Thursday, February 10, 2021 @7pm

Call to Order at 7:03pm by Jenny Seachrist

➤ Those present: Jenny Seachrist, Shanna Davis, Alex Kossman, Eric Elden, LeAnn James and Emily Grajales joined later.

Consent Agenda

- > Approve minutes
 - from December 9th Regular Meeting
 - Eric Eldon moved to approve those minutes, LeAnn Seconded there was none opposed
 - from January 17th Special Meeting
 - Eric Edlon moved to approve those minutes, LeAnn seconded there was none opposed

❖ Old Business

- Standardization of division bylaws
 - Shanna stated that the first meeting of the Division Resource Team is next week with this topic front and center on the agenda, so there should be a definitive update at the next EC Meeting.
- ➤ Website Development and Advertisement
 - Shanna has spent hours improving the look and content of the website and it is ready to use as a springboard for Facebook advertisement using the funds approved at the December EC meeting
- > Referee Development
 - The Referee Clinic is set for Saturday March 19th with the referee observations to follow the next day during the Division Championship Series Senior #1 event.
 - Bill Becker wants to keep the total participation to no more than 30. Therefore, each club in the division will be given 2 slots to fill by February 25th. After that date, the clinic will be open to anyone else in the division up to 30 people maximum. This event is free for all Central Florida division participants and therefore it is expected that each division participant will commit to referee 2 different division events in the coming year with pay of course. As the March 19th date approaches any vacant slots may be filled by interested parties outside of the division for the normal \$75 fee which will be used to offset the division costs for the event.

- > Division Championship Series
 - A date has been selected for the Championship Finale
 - June 11th-12th
 - Per article VI of the current by-laws the location and date must be advertised on the website at least 60 days prior
 - A venue has yet to be secured.

Current Event Schedule for the Central Florida Championships

Division Championship Series: Junior/Vet #1	January 16th
Division Championship Series: Youth #1	February 26th
Referee Refresher Seminar with Bill Becker (free for Central Florida Division members)	March 19th
Division Championship Series: Senior #1	March 20th
Division Championship Series: Youth #2	March 26th
Division Championship Series: Junior/Vet #2	April 9th
Division Championship Series: Senior #2	April 16th
Central Florida Division Championship Finale All Events* - Y10, Y12, Y14, Junior, Senior, Veteran	June 11th - 12th

^{*}Large venue to be secured that will host all events in a day

❖ New Business

- > Senior Games April 23rd
 - Eric Eldon shared that a Senior Games fencing event is set for April 23rd in the Villages. The information will be put up on AskFred shortly but official registration must be obtained through a link that will be provided there. The minimum age for participation is either 50 or 55 that should be clear once it is posted to AskFred.
 - Discussion ensued about the equipment available for use at this event. Emily stated that she has 3 pistes and 5 or 6 reels as well as 2 electric devices. Jenny said that her equipment is often used for this event.

[^]Reminder: Masking Policy for USFA is unchanged from last season. *All sanctioned events require everyone to be masked at all times including fencers on strip.*

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Executive Committee Meeting

- Charles Johnson Sportsmanship Award
 - Emily Grajales is the official Winner for the 2020-21 Season
 - It will be officially announced at the Division Championship Finale and Annual Meeting
 - LeAnn volunteered to make recommendations for tweaking the nomination process for 2021-22 Season
- > National Championships Qualifier Event
 - A date was set for May 14th.
 - Any club who would like to host the event please should reach out to the officers.
- > Annual Meeting
 - Must coincide with the Championship Finale
 - June 11th or 12th
 - The specific date, time and place is to be advertised on the website 30 days prior per Article VI of the current By-laws
 - We should have a venue secured and a clearer schedule for that weekend by the end of April for sure.
 - Anyone planning to run for office for next season needs to announce their intent to the Secretary no less than 45 days prior according to the by-laws
 - That makes the deadline April 27th.
 - While emails are not required per se, if you would please email a notification to <u>secretary@usfacentralflorida.org</u> with your full name and intended office for easy record keeping
 - ◆ A photo and candidate statement may also be included but is not required.
- There was some discussion on how to have the next meeting at a more accommodating time. As the work horses for the division, the officers schedules take precedence which limits availability. There was consensus to try a later hour on a Tuesday to see if that allowed more participation. Therefore, the next meeting was set for Tuesday April 5th at 8 p.m.
- > LeAnn made the motion to adjourn and Eric Eldon seconded.
 - The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved April 5th, 2022