

MINUTES
SENIOR COMMITTEE MEETING
Toronto NABC
Tuesday, July 26 at 11:00

In the absence of committee Chair Reese Milner, Jan Martel called the meeting to order at 11:05 am.

In attendance were David Berkowitz, Drew Casen, Robert Cappelli, Billy Eisenberg, Joan Gerard, Garey Hayden, Gaylor Kasle, Bob Katz, Larry Kozlove, Steve Landen, ??

1) REVIEW OF 2011 TRIALS

The committee members unanimously agreed to say a huge thank you to the Detroit Units and Sandy & Bill Arlinghaus for the OUTSTANDING hospitality in Detroit. "The best ever!"

It was mentioned that the System Summary Forms were not much used and perhaps shouldn't be required – after brief discussion, the committee decided not to do anything different.

2) 2012 TRIALS

a) Date and Location

Jan explained that although the hotel contract has not been completely finalized, we are confident that the 2012 Senior and Women's Trials will be held at the Woodfield Hyatt in Schaumburg, IL, starting on June 1st.

b) Conditions of Contest

i) Match lengths

Round Robin: The committee decided that the Round Robin should reduce the field to 8 teams if the entry is between 9 and 15. If there are 9 or 10 teams, the Round Robin will be 1 day long. If there are 11-15 teams, the Round Robin will be 2 days long. There will be carryover from the Round Robin, similar to the carryover in the WBF events, so when two teams meet in a KO match, the winner of their Round Robin match receives a carryover of 50% of the Round Robin match score if they finished ahead of the losing team in the Round Robin, and 33-1/3% of the score if they finished behind the losing team in the Round Robin.

The carryover will be capped at a reasonable number to be determined by the Conditions of Contest committee.

Number of days for KO stages: The entire event will last for 6 days. If there is a 2 day Round Robin, the Quarterfinal will be 60 boards long, the Semifinal and Final will each be 90 boards long. If there is a 1 day Round Robin, the Quarterfinal and Semifinal will be 90 boards and the Final 120 Boards.

ii) Seeding Questions

Berkowitz, Eisenberg and Hayden agreed to serve on a committee to review the method used to seed the KO. They will report back at the Spring NABC.

iii) Conditions of Contest Committee

The committee appointed Peter Boyd, Bart Bramley, John Sutherlin and Kit Woolsey to serve on the Conditions of Contest committee.

3) ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00.