



**A.C.S.C. MEETING MINUTES
2010 MID WINTER CLASSIC – O. D. CAFE
N. MYRTLE BEACH, SC
SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2010**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Judy Vick called the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs Mid Winter meeting to order at North Myrtle Beach, SC on Saturday, January 16th at 10:04 AM. Judy introduced the A.C.S.C. Board Members, S.O.S. Board Members, the S.O.S. Officers, S.O.S. Photographer and the ladies who work the Registration Desk.

Judy briefly went over some items for the new presidents who have not attended a meeting before. She explained that the Board of Advisors is the representatives from the shag clubs. The White Book should be passed from the past president to the new president and to replace one cost \$50.00. Judy explained about the 2 workshops (Winter & Summer) and that they are mandatory. Elections of A.C.S.C. & S.O.S. Officers are held at these workshops. Forms to update information about your club can be found on the website (as well as the White Book and at all meetings). She explained that new clubs that join are on probation for 1 year, get no votes and do not get the \$400.00 compensation.

II. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No additions to the agenda.

III. MINUTES FROM FALL SOS

Sonny asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Hearing none a motion to approve the minutes was made and seconded. Minutes approved.

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

Allen noted that are three items in your packet; 2010 Invoices, SOS Charitable Foundation Treasurer's Report, and the ACSC Treasurer's Report.

Allen reported that 4 clubs have not cashed their \$400.00 reimbursement checks: Lake Hickory Shag Club, Lancaster Shag Club, Monroe Shag Club and the Tampa Bay Beach Boppers. Allen noted that they were put in your Fall SOS packet. Association dues are due by the Winter Workshop and they have to be paid in order to vote.

SOS Charitable Foundation had a balance as of January 1, 2009 \$20,693.12, Receipts from Fun Monday of \$15,000 and other contributions totaling \$24,296.46, Donations to several organizations \$30,580.00, leaving a balance as of December 31, 2009 of \$14,409.58. The Phil Sawyer endowment Fund totals \$102,937.00 and donations to the American Red Cross total \$19,460.00.

The Association Report shows the Balance as of January 1, 2009 as \$14,828.90, Total Net Receipts of \$39,586.24, Total Expenses of \$40,148.41 leaving a Balance of \$14,266.73. Allen asked if anyone had any questions and hearing none asked for a motion and second to approve the Treasurer Reports. Treasurer Reports approved.

V. A.C.S.C. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Judy asked Ron Whisenant to come up to make a presentation. Ron reported that last night that he along with Dwayne Baggett, Don David, and Ken Akin went to Myrtle Beach last night to make a \$10,000 donation on your behalf to the American Red Cross. This morning the Chief Executive Officer with the American Red Cross was presented a mock up check for \$10,000 by Hector for relief in Haiti. TV coverage was present. Ron stated that this was a coordinated effort between SOS and the SOS Charitable Foundation. Ron stated that with this donation and the donation last year to the donation to the fire victims brings the total given to the Red Cross to approximately \$28,000. Allen Henry stated that if your club would like to make a donation for the disaster in Haiti, you can make the check out to SOS Charitable Foundation and send the check to him. He will forward it to the American Red Cross.

VI. A.C.S.C. VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Ken noted that we are looking forward to seeing everybody in Mooresville.

VII. S.O.S CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Hector called Don David to talk about the parade. Don went over the parade form and what you need to fill out. The theme for the parade is "Sweet 16". Parade starts at 12:45 PM.

Dwayne Baggett reported on Fun Monday. He told that Fun Monday won its 9th Beach Music Award and that is 9 of 12 years that it has won. Dwayne reported that the ACSC/SOS Board float will be tossing coasters into the crowd during the parade. Some of these coasters will be winners. You can take them to The Company Store where there will be a wheel for you to spin to see what you have won. More details will be given at the Winter Workshop.

Ron Whisenant gave his report. He reported that card sales were good last year and just a little off the previous year (200 cards). Ron reported that our total for last year was 13,017. 2008 total cards sales were approximately 13,300. The total sales was less than 2% from 2008. Shag clubs sold 4,201. So far this year, shag clubs have sold 2,111 with 52 clubs reporting.

