

**VI. The Atlanta letter:** The guidelines for the spring fling were adopted. A final letter was presented. "Suggestion-concerns registered by Atlanta regarding the National convention Tournament"

1. Reception desk attended by a representative of the host chapter should be located by the check in desk. This will facilitate information distribution, answers to questions and other introductory greeting activities for arriving guest.
2. A hospitality suite should be provided and hours of operation should be announced. This will facilitate more opportunities for guest, wives and members to meet socialize and entertain themselves with card games, other activities etc.
3. Golf scores with winners for each prize offered to be posted at the course or other announced location after each round.
4. The value of prizes, trophies, plaques etc. should be available announced before play. It would be appropriate for value standards to be established by National.
5. Pairing for the final round should be by flight and based upon the scores from earlier rounds.
6. Financial reports should be provided by the various chapters within sixty days after the convention. Accountability for registration fee's and related will provide a health attitude and climate.
7. Future convention site visitation expenses including travel should be paid by National.
8. Golf courses used for the practice round should be in close proximity to the convention headquarters.

**Discussion:** 1. A space or room will be available for the registration table. The National council will bare the expense for having someone at the registration desk on Wednesday. A planning guide should be designed and implemented for the national to be passed on from host to host. No one volunteered to take on the responsibility of drafting the booklet. It was recommended that we incorporate this information into the registration package. The budget for the annual meeting has to be approved by the national council, the responsibility of the host is to present the council with a projected budget for approval. The host should have their projection prepared and presented by the middle of May. This will allow time the council to get the information approved, printed and mailed around June 1. It was determined that these recommendation be considered guidelines and not hard and steady facts of operation.

**Discussion:** A straw vote on whether or not to have a hospitality suite regardless of the site failed.

Discussion: 2. The site selection committee should be made up of members of the host chapter. The site selection committee's responsibility involves finding, negotiating and presenting the information to the national council for approval. The Host Chapters responsibility is to take over from there. The site determines what activities take place, spouse and otherwise. The host chapter is responsible for setting up these activities. The site selection committee chairmen, in most cases, is from the host chapter. The President will appoint a committee to work on the operations manual for the Spring Fling and the National Meeting. Bill Cochran volunteered to chair that committee.

**Discussion:** 3. It was suggested to let the golf course handle all the scoring. Contact with the Secretary to golf course management at the Birmingham Robert Trend Jones Golf Course concluded: The golf course will be responsible for posting and tabulating the scores for each individual round of golf. They will also pair the golfers in the way the Tournament director describes. To have the pairings and cart assignments on the first day will require the names of the players at least 48 hours before the start of the tournament. The golf course staff will not be responsible for tabulating betting games i.e.: rabbit/squirrel, skins, wolf etc. It is the responsibility of the tournament director

**Discussion:** 4. The prizes are under the direction of the National tournament director. The national council approves and gives direction on this matter. At times the prizes are not purchased but donated.

**Discussion:** 5. The pairing for the final round are paired in accordance with the guideline. The problem arises when members or guest want to play with a particular individual or group and change their assignment.

**Discussion:** 6. An annual report will be sent to each chapter President. A time limit was discussed but not voted on.

**Discussion:** 7. The hotel or selected site in most cases will facilitate a complimentary visit. Additional discussion is necessary by the national council to add travel pay to this guideline.

**Discussion:** 8. This will be added to the guidelines.

The National Council will appoint a committee to develop guidelines for the national and spring fling. VII. **Washington D.C. will host the 2001 National Tournament.** Chicago and Del Val will host 2002 and 2003. It was suggested the new chapters not have back-to-back representation.

VIII. The web site is up and running. It must be the chapter's responsibility to present the information for their particular site. Information will be updated immediately. Each chapter should elect a member to collect and send the information. Member's names, e-mail address can also be added.

**IX. National 2001 election.** The National President will select a chairman for the election committee. Each chapter will vote by delegates. There is one delegate per ten members plus a fraction. Only the delegates can vote. Officers will be elected at the national 2000 meeting.

**Discussion:** The selection of the 2001-2002 national. Since Washington is the host chapter for 2001 and the information we can get for this time frame will be out of date we should go through another process of selecting the 2001 site. It is the opinion of the President that we select sites several years in advance at the 2000 meeting. Chapters must bring complete proposals to the 2000 meeting for selection. At that time we can choose from those proposals presented for the next 3

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**2000 National Meeting:** Little Rock will be the host chapter for the 2000 national meeting. 6 proposals were presented. 1. Wyndam Rose Hall \$660. per person all inclusive. 2. Bahamas Princes \$564 double, single 371 single. Ocho Rio 140 single, 220 double. 4. Scottsdale 1344 double, 1045 single. A **motion** was made and second by the delegates that the Site selection committee go back to work and get hard facts on three sites for selection by December 30 1999. A **motion** was made and second to limit the sites submitted to one site per chapter for consideration by the site selection committee. The **motion failed** by vote of the delegates. A **motion to amend the motion** regarding selecting a site from the selections presented at this meeting 9-24- 99. The **motion carried**. Two sites were available for consideration 1. Scottsdale 2. Tunica. 3. Wyndam Rose Hall. After much discussion a **motion was "tabled"**. The **original motion was "moved"** and amended to read November 30, 1999 instead of December 30, 1999. The **motion reads** as follows: The site selection committee is charged with providing specific information and recommendations to the National council regarding site selection. This is to be done by November 30, 1999. This information will be transmitted to the local chapters for comments, to be returned to the national council by December 31, 1999 and the National Council will make a selection based upon the Chapter comments no later than January 15, 2000. **Motion carries**. Each chapter is to provide a representative to the selection committee by the end of the meeting.

**Late Correspondence:** Spring Fling 2000: Elmer Reed, Dallas. Regarding a conversation with Grant Chaney Sales and Marketing Director, Oxmoor Valley Golf Course, Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, Birmingham, Alabama: The price for golf for 100 players from April 7, 8,9 2000 is estimated at \$58.00 per person per day. Ben Koopman, General Manager of the La Quinta Inn in Homewood agrees to a rate of \$65.00 for double occupancy rooms. A total of 72 holes of golf can be played in the three day period. All rates are subject to change when the 2000 rate are posted. The letter date is August 12, 1999

Meeting Adjourn 5:15pm