



**A.C.S.C. Meeting Minutes
Summer Workshop
Hosted by Rock Hill Shag Club
Renaissance Charlotte Suites, Charlotte, N.C.
July 13, 2019**

I. CALL TO ORDER

A.C.S.C. Chairman Robin Morley called the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs 2019 Summer Workshop meeting to order at 10 am, on July 13, 2019 at the Renaissance Charlotte Suites in Charlotte, NC. Robin welcomed everyone to the workshop and to the celebration of 35 years of the A.C.S.C. hosted by the Rock Hill Shag Club. Robin asked Rock Hill Shag Club President Tommy Davis and Frankie McConnell of the Rock Hill Shag Club to come forward. Tommy thanked everyone for coming and spoke on the history of the Rock Hill Shag Club. Tommy spoke about Rock Hill hosting the first Mid-Winter in 1984 and how the club got the name of The Original Party Animals. Frankie thanked everyone for coming to celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the A.C.S.C.

Robin noted that we had enough members present to have a quorum. Robin asked that anyone making a motion or second to please state their name and the name of their shag club. Robin then asked if there were any additions to the agenda. Hearing none, she asked for a motion to approve the agenda as written. Motion was made and seconded. Motion passed to accept the agenda as written.

Robin recognized A.C.S.C. Secretary Becky Berry.

II. A.C.S.C. SECRETARY'S REPORT

ACSC Secretary Becky Berry thanked Doris Keaton and Ann Sigmon for helping sign everyone into the meeting. Becky asked if there were any additions or corrections to the Spring Minutes. J.R. Lilienthal, President of River City Shag Club noted that there was a correction regarding a date. Becky asked for a motion to accept the minutes with the noted correction. Motion was made and seconded. Minutes were approved with one correction noted. Becky then noted that in the President's packet were the updated list of Officers/ Directors and the Committees, the financial report from Treasurer Cecil Martin, a copy of Vice Chairman Lisa Caveny's presentation, a copy of the proposed By-law changes, an updated list of all the A.C.S.C. Officers from 1984 to 2019 and two voting slips, one for the 2021 Summer Workshop and one for the adoption of the proposed By-Law changes. Becky stated that there were two flyers on the registration table from Mike Rink and that if you did not pick them up when registering, to please get them upon leaving.

III. A.C.S.C. Treasurer's report

A.C.S.C. Treasurer Cecil Martin welcomed everyone to the workshop and asked that they take out the Financial statement included in their packets. Cecil gave the total revenue of \$33, 360.66 and expenses of \$26, 287,67. This left a balance of \$7,072,99 as of June 30, 2019. Cecil stated that this did not include the latest deposit. Cecil asked for a motion to approve the financial statement. Motion was made and seconded. Treasurer's report was approved.

IV. A.C.S.C. Chairman's report

Chairman Robin Morley introduced the A.C.S.C. Officers, S.O.S. Board Members, and S.O.S. Officers, S.O.S. Photographer Robin Bivens, S.O.S. Webmaster Mary Gregory and S.O.S. Facebook Administrator Vickie

Harrison (absent). Robin thanked everyone with the Rock Hill Shag Club for their hard work putting on the workshop.

Robin invited Novelene Powell and Dot Smith, Co-Chairman's of the ICON Committee to come forward. Novelene spoke on the requirements of becoming an ICON. She reminded everyone that in their White Books was an updated application and that they would be taking applications for 2020 ICONS starting September 1, 2019 and that the deadline for submitting applications was November 1, 2019. Novelene announced that there would be a meeting of any ICONS present immediately following the workshop.

Robin spoke on changes that were being implemented regarding candidates running for the A.C.S.C. or S.O.S board. These changes will be in effect for the three SOS Board seats coming up in January 2020. Robin stated that Allen Guazzo would chair the Nominating Committee and serve during her entire tenure as Chairman. Robin informed everyone that on the website "shagdance.com" any applicant interested and approved as qualified, would be listed on the website for all presidents to be able to see and read their qualifications. This gives the presidents the chance to get to know who they are voting for prior to voting day and their qualifications. There will be a place on the SOS page and one on the ACSC page to see who is running for office. Robin stated that Mary Gregory was working on getting the program up and running on the website. Robin then asked Al to come forward to speak.

Al explained the process for submitting an application to run for office. He noted that with the new process you must be a member of a shag club in good standing with the A.C.S.C. and that you must have served as an officer in a shag club and/or an officer of the ACSC/SOS. Allen stressed that you must meet the minimum requirements to be considered.

