



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
Iowa ACS Board of Directors

Sunday, February 5, 2023
Residence Inn, Coralville, IA

- I. The meeting was called to order by the Iowa ACS President, Tim Bringman at 12:00 pm
- II. Roll Call

Members present:

Carr's In-House/Poor Farm - Marty Carr represented by Cheri Yarolem
Cedar Rapids Metro - Ira Miller
Delaware County - Julie Bolsinger
ECS - Automatic - Jim Bauler
ECS - Cedar Rapids - Jeff Paulson represented by Chris Webb
ECS Clinton & Marshalltown - Billy Ebensberger
Fischels - Jake Austin
GRE Amusements - Tara Scudder
Green Amusements - Jason Sorenson
IPPL of Des Moines - Julie Hogland (Guzman)
Iowa City Metro - Brett Elder
Iowa City Womens - Cammy Wagenknecht
Jackson County Womens - Cheri Yarolem
JoeDees - Joe Ruether
Melodee Music - Jim Cook - virtual
Muscatine Pool League - Dustin Krueger
Ottumwa League - Jesse Meredith - virtual
Quad Cities - Marty Plumb represented by Paul Williams
Rollin 8's/Rich & Junies - Kliff Durham represented by Faith Eichman
Table Rats - represented by Mark Atkinson for LO Tim Bringman
Wapsi Valley - Phil Eichhorn
Wally's Amusement - Nicole Berger
Tim Bringman, President
Dwayne Bowman, Tournament Director
Nancy Beadel, Treasurer
Dee Raschke, Secretary
Jen Cole, Qualifications Committee
Faith Eichman, Qualifications Committee

- III. Introductions were done, and the President thanked all of the League Operators (LOs) for attending the meeting.
- IV. The President called for approval of the agenda. All were in favor.
- V. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the August 2022 Board of Directors (BOD) Meeting. All were in favor.
- VI. **President's Report –**
- The President reported that overall the 2022 tournament was a success. There were approximately 400 more players from the previous year. We added 28 tables (from 80 to 108). We were not able to run mini-tournaments due to no tables being available.

Treasurer's Report –

The Treasurer distributed copies of the financial reports (copies attached) for the 2022 tournament. A motion was made by DB and seconded by JG to accept the treasurer's report. All were in favor.

Additional discussion:

- Hotel room expenses increased due to not as many comped rooms. Probably as a result of the hotel changing ownership. Other increases were mainly due to increased entries.
- Do we want to provide trophies for the 3rd place winners? The LOs input seemed to be in favor since the tournament has more entries.
- Compared out-of-state players - 33% of players were from out of state. Not ready to go independent yet.
- The treasurer spoke to the president of the IL ACS, Cecil Messer, to see if he would allow Iowa players to participate in the IL ACS tournament. He indicated that they would be interested. However, at present, they are unable to locate a facility large enough to accommodate additional players from Iowa. Asked for a show of hands of the LOs who would be in favor of this with several operators being in favor.
- A field will be added to the MPA database that shows if players "cashed" in our tournament.

Secretary's Report –

The Secretary presented the following report:

- A list of the LOs was distributed for review and updates.
- The IA ACS website, www.iaasc.com, was an excellent resource for our players. We had an increased number of site visitors to the website in the last twelve months. A big shout out to the webmaster, Craig Rice, for continuing to do a great job maintaining and improving the website.
- Thank you to our shirt vendor, Q.C. Tees for providing the event shirts for the tournament. We have decided not to renew the contract with Q.C. Tees for the 2023 tournament. The President is looking for an alternative vendor.
- There were 23 IA ACS LOs who sanctioned their players using the MPA database.

- LOs were required to enter all of their player's tournament entries in the MPA database. There were very few players who were not able to be entered by their LO. The VP worked closely with Scott Norberg to work out the kinks in the process since this was the first year using the new system.
- The BEF Jr's Tournament was held on Sunday and was a great success. We had 33 players sign up. Each player who pre-registered was able to purchase an event polo shirt for \$10. Mark Wilson conducted a clinic for the junior players.

A BIG SHOUT OUT to the following for their donations to the Jr. tournament:

- Wholesale Billiards
- One of a Kind Billiards
- Coca-Cola
- Davenport River Center
- Diviney Cues
- Q.C. Custom Tees
- Kris & Jay Castel
- Faith Eichman

VII. Reports from the membership – None

VIII. Discussion of 2023 Iowa ACS Tournament – Improvements/Comments

The President reported that we have already secured a contract with the City of Davenport - River Center for the 2023 tournament. We will have 120 tables in both the River Center and the Mississippi Hall. The city has waived the facility rental (\$9K per day for the Mississippi Hall and \$28K for the River Center). We will contract with John Stich to run the tournament and provide the tables. We anticipate continued growth of the tournament.

We hope to improve communication with the LOs and the players.

There was discussion about extending the deadline for the LOs to enter their players but it was determined that it is not necessary. It was recommended that the LO deadline "NOT" be printed on the tournament flyer or entry forms. All agreed.

Discussed live streaming the tournament. The president has received a proposal from Calcutta Kid for \$400 per day, \$2,000 total, to provide the service. Several points were presented for consideration. It was decided to table the item until the August BOD meeting.

There will be a large screen available at the venue to project some of the matches if we would like to utilize that.

The concern about the handicap system from the higher skill level players in the women's division was discussed. The current system will continue to be utilized as it appears to work as it was intended.

The Qualifications Committee will be restructured to better represent the demographics of the IA ACS players. It will consist of LOs (or their appointee) with five men and five women. Volunteers for the committee are:

Men

Dwaine Bowman
Jason Sorenson
Jim Cook
Jake Austin
John Quitemeyer

Women

Cammy Wagenknecht
Nicole Berger
Faith Eichman
Brandy Meredith
Julie Bolsinger

- IX. Approval of the budget for next year – no discussion on this agenda item
- X. Items for Discussion –
Several LOs shared that they are interested in offering the AGM and BOD meetings via Zoom in addition to in-person attendance. They recommended that the officers discuss this and share their decision at the August BOD meeting.
- XI. Old Business – no old business on the agenda
- XII. New Business –
- Discussed the \$10 out-of-state fees being applied to entries. A motion was made by JG and seconded by JB to approve a one-time out-of-state fee. All were in favor.
 - Create a separate Intermediate and Open singles division. There will be a special meeting held via Zoom on May 7, 2023, to discuss this item.
 - Live streaming
- XIII. Election of Officers
- The treasurer and vice president positions were up for election. Both positions ran unopposed.
- Nancy Beadel - Treasurer
Jesse Meredith - Vice President
- Nancy announced that she anticipates only serving a portion of the four-year term. She will work to prepare a replacement during the coming year.
- XIV. Schedule next meeting –
- The next BOD's meeting will be held on August 13, 2023. Location TBD.
 - A special meeting will be held on May 7, 2023, via Zoom
- XV. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.