

MINUTES

GREAT PEPPERS' ANNUAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 7, 1985

DFW AIRPORT MARRIOTT HOTEL, DALLAS, TEXAS

The annual meeting of the CASI Great Peppers was held on September 7, 1985, at the DFW Airport Marriott Hotel, Dallas, Texas. The following Great Peppers and CASI Board of Directors were present:

Great Peppers:

Ken Novy - HOOCH Pod CASI
Janet Phillips - TULSA Pod CASI (By Proxy)
Mike Bryan - NOB Pod CASI
Bubba Reinke - PERGATORY CREEK Pod CASI
Carol Gibbs - DAM Pod
Ken Hudspeth - COWTOWN CASI
Lynn Hejtmancik - SOT Pod CASI
Mike Niemeier- TIT Pod CASI
Jim Graves - SPACE CITY Pod CASI
Rex Jones - TOP OF TEXAS Pod CASI
Kenneth Turner - VASA Pod CASI
Richard Gaiser - ROSE Pod CASI
Ken Hetherwick - LA CASI LOUISIANNE Pod CASI
Frank Metz - SAN ANTONIO POD CASI
Richard Inmon - HOUSTON Pod CASI
Ruby Frasier - HIGHLAND LAKES Pod CASI
Robert Bell - GOLDEN TRIANGLE Pod CASI
Pat Williams - CAP-CASI Central Arkansas CASI

Board of Directors

Ray King
Judie King
Pat Irvine
Richard Knight
Vann York
Tex Schofield
Larry Burruss
Bob Taylor

Ray King, President of the Board of Directors, called the annual meeting of the Great Peppers to order at 9:15 a.m. He opened with a brief preamble and extended a vote of confidence to the Great Peppers.

Mike Gallagher, Chairman of the credentials committee, reported that there were eighteen Great Peppers and eight members of the Board of Directors registered and present. He recognized the regional referees present and the members of the Board of Directors present.

Mike reported that he had received materials from three other Pods requesting sanctioning for the meeting--POD of the Pass (El Paso), HEART OF TEXAS Pod and PASADENA Pod.

Bell (Golden Triangle Pod) moved that POD OF THE PASS (El Paso) be accepted. Ken Hudspeth (Cowtown) seconded. Motion carried. Hut Brown, Great Pepper of Pod of the Pass, was seated as a voting delegate.

Richard Inmon (Houston Pod) moved that Heart of Texas Pod be seated by the Great Peppers. Robert Bell (Golden Triangle Pod) seconded. Motion carried. Al Hopkins, Great Pepper of the Heart of Texas - HOT- Pod, was seated as a voting delegate.

Jim Graves (Space City Pod) moved that the Great Peppers waive the thirty-day filing requirement for the Heart of Texas Pod. Rex Jones (Top of Texas Pod) seconded. Motion carried.

Richard Inmon (Houston Pod) moved that the Pasadena Pod be seated by the Great Peppers. Jim Graves (Space City Pod) seconded. Tom Skipper, Great Pepper of the Pasadena Pod, addressed the Great Peppers concerning the Pasadena Pod's desire for reinstatement. A vote was taken, and the motion carried. Tom Skipper was seated as a voting delegate.

Robert Bell (Golden Triangle Pod) moved to suspend the thirty-day filing requirement for the Pasadena Pod. Pat Williams (CAP-CASI) seconded. Motion carried.

Mike Gallagher reported that the voting strength was 29-- 21 Great Peppers and 8 Board of Directors.

Richard Knight, Tallymaster, reported that over 300 cookoffs throughout the United States had requested sanctioning. He reported that 125 cooks were presently sanctioned to cook at Terlingua. Eight state championships have not yet sent in results, and fifty-seven other cookoffs had not yet sent in results. Richard projected 160 cooks eligible and thirty plus show teams for the World Championship at Terlingua. Richard thanked the referees and Great Peppers for their assistance and cooperation.

Pat Irvine, Secretary-Treasurer of CASI, presented the financial report, a copy of which is attached to the minutes. She also presented a copy of the 1980-1984 audit.

Larry Burruss, Executive Administrator, initiated discussion on proposed rules changes.

Paragraph II. Section 10 was amended. The following was added by vote of the Great Peppers: "The designated official should also be mailed a copy of the Tally Sheet."

Richard Inmon (Houston Pod) asked that a duplicate copy of the Tally Sheet be mailed to the Goat Gap Gazette. Larry Burruss deferred discussion on this until later in the meeting.

Ken Novy (HOOCH Pod) moved that the Southwestern Open Championship be made a roving Open cookoff. Robert Bell (Golden Triangle) seconded. Motion carried.

The PCP/SOT Pod proposal: "All preliminary judging begins at the same time. No more chilis will be accepted after judging commences." was passed by majority vote of the Great Peppers, and will be added after the first paragraph of CHECKING IN AND MARKING JUDGING CUPS.

The SOT/PCP proposal: "The table monitor should check each cup as it is passed to the first judge for interior marks and fillers." was passed by majority vote of the Great Peppers, and will be added to the rules after the second sentence of Paragraph 5 in the JUDGING THE CHILI section.

The VASA Pod proposal: "Tabulation should be done in the judging area and overseen by a referee and/or other CASI official." was passed by majority vote of the Great Peppers, and will be added as a new Paragraph Nine in the JUDGING THE CHILI section of the rules.

