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Proposer: USBC Legal and Legislative Committee
PRESENT RULE...

USBC Playing Rules
Chapter 4, League Rules
Rule 109a, Legal Lineup

A minimum legal lineup must be present to complete the first frame of any game of a series unless the league rules state another frame. A frame shall be considered completed when all bowlers present on each team have made his/her last deliveries in that frame. The following also shall apply:

1. A legal lineup is:
   a. Three or more eligible players in five-player team leagues, unless league rules state one or more.
   b. Two or more eligible players in either three- or four-player team leagues, unless league rules state one or more.
   c. One eligible player in two-player team leagues.
2. Substitutes count to determine a legal lineup, unless otherwise provided by league rule.
3. Leagues may include in its rules the number of players from a team’s roster who must be present to count toward a legal lineup.

PROPOSAL...

Add “one, unless league rules state otherwise” at the end of Item 1.

Delete Items a, b, and c.

If adopted, Rule 109a will state:

A minimum legal lineup must be present to complete the first frame of any game of a series unless the league rules state another frame. A frame shall be considered completed when all bowlers present on each team have made his/her last deliveries in that frame. The following also shall apply:

1. A legal lineup is one, unless league rules state otherwise.
2. Substitutes count to determine a legal lineup, unless otherwise provided by league rule.
3. Leagues may include in its rules the number of players from a team’s roster who must be present to count toward a legal lineup.

REASON FOR PROPOSAL...

No reason was given by the proposer.

Presented by: Rachel Wilf
Warminster, PA

Recommended for rejection by the USBC Board of Directors

REASON FOR REJECTION...

USBC Rule 109a currently allows each league to adopt a legal lineup of one. If the proposal is adopted each league could still choose to increase the legal lineup requirement.

Additionally, the current USBC default is widely used in the field. Any league currently using the current USBC default without a league rule would have to adopt a rule.
RULES PROPOSAL NO. LR 2

PRESENT RULE...

USBC Playing Rules
Chapter 4, League Rules
Rule 111e, Procedure

Following is the procedure to be used for pre-bowling or postponements:

1. When teams are bowling in direct opposition, the captains of the teams involved shall agree to a date for bowling the pre-bowl/postponed match. If within one week from the date originally scheduled, the captains cannot agree on a date, the league secretary shall set a date and notify both team captains of the date and time. This notification should be given at least three days prior to the date.

2. The league secretary or designated representative shall notify the bowling center of the change in schedule and arrange to have a pair of lanes available.

3. Games must be bowled under the same regulations and rules governing league play.

4. Handicap is figured as of the date/time the games are bowled. All games bowled prior to the pre-bowled or postponed match shall be included in determining handicap.

5. Pre-bowled or postponed games shall be included in the average record as of the date bowled.

6. Games can be made up on any certified pair of lanes.

7. Scores qualify for league awards, unless otherwise provided by league rule.

8. Unopposed pre- or post-bowled scores will be eligible for USBC Awards except High Score Awards as designated in Rule 51a, Rule 51b, Rule 51c, Rule 51d and Rule 52b.

PROPOSAL...

Add “or lane” after “pair of lanes” in item 2.

Add “or lane” after “pair of lanes” in item 6.

Add “The requirements of Rule 106a and Rule 106b do not apply, with the exception of Rule 106b, Item 1,” as a new item 9.

If adopted, Rule 111e will read:

1. When teams are bowling in direct opposition, the captains of the teams involved shall agree to a date for bowling the pre-bowl/postponed match. If within one week from the date originally scheduled, the captains cannot agree on a date, the league secretary shall set a date and notify both team captains of the date and time. This notification should be given at least three days prior to the date.

2. The league secretary or designated representative shall notify the bowling center of the change in schedule and arrange to have a pair of lanes or lane available.

3. Games must be bowled under the same regulations and rules governing league play.

4. Handicap is figured as of the date/time the games are bowled. All games bowled prior to the pre-bowled or postponed match shall be included in determining handicap.

