

July 6, 2026

Society of Brunswick Shaggers (SOBS) Club Board Meeting

Location: Cape Fear Regional Jetport (CFRJ) Meeting Room, Southport

Time: 4:00pm

Participants: Mark Trull (President), David Ross (Vice President), Michelle Cashman (Treasurer), Lyle Cashman (Secretary), Debbie Ross (Member).

- At request of the Moose Lodge Board the SOBS club (thanks again to Chuck Boney) offered a free beginner shag dance lesson before the June 18 dance. There were only two ML attendees.
- From contributors attending the June dance our club was able to contribute \$300 cash, various food items and a carrier to SOAR.
- The Board discussed items pertaining to retention of officers and recruitment of replacements which must occur each year as stipulated in the club bylaws. Specifically, the following were reviewed from the bylaws:
 - Article 4, Section 7. Terms of Office – **Changes suggested.**
 - Item 1: Nominations may be made by any member or by self-nomination. The Nominating Committee will verify that the person is willing to run.
 - Item 2: Nominations shall be presented by the Nominating Committee at the scheduled meeting at the first dance in October of each year. In addition to those names presented by the Nominating Committee, nominations may be received from the floor in October and November.
 - Item 4: Officers shall assume their duties on January 1 following election to office to serve for a one-year term.
 - Item 5: EXISTING - Elected (NEW) officers will be briefed and transitioned by their prior year counterparts.
 - Item 5: NEW SUGGESTED – **No more than two officers may transition out in a given year (President and Treasurer OR Vice President and Secretary).** Elected (NEW) officers will be briefed and transitioned by their prior year counterparts.
 - ~~Article 4, Section 8: No member shall hold more than one office at a time and no member shall be eligible to serve more than two consecutive terms in the same office¹.~~
 - ¹ The club voted to remove this Section from the bylaws on December 13, 2024.

- The Board discussed the following concerns which could affect longevity of the club:
 - Lyle reported that while the club gained 28 new members this year, there were 31 members from 2025 that did not re-up for 2026 (this is significant) resulting in a net loss of membership this year over last.
 - We may need to revisit our fee structure (balance between annual dues and individual dance entry fees).
 - Should we change to having fewer dances in the summer (since so many are away) and perhaps go back to twice per month the rest of the year?
 - We are having many difficulties and challenges having the dances at Moose Lodge. Arrangements are being made to meet with the Moose Lodge leadership to voice concerns. We are exploring other venue possibilities.
 - The Board discussed the need to perhaps make contact with other shag clubs in the area and see how they operate.
- The Board discussed modifications to the DJ list.
- Total attendance for the June 18 dance was 35.
- The Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC) Summer Workshop is July 18 in Columbia, SC. It is not clear yet who will be representing the SOBS at this mandatory event.

Treasurer Report:

June Beginning Balance	\$ 2,789.73
Total Income	\$ 808.00
Total Expenses	\$ 1,171.35
Ending Balance	\$ 2,426.38

- Total club membership paid up and in good standing is 96. This includes 28 new members for 2026 but a net decline in membership over 2025.

Ongoing Board Items:

- The Board is continuing to explore ways to boost attendance and control expenses.
- The Board is investigating another possible venue change.

The next Board meeting is set for July 23, 2026 at 4:00pm at Cape Fear Regional Jetport.

Lyle Cashman

SOBS Secretary