

FPUSA 2017 Board of Directors

January 2018 Agenda

Approval of December 2017 minutes

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Business

Item 1– Approval of President’s nomination for the position of Secretary: Shannon Bowman

The FPUSA Bylaws establish the following:

REPLACEMENT OF OFFICERS AND COUNSELORS

Should any Board Member resign or be unable to complete his/her term of office for any reason, the following procedures shall govern how replacements are selected and approved. All replacements except for that for President must be approved by majority vote of the Board of Directors.

3. SECRETARY OR TREASURER: The President shall nominate a qualified Member of the Board, or a qualified member-in-good-standing of the FPUSA, to fill the post until the next regularly scheduled election.

I have discussed with Ms. Bowman the responsibilities and challenges associated with the office. I have confirmed that she meets the requirements set forth in the Bylaws to serve the office of Secretary. She has served her home club, Valley of the Moon PC, in just about every imaginable capacity, and is in her second term as Northern California Region Counselor. She has been a valuable member of the Sport Committee. Ms. Bowman has my full faith and confidence and I ask the Board to approve the nomination without delay.

Item 2–Approval of Brendan Cohen’s nomination of Mickey Coughlin to fill the post vacated by Shannon Bowman as Northern California Region Counselor.

5. REGIONAL COUNSELOR: Any Board Member who lives in the region for which there has become a vacant seat may nominate a candidate to fill the position. In the case of multiple candidates, the seat shall be filled by the candidate who draws the most votes from the Board of Directors.

I have received from Northern California Region Counselor Brendan Cohen the nomination of Mickey Coughlin. I have confirmed that Mr. Coughlin meets the requirements set forth in the Bylaws to serve the office of Regional Counselor. He served as President of Redwood Empire Boules for 2 years and is a respected and accomplished competitor. Mr. Coughlin has my full faith and confidence and I ask the board to approve the nomination without delay.

Item 3–Approval of the 2018 nominations for Sport Committee

National Sport Director, Gilles Canesse, has submitted his nominations for appointment to the 2018 Sport Committee. Under the current Bylaws, there is to be one representative on the SC for each Region. Mr. Canesse will represent the SE Region. The nominees are: Ernesto Santos (Northeast Region), Jack Vigit (Mid-America Region), Christophe Chambers (Central Region), Janice Bissonnette (Southwest Region), Peter Mathis (Northern California Region), and David Johnstone (Northwest Region).

I have confirmed that all requirements set forth in the Bylaws have been met with respect to this group of nominees. I ask that the Board approve the nominees without delay.

Item 4–Approval of Re-Affiliation of Los Angeles Petanque Club

On October 9, 2017, LAPC President Christiane Lion, sent notification to President Pipal that the LAPC Board of Directors had voted unanimously to apply for re-affiliation with FPUSA. On December 30, 2017, LAPC sent a facsimile (JPG file) of the application. I have notified Ms. Lion that LAPC is provisionally approved. Full approval is pending: 1) approval of the FPUSA Board of Directors, 2) receipt of the membership roster, and 3) full payment of 2018 dues.

The circumstances surrounding LAPC's decision to dis-affiliate were unfortunate, and I am pleased to announce their decision to rejoin FPUSA. I expect LAPC to be fully supportive of our Constitution, Bylaws, Code of Conduct, and our future efforts to grow the sport both regionally and nationally. I ask that the Board approve re-affiliation without delay.