5. Pre-bowled or postponed games shall be included in the average record as of the date bowled.

6. Games can be made up on any certified pair of lanes or lane.

7. Scores qualify for league awards, unless otherwise provided by league rule.

8. Unopposed pre- or post-bowled scores will be eligible for USBC Awards except High Score Awards as designated in Rule 51a, Rule 51b, Rule 51c, Rule 51d and Rule 52b.

9. The requirements of Rule 106a and Rule 106b do not apply, with the exception of Rule 106b, Item 1.
**REASON FOR PROPOSAL...**

- It is easier for just one league to fill the time slots and use all the lanes of a smaller bowling center creating less time for recreational bowling, and less time available for league bowlers to pre/post bowl.
- There are also leagues which do not use all of the lanes of a smaller center, for example in my small twelve lane center we have some leagues with eight or ten teams. If someone decides to pre/post bowl during this league’s time, now as a proprietor I am faced with the decision to allow the league bowler(s) to pre/post bowl or to allow a paying customer bowl. At times a paying recreational customer can be convinced to join a league and we can never have too many league bowlers!
  - The larger centers may not have this problem and may even have predetermined hours for pre/post bowling, especially when not all their lanes are used. Having set hours for a small center is a challenge, just ask any proprietor.
- USBC does allow teams to compete on one lane, Rule 106c, when a mechanical break-down forces teams to do so.
- During league play USBC even accepts Honor Awards bowled on one lane, while a mechanical breakdown is being repaired.
- During pre/post bowling USBC allows the bowler to qualify for USBC awards, except High Score Awards (Rule 111e), and leagues may permit these to be honored as well, yet many leagues do not.

The proprietor knows the value of a recreational bowler enjoying the sport, and USBC should acknowledge the advantage in allowing the “open bowler” to participate as a key to advancing their interest in league and tournament play. Therefore, this precious “down time” devoted to open bowlers is an important tool for both the proprietor and USBC. As most often is the case, one lane for pre/post bowling appears to be a valid solution.

Presented by: Rachel Wilf  
Warminster, PA

**RECOMMENDED FOR REJECTION by the USBC Board of Directors**

**REASON FOR REJECTION...**

Comparing the scores of a team which bowled on two lanes during the regularly scheduled league play against a team allowed to pre-bowl or complete a postponement on a single lane could lead to an unfair advantage.

Small changes in lane topography and oil pattern differences are normally minimized as both teams have to compete on both lanes.

A well-educated team could break down the pattern much quicker and more favorably by only competing on a single lane further maximizing their advantage.

This could therefore have a direct impact on both the team standings, team awards and individual awards.
PRESENT RULE...

USBC Playing Rules
Chapter 6, Tournament Rules
Rule 319e, Average Adjustment for Entry

NOTE: All certified and non-certified scores from the game of American tenpins must be used in the application of this rule.

Unless the tournament rules state otherwise, the following applies in a handicap or classified tournament:

1. The bowler is responsible for keeping a record of the names, dates, scores, and prize winnings in all tournaments entered in the previous 12 months, including those still running. These include all tournament scores bowled in accordance with the game of American tenpins.

2. A bowler shall adjust his/her entering average if, during the 12-month period immediately preceding the time and date of bowling, the bowler’s accumulated average for all, but not less than 21 tournament games, exceeds the average to be used for entry by 15 or more pins. In that case, the accumulated average must be used for handicapping or classification purposes.

   a. A bowler whose tournament scores require an adjustment must submit the adjusted average in writing before the end of the first game in a tournament, unless tournament rules allow for such adjustment to be made within a specified time after bowling.

   b. Failure to use the adjusted average in accordance with the foregoing is cause for forfeiture of entry fees and prize winnings, and the bowler is subject to suspension of membership in USBC

On appeal or protest, the bowler must promptly supply the record of the names, dates, scores and prizes won — or scores that qualify to win — in all tournaments in which the bowler competed within the previous 12 months.

