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### **Election Results for Real Poker's Inaugural "Final Table" The Arizona Poker Tour – Poker for the Rest of Us**

On Tuesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>, forty friends sat around five colorful poker tables in a private room at Toso's Sports Grill, located at 2401 W Union Hills in North Phoenix. A half dozen employees, hired by the forty friends, are all wearing identical light blue shirts and getting ready to conduct the club's last "soft opening" event. It is also the last night that members can vote for the nominees who have volunteered to serve as the officers and directors of the Final Table.

The event has a \$60 entry fee and boasts a prize pool of \$2,500 with \$1,000 to the winner. The month of December is the official Grand Opening for the club, and coincides with an annual membership drive that concludes on December 29<sup>th</sup> with a \$1,000 public freeroll event.

At 7:15pm, Election Committee Chairperson Jeanine O'Connor began to tally the dozens of votes cast over the past two weeks. She announced the winners at the start of the 8:00pm break.

Club co-founders Esho Odisho and John Schnaubelt were elected as President and Vice President respectively. Odisho won by 10 points over three other nominees, and Schnaubelt received 63% of the votes in a 4-way race. Julie Fosdick was elected as Treasurer and Matt Wright as Secretary to fill the officer positions. Five directors were also elected: Gil Smith (18), Lynda Echols (13), Dave Leisch (12), Frank Brown (11) and Matt Nussman (8 votes).

The volunteers of the Final Table are charged with enacting the will of the majority as determined by the members at bi-monthly general meetings. Real Poker is a co-operative social club (501c7 pending) that is 100% owned and operated by and for members and their guests. Real Poker organizes and conducts regular entertainment events for the commingling and recreational enjoyment of its members, and operates as a not-for-profit, co-operative, social club.

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