The SOT/PCP proposal on judging of showmanship passed by majority vote of the Great Peppers. Paragraph II. Section 1 (RULES FOR QUALIFYING TO PARTICIPATE IN SHOWMANSHIP AT TERLINGUA) will be amended as follows: "Judging shall be on a continuous basis for two hours during the cookoff, ending at least thirty (30) minutes prior to turn-in time of chili or beginning thirty (30) minutes after turn-in of chili.

Richard Inmon (Houston Pod) made a motion that the identity of showmanship judges not be anonymous. Motion was defeated.

The VASA Pod proposal: "Showmanship should be limited to your cook area only." was defeated.

The VASA Pod proposal to hold the annual Great Peppers' Meeting a month earlier was defeated.

Kenneth Turner (VASA Pod) discussed the proposal to pass down points. The proposal was defeated.

Ken Novy (HOOCH Pod) withdrew discussion proposed on cubed vs. ground meat cookoffs.

The SOT/PCP proposals to be inserted at the end of the rules were voted on as follows:

Rules for sanctioning CASI Cookoffs shall be observed at Terlingua Championship Cookoff. PASSED

The persons running the Chili and Showmanship judging at the Terlingua Championship Cookoff should be determined by vote of the Great Peppers. - DEFEATED.

The chili judging score sheet proposed by the Tall in Texas Pod was defeated.

The PCP and SOT Pods requested permission to run a State cookoff in Tamaulipas, Mexico. Lynn Hejtmancek, Great Pepper of SOT Pod spoke to the issue.

Vann York (CASI Board) made a motion that the Mexico Grande Cookoff in Guadalajara, Mexico, be changed from an International Cookoff (top three winners automatically qualified for Terlingua) and given the status of a regular cookoff where points are awarded. Ken Hudspeth (COWTOWN CASI) seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Richard Inmon (HOUSTON POD) moved that the cookoff in Nuevo Laredo, Tamaulipas, Mexico, be changed to an International cookoff where top three winners would be automatically qualified for Terlingua. Ruby Frasier (HIGHLAND LAKES POD) seconded. Motion carried.

Rex Jones (TOP OF TEXAS POD) made a motion that the age limit for cooks be lowered to eighteen (18). Ken Hudspeth (COWTOWN CASI) seconded. Motion carried.

Rex Jones (TOP OF TEXAS POD) made a motion that the last sentence of Article II, Section 5 of the rules be amended to read as follows: "No beans, macaroni, rice, hominy or other similar items will be acceptable." Ruby Frasier (HIGHLAND LAKES POD) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rex Jones (TOP OF TEXAS POD) made a motion that the judging criteria for chili be "aroma, color, taste, consistency and after taste." Jim Graves (SPACE CITY POD) seconded. Motion was defeated.

Rex Jones (TOP OF TEXAS POD) made a motion that if a chili judging cup is lost, a new cup and number can be issued provided that an official also signs the ticket that the recipient signs. Carol Gibbs (DAM POD) seconded. Motion carried.

Kenneth Turner (VASA POD) requested a rules change to make it the responsibility of CASI to furnish a referee to a cookoff. After discussion, the Great Peppers' decision was to leave the requirement as is--it is the responsibility of the cookoff promoter.

Richard Inmon (HOUSTON POD) made a motion that it be mandatory that the cookoff promoter be required to send a copy of the Tally Sheet signed by the referee to the Goat Gap Gazette. Jim Graves (SPACE CITY POD) seconded. Motion was defeated.

Bob Taylor, chairman of the Out-of-State Cookoffs Committee, made the following recommendations for governing out of state cookoffs:

(a) Only bonafide residents of a state can automatically qualify at State cookoffs.

(b) Chili qualifying for finals table (other than the top ten chilis) may be used to obtain top three (3) state qualifiers.

(c) New state cookoffs should be provisional until established as a State Cookoff.

(d) Number of cooks to qualify for sanctioning in out of state cookoffs should be the same as for other cookoffs. There should be no exceptions in the basic rules for out of state cookoffs.

Richard Knight (CASI Tallymaster) suggested an application process for qualifying out of state cookoffs as State Championship cookoffs.

Ray King gave the following Terlingua Cookoff report:

(a) Glen Pepper at Villa De La Mina will furnish security and site.

(b) White Mountain has agreed to sponsor printing of the posters.

(c) Dodge has agreed to again furnish a vehicle for a year.

(d) Gebhardt's has not committed for this year at this time.

(e) Ralph Hay will be in charge of chili judging.

(f) Doug Bieck will be in charge of showmanship judging.

Frank Metz (SAP CASI) made a motion that next year's Great Peppers' Meeting be held in San Antonio, Texas, and hosted by SAP-CASI. Ruby Frasier (HIGHLAND LAKES POD) seconded.

Ken Novy (HOOCH POD) moved that next year's Great Peppers' Meeting be held in Oklahoma and hosted by HOOCH POD.

A vote was taken and San Antonio was chosen as the site for the 1986 Great Peppers' Meeting.

Ken Novy of the Nominating Committee submitted the following names in nomination for the CASI Board of Directors:

Frank Fox ²
 Glyn Gaines
 Don Ingle
 Rex Jones ³
 Tex Schofield

Bubba Reinke (PCP POD) nominated Dave Hackworth.

Frank Metz (SAP CASI) nominated Tom Pike

Pat Williams (CAP-CASI) nominated Darrell Folsie.

Ken Hudspeth (COWTOWN CASI) nominated Mike Gallagher.

A vote was taken by the Great Peppers. Elected to three-year terms were Mike Gallagher and Rex Jones. Elected to a two-year term was Frank Fox.