Nothing in this rule supersedes tournament management’s authority to adjust the bowler’s average higher prior to bowling.

PROPOSAL...

Add “Separate tournament averages must be maintained by the bowler for certified sport and standard tournaments and cannot be combined. The average used for this requirement will be dependent on the type of tournament,” as a new sentence in Item 2.

If adopted, Rule 319e will read:

NOTE: All certified and non-certified scores from the game of American tenpins must be used in the application of this rule.

Unless the tournament rules state otherwise, the following applies in a handicap or classified tournament:

1. The bowler is responsible for keeping a record of the names, dates, scores, and prize winnings in all tournaments entered in the previous 12 months, including those still running. These include all tournament scores bowled in accordance with the game of American tenpins.

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Nothing in this rule supersedes tournament management’s authority to adjust the bowler’s average higher prior to bowling.

**REASON FOR PROPOSAL...**

Certified Sport condition tournaments are not comparable to tournaments bowled on standard “house” conditions that you find in the majority of your tournaments due to their degree of difficulty. By allowing the two conditions to be treated equally, you allow bowlers with questionable averages to “beat” the system. A bowler can average 15 or more pins above their average in tournaments on “house” conditions and below their average on Sport conditions. If you allow a bowler to base their average using both conditions, it often brings their average below the 15 or more pins needed to report an adjustment. Precedent has been set by USBC. On BOWL.com, they differentiate “standard” averages from “Sport” averages and compute separate composite averages.

Presented by: Ed Campbell
Denham Springs, LA

**Recommended for rejection by the USBC Board of Directors**

**REASON FOR REJECTION...**

USBC Rule 319e currently allows tournament rules to restrict which games must be reported in the bowler’s average.

Additionally, this would be harder for tournament management to enforce as bowlers are not always informed as to whether the games were bowled on a certified Sport condition.
BYLAWS PROPOSAL NO. B 1

PRESENT SECTION...

USBC National Bylaws
Article II, Purposes
Section B, Chartering State and Local Bowling Associations

USBC issues charters to state and local bowling associations that meet requirements established in these Bylaws and by the Board of Directors. Chartered associations are subject to the authority of USBC. USBC approves the geographic areas in which chartered associations may operate. The Board may revoke the charter of a state or local bowling association at any time if it determines that the association is not acting in compliance with USBC bylaws or rules, or state or local association bylaws; or is not in compliance with such requirements as USBC may establish, in its sole discretion, from time to time. Requirements for chartered state and local bowling associations include but are not limited to:

1. Compliance with Federal and state law.
2. Acceptance of, and adherence to, the Bylaws, the terms of the charter, and the authority of the USBC Board.
3. Adoption and maintenance of bylaws in the form determined by USBC and avoidance of any rules or policies conflicting with those bylaws or the USBC Bylaws.
4. Compliance with requirements in the USBC National Supplement and the USBC Association Policy Manual, including such requirements as are added or revised from time to time.
5. Acting in the best interest of USBC and the sport of bowling.

In extraordinary circumstances, the USBC Board may waive or suspend any requirements otherwise applicable to a state or local bowling association or establish separate affiliate status for organizations serving amateur bowlers to operate under the parameters established by the Board.

PROPOSAL...

Add “local associations must provide service for men, women and youth and all” after “Chartered” in the second sentence.

If adopted, Section B will state:

USBC issues charters to state and local bowling associations that meet requirements established in these Bylaws and by the Board of Directors. Chartered local associations must provide service for men, women and youth and all are subject to the authority of USBC. USBC approves the geographic areas in which chartered associations may operate. The Board may revoke the charter of a state or local bowling association at any time if it determines that the association is not acting in compliance with USBC bylaws or rules, or state or local association bylaws; or is not in compliance with such requirements as USBC may establish, in its sole discretion, from time to time. Requirements for chartered state and local bowling associations include but are not limited to:

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In extraordinary circumstances, the USBC Board may waive or suspend any requirements otherwise applicable to a state or local bowling association or establish separate affiliate status for organizations serving amateur bowlers to operate under the parameters established by the Board.

