

## MINUTES

## GREAT PEPPERS' MEETING

SEPTEMBER 11, 1982

KRAUSE'S SPRING, TEXAS

The annual meeting of the CASI Great Peppers was held on September 11, 1982, at Krause's Spring, Texas. The following officials were present:

Ray King--CASI Director  
Judy King--CASI Director  
Ray Burda--Tall in Texas Pod--Great Pepper  
Bob Moore--Montgomery County Pod--Pepper Popper  
Bob Taylor--Central Arkansas Pod--Great Pepper  
Don "Red" Caldwell--State of Texas Pod--Great Pepper  
Al Hopkins--Heart O' Texas Pod--Great Pepper  
Clyde Griffin--Highland Lakes Pod--Great Pepper  
Tom Skipper--Pasadena Pod--Great Pepper  
Jim Carmony--Coast of Texas Pod--Great Pepper  
Waldo Strein--Cowtown Pod--Great Pepper  
Darrell Baxter--Top O' Texas Pod--Great Pepper  
Frank Fox--Houston Pod--Great Pepper  
Tom Arnhold--North of the Brazos Pod--Great Pepper  
Herman Cellmer--San Antonio Pod--Great Pepper  
Carol Knight--Dallas Pod--Representative  
Karen Meade--Heart of Oklahoma Chili Heads Pod--  
Great Pepper  
Vann York--Regional Referee  
Richard Knight--Regional Referee and Talley Master  
Bill Newkirk--Regional Referee

Ray King called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. Ray instructed that only the Great Peppers would be entitled to make motions and vote. The Regional Referees and Directors would be permitted to voice their opinions if requested by the Great Peppers. Ray introduced the Great Peppers, the Directors, and the Regional Referees. He also introduced Irene Duffield, recording secretary, and Pat Irvine, assistant recording secretary. Ray stated that Frank Tolbert had called him and advised him that he could not attend because of prior commitments. Frank sent his best wishes for a successful meeting.

Ray King discussed the purpose and objectives of CASI. He stated that CASI is the organization of the chili heads. He urged that all work together for the benefit of all chili heads.

Tom Arnhold, the credentials chairman, reported that there were fifteen pods represented. Carol Knight had been requested

by Doris Coates, to represent the Dallas Pod. Bob Moore was representing the Montgomery County Pod. Tom discussed the status of the Rose Pod from the Tyler area. This Pod has not been responsive to correspondence from CASI and has not been represented at the Great Peppers meeting for two years. They have been notified that their charter will be lost due to their inactivity.

Al Hopkins (Heart O' Texas Pod) moved that the Rose Pod be de-activated. Darrell Baxter (Top O' Texas Pod) seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Notice of this action will be published in the Goat Gap Gazette and will also be mailed to the Great Pepper of the Rose Pod.

Bob Moore reported that the Montgomery County Pod had been inactive but efforts were being made to reorganize the Pod and to change its name to Conroe Area Chili Association (CACA) Pod.

"Red" Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) moved that the Montgomery County Pod be recognized, and that its representative, Bob Moore, be seated with full voting privileges. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Tom Arnhold reported that the Heart of Oklahoma Chili Heads Pod had been unanimously approved. He reported the vote on the Space City Pod was as follows: For--4, Against--10, Abstention--1. The Space City Pod, by vote of the Great Peppers, will not be sanctioned as a CASI Pod. Ray King will notify the Space City Pod of this action.

Ray King, CASI Treasurer, presented his Treasurer's Report, a copy of which is attached.

Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) moved that the CASI Charter and Bylaws and an update of the rules be printed in booklet form and distributed to the Great Peppers immediately following the Great Peppers' Meeting. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ray King reported that Irene Duffield had volunteered to be the CASI membership secretary. She will handle memberships as they are received.

Richard Knight, the CASI Talley Master, was introduced to the Great Peppers. He reported that 64 cooks and 16 showmanship teams have qualified to participate at Terlingua.

