

2008-2009 Oklahoma Division Annual Meeting  
May 09, 2009

Attendance: Bob Fiegel, Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel, Jerry Benson, Chris Rose, Tim Robillard, Karl Welsch.

The meeting was called to order.

I. Approval of last year's minutes.

Motion: Approve minutes of Annual Meeting, March 29, 2008.

Seconded. Unanimous.

II. Treasurer's Report.

1. The 2007-2008 Oklahoma Division Treasurer's report was presented by Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel.

2. Jerry Benson asked whether the USFA was up to date on their dues rebate payment to the Oklahoma Division. Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel answered that the USFA is not up to date, and the Division is still waiting on that payment.

Motion: Approve Treasurer's Report.

Seconded. Unanimous.

III. Old Business

None.

IV. New Business

A. Oklahoma Division Head Tax

1. Bob Fiegel asked how the Division wants to use the Division Head Tax money. Jerry Benson said to continue with the existing policy. Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel suggested that the Division host free seminars. Karl Welsch asked for the specifics of how the Head Tax worked. Bob Fiegel explained that all the Clubs within the Division collect \$1 per person per tournament, as part of entry fees. That money is spent to help fund coaching and refereeing seminars within the Division, as well as reimbursing members that attend those seminars. Jerry Benson stated that Redlands has not paid its 2007-2008 Head Tax money to the Division yet, but that he will do that as soon as possible. It was decided to continue with the existing policy.

B. 2009-2010 Tournaments

1. Junior Olympic Qualifiers. Karl Welsch volunteered to host the Junior Olympic Qualifiers at the Fayetteville Fencing Academy in Springdale, Arkansas.

Motion: Junior Olympic Qualifiers will be held Fayetteville Fencing Academy.

Seconded. Unanimous.

2. Oklahoma Division Qualifiers. There was discussion about the registration fees for Divisional Qualifiers. The current policy is to double the competition fees as of one week prior to the competition. It was suggested that the registration fees be doubled as of

two weeks prior to the competition, and tripled for registrations the day of the competition.

Motion: 2009-2010 Divisional Qualifiers will be held at Redlands Fencing Center, and the registration fees for that competition be doubled as of two weeks prior to the competition and tripled for registrations the day of the competition.

Seconded. Unanimous.

3. Sectional Qualifiers. There was discussion about the fact that it is the Oklahoma Division's turn to host the Southwestern Section Sectional Qualifying Tournament.

Motion: The OK Division host the Southwestern Section Sectional Qualifying Tournament.

Seconded. Unanimous.

There was discussion of the hosting requirements, possible venues, and the possible date for this tournament. There was also discussion of the need for a Sectional Qualifiers President, to serve as a central point of contact and logistical director for organizing the tournament.

Motion: To accept Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel as the 2009-2010 Southwestern Section Sectional Qualifiers President.

Carolyn asked if her serving would create a conflict of interest due to the fact that she is already a Sectional officer. It was decided that there was no conflict.

Seconded. Unanimous.

4. Southwestern Section Circuit Cup. It was stated that the Oklahoma Division did not host a SSCC tournament in the 2008-2009 season due to previously low attendance from the other SS Divisions. Jerry Benson stated that he would like to host the Oz Parsons Memorial Tournament in 2009-2010, which could double as an SSCC tournament, but that meeting the Sections tournament requirements causes it to be a financial loss. There was discussion about whether anyone wanted to host and SSCC tournament. There was also discussion of whether or not it is necessary to ratify the SSCC charter, and whether that would obligate the Division to host an SSCC tournament. It was decided to continue the same policy from 2008-2009; the Oklahoma Division will not host an SSCC tournament, but will ratify the SSCC charter.

#### C. Election of 2009-2010 Officers.

1. There was discussion as to which positions had to be filled. The existing Divisional officers had no objections to serving for another term. There was discussion of who would serve as the club representatives.

Nominations were as follows for Club Representatives:

Oklahoma Sport Fencing: Tim Robillard

Redlands Fencing Center: Jerry Benson

Fayetteville Fencing Academy: Karl Welsch

Motion: To reaccept the 2008-2009 Divisional officers for the 2009-2010 term, with the discussed changes for Club Representatives.

Chair: Bob Fiegel

Vice Chair: Russell Gilbert

Treasurer: Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel

Secretary: Christopher Rose

Oklahoma Sport Fencing Club Representative: Tim Robillard

Redlands Fencing Center Club Representative: Jerry Benson

Fayetteville Fencing Academy Club Representative: Karl Welsch

Seconded. Unanimous.

2. Nominations were as follows for USFA Congress:

Representative: Bob Fiegel

Alternate: Carolyn Gresham-Fiegel

Motion: Approve nomination.

Seconded. Unanimous.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Christopher Rose

Oklahoma Division Secretary