If adopted, proposal will be effective August 1, 2016.

If adopted, the following will be deleted for the 2016-17 season:
Non-merged Local Association Bylaws
**REASON FOR PROPOSAL...**

Most leagues are mixed leagues. Merging provides “one stop shopping” for all league secretaries, members and proprietors. Each league will only need one standardized application to be sent to the same organization. This is how it should be. We should all be on the same team – we’re all USBC! Without merging, this unity is not apparent to many of our members.

Currently (in non-merged associations) women USBC members in the same league may have to choose between different local and state associations often with very different programs (especially with regard to awards) and even different prices - and sometimes very different levels of service. (While men in this same league have no such choices.) This needlessly creates a lot of extra work for our league secretaries. If one of the associations (the BA or the WBA) is significantly “better” than the other, then the other will suffer.

When one of our associations suffers, we all suffer!

And when we make things more difficult for our league secretaries, we might be giving them an excuse to consider not certifying at all.

Some associations simply will not merge until they absolutely have to. Someday, we will all be forced to – either by legislation or by a changing world that will not let us survive doing things the same old way as before. That would be the hard way! Now that our annual awards programs are relegated to the local and/or state level, it is more important than ever for our league members in the same league to be part of the same membership organization with the same programs and services.

Only by merging can we make this happen. We all need each other – now more than ever!

Together, we can meet any challenge and create a better future!

Presented by: Dave E. Davis Jr.  
Cherry Hill, NJ

**Recommended for adoption by the USBC Board of Directors**
USBC National Bylaws
Article II, Purposes
Section B, Chartering State and Local Bowling Associations

USBC issues charters to state and local bowling associations that meet requirements established in these Bylaws and by the Board of Directors. Chartered associations are subject to the authority of USBC. USBC approves the geographic areas in which chartered associations may operate. The Board may revoke the charter of a state or local bowling association at any time if it determines that the association is not acting in compliance with USBC bylaws or rules, or state or local association bylaws; or is not in compliance with such requirements as USBC may establish, in its sole discretion, from time to time. Requirements for chartered state and local bowling associations include but are not limited to:

1. Compliance with Federal and state law.
2. Acceptance of, and adherence to, the Bylaws, the terms of the charter, and the authority of the USBC Board.
3. Adoption and maintenance of bylaws in the form determined by USBC and avoidance of any rules or policies conflicting with those bylaws or the USBC Bylaws.
4. Compliance with requirements in the USBC National Supplement and the USBC Association Policy Manual, including such requirements as are added or revised from time to time.
5. Acting in the best interest of USBC and the sport of bowling.

In extraordinary circumstances, the USBC Board may waive or suspend any requirements otherwise applicable to a state or local bowling association or establish separate affiliate status for organizations serving amateur bowlers to operate under the parameters established by the Board.

PROPOSAL...

Add “state associations must provide service for men, women and youth and all” after “Chartered” in the second sentence.

If adopted, Section B will state:

USBC issues charters to state and local bowling associations that meet requirements established in these Bylaws and by the Board of Directors. Chartered state associations must provide service for men, women and youth and all associations are subject to the authority of USBC. USBC approves the geographic areas in which chartered associations may operate. The Board may revoke the charter of a state or local bowling association at any time if it determines that the association is not acting in compliance with USBC bylaws or rules, or state or local association bylaws; or is not in compliance with such requirements as USBC may establish, in its sole discretion, from time to time. Requirements for chartered state and local bowling associations include but are not limited to:

1. Compliance with Federal and state law.
2. Acceptance of, and adherence to, the Bylaws, the terms of the charter, and the authority of the USBC Board.
3. Adoption and maintenance of bylaws in the form determined by USBC and avoidance of any rules or policies conflicting with those bylaws or the USBC Bylaws.
4. Compliance with requirements in the USBC National Supplement and the USBC Association Policy Manual, including such requirements as are added or revised from time to time.
5. Acting in the best interest of USBC and the sport of bowling.

