

RECREATION CENTERS OF SUN CITY, INC.

Bowling Committee

November 2, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jim Rough at 9:00am in the Lakeview Board Room.

PRESENT: Chair Jim Rough and Committee Members Darrel Larson, Bruce Lamb, Sharon McCauley, Fred Jones, Mike Williams, Carmel Scharenbroich, Rube Edwards, Jim Powell, Lynda Bettini

RCSC STAFF: RCSC Director of Bowling Mike Dirmyer

ABSENT: Co-Chair John Nowakowski

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING SUMMARY: The Summary from the October 5, 2023 meeting was approved as presented.

Mike Dirmyer, RCSC Director of Bowling:

We continue to be extremely busy in the bowling department. We are working closer with the SCBA (Sun City Bowling Association) to assist in running more events and tournaments. We have already begun planning on the summer bowling league season, developing new programs to be offered to benefit the members. These new programs include a two-game league, 545 scratch trios, and a member driven Friday evening league at Bell Lanes.

We have also been working on an average conversion chart with No Tap bowling averages. We believe we have a well thought out conversion chart ready to be able to convert no tap averages to a regular average to allow participation in a regular bowling event or tournament.

We have reached out to the Independent newspaper and are in the process of getting the bowling scores back in the paper. The plan is to do it weekly and by each league. Official details are still being worked out.

USBC (United States Bowling Congress) is scheduled to complete the center certification inspection at Bell Lanes December 7, 2023. The inspection involves the lane surface, foul lights, and pin spots. I anticipate it will go well.

Sync, our automatic scoring, just had another software upgrade. As part of our package, we continue to have the latest and greatest software in the bowling industry. All the upgrades in this package were for operations, so you will not see any change.

In the 2024 budget, due to the rising costs of supplies and payroll, there are price increases per game. The increases reflect a disproportionate increase between members and guests. We continue to increase guest bowling pricing to better reflect the market. Current league bowling will not see a price increase until the following season.

Currently there have been twenty-one 300 games and fifteen 800 series at the two bowling centers during this league season.

Bruce Lamb, USBC League Director: Bruce updated the committee on all Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL) national activities including bowling tournaments for the 2023- 2024 years. New awards program is being offered by the USBC and has received a good response.

Lynda Bettini, Sun City Bowling Association President: Reported on bowling tournaments scheduled for the current season plus new leagues scheduled for 2024 summer months. The New Years Eve bowling party sign up is underway and filling fast. Current membership is at a record high, 940 members, and this is great news.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Next meeting: Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 9:00am – Bell Center Bowling Lanes.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 9:45am

Respectfully Submitted,

Darrel Larson, Secretary