Robin asked Mike Rink, President of the Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's, to come forward. Mike spoke about preserving the music and dance. Mike spoke of the changes made to the ABSCDJ.com website to help you find the listing of DJ's easier. Mike then spoke of DJ

Throwdown and that they would now be using both Duck's and Harold's to hold the event and that the event will cover four days. Mike noted that there are currently 240 DJ's in the Association. Mike informed the clubs that if they joined the DJ Association the day of the meeting that they could join for \$25.00, a one time offer, which would cover the rest of this year and all of next year and would receive one reverse raffle ticket for the event and their newsletter. Their annual dues are \$50.00. Mike noted that a limited number of tickets were available to be sold. Over 40 memberships were sold at the workshop.

Robin told the presidents that the ACSC would like to recognize Shag Clubs celebrating 5-year landmark anniversaries. (5, 10, 15, etc.) Robin stated that Becky Berry, A.C.S.C. Secretary, would oversee this. Robin noted that it would be printed out on linen paper and put into a cover and given out at the ACSC meetings unless it was needed before then. Mary Gregory, webmaster, is currently working on getting these online.

Robin asked A.C.S.C. By-law Committee person Cecil Martin, to come forward to speak on the proposed By-law changes. Cecil went over each of the proposed changes and explain why the changes were needed. Cecil then asked the presidents to get out their voting slip and vote to approve or not approve proposed changes. Whit Blanton, President Sumter Shag Club, Linda Trader, President DC Hand Dance Club, Jay Strickland, President Chatham Area Shag Club collected the votes and gave to Wanda Cavin, S.O.S. Secretary. Proposed by-law changes were adopted by a unanimous vote.

Robin then asked the Presidents to take out the voting slip for the 2021 A.C.S.C. Summer Workshop. Boogie on the Bay was the only club to submit a proposal prior to the meeting. There were no nominations from the floor. Boogie on the Bay's President, Donna House, spoke on the proposed workshop. The workshop would be held in Williamsburg, Virginia. Cost of the tickets are \$100.00, and the room rates would be \$149.00. Donna spoke of the Historical places to visit in Williamsburg and the many places to shop and visit. Donna stated that Charlie Womble and Jackie McGee would be putting on a workshop. There would be a 50/50 and many fun things to do.

Robin asked for voting slips to be checked and given to those collecting the votes. It was a unanimous vote for Boogie on the Bay to hold the 2021 A.C.S.C. Summer Workshop in Williamsburg, VA.

Robin notified everyone that Capital Area Shag Club has applied to be a full member of the A.C.S.C. They are currently a subscriber member. Raleigh Shag Club volunteered to visit and report back at the fall meeting in September.

Robin recognized Lisa Caveny, A.C.S.C. Vice Chairmen, for a great job with the Past President's Pin. Robin then turned the floor over to Lisa.

V. VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Lisa began her presentation with information regarding what was happening in 1984. How life was more simple back then. She asked everyone to take out her presentation in the President's packet. Lisa noted that on the presentation was a 1984 penny representing the year the A.C.S.C. was formed. It included a copy of Phil Sawyer's actual write-up called A Swinging Past and A Shagging Future. It tells of the forming of the Association of the Carolina Shag Clubs, now referred to as the A.C.S.C. The original charter provided for the Association to be governed by a Board of Advisors to be presided over by a Chairman. Lisa spoke of the three men who were so influential in forming the Association and keeping it going. They were Ron Whisenant, Ken Hudspeth and Dr. Phil Sawyer. Ron Whisenant was elected to serve as the first Chairman and served for two years. Ken was President of the Rock Hill Shag Club and later was to serve as the second President of the Association. Phil Sawyer was a writer, co-founder of the A.C.S.C. and the HOFF and was president of the Columbia Shag Club and served as the third President of the Association. Ken, Ron and many others were present in 1984 when the Governor of SC signed the bill making the Shag the State Dance for the State of SC.

Lisa spoke of the original charter shag clubs of the Association which are Columbia, Charleston, Greenville, Shag Steps, Winnsboro and Rock Hill. She noted that present at today's meeting was President Donna Nash of

the Columbia Shag Club, President Danny Scott of the Carolina Shag Club (Greenville), President Charlie Leonard of the Charleston Shag Club and President Tommy Davis of the Rock Hill Shag Club. Lisa called S.O.S. President Ron Whisenant to come forward and speak.

