

BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EMBASSY SUITES – RIVERWALK
OCTOBER 28, 2023

Meeting was called to order by President David Rushing at 1:00 p.m.

ROLL:

Members present: Rushing, Allen, Martinez, Barrett, Allison, Kiser, Anaheim, Wilson, Barringer, Crabtree, Fincher, West, Abbey and Rivard

Rushing said he thought we stepped things up this year at the convention. We looked more business professional. He thinks that looks for the association – it projects a good image.

He doesn't mind casual for the cornhole tournament on Thursday. He feels the business meetings should be a little dressier.

Rushing thanked Pam for all her work. Pam thanked West for all she did to help.

Rushing said he feels the Board is here for the benefit of all our members. He feels the membership has a responsibility too.

He doesn't like the Saturday morning meeting attendance. He wants to make people want to stick around.

Rushing said we need a dedicated committee for the cornhole tournament. It went on way too long. He'd like to have a golf committee also. It's hard for Pam to be in charge of every detail by herself.

We have three marquee events at the convention – cornhole, golf and banquet. We need to make Saturday morning better so people want to be there. We need to step up our speaker game – we need to have a big draw.

Kiser said we could have other events scheduled while golfers are playing.

Annaheim said Wheaton had a fun day the last day of their convention.

Barrett said the vendors like leaving Saturday lunch time – so they don't have to work the whole weekend.

Barringer asked if we could start golf earlier – maybe at 11. Could we move golf to Thursday and get a shotgun start then? Pam asked where would the board meeting fit in, if we're doing golf on Thursday.

Rushing said he would love for the convention to be in Charlotte, but he prefers having it on the coast.

Dates – October 24-26 are available.

We need to add the cornhole tournament registration to the convention registration. We can have a single player registration. The committee can get up the teams before the tournament starts. Martinez and Wilson will be on the cornhole tournament. We need to have a single elimination tournament. Pam said she'd get a new scoreboard with single elimination. That would definitely keep it moving.

Golf committee is Adam Burdette, Barrett and Barringer.
Allison to be on convention committee.

Rushing said we need to make sure we have a better hospitality suite. Pam said she would make sure whatever she gets would be approved by Adam.

Do we want to consider a Friday afternoon riverboat cruise?

Next Board meeting will be Wednesday January 24, 10-2. It will be a working lunch. Pam will set it up at the University Club in Raleigh.

The April board meeting will be a Zoom meeting and late August meeting will also be a zoom meeting.

Rushing announced the committee assignments:

Convention: Pam, Rushing, West, Allison and Anneheim

Cornhole: Martinez and Wilson

Golf: Burdette, Barrett and Barringer

By-Laws: Allen

Legal: Allen, Barrett and Anneheim

Mentorship: Crabtree, Fincher and Anneheim

Military: Kiser

Seminar Training: Fincher, Barringer

New Members/Corporate Sponsors: Wilson, Martinez

Scholarship: Rivard, Abbey

It was recommended that we put something about donating to the Scholarship Fund on all announcements.