



MINUTES OF THE IGBO ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2025 – LAS VEGAS

Board Members Present: President **Rob Silliman**, Vice President  
**Raffy Rodriguez**, Secretary **Kelly Clark**, Treasurer **Richard Perez**,  
North America Heartland Director **Bill Huepenbecker**, West Cost

Pacific Nation Director **Steve Ingram**, Northeast Director **Gene Egan**, Southern Director **Doug Harding**,  
Central Plains Region Director **Alan Emmons**, and Rocky Mountain Director **Fernando Pacheco**.

Staff (appointments): **Tim Tkacik**, Recording Secretary and **Joey LeBlanc**, Parliamentarian

Representatives & Proxies Present (at Roll Call): (R) = Representative, (A) = Alternate Rep, (P) = Proxy

**Region 5 Leagues and Tournaments**

Bluegrass Classic League .....	Chris Carter	R
Bluegrass Classic Tournament ...	Chris Carter	R
BTI Mixed .....	Terry Wieman	P
Champagne Memorial .....	Toby Pineau	P
Chicago Pride .....	Brent Viklund	P
CINTIT- .....	Kurt Peterson	A
Cleveland GIFT .....	Bill Huepenbecker	A
COMIC .....	Jerry SESCO	R
Country Lanes Thursday .....	Scot LaNear	R
Crossroads High Rollers .....	Chris Carter	P
Golden Horseshoe Bowling .....	Dan Finrock	P
Grand Rapids Sunday .....	Jerry SESCO	P
HINT .....	Dan Finrock	P
Honeymooners .....		
Metro Detroit Friday Night .....	Terry Wieman	P
Monday Nite Irregulars .....	Claude Sloan	R
Motown Invitational Classic .....	Scot LaNear	A
NCBA Friday Night .....	Bill Huepenbecker	P
Not Ready For Prime Time .....	Dan Finrock	R
Rainbow League .....	Brent Viklund	P
Split Happens .....	Brent Viklund	P
Summit Bowling Assoc. ....	Bill Huepenbecker	P
TGI Fourth of July Classic .....	Claude Sloan	P
Toronto Historical .....	Claude Sloan	P
Tri-State Alt. (TSABA) .....	Kurt Peterson	A
Wednesday Fun League .....	Terry Wieman	P
Western Strugglers .....	Jerry SESCO	P
WETT .....	Scot LaNear	P
Windy City Pride .....		

**Region 6 Leagues and Tournaments**

Chuzapalooza .....	Cody McLean	A
DIGLIT .....	Michael Vigil	R
E.L.V.I.S. Tournament .....	Eric Catalan	R
Friday Night Mixed CO .....	Chris Gallegos	R
Front Range Sun. Night Rollers .....	Jeffy Nytych	P
Hump Day Foursomes .....	Sandy Roberts	P
Let's Go Bowling Together .....	Eric Catalan	R
Merry Mixers .....	Michael Vigil	R
Our Gang .....	Greg Frey	P
People and Persons .....	Chris Gallegos	P
PRIT .....	Kevin Lord	R
Rainbowlers LV .....	Ed Glegg	R
Sunday Night OUT .....	Sandy Roberts	R
TART .....	Greg Frey	R

**Region 6 Leagues and Tournaments (CONTINUED)**

Thursday Night 3-Way .....	Greg Frey	P
Tuesday Night 4 Play .....	Fernando Pacheco	A
Welcome to OZ .....	Richard Foster	R

**Region 7 Leagues and Tournaments**

Beantown North .....	Mike Macintyre	R
Beantown South .....	Drew Swint	R
Capitol Area Match Point (CAMP) .....		
Capital Area Pride .....	Raffy Rodriguez	P
CARA Sunday Night Mixed .....	Donny Tang	A
Charm City Kings & Queens .....		
Capital Halloween (CHIT) .....	Steve Frable	A
CT Pride Bowlers .....	Mike Hillman	P
Friday Night OUT .....	Donny Tang	P
Friendship League .....	Mike Hillman	P
FVV Bowling .....		
Gala Bowling League .....	Tim Blank	R
Garden State Gay Bowling .....	Donnie Fratello	R
GREAT .....	Paul Scheib	R
Jersey Rainbow Classic .....	Rafael Rodriguez	R
Liberty Belle Invitational .....	Gene Egan	P
LIPSA Tuesday Night .....	Justin Laukaitis	R
Long Island Pride Inv. ....	Justin Laukaitis	R
Mermaid Classic .....	Gene Egan	P
Monday Night Fourplay .....	Justin Laukaitis	R
North Jersey G/L Bowlers .....	Steve Frable	P
North Jersey Pride Bowlers .....		
Pride Of Alexandria .....	Kurt Peterson	P
Rainbow Rollers .....	Raffy Rodriguez	P
Rochester Historical .....	Bill Heinz	R
S.M.A.C.K. ....		
South Jersey Gay Bowling League .....		
Steel City Bowling .....	Brittany McKinley	R
Suburban Gay Bowling League .....		
Sweetheart Invitational .....	Mike Hillman	P
Syracuse Mixed Pride .....	Paul Scheib	P
We are Everywhere .....	Gene Egan	P