In extraordinary circumstances, the USBC Board may waive or suspend any requirements otherwise applicable to a state or local bowling association or establish separate affiliate status for organizations serving amateur bowlers to operate under the parameters established by the Board.

If adopted, proposal will be effective August 1, 2016.

If adopted, the following will be deleted for the 2016-17 season:
Non-merged State Association Bylaws
**REASON FOR PROPOSAL...**

We’re all on the same team – we’re all USBC!

But without merging, this unity is not apparent to many of our members.

It’s been 10 years since we merged on the national level and created USBC – it’s time for state associations to take the next step and help lead the way to the future.

From the perspective of our membership (especially those members in merged local associations) there is no reason at all to remain non-merged at the state level. Any successful programs or tournaments being run by a State BA or State WBA will certainly be continued by a merged State Association.

Without merging, we are competing against ourselves –

Together, we can meet any challenge and create a better future!

Presented by: Dave E. Davis Jr.
Cherry Hill, NJ

*Recommended for adoption by the USBC Board of Directors*
PRESENT SECTION...

USBC National Bylaws
Article III Membership and Dues
Section B, Dues

USBC adult members are required to pay dues to USBC, to local associations, as well as to state associations that assess dues in combined amounts established by USBC.

USBC Youth Standard Membership dues are $4, state/location association dues are not allowed.

Annual adult standard membership dues are:
USBC dues not to exceed $10.
State dues not to exceed $5.
Local dues determined by their membership.

PROPOSAL...

Change USBC dues not to exceed “$10” to “$8”.

If adopted, Section B will state:

USBC adult members are required to pay dues to USBC, to local associations, as well as to state associations that assess dues in combined amounts established by USBC.

USBC Youth Standard Membership dues are $4, state/location association dues are not allowed.

Annual adult standard membership dues are:
USBC dues not to exceed $8.
State dues not to exceed $5.
Local dues determined by their membership.

REASON FOR PROPOSAL...

During the 2014 Convention, changes to state and local dues were approved. Since all the ‘expenses’ now being covered by the local/state associations, there is no reason for the national organization to keep charging the same dues previously charged.

Most of the average bowler’s only visible relationship with USBC at the national level was the awards program. That has been pushed to the local level with the exception of a bowler’s first 300 or 800 award.

During the 2014 Convention, a similar proposal was submitted. The recommendation for the rejection contained the many services provided. I agree that there are services that need to be maintained. Otherwise, I would recommend the national dues be reduced even further.

Presented by: Kevin M. McMackin
Slidell, LA

Recommended for rejection by the USBC Board of Directors
REASON FOR REJECTION...

USBC provides significantly more services and resources to bowling than just an awards program. USBC services associations, leagues, tournaments, centers and members. A 20-percent reduction in membership dues would lead to significant reduction or elimination of core services bowling depends upon such as:

Association Services
USBC staff dedicated to supporting and working with associations through Regional Managers, association services and Rules Counselors. This includes:

- Prompt email response, field assistance with meeting and elections, conference calls and webinars, local and state tournament support and resource visits from staff to state jamborees, meetings and workshops.
- USBC staff provides customer service support for WinLABS to associations and IT programmers to keep the system functioning.
- USBC maintains a policy of bonding, burglary and holdup insurance for all officers and directors of an association. This policy covers misuse of funds, the taking of funds from an officer/director by violence or threat of violence and funds taken through the forcible entry into the premises or locked receptacle.
- USBC staff provides key reference and operational tools to associations including updates to organizational bylaws, USBC Association Policy Manual and supporting documents on BOWL.com, and suspension/removal of association board members for misuse of funds.
- USBC provides an annual meeting and convention at no cost to attendees.

League and Tournament Services
USBC provides assistance and support to our league and tournament managers at the state and local levels. Bonding is provided to protect our members who bowl in USBC certified leagues. We address due process through our Rules Department and the Legal and Legislative Committee when there is a rules infraction that may occur in a league, tournament or association. Assistance is provided to tournament managers.