Frank Fox (Houston Pod) moved that Richard Knight be appointed to serve as Talley Master for another year, and that Richard Knight be given a vote of confidence. Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ray King reported that he had printed CASI bumper stickers which could be purchased by the Great Peppers for re-sale as a money-making project.

Ray King opened the meeting to discussion of the current rules and any proposed rule changes and amendments. The following is an accounting of the discussion by section and paragraph of the current rules with the proposals made, motions made, and the voting counts:

## RULES

### I. Qualified Cooks Must Be:

Paragraph 1--no changes

Paragraph 2--change to: "Chilympiad Texas Men's State, Luckenbach Texas Ladies' State, Southwestern Ladies' Open, and Texas Open Champions and the two runners up."

There was considerable discussion about limiting the number of open championships. Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) moved that Texas Championships be limited to the existing four, and that any new out-of-state championships be approved by the governing body of CASI. Tom Skipper (Pasadena Pod) seconded. There were numerous suggestions concerning standards and criteria for "Championship Cookoffs". Bob Taylor (Arkansas Pod) amended his motion to be: "Texas championships shall be limited to the two open Championships and the State Men's and Ladies' Championships now in existence." Tom Arnhold (North of the Brazos Pod) seconded the motion.

VOTE: For--14, Against--1

Paragraph 3--no changes

Tom Skipper (Pasadena Pod) requested that the point system be changed to four points for first, three for second, two for third, and one point for places four through ten and requiring twelve points to qualify. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) moved that we leave points at six. Ray Burda (Tall in Texas Pod) seconded.

VOTE: For--13, Against--2

Paragraph 4--change age to 19

Tom Arnhold (North of the Brazos Pod) moved that we change the age limit for those who can receive points to Arriba Terlingua to age nineteen (19). Waldo Strein (Cowtown Pod) seconded the motion.

VOTE: For--11, Against--4

### II. Qualifications for CASI Sanctioned Cookoffs

Paragraph 1--delete "Beginning October 1, 1981,"

Tom Arnhold (North of the Brazos Pod) moved that we delete "Beginning October 1, 1981." Carrol Knight (Dallas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 2--no changes

Paragraph 3--no changes

Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Barrell Baxter (Top O' Texas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 4--no changes

Ray Burda (Tall in Texas Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 5--add: "No beans, macaroni, rice, hominy or fillers of any other type will be acceptable."

Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) moved that paragraph five remain as is. Karen Meade (Heart of Oklahoma Chili Heads Pod) seconded. There was discussion that beans should be specifically forbidden. The original motion and second were withdrawn. Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) moved that the following be inserted: "No beans, macaroni, rice, hominy, or fillers of any other type will be acceptable. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 6--add "on the same day."

Al Hopkins (Heart O' Texas Pod) moved that the last sentence be changed to read "Therefore, cookoffs judging cooking categories other than chili on the same day will not be sanctioned for Arriba Terlingua points. Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 7--no changes

Darrell Baxter (Top O' Texas Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 8--add "for chili cooking and showmanship" to first sentence.

Tom Skipper (Pasadena Pod) moved that cash prizes be eliminated entirely. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded. The motion and second were withdrawn. Ray Burda (Tall in Texas Pod) moved that the first sentence be changed to read: "Any cook-off giving cash prizes for chili cooking and showmanship will not be sanctioned, and no points awarded, the exception being the state cookoffs." Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 9--no changes

Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Darrell Baxter (Top O' Texas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

New Paragraph 10--New cookoffs must have an area referee, or a regional referee, or a CASI official, or a Great Pepper or an authorized representative of one of the above, present.

Al Hopkins (Heart O' Texas Pod) moved that a new paragraph 10 be added as follows: "New cookoffs must have an area

referee, or a regional referee, or a CASI official, or a Great Pepper or an authorized representative of one of the above, present. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Explanation of Qualifications

Paragraph 1--dates are to be changed.

