

**United States Bowling Congress  
2018 Annual Meeting  
Condensed Minutes  
13th Annual Meeting  
Reno, Nevada  
April 25-26, 2018**

**Wednesday, April 25, 2018**

**Opening Video – Year in Review**

**President's Opening Remarks/Call to Order**

USBC President Frank Wilkinson welcomed the delegates and visitors to the 13th USBC Annual Meeting. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

Meeting notices had been forwarded to all delegates in accordance with USBC Bylaws.

**Board Introductions**

USBC Executive Director Chad Murphy introduced the USBC Board of Directors.

**National Anthem**

The National Anthem was sung by Rueben Roberts, a current University of Nevada at Reno student studying Vocal Performance.

**Credential Report**

Association Delegates - 836  
Athlete Delegates - 5  
Hall of Fame Members - 17  
Board of Directors - 18  
Total Voting - 876

**Approval of 2017 Annual Meeting Minutes**

The minutes were approved as printed in the Delegate Program Book.

**Memorial Video Tribute**

Tribute was given to those who have passed away since last year's meeting.

**BVL Update and Award Presentation**

John LaSpina, BVL Chairman, reported that just over \$1 million was raised for the Department of Veterans Affairs for the 2016-2017 season.

**Bowl for the Cure**

A donation in the amount of \$413,922 was presented to Susan G. Komen for the Cure.

**Industry Updates:**

Video presentations were provided by the following industry partners: SMART, BPAA, TNBA, STE, PBA and WTBA

**International Bowling Museum/Hall of Fame Update and Award Presentations**

Mike Aulby, Chairman of the Board, presented.

**Hall of Fame Member Introduction & Video**

Hall of Fame Members in attendance and Class of 2018 inductees were introduced.

**The meeting recessed until 9 a.m. on Thursday, April 26.**

**Thursday, April 26, 2018**

USBC President Frank Wilkinson called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

**Credential Report**

Association Delegates – 841  
Athlete Delegates – 6  
Hall of Fame Members - 17  
Board of Directors – 18  
Total Voting – 882

**USBC Awards Video and Recognition**

Youth Female Ambassador of the Year – Sara Howell  
Youth Male Ambassador of the Year – Ian Ridgway  
Youth Volunteer of the Year – Mike Bonzek  
Annual Zeb Scholarship – Trace Nuss  
David Dahms Coach of the Year – Christopher Floyd  
USBC Proprietor of the Year – Butch Cardoza and Natalie Clark  
Helen Baker Outstanding Association Service – Betty Kingsley  
Joyce Deitch Unity Award – Lowell Lovgren  
Alberta E. Crowe Star of Tomorrow – Crystal Singh  
Chuck Hall Star of Tomorrow – Alex Olendorff

**President's Report**

USBC President Frank Wilkinson addressed the delegation.

**Strategic Planning Committee Report**

Chairman Cathy DeSocio reported.

**IBC Youth Development Report**

Gary Brown, IBC Youth Development Managing Director, and IBC Youth Committee Chair Melissa McDaniel reported.

**Deputy Executive Director's Report**

Jason Overstreet addressed the delegation and spoke on the championship tournaments success, the new WinLABS 12 and tournament registration system for our championships.

## **Executive Director's Report**

Executive Director Chad Murphy addressed the delegation.

USBC implemented the Association Leadership Academy's, Lane Inspection workshops, and the League reclassification project. The ball specifications were addressed and at this point, when the new specifications go into effect, no ball will be removed.

## **Nominating Committee Report**

Chairman Karl Kielich referred the delegates to the report in the Convention Program. Three candidates ran for the three open spots on the USBC Board. Incumbents Jay Daryman of York, Pa., and Karen Jost of Tumwater, Wash., were slated by the USBC Nominating Committee along with Dennis Hacker of Longtown, Mo.

No candidates running from the floor.

## **USBC Board of Director Elections**

Following a motion, and a second, for acclimation of the three candidates, Daryman, Jost and Hacker were elected by voice vote of the delegates.

All will serve 3-year terms beginning Aug. 1, 2018.

A voice vote was used for the election.

## **Legislative Session**

Mark Martin, Chairman of the Legal and Legislative Committee, reviewed procedures to be used when considering proposed amendments. USBC President Frank Wilkinson chaired the session. USBC Legal Counsel and Parliamentarian Scott Beightol was in attendance.

## **RESULTS OF 2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

### **League Rules (majority needed)**

Amendment No. LR 1 – Rejected (39 accept, 803 reject)  
Rule 109c, Tardy Players  
Defaults the rule to allow tardy bowlers to make up missed frames.

Amendment No. LR 2 – Rejected (26 accept, 802 reject)  
Rule 118c, League Entering Average  
Changes default for entering averages.

### **Tournament Rules (majority needed)**

Amendment No. TR 1 – Accepted (830 accept, 12 reject)  
Rule 303, Management, New Rule  
Requires all Tournament Managers to be members of USBC.

Amendment No. TR 2 – Accepted (772 accept, 55 reject)  
Rule 319a, Conditions that Apply  
Removes requirement for tournament managers to utilize printed average books.

Amendment No. TR 3 – Accepted (708 accept, 133 reject)

Rule 325, Team Bowling Alone

Allows a tournament to have a rule to allow teams bowling alone to set their own pace.

## **Bylaws (two-third votes needed)**

Amendment No. B 1\* – Accepted (758 accept, 82 reject)

USBC National Bylaws

Article IV, Board of Directors

Section C. Terms

Article V, Officers

Section B. Election or Employment

Section C. Term

Amended proposal: Changes the President and Vice President to two-year term, limit two terms. A President elected in his/her ninth year will be allowed to remain on the board with 10-year maximum.

\*Note: Motion to amend proposal from one term to two terms was accepted (671 accept, 163 reject).

Amendment No. B 2 – Rejected (111 accept, 717 reject)

USBC National Bylaws

Article VI, Meeting

Section A. Annual Meeting

Allows voting at the USBC Annual Meeting to be done offsite.

Amendment No. B 3 – Accepted (657 accept, 147 reject)

USBC Merged State Bylaws

Article V, Board of Directors - Management

Section A. Board Composition, Authority and Duties

Allows states to have up to two "at-large directors".

Electronic voting devices were used.

**Old Business** – USBC President Frank Wilkinson made the announcement of the new USBC President, Karl Kielich, and Vice President, Karen Jost.

**New Business** – None

## **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned by USBC President Frank Wilkinson at 3:20 p.m.

Note: Executive reports are posted on [www.bowl.com](http://www.bowl.com)