**Region 8 Leagues and Tournaments**

Ashville Pride Bowling .....	Robbie Fullbright	R
Bear Bowl Invitational .....	Jeff Weinberg	R
Charlotte Rainbowlers .....	Mark Holmes	P
Dogwood Invitational .....	David Bell	P
Durham Rainbow Bowling .....	Doug Harding	P
First Coast Freedom League .....	Tim Locke	R

**Region 8 Leagues and Tournaments (CONTINUED)**

Friday Night Playmates .....	Mark Holmes	P
GAGME .....	Jamie Morrow	P
ILIDS.....	Doug Harding	P
Kings and Queens .....	Doug Harding	P
MenoMano.....	Tim Locke	R
Monday Mixed Classic .....	Jamie Morrow	P
Music City Invitational .....	David Bell	P
Orange Blossom (ORBIT).....	Mark Holmes	P
Rainbow Humpers .....	Robbie Fullbright	P
Rainbowlers Nashville .....	Dennis Scott	P
RIOT .....	Tim Locke	R
Rocket City G-Blasters .....	Dennis Scott	R
Rocket City Invitational .....	Dennis Scott	R
Sunshine Invitational.....	Jamie Morrow	P
Thursday Early Birds .....	Jeff Weinberg	R
Tuesday Nighters .....	Jeff Weinberg	R
Wednesday Night Mixed .....	David Bell	P

**Region 9 Leagues and Tournaments**

A League of Our own.....	Dave Winter	P
Auckland Gay Bowling .....	Tim Tkacik	P
Bridgetown Invitational .....	Sam Hull	R
C.A.U.L.....	Dave Winter	R
Desert Pride Strikers .....	Jay Kanner	R
Friday Night Trios .....	Corey Lindabury	P
Funlovers CA Spring (CSC).....	Steve Ingram	R
Gay Games .....	Cathy Patterson	R
Golden Gate Classic.....		
High Rollers .....	Ron Suttora	R
Hugs.....	Dave Winter	P
LASSI.....	Corey Lindabury	R
LGBT Wed. Comm. League .....	Richard Perez	R
Monday Fun Handicap .....	Jay Kanner	R
Palm Springs Desert Inv .....	Jay Kanner	R
PDX Pride.....	Brian Craig	R
Portland Community League .....		
Rainbow League.....	Ron Suttora	R
River City Bowlers .....	Ishmael Bihl	R
Rose Bowl Classic.....		

**Region 9 Leagues and Tournaments (CONTINUED)**

San Diego Inv .....	Cherie Maas-Anderson	P
Seattle Espresso Cup .....		
Silicon Valley Invitational.....	Ron Montano	R
Tavern Guild Invitational .....	Eric Ott	R
The Pride League.....		
Wet & Wild Wednesdays .....	Judy Thompson	P
WIT.....	Judy Thompson	R

**Region 10 Leagues and Tournaments**

Alamo City (ACT).....	Joey LeBlanc	R
Austin Pride .....	Joey LeBlanc	P
Big D Classic Invitational .....	Randall Buda	A
Del-Mar Mixed Classic.....	Randall Buda	P
Friday Night Club .....	Alan Emmons	R
Friday Night GBL.....	Josh Morgan	R
Headpins .....	Donnie Chance	P
Heartland LGBT .....	Homer Cobb	P
Houston Invitational (HIT) .....	D.Rojas	P
Jans Rainbow League .....	Joey LeBlanc	P
LAMBDA Dallas.....	Joseph Puckett	R
MAKIT .....	Alan Emmons	R
Metroplex Rainbow.....	Harlan Sherwood	P
Night Moaners .....	Demetrius Williams	P
OKClassic .....	Donnie Chance	R
Seniors Handicap Inv. ....	Joseph Puckett	R
Show Me Classic.....	Donnie Chance	P
Storm Oak Lawn Bow (OLBA) ..	Randall Buda	A
Sunset Combo .....		
TC Pride Bowlers.....	D. Rojas	P
Texas Super Slam .....	Harlan Sherwood	P
TROT .....	Joseph Puckett	P
Tuesday Twisters.....	Homer Cobb	R
Tulsa Lambda Bowling .....	Homer Cobb	P
Wed Rainbow League.....	Harlan Sherwood	R

President called the meeting to order at 9:04am

President made opening comments, board introductions and agenda changes.

Secretary performed roll-call.

Breakout for Morning Regional Caucus at 9:19am

Returned from caucus at 9:40am

**Announcement of Quorum:** 154 voting members, 79 establishes, 140 present

**OLD BUSINESS**

Storm presentation by Megan Hadley.

President announced that Reno minutes will go out when Kelly gets home. Any objections should be submitted in 30 days. No objections, minutes will be approved.