Red Caldwell (State of Texas Pod) moved that we change dates appropriately. Tom Arnhold (North of the Brazos Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 2--no change

Ray Burda (TIT Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 3--no changes

Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

New Paragraph 4--Texas championships shall be limited to the two open championships and the State Men's and Ladies' Championships now in existence.

IV. To Have Points Officially Recorded The Following Must Be Complied With:

Change as follows: It is the responsibility of the cookoff chairman to obtain from the Goat Gap Gazette, for the sum of five (5) dollars, a packet of official CASI rules, judging system, and two (2) official winners tally sheets. A copy of the request must be mailed to CASI on the same date. These tally sheets must be completed containing the top ten chili winners and the top three showmanship winners, in the order of their finish, names and mailing addresses. ONE COPY MUST BE FORWARDED WITH COMPLETE ENTRY LIST OF COOKS ACCOMPANIED BY A CHECK FOR FIFTY CENTS (50¢) PER COOK TO: CASI, P.O. BOX 31183, DALLAS, TEXAS 75231. If sent into CASI incomplete, it will be returned to sender.

Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) moved that we capitalize and underline the entire second to last sentence of the first paragraph and add "accompanied by a check for fifty cents (50¢) per cook" and also to add: "A copy of the request must be mailed to CASI on the same date." Waldo Strein (Cowtown Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

RULES FOR QUALIFYING TO PARTICIPATE IN SHOWMANSHIP CHAMPIONSHIP AT ARRIBA TERLINGUA

I. Showmanship Shall Be Judged On:

No change

Frank Fox (Houston Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

II. Judging

Paragraph 1--add at end of sentence "ending at least thirty (30) minutes prior to turn-in time of chili."

Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) moved that we add to the end of the sentence the following: "ending at least thirty (30) minutes prior to turn-in time of chili." Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 2--change word "should" to "must"

Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) moved that the word "should" be changed to "must." Jim Carmony (Coast of Texas Pod) seconded.

VOTE: For--14, Against--1

Paragraph 3--change to: "Battery-powered amplification may be used with limited volume so as not to interfere with surrounding cooks. Decision of volume shall be at the discretion of the cookoff committee controlling that particular cookoff."

Carrol Knight (Dallas Pod) moved that the rule remain as is. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded. Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) suggested that cookoff chairmen should be given discretion to disqualify offenders, and that battery-operated sound systems should be permitted.

The motion and second were withdrawn. Waldo Strein (Cowtown Pod) moved that amplification be reinstated with limitations. Clyde Griffin (Highland Lakes Pod) seconded.

VOTE: For--12, Against--3 (Frank Fox, Ray Burda, and Tom Arnhold)

Darrell Baxter (TOT Pod) moved that battery powered amplification may be used with limited volume so as not to interfere with surrounding cooks with the decision of volume at the discretion of the cookoff committee. Waldo Strein (Cowtown Pod) seconded.

VOTE: For--14, Against--1 (Frank Fox)

Paragraph 4--no changes

Frank Fox (Cowtown Pod) moved that this paragraph remain

as is. Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 5--add "It is recommended that at least fifty percent (50%) of the showmanship judges be chiliheads."

Ray Burda (TIT Pod) moved that we add: "It is recommended that at least fifty percent (50%) of the showmanship judges be chili heads." Al Hopkins (HOT Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 6--no changes

Carrol Knight (Dallas Pod) moved that this paragraph remain as is. Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) seconded.  
VOTE: For--14, Against--1 (Jim Carmony)

Add Paragraph 7--"No show team can use any noise-producing pyrotechnics or explosives in their show."

Tom Arnhold (NOB Pod) moved that a new rule be added as follows: "No show team can use any noise-producing pyrotechnics or explosives in their show." Bob Taylor (CAP Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

### III. Arriba Terlingua Showmanship Points

Delete--"As of October 2, 1981"

Ray Burda (TIT Pod) moved that we delete the date at the beginning of the section. Al Hopkins (HOT Pod) seconded. Motion carried.

