



**A.C.S.C. MEETING MINUTES
2013 SUMMER WORKSHOP
ATLANTA, GA.
SATURDAY, JULY 13, 2013**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ken Akin called the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs Summer Workshop meeting to order at Atlanta, GA. on Saturday, July 13th at 9:59 a.m. Ken welcomed all the new Presidents to the meeting. Ken called up Lester Stokes, President of ShagAtlanta and Charles Purell, co-chairs of the 2013 Summer Workshop to speak on the Summer Workshop in Atlanta.

Ken introduced the ACSC Officers, SOS Board Members, SOS Officers, and Dr. Phil Sawyer (who couldn't be with us today), Past President Pins Chair Glenda Brown, SOS Webmaster Mary Gregory, and SOS Photographers Vicki and Paul Harrison.

II. MINUTES FROM SPRING SOS

Sonny asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Motion to accept the SPRING SOS minutes was made and accepted. Minutes approved. Sonny thanked the people who worked the Registration Desk, Glenda Brown, Mary Gregory, Doug & Doris Keaton and Carolyn Swanigan.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT

Allen gave the ACSC Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2013 as follows: Balance as of 1/1/2013 \$17,679.55, Total Receipts \$25,325.83, Total Expenses \$27,327.15 leaving a Balance as of 6/30/2013 \$15,679.23. Allen asked for a motion and second to approve the Treasurer's Report. Treasurer's Report approved.

IV. A.C.S.C. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Ken asked Judy Bennett to talk about the 2013 SHAGGING ICON Committee. Judy is one of the ICON Committee co-chairs along with Phyllis Drake. She stated that ICON forms can be found on the website www.shagdance.com. Find the link and download the form. Nominations must come from the current President, Vice President or the Past President and be a Full Member of the ACSC. If you are resubmitting an application, you get 3 additional points. If you are resubmitting an application, modify the letter. Have 3 seconds to go along with the letter that has been submitted. Deadline to have to the ICON Committee is November 1, 2013

Foster McKinney talked about the Ellen Taylor Foundation and that it is a 501 (c) (3). The Foundation gives financial assistance, education, and promotion of the SHAG. The Ellen Taylor Foundation was incorporated in 2008 to be a non profit organization.

Ken called Phil Long President of the Rock Hill Area Shag Club to come forward. Phil presented to the Hall of Fame Foundation Board members Ken Akin and Ron Whisenant, a check for \$6,000 for the Hall of Fame Foundation.

Ken noted that there are 91 Full Member Clubs with none on probation. He noted that Judy informed us that The SOS Company Store will have new merchandise on sale at Jr. SOS in the OD Beach Resort Ballroom.

Ken reminded everyone to bring their ACSC Reference Book (White Books) to all meetings.

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

Ken turned over the business meeting to Robin Morley. Robin noted that the program will have 2 parts, one being a short history of the ACSC and the other part is the future of the ACSC. Robin noted that Foster will have a short presentation on the Ellen Taylor Foundation, and Helen Still will talk on the future of SOS. After that there will be 5 clubs who will talk about their club and what they do. Robin noted that she had provided each club a handout that has information on each shag club. The information has membership, benefits, and chairing of your club.

Robin brought Foster back up to give you a brief history lesson concerning SOS. Gene "Swink" Laughter created SOS in September, 1980. SOS was bought by the ACSC in 1989 for \$100,000.

Helen Still spoke on the future of SOS. Helen noted that SOS was purchased in 1989. She asked everyone that was around 25 years ago Helen stated that

25 years from now it will be different and a lot of us will not be around. Helen noted that since ACSC bought SOS we have done a lot to enhance such as the annual SOS parade, Fun Sunday and Fun Monday, SOS Website and SOS Cruise.

Helen noted that we have a new committee call Bridge the Gap is in the works. It will be co-chaired by Sam and Lisa West. Other members are Robin Morley, Judy Vick, Ron Whisenant, Ronnie Gregory, Ken Akin and Helen Still.

Ron Whisenant came forward and talked about the start of ACSC. Columbia Shag Club stated around 1981. Phil Sawyer started the club. Shad Alberty started some shag dance contests. Rock Hill Area Shag Club used Columbia by-laws to start Rock Hill. Ron was President for 2 years and then Ken Hudspeth took over as President. Ron came up with the idea of putting these clubs that were popping up under an umbrella. Ron and Ken took the idea to Phil in Columbia. There was excitement about the idea and a small group of clubs met in Columbia to talk about the plans. After these meetings, it was agreed that an Association would be formed. Dr. Phil wrote the by-laws in 1984. Ron stated that there were 5 clubs that signed on as the initial charter. From there a party started call Mid Winter. Ken Hudspeth was instrumental in this endeavor. Ron stated that we have grown to 100 clubs.