Tournaments
USBC provides events for bowlers of all ages and skill levels:

- USBC Open Championships
- USBC Women’s Championships
- USBC Mixed Championships
- USBC Queens
- USBC Masters
- USBC Senior Masters
- USBC Senior Queens
- Senior Championship
- Super Senior Classic
- Junior Gold Championships
- Youth Open Championships
- Pepsi Youth Championship
- Intercollegiate Team Championships
- Intercollegiate Singles Championships

USBC provides certification of tournaments and staff resources to assist with any issues related to tournament rules and eligibility, along with protests.

Member Services
USBC communications provides a wide variety of resources to bowlers of all skill levels and interests. BOWL.com content, videos and newsletters share tips, news, live streaming and event highlights.

All members benefit from lane, pin and ball specifications and approvals in order to keep the game fair for everyone. Member information and history on BOWL.com, the right to appeal and help resolving both league and tournament issues. Awards for honor score achievements. Support of charitable organizations such as, Susan G. Komen and Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL), and the Registered Volunteer Program (RVP) to protect our youth bowlers.
B 4 and B 5

The USBC Legal and Legislative Committee and the IBC Youth Committee (IBC Youth) have been working together for over a year through a subcommittee which was made up of members from each committee. The subcommittee identified an area to improve between adult and youth in the management of the association. Boards and members are fragmented between working for only youth or only adults, when everyone should be working together for all members.

When it comes to voting at the Annual Meeting there is confusion as to who votes on everything and who votes for just youth or adult items. Basically the role at the Annual Meetings is to set the overall management of the association.

Both committees and the USBC Board of Directors agreed that administration of the association should be handled by everyone.
PRESENT SECTION...

USBC Merged State Bylaws
Article VII, Meetings
Section A, Annual Meeting
Item 4, Responsibilities

a. All Delegates representing adult members, Youth Delegates, and Board shall elect two Delegates and two Alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.
b. Delegates representing adult membership and all Officers and Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of youth dues.
   2) Adopt state adult dues, up to the established maximum.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.
c. Youth Delegates and those Officers and Directors who hold youth membership, and Youth Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws with the exception of adult and youth dues.
   2) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

PROPOSAL...

Add “Youth Delegates,” to Item b.

If adopted, Item 4 will state:

a. All Delegates representing adult members, Youth Delegates, and Board shall elect two Delegates and two Alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.
b. **Youth Delegates**, Delegates representing adult membership and all Officers and Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of youth dues.
   2) Adopt state adult dues, up to the established maximum.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.
c. Youth Delegates and those Officers and Directors who hold youth membership, and Youth Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws with the exception of adult and youth dues.
   2) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

NOTE: The Youth Committee makes recommendations to the entire board on programs, tournaments, fund raisers, etc. and the Board makes the final decision. On the adult side committees also make these same recommendations and the Board makes the final decision.

If adopted, effective immediately.

If adopted, these bylaws and the following will be codified to conform:
State USBC Youth Bylaws
Merged Local Bylaws
Local USBC Youth Bylaws

REASON FOR PROPOSAL...

USBC was formed in 2005. While the Youth have been a big part of USBC, they are also fragmented and meetings have been confusing as to who votes on what. The USBC Legal and Legislative committee strongly believes Delegate and Board Members, regardless if adult or youth, should be voting in the best interest of all their members. It is now time to become one strong association where everyone is thinking and acting for all members, regardless of age.

Presented by:  USBC Legal and Legislative Committee

Recommended for approval by the USBC Board of Directors
BYLAWS PROPOSAL NO. B 5

PRESENT SECTION...

USBC Merged Local Bylaws
Article VII, Meetings
Section A, Annual Meeting
Item 3, Responsibilities

a. All adult members, Youth Representatives, officers and directors shall elect delegates and alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.
b. Adult Members and all officers and directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of the youth dues.
   2) Adopt local adult dues.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.
   4) Elect delegates and alternates representing adult membership for the state annual meeting(s).
c. Youth Representatives and Youth Directors:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of adult dues and youth processing fee.
   2) Elect Youth Delegates and alternates for the state annual meeting.
   3) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

PROPOSAL...