Paragraph 1--no change

Paragraph 2--no change

Paragraph 3--no change

### SANCTIONED COOKOFF JUDGING RULES USING FRANK X. TOLBERT'S SECRET JUDGING SYSTEM

Cups--no change

Coin Envelopes--no change

Judging Sheets--no change

Duplicate Set Of Numbers--no change

Checking In And Marking Cups--no change

Judging The Chili:

Paragraph 1--no change

Paragraph 2--no change

Paragraph 3--no change

Paragraph 4--change last sentence to: "Judging should be divided among the tables so the final table will end up with no less than twelve (12) chilis."

Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) moved that we change to "no less than twelve (12) chilis. Waldo Strein (Cowtown Pod) seconded. Motion carried.

Paragraph 5--no change

Paragraph 6--delete "etc."

Tom Arnhold (NOB Pod) moved that "etc." be deleted. Ray Burda (TIT Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 7--no change

Paragraph 8--no change

Paragraph 9--change to: "Do not break ties in the predetermined minimum chilis that must come off of the preliminary judging table or the semi-finals judging table. They are to be passed to the semi-finals or finals table for further judging."

Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) moved that Rule Nine be changed to provide that all ties eligible to go to the semi-finals table or finals table should go to those tables. Darrell Baxter (TOT Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Paragraph 10--no change

Paragraph 11--no change

Paragraph 12--no change

SHOWMANSHIP JUDGING SHEET

- I. 1. no change
2. no change
3. no change



4. no change
  5. change "participation" to "appeal"
- II. Change to: "Judging will be on a continuous basis throughout the time limit set by this cookoff committee."
- III. no change
- IV. no change
- V. Change to: "Battery powered amplification may be used with limited volume so as not to interfere with surrounding cooks. No show team can use any noise-producing pyrotechnics or explosives in their show."

Frank Fox (Houston Pod) moved that the new amplification and firearms rule be added. Al Hopkins (HOT Pod) seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

- VI. Delete "Scoring should be on the following basis:  
1-4=Fair, 5-7=Good, 8-10=Excellent."

Ray Burda (TIT Pod) moved that we delete scoring system. Al Hopkins (HOT Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ray King (CASI Director) introduced Glen Pepper to the Great Peppers. Glen is the proprietor of Terlingua. Glen reported on changes and improvements being made at Terlingua.

#### CASI ORGANIZATION

Red Caldwell (SOT Pod) made the following motion regarding CASI structure:

The Body of Great Peppers function as the Board of Governors of CASI. This would function through an administrator. In any dispute arising, a fifty-one percent (51%) or greater majority of the Board of Governors could resolve the dispute. Day to day administration would be handled through the administrator. The administrator would be responsible to the Great Pepper; he would handle the day-to-day operations of CASI. The Great Peppers, through a vote, would make the ultimate decisions in policy making.

Regional referees would report directly to the Board through the administrator. The Board of Governors would select the regional referees. The administrator would provide input and recommendations to the Board. The Administrator would be elected by the Great Peppers and serve at their pleasure.

Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) seconded the motion. After much discussion the vote was: FOR: 13 AGAINST: None ABSTENTION: 2

Clyde Griffin (Highland Lakes Pod) moved that the administrator, at his discretion, be authorized to hire any help needed to carry out the responsibilities of his office. Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Frank Fox (Houston Pod) moved that Ray King be elected as the administrator and be given a vote of confidence. Darrell Baxter (TOT Pod) seconded. VOTE: FOR - 14 AGAINST - None ABSTENTION - 1

Tom Skipper (Pasadena Pod) moved that a committee be selected to present these proposals to Frank Tolbert. Red Caldwell (SOT POD) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ray King appointed the following to this committee: Doris Coates, Tom Arnhold, Red Caldwell and Jo Ann Horton. Ray agreed to give a report of the meeting to the Board of Governors.

It was agreed that the administrator of the Board of Governors would preside over the Board of Governors' meeting.

