

South Sound USBC  
Board Meeting  
4517 South M St, Tacoma  
March 16, 2026

**Call to Order:** 7:03 PM by President Karen Jost

**Roll Call:** Present Karen Jost, Scottie Fulp, Joe Cannon, Andy Darr, Duke Ellington, Melissa Richards, Jason Struna, and Karen Stumpf. Those excused Bob Hanson, Mark Galdo, Dorie Hahn, Chloe Stumpf, Payden Stumpf, and Michael Tobin. Unexcused Reginald Reid.

**Quorum:** 8 members present, we had a quorum.

**Minutes:** Correction to be made on page 2, in the Awards Banquet report, to read Tower will be catering Italian food for the banquet. Motion by Melissa to accept the minutes with the correction. Motion second and approved by voice vote.

**Correspondence/ Assoc Manager report:** Barb reported there was no correspondence. There are 5162 adult USBC Members and 483 youth members. We have processed 4534 awards, 57- 300 games with 14 being first 300's, 25 800 series with 8 being first 800 series. We have 118 leagues, 98 adult, 18 youth, 2 adult/youth leagues.

**Officers Reports:**

**President:** Karen J. reported the Eboard met March 3<sup>rd</sup>, approved publishing the Minutes after Board approval. We need to look for volunteers to review the building report and building repairs. Scottie will reach out to Reginald Reid as a volunteer. Karen J. will reach out to a realtor regarding rental rates for the 1<sup>st</sup> floor office. Apartment rent increased this month. Discussed finding a handyman to help with repairs. Barb will reach out to Rich Eaton to follow up regarding shower in apartment A. On April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm Karen J, Melissa, Karen S, Scottie, Barb will meet to review tournament calendar for 2026-27.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP:** Bob – Excused

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP:** Scottie – None

**Committee Reports:**

**All Stars:** None

**Annual Meeting:** Jason will be reaching out to committee chairs for reports for the Annual Meeting book. Scottie has a cooler and some glassware for door prizes for the meeting. Melissa suggested gifts to give out, socks or towels, something for downtime during voting. Delegates to state and national meetings are expected to provide a brief verbal report while ballots are being counted. We will be sending notices to the leagues regarding the Annual meeting and Proposed Amendment #1 dues increase.

Scottie made a motion we set a deadline for credentials to be into the office at least 48 hours prior to the meeting for nominations from the floor. Motion second and approved by voice vote.

**Budget/Finance:** We are behind on fund-raising income. Plan to improve this by:

- Board members need to focus on raffle ticket sales.

- We will run brackets at the youth state tournament, as well as 50/50 raffles, (tickets sold only to adults in attendance).
- The committee moved to transfer all tournament championship complimentary banquet ticket funds to the operating account, any tickets not used will be income.

Motion approved by voice vote.

We discussed issues related to NSF checks from some of our tournaments. Potential motion were discussed and withdrawn. Melissa, Scottie, and Karen J will work on the verbiage for a rule on all tournament entries.

**Communication/Website:** No report.

**Charitable Fundraising:** Karen S. reported she and Lara Hacker will be presenting the BVL donation we raised in memory of Carolee Tighe to the Washington Old Soldiers Home in Orting on Friday March 20<sup>th</sup>. She thanked Scottie, April Lord Wittig, and Billy Frederick/Chalet Bowl for their donations of items and funds for the February Bowl for the Cure event Overall there was \$2300.00 collected for Bowl for the Cure.

**Hall of Fame:** There were 3 candidates to be considered for Hall of Fame. The Board selected Peter Somoff and April Lord Wittig via written ballots following blinded review of the nominations. Peter and April will be inducted on May 16<sup>th</sup>. Karen J will notify them. Motion to nominate Lara Hacker for Member Emerita, to be voted on at the Annual meeting, motion second and approved by voice vote.

**Sunshine:** We sent 1 Get Well and 1 Thank You card this month.

**Mixed & Senior:** There were 19 entries for the Senior and 12 entries for the Mixed tournaments.

**Youth:** Melissa reported the March King of the Hill held at Roxbury Lanes, had 51 bowlers. We are already scheduled for March 2027 at Roxbury. The Average Challenge on March 1<sup>st</sup> went really well and we had 24 teams participating.

We are hosting the WSUSBC Youth State tournament at Paradise Lanes. We will be distributing pins and ribbons. There will be lots of raffles, 50/50, and brackets. We need volunteers to keep score and support the raffles.

We still have the Junior and Classic Masters and the KOH Coronation coming up in May.

**Old Business:**

**Shirts:** We picked the shirt with Mt Rainier and trees to be the primary shirt and the delegates will wear it at convention.

All four designs are available for Board members to purchase. We need to coordinate an order to take advantage of volume pricing.

**New Business:** None

**Next Meeting:** April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – 7:00 pm at South Sound USBC office.

**Adjourned:** 8:31 pm