

South Sound USBC  
Board Meeting  
4517 South M St, Tacoma  
April 20, 2026

**Call to Order:** 7:01 PM by President Karen Jost

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

**Quorum:** 6 members present, we did not have a quorum.

**Minutes:** Tabled to next meeting.

**Correspondence/ Assoc Manager report:** Barb read the Thank You letter from the Washington State Soldiers Home, thanking us for the BVL donation of \$830.01 In Memory of Carolee Tighe. There are 5254 adult USBC Members and 483 youth members. An interesting fact, our youngest bowler is 4 and our oldest bowler will turn 100 later this month. We have processed 5129 awards, 69 - 300 games with 14 being first 300's, 31 - 800 series with 10 being first time 800 series. We have 118 leagues, 98 adult, 18 youth, 2 adult/youth leagues.

**Officers Reports:**

**President:** Karen J. reported, she is still coming into the office to help. She will be working on a planning meeting with the Board this summer. There will more on this later in the meeting.

**1<sup>st</sup> VP:** None

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP:** None

**Committee Reports:**

**All Stars:** None

**Annual Meeting:** Barb read the report from Jason on reports he needs for the Annual Meeting booklet. There was discussion of having items available for door prizes at the meeting. Melissa will hand out raffle tickets for the door prizes.

**Budget/Finance:** Will be voting on a dues increase at Annual Meeting.

**Sunshine:** We mailed 2 Get Well cards this month.

**Tournaments:** Melissa introduced the 2026-27 Calendar - DRAFT, as it is still a work in progress. Melissa reported the SSUSBC hosted the WSUSBC Youth Championship tournament at Paradise Lanes. We made \$1280.00 in Raffle income, from the scholarship, ball and 50/50 raffles. We earned \$265 in bracket income for the Association. Melissa also reported we will be changing the verbiage on our tournament entries next fall.

The Youth tournaments are confirmed, except for the March KOH. The BVL and Bowl for the Cure have been scheduled. The Open and Women's we are looking at bowling team at Chalet and doubles and singles at Tower Lanes. Joe will ask Daffodil if they would be interested in hosting tournaments.

**Youth:** Melissa reported there were 43 youth bowlers at the Classic Masters. Melissa mentioned the youth committee would like to raffle two \$100.00 SMART scholarships at the Junior Masters. She would also like to ask Board permission to award a \$50.00 Smart scholarship to Delilah Csejke, for the great job as volunteer youth committee secretary and having the minutes ready for each meeting. These scholarships would come from the unassigned funds we have through SMART any remaining funds due to expire July 31, 2026 would be used as added money for King of the Hill Coronation. Since there is not a quorum tonight, this can be voted on by email to the Board members.

### **Old Business:**

**Shirts:** We hope to be ordering shirts through the office to have them by the new season. Melissa has access to adding our logo to a shirt or sweatshirt if anyone is interested.

**New Business:** Delegates reported their experience at the WSUSBC Jamboree.

Michael appreciated the opportunity to attend the meetings. He noted, there should be better communication as he was not aware of the meetings in the morning. He also reported he was having problems signing up for workshops for USBC Convention.

Duke reported being disappointed in the lack of attendance at the meeting. He noted Brooke, the Association Manager, has done a great job with the financial reports, and will be greatly missed as she is resigning at the end of this year.

Karen, also was disappointed there was not better attendance at the meeting.

She noted, maybe, we as an Association need to ask the State to be accountable for the finances and how they plan to deal with the shortfall.

Communications, how do we get information out to our bowlers? Michael for our website, Kristine for social media, and announcements at our leagues. Michael suggested using a QR code to register for our tournaments instead of using paper entries.

Awards, appointing a committee, survey our members for suggestions to change our awards program. However, we will continue with the awards we are using now for 2026-27.

Karen reported wanting to have a Board meeting for debriefing/planning for 2026-27, possibly held at Towers to include mini golf and a meeting.

We will not have a May meeting after the Annual Meeting. We will meet possibly June 20<sup>th</sup> or July 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Meeting:** TBD

**Adjourned:** 8:10 pm