Ray Burda (TIT POD) moved that eight regional referees be appointed as follows:

South Gulf Coast - Corpus Christi - Brownsville  
 North Central - Dallas/Ft. Wort - East Texas  
 Central - Austin - Waco - Hill Country  
 Southwest - San Antonio - near West Texas  
 Northwest - Wichita Falls - Panhandle  
 Central Gulf Coast - Houston - Beaumont - Schulenburg  
 El Paso and westward  
 Arkansas

Red Caldwell (SOT POD) seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Al Hopkins (HOT POD) moved that a regional referee or an area referee should be an active chilihead. Waldo Strein (Cowntown) seconded. Motion carried unanimously

Bob Taylor (Central Arkansas Pod) moved that regional referees be elected to serve for the chili year. Waldo Strein (Cowntown) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The regional and area referees are as follows:

Central - Vann York (regional) and Lee Burleson, Lynn Hejtmancik, David Hackworth (area) - *HUSTON* (LARRY SCHATTER - HUSTON)  
 Central Gulf Coast - Frank Fox (regional)

North Central - Tom Tyler (regional) - Jim Hudgins, Andy Faber, Bob Coates, Lonnie Gibbs, John Thompson, Charle Brown (area)  
 South Gulf Coast - Jim Carmony (regional) - Buddy Fehrenkamp (area)  
 El Paso - Bill Newkirk (regional) - Scott Visniewski (area)  
 Southwest - Herman Cellmer (regional) - Bob Angel, Carl Jaks, Russell Booker and Ira Duffield (area)

Northwest - Glynn Gaines (regional) - Tom Arnhold and  
Ray Burda (area)  
Arkansas - Mike Gallaher (regional) - no area referees

Red Caldwell (SOT POD) moved that we accept the regional and area referees. Tom Skipper (Pasadena) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Al Hopkins (HOT POD) moved that in order for a Pod to remain as a "sanctioned Pod" it must meet the following criteria:

1. Have at least two regular scheduled meetings during the year for all membership
2. The Great Pepper or an authorized alternate must attend the annual Great Peppers' Meeting
3. Each Pod must be accredited at the Great Peppers' Meeting by furnishing a membership list of at least twenty-five (25) members
4. The Great Pepper or his authorized alternate will have one vote at the Great Peppers' meeting to decide rule changes governing chili cookoffs, cooking chili, showmanship and general organization.

Waldo Strein (COWTOWN POD) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Darrell Baxter (TOT POD) made the following motion concerning new Pods:

1. New Pod must organize with a membership of not less than twenty-five (25) individuals
2. Must be sponsored by two existing recognized Pods
3. Must be approved by a vote of 2/3 of Great Peppers
4. Must apply for membership not later than thirty days prior to CASI annual meeting
5. New Pod delegate shall be seated at annual meeting after Great Peppers' vote

Jim Carmony (COT POD) seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Karen Meade (HOOCH POD) thanked the Great Peppers for sanctioning the HOOCH POD.

Invitations for the next annual Great Peppers meeting were extended by Amarillo, Houston Area, West, and El Paso. The Vote was as follows: Amarillo - 1 Houston Area - 4 West - 9 El Paso - 1

West, Texas, hosted by the Heart of Texas Pod will be the site for the 1983 annual Great Peppers meeting.

Clyde Griffin (Highland Lakes Pod) moved that the second weekend in September be adopted as a permanent date for the Great Peppers meeting. Frank Fox (Houston Pod) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ray King announced that Red Caldwell had been named as the Great Pepper of the Year.

Jo Ann Horton requested that all Great Peppers poll their Pods on supporting a Texas living museum. The Texas Embassy Foundation would like the Pods to fund a chili museum-beer joint which might cost as much as \$100,000. This will take place in 1986 during the Texas Sesquicentennial. Jo Ann will send all Great Peppers a letter concerning this. Ray King asked that all Great Peppers poll their Pods and write to him indicating whether or not there is interest in this project.

A vote of thanks was given to the SOT POD and Highland Lakes Pod for serving as the host to the annual meeting-- a job well done.

Ray announced that the Great Peppers would meet the Friday afternoon of Terlingua in the judging area. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.