Ken came up and spoke on future of ACSC. Ken thanked all the shag clubs for their support of the Association and SOS. Our organization is working toward building a solid working relationship with the many different groups within our shagging family. Ken named the Hall of Fame Foundation, the Ellen Taylor Foundation, Shaggers Hall of Fame, Keepers of the Dance, Competitive Shaggers Association, Junior SOS, and the DJ Association. Ken stated that without them we wouldn't be out there dancing. Ken noted that we are also working on building the organization by asking some of the Subscriber Member clubs to rejoin as a Full Member Club. Ken also stated that we will try to get clubs that aren't members of the Association and ask them to join. Ken also stated we have formed a new committee called Bridge the Gap Committee with Sam and Lisa West co-chairing this new committee. The committee task will be to look at what can be done to bring 21 to 50 year olds to be involved in the Association. This is envisioned to be at least a 5 year project. Contact Sam or Lisa if you have any ideas.

Robin asked Page Payne, a member on the Junior Shag Association to speak to you. Page noted that any money raised goes directly to the JSA. JSA started 22 years ago in 1982. It started with approximately 40 kids and now it is over 400 kids. Page showed the quilt that was made by Karen Guinta with the Lake Norman Shag Club. It was raffled off at Lake Norman's Annual Chicken Pickin'. It was won by someone in Texas but they could not find the

person. The quilt was given to the JSA to be raffled off at the annual Jr. SOS event which will be held next week.

Robin is going to have the 5 clubs showcased to describe their club's membership, membership cost, benefits, and chairing. The 5 clubs are Electric City Shag Club, Rock Hill Area Shag Club, Society of Brunswick Shaggers, Brushy Mountain Shag Club and Sanford Area Society of Shaggers (**Detail information on these clubs can be found on the handout given out by Robin Morley**).

Robin asked Electric City and Rock Hill Area Shag Club to speak about their respective clubs.

**BREAK FOR LUNCH 12:00 NOON
RECONVENE 12:45 P.M.**

Ken called the meeting to order and Robin stated we were going to finish the final 3 clubs. She called up Society of Brunswick Shaggers, Brushy Mountain Shag Club and Sanford Area Society of Shaggers. At the conclusion, Robin asked that you take the information she gave you and, look at it and find out what may be work for your club.

VI. S.O.S. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Ken called up Helen Still to give her report. Helen stated that this weekend was a good time and ShagAtlanta has done a great job. Helen recognized Board spouses and significant others.

Helen noted that in April, 2014 we will celebrate our 20th Annual SOS Parade. She asked Don David, Parade Chairman to speak on the parade. Don gave out the winner's DVDs, winner's check and plaque. Don needs people to help him with the parade.

Helen noted that the Enhancement Committee puts on Fun Sunday & Fun Monday. Helen asked the committee to stand up and be recognized. Hollis came forward to speak on Fun Sunday and Fun Monday. Hollis noted that any monies made after expenses goes to the SOS Charitable Foundation/Caring for Kids. Hollis announced on Sunday, we will have the Pieces of Eight, and Nelson Curry & Klass Band Brothers. On Monday, we will have the Fantastic Shakers, Big Joe & The Dynaflows and a surprise artist.

Helen mentioned the 2nd Annual SOS at Sea cruise which sails October 12-19, 2013.

Ron Whisenant came forward to give his sales report. Spring Safari was a record. At the beach we sold 3,867 for a total of \$116,010, Mid Winter to Spring Safari 6,037 cards were sold for a total of \$181,110. In addition, Shag Club totals were 3,132 cards for a dollar amount of \$93,960. Mail and Internet cards sold totals were 954. A question was asked about counterfeit cards. Cards that are illegal will be prosecuted to the extent of the law. 2014 cards will have a hologram on it.

Ron said that if anyone needs any financial assistance they can contact the Hall of Fame Foundation and get an application. They can fill it in and send it to the appropriate person. .

VII. OLD BUSINESS

Ken thanked Helen and Ron. Ken noted that the ICON Committee will meet in the lobby immediately following this meeting.

Ken noted that on the agenda Item 7 & 8 are being switched. Ken noted that at the last meeting the by laws were being amended to combine Mid Winter and Winter Workshop together at the beach. **This revision was mailed to you and sent on May 20 2013.** Ken asked for a motion. John Reynolds made a motion to amend the by laws. John read the amended by laws Motion seconded by Sandra Strader. After discussion on the motion, John Gilstrap stated that the chairman can call the question. Ken re-read the amendment that was presented to the Board of Advisors. Ken asked to vote on the motion. Motion was approved by the Board of Advisors. We will notify you on the particulars of 2015.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

Ken noted that it is time for the bids to go out for the Summer Workshop in 2015. If you are interested in this workshop, make a presentation at 2015 Fall SOS. The clubs eligible to bid on the 2015 Summer Workshop are from District 1. Ken read all the club names from District 1.

IX. CLUB PARTY INFORMATION

Ken noted that you can promote your club party between now and 2014 Mid Winter

X. ADJOURN

Motion made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 2:30 P.M.