Add “, Youth Representatives” to Item b.

If adopted, Item 3 will state:

a. All adult members, Youth Representatives, officers and directors shall elect delegates and alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.
b. Adult Members, Youth Representatives and all officers and directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of the youth dues.
   2) Adopt local adult dues.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.
   4) Elect delegates and alternates representing adult membership for the state annual meeting(s).
c. Youth Representatives, and Youth Directors:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of adult dues and youth processing fee.
   2) Elect Youth Delegates and alternates for the state annual meeting.
   3) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

NOTE: The Youth Committee makes recommendations to the entire board on programs, tournaments, fund raisers, etc. and the Board makes the final decision. On the adult side committees also make these same recommendations and the Board makes the final decision.

If adopted, effective immediately.

If adopted, these bylaws and the following will be codified to conform:
State USBC Youth Bylaws
Merged Local Bylaws
Local USBC Youth Bylaws
REASON FOR PROPOSAL...

USBC was formed in 2005, while the Youth have been a big part of USBC, they are also fragmented and meetings have been confusing as to who votes on what. The USBC Legal and Legislative committee strongly believes Delegate and Board Members, regardless if adult or youth, should be voting in the best interest of all their members. It is now time to become one strong association where everyone is thinking and acting for all members, regardless of age.

Presented by: USBC Legal and Legislative Committee

Recommended for approval by the USBC Board of Directors
The following changes have been approved by the USBC Board of Directors pending approval of B4 and B5.

BYLAWS CHANGE

PRESENT SECTION...

USBC Merged State Bylaws
Article VII, Meetings
Section A, Annual Meeting
Item 4, Responsibilities

a. All Delegates representing adult members, Youth Delegates, and Board shall elect two delegates and two alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.

b. Delegates representing adult membership and all officers and directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of youth dues.
   2) Adopt state adult dues, up to the established maximum.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.

c. Youth Delegates and those Officers and Directors who hold youth membership, and Youth Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws with the exception of adult and youth dues.
   2) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

PROPOSAL...

Add “Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board to represent the Youth.” as a new Item b-4).

If adopted, Item 4 will state:

a. All Delegates representing adult members, Youth Delegates, and Board shall elect two delegates and two alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.

b. Delegates representing adult membership and all officers and directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of youth dues.
   2) Adopt state adult dues, up to the established maximum.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.
   4) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board to represent the Youth.

c. Youth Delegates and those Officers and Directors who hold youth membership, and Youth Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws with the exception of adult and youth dues.
   2) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

NOTE: The Youth Committee makes recommendations to the entire board on programs, tournaments, fund raisers, etc. and the Board makes the final decision. On the adult side committees also make these same recommendations and the Board makes the final decision

If adopted, effective immediately.

If adopted, these bylaws and the following will be codified to conform:
State USBC Youth Bylaws
Merged Local Bylaws
Local USBC Youth Bylaws

REASON FOR PROPOSAL...

USBC was formed in 2005. While the Youth have been a big part of USBC, they are also fragmented and meetings have been confusing as to who votes on what. The IBC Youth Committee strongly believes Delegate and Board Members, regardless if adult or youth, should be voting in the best interest of all their members. It is now time to become one strong association where everyone is thinking and acting for all members, regardless of age.

Presented by: IBC Youth Committee

Approved by the USBC Board of Directors
The following changes have been approved by the USBC Board of Directors pending approval of B4 and B5.

