar Masamori, seconded by Ron Nomura and passed by the Board of Directors.*

UPDATE – NCNBF WEBSITE

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- 2nd Vice President/Webmaster Mark Yoshinaka announced that he will be adding the following links to the NCNBF website:
 - Japanese American National Bowling Association (JANBA)
 - Reno/Sacramento Tournament
 - Mark also added a counter to keep a check of the number of hits made on the website.
 - Mark commented that the San Jose Nikkei Bowling Association posts their Board Meeting minutes on their website. Darren Tsumura (Sacramento) and Dar Masamori (San Francisco) also remarked they will begin to post their meeting minutes on their websites.
 - Mark will begin posting the board meeting minutes to the NCNBF website.

OLD BUSINESS: NCNBF CERTIFIED SPECIAL EVENT

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- Background – 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.
 - It was agreed that everyone go back to their Associations for suggestions/feedback and bring them to the next meeting for further discussion.

OLD BUSINESS: NCNBF MEETING REPRESENTATIVES

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- Doug Nakatani announced that the Monterey Nisei Bowling Association no longer exists.
 - Dar Masamori informed us she has not heard back from the Watsonville Association and also told us that Dean Masunaga will attempt to find a representative from the East Bay Association.
 - Tabled for further discussion.

RAFFLE DRAWING

- Tabled for the next meeting.

OPEN DISCUSSION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAN FRANCISCO NIKKEI/SACRAMENTO NISEI BOWLING TOURNAMENTS

- Dar Masamori (San Francisco) announced there was an increase of bowlers participating in their tournament this year.
- Darren Tsumura (Sacramento) also announced that their tournament showed an increase in bowler participation.
- Dar commented she was unsure if the increase was due to the fact they did not require the NCNBF membership card as part of their eligibility requirements.
- Because it was noted that some tournaments required the card, and some did not, a discussion followed of whether or not the NCNBF membership card should be necessary as part of the tournament eligibility process.
- A suggestion was made that all Association Presidents/Tournament Directors meet once a year.
- Tabled for further discussion.

ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION

- The remainder of today's meeting was spent discussing many raised concerns about the NCNBF and its future. These are some of the topics that were discussed:
 - The purpose of the NCNBF
 - Lack of participation from various Associations at the meetings
 - The decline in the number of bowlers participating in leagues/tournaments
- A recommendation was made that a subcommittee be formed to "outreach" to all the local Associations.
 - *Motion made by Darren Tsumura, seconded by Dar Masamori and passed by the Board of Directors.*
- Greg Gong, Dar Masamori and Darren Tsumura have offered to form as the subcommittee.

ADJOURNMENT

- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, June 22, 2008, 10:00 a.m. at Castro Village Bowl, Castro Valley.
- Meeting adjourned at 11:44 a.m.
 - *Motion made by Grace Yamasaki, seconded by Lori Neishi-Wong and passed by the Board of Directors.*

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Utsurogi
NCNBF Secretary