Vice President Report - Oral by Raffy Rodriguez. Results of Tournament survey.

Secretary Report - Oral by Kelly Clark. Summary of Board meetings.

President Report - Oral by Rob Silliman - Membership increased by 11%, tournament participation increased by 21%; adding items to 300/800 program.

Treasurer Report - Oral by Richard Perez:

- Motion to approve Treasurers Report (Josh Morgan / Raffy Rodriguez) - Unanimous.
- Review of 2025-2026 budget.

#### Tournament Reports:

- Las Vegas - Oral from Eric Catalan - 488 bowlers. No problems from Shift 1 other than not having enough bowling center personnel to cover snack bar/bar sales.
- Denver 2026 – Oral from Michael Haney and Chris Gallegos - at 40% of pre-fundraising goal.

#### Committee Reports:

- Membership – Oral by Rich Villeneuve.
  - Newsletter link now available on website.
  - IGB0 Gives Back. Saturday at a shelter; Sunday at animal shelter.
  - Mixer ideas for future events; clinics for new bowlers.
  - Ways to better inform new league/tournament representatives
  - Q&A with Rich.
- Bid Process & Support – Oral by Donny Tang.
  - Worked with Kansas City on their bid. Recommends approval. Two representatives working with Denver on their event. Letters received for 2028 in Jacksonville, 2029 in Detroit. 2030 does not have a letter yet.
- Diversity – Oral by Sam Hull
  - Sunday 1pm for women only; 2pm open for all.
  - Q&A with Sam.
- Marketing - Oral by Steve Frable
  - RFP to be ready by December for January.
  - Partnership with Lucky Strike; Steve reviewed a slide deck with specific benefits of the agreement.

Lunch recess at 11:50am

Returned from lunch at 1:00pm

## **OLD BUSINESS CONTINUED**

### **Kansas City 2027 Bid Presentation and Q&A**

- Membership discussion followed presentation
- Membership voted Unanimous to accepted bid

- Technology, Information, Social, Communications (TISC) – Oral by Steve Ingram
  - New website is active.
  - Ability to update league/tournament information by user. Dates, logos, etc. are mostly editable as needed.
  - Review of tournament registration system.
  - Q&A with Steve.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ELECTIONS**

Motion to elect President and Treasurer by acclamation - (Paul Scheib / Bill Huepenbecker) question called, no discussion. Unanimous approval.

President - Election of Rob Silliman for 2-year term. (4 abstentions)

Treasurer - Election of Richard Perez for 2-year term. (Unanimous)

### **P&P Changes**

- Associate Membership fee change from \$25 to \$30
- Annual Tournament fee per bowler change from \$10 to \$15. Take effect at 2028 tournament
- Tournament requirements within 30-days.

### **By-Law Changes**

- Termination or Suspension of Membership
  - Motion to accept By-law as presented (Joey LeBlanc / Steve Ingham) Motion failed.
  - Motion to send back to committee (Josh Morgan / Rod Silvestre) - Unanimous
- Associate Member becoming lifetime member after 10+ years.
  - Motion to send back to committee (Joe Puckett / Michael Vigil) - (2 Abstentions) - Motion passes

Breakout for Afternoon Regional Caucus at 2:15pm

Returned from caucus at 2:32pm

## **New Member Applications -**

- Leagues:
  - Wednesday Fun League
  - Friday Night Threesome
  - Lodi NJ
  - Rock Pride Trios
  - Outloud Sports
  - Sonoma Country Pride Bowlers

Motion to accept 6 new leagues - ( Joey LeBlanc / Homer Cobb ) – 2 Abstentions - Motion passes

- Tournaments:
  - Rainbow Classic Mar 24-28
  - Chi-Town Classic Sep 12-14
  - Barbi Mar 24-28
  - CAPIT Aug 1-2

Motion to accept 2 new tournaments ( Richard Foster / Rod Silvestre ) - Unanimous

## **2025-2026 Budget:**

Motion to accept budget ( Scott LaNear / Donny Tang ) - 2 No, 1 Abstention - Motion passes

## **Results of Regional Elections**

- West Coast/Pacific Nations Region - Steve Ingram re-elected
- Northeast Region - Don Fratello elected
- North American Heartland Region - Bill Huepenbecker re-elected

## **Open Discussion**

- **Joey LeBlanc** - Website
- **Steve Ingram** - Bowlers
- **Kim Shepherd** - Software to vote on-line
- **Scott LaNear** - Create Ad-hoc committee for endorsements
- **Rob Silliman** - Talking about the fine-line of individual/group politics
- **Rod Silvestre** - IGBO-wide fundraiser
- **Tim Blank** - Tax Exemption paperwork
- **Sam Hull** - Call for lawyers for injunctions for the USBC policy change

Motion to adjourn - ( Chris Gallegos / Richard Perez ) – Unanimous

Meeting ended at 3:26pm