

2016-2017 Oklahoma Division Annual Meeting  
June 3, 2017

Attendance: Robert Fiegel, Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel, Chris Rose, David Dean, Nadia Tucha, Kendra Davis, Evida Davis, James Cox

Proxies held by David Dean

1. Steven Kernyansky
2. Cathy Hoye
3. Katie Norton
4. Vivian Ting

Proxies held by Nadia Tucha

1. Forest Agee
2. Bonner Jones
3. Ian Downs
4. Michael Schwarz
5. Brandon Wood

Proxies held by Robert Fiegel

1. David Ribaud
2. Natalee Frensley
3. Jaxon Brinsfield
4. Terry Hicks
5. Shelli Ribaud
6. Randal Hicks

Proxies held by Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel

1. Brian Brus
2. Ben Johnson

The meeting was called to order.

I. Approval of last year's minutes.

Motion: Approve minutes of Annual Meeting, April 9, 2016.

Seconded. Unanimous.

II. Treasurer's Report.

The 2016-2017 Oklahoma Division Treasurer's report was prepared by Cathy Hoye and presented by Robert Fiegel. It was reviewed by those in attendance.

Motion: Approve Treasurer's Report.

Seconded. Unanimous.

There was discussion of the IRS e-file postcard that is necessary for maintaining the

Division's non-profit status. The post card has been filed.

### III. Old Business

None.

### IV. New Business

#### A. USFA

Robert Fiegel informed the meeting that Northwest Arkansas Fencing Foundation and Northwest Arkansas Fencing Club are no longer USFA clubs.

There was some discussion of whether Division members had any responsibility to inform USFA if they had knowledge of fencers associating with a coach that had been previously sanctioned by the USFA and SafeSport. The answer was that a sanctioned individual is not permitted to participate in or attend any USFA sanctioned event or club, but anything beyond that is beyond the scope of the USFA and the Division.

There was discussion of some small non-official clubs in Talequah and Grove, OK. They have fencers, but they have fewer than 10 members each, and so are not official clubs.

Robert Fiegel informed the meeting that Tulsa Fencing Alliance is now an official USFA member club.

There was discussion of possible new timing rules for team events. No changes are official yet.

There was discussion about tournaments in the Division being run according to USFA rules, and fencers asking question about how tournaments are run after the fact. Ultimately, it is the responsibility of the fencers to know the rules and to raise questions about violations at the time they occur.

There was discussion of referee ratings and whether the Division has reimbursed anyone for referee education this season. No one has applied for reimbursement this season.

#### B. Division Corporation Report

There is no Division Corporation report to the IRS. The e-file postcard to maintain the Division's non-profit status is all that is required.

#### C. Other Business

There was a question as to the status of some Kansas clubs joining the OK Division. There has been interest, but no progress towards doing so.

There was a question and discussion as to whether it would proper for tournament

organizers to charge different entry fees to fencers depending on how far those fencers have to travel to attend. It is, and is in general acceptable to set different fees based on things like ratings or past results.

#### D. Tournament Schedule

There was much discussion of refereeing at Qualifying Tournaments, and what the USFA requires in terms of rated referees.

**Motion: That the Division's sanctioning requirements match those of the USFA and FOC for all Division tournaments.**

Seconded.

Aye: 19

Nay: 6

The motion passed.

The Secretary was instructed to research what the exact USFA sanctioning requirements are and to report those findings to the Executive Committee.

**Motion: Once the USFA sanctioning requirements are determined, that they be sent to all Division club, prior to the 2017-2018 Division tournament schedule being determined.**

Seconded. Unanimous.

The motion passed.

There was discussion of the level of Division reimbursement for Division tournaments.

**Motion: For Summer National and Junior Olympic Divisional Qualifying tournaments, and for Divisional Championship tournaments, the hosting club may apply to the Division for up to \$150.00 to defray hosting costs.**

Seconded. Unanimous.

The motion passed.

There was discussion of the dates and hosting venues for Divisional Qualifying and Championship tournaments.

#### 1. Junior Olympic Divisional Qualifying Tournament.

Redlands Fencing Center will host the 2017-2018 Junior Olympic Qualifying Tournament, on November 4-5, 2017, or on November 18-19, 2017.

#### 2. Summer Nationals Divisional Qualifying Tournament.

Oklahoma Sport Fencing will host the 2017-2018 Oklahoma Division Summer Nationals Qualifying Tournament, on April 7, 2018.

#### 3. Oklahoma Divisional Championship Tournament.

Tulsa Fencing Club will host the 2017-2018 Oklahoma Division Championship

Tournament, on April 21, 2018.

4. Oklahoma Divisional Team Sabre Championship Tournament.  
Tulsa Fencing Club will host the 2017-2018 Oklahoma Divisional Team Sabre Championship Tournament, on October 7, 2017.
5. Oklahoma Divisional Team Epee Championship Tournament.  
Fayetteville Fencing Club will host the 2017-2018 Oklahoma Divisional Team Epee Championship Tournament, on May 5, 2018.
6. Oklahoma Divisional Team Foil Championship Tournament.  
Redlands Fencing Center will host the 2017-2018 Oklahoma Divisional Team Foil Championship Tournament, on a date to be determined.

These locations and dates were decided by general agreement.

#### IV.2017-1028 Officers

##### A. Election of 2017-2018 Officers

1. Nominations were entertained for each Officer position.

Chair: Nominations for David Ribaud and Chris Rose

A vote by show of hands was taken.

David Ribaud - 0

Chris Rose - 27 votes

Chris Rose was elected Chair for the 2017-2018 term.

Vice Chair: Nomination for Terry Hicks and Kendra Davis

A vote by show of hands was taken.

Terry Hicks - 0

Kendra Davis - 27 votes

Kendra Davis was elected Vice Chair for the 2017-2018 term.

Secretary: Nomination for Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel

Motion: To accept Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel as Secretary for the 2017-2018 term.

Seconded. Unanimous.

Treasurer: Nomination for James Cox

Motion: To accept James Cox as Treasurer for the 2017-2018 term.

Seconded. Unanimous.

2. Club Representatives were discussed. The following representatives were decided upon.

Oklahoma Sport Fencing Representative: Robert Fiegel

Redlands Fencing Center Representative: Shelli Ribaud

Fayetteville Fencing Academy Representative: Nadia Tucha

Tulsa Fencing Club Representative: David Dean

Tulsa Fencing Alliance – Daniel Diep

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.  
Seconded. Unanimous.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Christopher Rose  
Oklahoma Division Secretary