**BYLAWS CHANGE**

**PRESENT SECTION...**

USBC Merged Local Bylaws  
Article VII, Meetings  
Section A, Annual Meeting  
Item 3, Responsibilities

a. Adult members, Youth Representatives, and Board shall elect Delegates and Alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.

b. Adult Members and all Officers and Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of the youth dues.
   2) Adopt local adult dues.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.
   4) Elect Delegates and Alternates representing adult members for the State Annual Meeting(s).

c. Youth Representatives and Youth Directors:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of adult dues and youth dues.
   2) Elect Youth Delegates and Alternates for the State Annual Meeting.
   3) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

**PROPOSAL...**

Add “Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board to represent the Youth,” as a new item b-4)

Add “Elect Youth Delegates and Alternates for the State Annual Meeting,” as a new item b-6)

**If adopted,** Item 3 will state:

a. Adult members, Youth Representatives, and Board shall elect Delegates and Alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.

b. Adult Members and all Officers and Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of the youth dues.
   2) Adopt local adult dues.
   3) Elect up to 80% of the total number of members of the Board.
   4) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board to represent the Youth.
   5) Elect Delegates and Alternates representing adult members for the State Annual Meeting(s).
   6) Elect Youth Delegates and Alternates for the State Annual Meeting.

c. Youth Representatives and Youth Directors shall:
   1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of adult dues and youth dues.
   2) Elect Youth Delegates and Alternates for the State Annual Meeting.
   3) Elect at least 20% of the total number of members of the Board.

**NOTE:** The Youth Committee makes recommendations to the entire board on programs, tournaments, fund raisers, etc. and the Board makes the final decision. On the adult side committees also make these same recommendations and the Board makes the final decision.

**If adopted,** effective immediately.

**If adopted,** these bylaws and the following will be codified to conform:
State USBC Youth Bylaws  
Merged Local Bylaws  
Local USBC Youth Bylaws
**REASON FOR PROPOSAL...**

USBC was formed in 2005. While the Youth have been a big part of USBC, they are also fragmented and meetings have been confusing as to who votes on what. The IBC Youth Committee strongly believes Youth Representatives and Board Members, regardless if adult or youth, should be voting in the best interest of all their members. It is now time to become one strong association where everyone is thinking and acting for all members, regardless of age.

Presented by: IBC Youth Committee

*Approved by the USBC Board of Directors*
If B4 and B5 are approved by the Delegates when combined with the changes approved by the USBC Board of Directors the following will be the end results:

USBC Merged State Bylaws
Article VII, Meetings
Section A, Annual Meeting
Item 4, Responsibilities

The Board, Youth Delegates and Delegates representing adult members shall:
1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of youth dues.
2) Adopt state adult dues, up to the established maximum.
3) Elect:
   a) Two Delegates and two Alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.
   b) The members of the Board, with at least 20% representing youth.

Note: A Board Member is a person elected to the Board, by the Delegates to serve all members of the association. While 20% of the Board is elected to represent youth, and will have expertise in that area, they also serve the adult membership, while directors elected to serve adults also serve the youth members.

The Youth Committee makes recommendations to the entire board on programs, tournaments, fund raisers, etc. and the Board makes the final decision. On the adult side committees also make these same recommendations and the Board makes the final decision.

USBC Merged Local Bylaws
Article VII, Meetings
Section A, Annual Meeting
Item 3, Responsibilities

Adult members, Youth Representatives, and Board shall:
1) Adopt bylaws, with the exception of the youth dues.
2) Adopt local adult dues.
3) Elect:
   a) Delegates and Alternates for the USBC Annual Meeting.
   b) Delegates and Alternates representing adult members for the State Annual Meeting(s).
   c) Youth Delegates and Alternates for the State Annual Meeting.
   d) The members of the Board, with at least 20% representing youth.

Note: A Board Member is a person elected to the Board, by the Adult members, Youth Representatives, and Board to serve all members of the association. While 20% of the Board is elected to represent youth, and will have expertise in that area, they also serve the adult membership, while directors elected to serve adults also serve the youth members.

The Youth Committee makes recommendations to the entire board on programs, tournaments, fund raisers, etc. and the Board makes the final decision. On the adult side committees also make these same recommendations and the Board makes the final decision.