



NLAC/SLAC MERGER

All NLAC USBC members over the age of 14 with current 2020-21 USBC membership may attend and vote.

Saturday, May 15 at 2pm
Virtual Meeting

RSVP your attendance online by April 30

"In the field", bowlers should not expect to see any dramatic or major changes except for one. Those that bowl in a lot of tournaments and leagues will see the discontinuation of the \$10 transfer fee if the merge is approved. This will make entering tournaments much easier for everyone and less expensive. Annual tournaments between the two associations can run as usual.

The main reason for the merge is consolidating the office. There is duplicate work that can be done in one location, saving a lot of money that is paid towards rent, insurance and utilities. Consolidation is good for efficiency and monetary savings. There has been a decline in membership over the years and especially now with COVID-19 so this merge plan has come at the right time. Combining the two associations will provide a better experience for each member and create uniformity in programs and services. We will still need the help of the local house reps in making award presentations for 300 / 800 honor awards and helping to run work our tournaments.

Processing memberships and bowler information, including tournament and league awards, managing and operating annual tournaments, fundraising for charities and promoting the sport through their website and facebook are just some of the services provided by local associations every season. As stated by USBC, the merging of previously separated associations allows for stronger knowledge and service to the members, from the operations of tournaments to recognition programs and awarding scholarships. Combining the resources in areas previously fragmented will allow for improved services to USBC members.

The NLAC USBC will vote on the intent of this merger on Saturday, May 15. Only NLAC USBC members over the age of 14 with 2020-21 membership will be allowed to vote. Please join us to discuss this opportunity. There will also be other items to vote on such as the elections of Officers and Directors. Your membership is important and we want to grow this great sport of bowling. Help us to shape and strengthen our organization. Thank you and see you there!



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- **Cost savings of only one association office**
 - **More members = more dues/tournament income, which can allow the new association to provide more/better services**
 - **Only one membership to purchase – No more transfer fees**
 - **More centers within the association to bowl league and tournaments –
Will increase the Open & Women’s Championships prize fund due to more teams entering**
 - **Less confusion about “which” association they are members of**
 - **Easier communication when help is needed – only one association to contact**
 - **It’s harder today to fill board member/volunteer positions. Merging enlarges the member pool in finding more dedicated volunteers to become board members, house reps and/or tournament helpers**
 - **Same house reps can still be utilized serving their local centers – no one will be left behind**
 - **Same charities, fundraisers and awards programs will be utilized**
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