Ron was given a standing ovation from the A.C.S.C. Member Clubs. Ron stated that the real prize was to end up with S.O.S. Ron stated that S.O.S. had established a \$100,000 Endowment for the Foundation of the Carolinas to help with Hospice care. That \$100,000 plus had been given to Dr. Phil Sawyer's dance scholarship to the University of SC. Ron stated that thousands have been given to charities. Ron said that the biggest benefit he had received was the friendships he had made along the way.

Lisa stated that all of us here today were part of a historic meeting. Lisa asked that all present who had ever served on the ACSC/SOS Board to please stand and be recognized. Lisa challenged everyone to preserve the memories. Lisa stated that the pens in the President's packet was from the ACSC as a memento celebrating 35 years of the existence of the ACSC. Lisa asked S.O.S. President Ron Whisenant and Judy Vick, the two longest serving members of the Association to come forward to receive a small token of appreciation for their vision, leadership and dreams.

Robin turned the floor over to SOS Chairman Ronnie Gregory.

VI. S.O.S. Chairman's Report

Chairman Ronnie Gregory thanked the Rock Hill Shag Club for a tremendous job putting on the workshop event. Ronnie stated that the Summer Workshop continues to grow bigger each year. Ronnie encouraged everyone to attend the Winter Workshop. Ronnie stated that your club can become more involved by having a float in the parade at Spring Safari. Ronnie stated that it was about the pride of working together and to get a member to step up and organize a float or even to have a troop walk in the parade. Ronnie asked the clubs to support the

Enhancement Committee by attending Fun Sunday or Fun Monday and by your club supporting the sale of Fun Monday tickets.

Ronnie asked Melvin Mullis (Bull) and Kevin Harrell to come forward to speak about Fun Sunday, Fun Monday and Vendors. Melvin talked about Fun Sunday and Fun Monday. Melvin stated that for \$10.00 you would see eight bands. Melvin stated that the sale of the Fun Monday tickets helped to pay for these events and that the rest was given to the Charitable Foundation and to Caring for Kids in Horry County.

Kevin Harrell spoke about the street vendors during Fun Sunday and Fun Monday. Kevin stated that clubs that sell 100 tickets can set-up on the streets and promote their clubs. Kevin stated that he would like to see more clubs come out and set up and show support for their clubs.

Break for lunch

Chairman Robin Morley called the meeting back to order. Robin stated that Mike Rink had stated that if your club wished to join the Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's and did not have a check with you today, to go ahead and fill out the form, turn it in to Mike and you could mail in your check.

Robin asked Gerry Anders with Smoky Mountain Shag Club to come forward and speak about the 2020 A.C.S.C. Workshop to be held in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee. Gerry stated that the hotel for the workshop was the Ramsey Hotel and that the cost of rooms would be \$145.99. Tickets for the event would be \$80.00 per person. DJ's for the event are John Smith, Ed Timberlake and Bigfish Calhoun. The event will be held July 10-12, 2020.

Ronnie Gregory then introduced Ron Whisenant, S.O.S. President to come forward to speak. Ron mentioned how proud he was for Rock Hill to be hosting this event. He stated that when the Rock Hill Shag Club was formed it consisted of the neighboring areas of Lancaster, Gastonia, York, Chester, Clover and surrounding areas. Out of that, the following clubs were formed: Lancaster, Lake Wiley, Gaston and York.

Ron gave the numbers for the sale of SOS cards. 3128 members clubs' sales, 5123 beach club sales, 47 mail in sales, 243 internet sales and 50 credit card sales for a total of 8,298. Total deposits were \$249,185. Ron stated that he expects Fall sales to increase. Ron recognized Sandra Braddock, Judy Vick and Mike Rink for being in the Association for so long and for their support of the Association.

Ron mentioned that Duck's had been sold to Dwayne Porter and that Dwayne was on board with S.O.S. Ron was asked about parking during S.O.S and he stated that it was something that the Board was discussing and that he doesn't think that it will be a problem during S.O.S, but he is hoping something will be worked out to get people to and from certain areas to downtown. Ron was then asked about any back up plans in case of a hurricane and Ron stated that an event such as this cannot be rescheduled. Ron was then asked about the sale of pavers and Ron stated that in the past Janet Harrold had handled the sales, but at this time it appears that the sale of pavers has been put on hold. He stated he would try to get an answer by the Fall meeting.

VII. New Business

There was no new business to discuss.

VIII. Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

IX. Club Party Information

Those Presidents who are hosting parties between now and September were allowed to come forward to promote their club party.

X. Adjourn

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

**** All 95 Full Member Clubs and 1 Subscriber Club were represented. ****

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Berry

Becky Berry, A.C.S.C Secretary