Tommy O'Brien asked about some beach clubs not checking SOS cards. Ron said he is continually talking to management about this issue and will continue to try and solve it. Fred Milano with Boone Shag Club brought up the issue about smoking in the beach clubs. He said one of the reasons his club doesn't sell as many of SOS cards and Fun Monday tickets is because of the smoke in the clubs. Ron stated he is aware of the problem and will work toward a solution. John Reynolds asked the question as to why a non SOS club was able to advertise in the *Carefree Times*. Ron wasn't sure but felt that probably the editor didn't know that the club was a non SOS club.

Helen Still introduced Mary Gregory as the new webmaster.

Pat Smith spoke on the fact that she cannot read the names and addresses for SOS cards and these files are used for sending out the *Carefree Times*. Pat also stated that if you don't get your *Carefree Times* send her an email or call her and she will get one out in the mail to you.

Jackie & George Driscoll with All About Travel host the Fun Blues Cruises and this year is their 10th Anniversary Sail. George said that for each shag club that sells 25 cabins, they will get 1 cabin (2 berths) free. This includes taxes and port charges. This berth can be used as a raffle, giveaway but has to be used on this cruise.

Dwayne Baggett noted that 600 Shag tags have been sold so far. The Hall of Fame Foundation gets \$5.00 from each tag sold

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

Judy asked Lance Boozer, our attorney from Columbia, SC to go over briefly the ASCAP, BMI, and SESAC issue. Judy stated we will go over it in more detail at the Winter Workshop. Lance gave some background on this issue and stated it is a preliminary view of what has been going on with ASCAP.

Several shag clubs have been getting threatening letters from ASCAP. Lance briefly described that most artist list their music with one of these 3 licensing companies and every time their song is played they get money from ASCAP, BMI, or SESAC. It is a Federal law and applies to all states. Lance gave examples when a shag club would have to pay to have these licenses. He used the example if you charge admission at a club or a dance you are having you have got to have a license. If you're not charging admission, but you are charging for drinks then you have got to have a license. Lance stated that what we need to do is come up with some agreement with ASCAP. ACSC and SOS are being pro active and is something that has to be done. Options to deal with this problem are being looked at. Lance will be negotiating on behalf of the ACSC with these licensing companies. Judy stated that she will take one or two questions and we will get more in depth at the Winter Workshop. Lance stated that the ACSC will pay the annual fee for membership and the shag clubs will pay the attendance fees for their individual parties. Judy asked to email her any questions that you might have.

Chester Shag Club did not attend the Summer Workshop in Jacksonville and asked for forgiveness and to be taken off probation for missing a required meeting. Due to job responsibilities that Saturday and the short notice on their part could not find a replacement. Motion made to excuse them, seconded. Motion passed. Chester Shag Club was taken off probation.

The 2011 Winter Workshop bid was made by Marie Taylor from Columbia Shag Club in Columbia, SC. No other one made a bid on this workshop. Motion made, seconded and approved for Columbia to host the 2011 Winter Workshop.

Judy stated that 2 clubs have made a bid for the 2011 Summer Workshop. Judy stated that one club is in the district and one club is not. Judy stated that she was told that no club from the district was going to make a bid so she opened it up to all clubs. A club outside the district ask to make a bid and then a club from the district stated they wanted to make a bid. Judy stated she would open it up to the Board of Advisors to decide. CSRA and Burlington Shag Club are going to make bids. After some discussion, Judy deferred awarding the bid until the Winter Workshop for the 2011 Summer Workshop. Judy also stated that any club other than CSRA and Burlington who want to make a bid can because she is opening it up.

Judy stated that we have one new club, actually an old club who wants to rejoin the Association; the Pittsburgh Area Jitterbug Club has made application to rejoin. Twister's Shag Club will visit and report back at the Winter Workshop.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

X. CLUB PARTY INFORMATION

Judy asked for clubs with parties between now and the Winter Workshop to come up.

XI. ADJOURN

Phil closed the meeting with one of his jokes.

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 12:06 AM.

A.C.S.C. Secretary