



DARTS ALBERTA THE ALBERTA DARTS ORGANIZATION

2013 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Sunday, March 17, 2013
LOCATION: Ponoka Legion, Ponoka
EXECUTIVE: Bill Hatter, President
Anne Marie Coroluick, First Vice President
Brenda Dietrich, Second Vice President
Lesley Johnston, Secretary
Margaret Heineremann, Treasurer
Wenda Picard, Communications Director
Tammy Murschell, Youth Director
Julie Narain, Membership Director
Sandi Orr, Provincial Director & Administrator

ATTENDANCE: A total of 69 members were in attendance, consisting of 57 voting members of the age of majority and 12 non-voting youth members.

A. Call to Order

The 2013 Annual General Meeting of Darts Alberta The Alberta Darts Organization was called to order by the President at 10:54 a.m. and provided opening remarks. The President introduced the Darts Alberta Board of Directors and thanked them for all of their hard work over the past year.

B. Verification of Quorum

It was declared that a quorum was present.

C. Adoption of Agenda

An editorial correction was made to agenda item I.7.01.13 – corrected to read Communications Director **Angelina Palumbi / Judi Brown moved that the agenda be adopted, as corrected; CARRIED**

D. Adoption of the Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting

It was noted the minutes of the AGM were posted on the Darts Alberta website shortly after that meeting.

Cindy Hayhurst / Fred Seaward moved that the minutes of the 2012 Annual General Meeting held in Calgary on Sunday, March 18, 2012 be adopted as circulated; CARRIED

E. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes from the members. The Board sought feedback on whether the website articles in response to all financial questions asked at the 2012 AGM were answered satisfactorily. There were no additional questions.

F. Financial Report and Approval of Audited Financial Statements

The 2011-12 Auditor's Financial Statements were presented. The floor was open for questions and clarification was provided on the following:

- Membership Expenses include the payment paid to the NDFC on behalf of our NDFC members.

- The cost to have our Membership Director at the Klondike Open for our first membership drive of the season is included under Marketing and Promotions.

Alvin Wilhelm / Cindy Der moved that the 2011-12 Auditor's Financial Statements as of August 31, 2012 be accepted, as circulated; CARRIED

G. Appointment of Auditors

It was noted that our auditor has changed firms and recommended that the new firm be appointed.

Ivy Wieshlow / Kelly Shapka moved that QMS Management Services be appointed as the Society's Auditor for the 2012-13 fiscal year; CARRIED

H. Administrator's Report

The Administrator reported that the greatest focus of the Board this year was created our 3 to 5 year Strategic Plan that is now an Alberta Sport funding requirement. Part of the process included reviewing and updating our Vision, Mission and Values. This has been updated on the website.

Seven keys strategies were chosen as the focus for the next 3 years including ranked tournament consistency and increasing youth membership and participation.

An overview of the strategic planning process was provided and it was reported that this new Strategic Plan will be published on the Darts Alberta website. Members were encouraged to review these 7 strategies and provide any feedback to the Board on how we can achieve them and to consider volunteering for committees where they might have a particular interest or experience.

I. Reports of Executive Members

I.1.01.13 President

The President reported on the following:

- Although government budget cuts may affect us in the future, there are no changes to our Alberta Sport funding this coming year.
- Congratulations were given to the Adult and Youth Teams.
- Members were thanked for their continued participation in ranked tournament and Darts Alberta programs.

I.1.02.13 Provincial Directors

With the exception of one member competing overseas, all the Adult Team Members were present and asked to stand and be acknowledged for their accomplishment. The Provincial Director reminded members that it is typical to hear concerns about how well the team will do when there are several new members with no experience at the national championships. Members were encouraged that when they hear such comments to remind others that our rookies consistently do very well at the nationals. In fact, it was noted that the 2002 Team Alberta has several rookies on the team and achieved Alberta's first ever Canada Cup Gold Medal.

I.1.03.13 First Vice President

The First Vice President reported that the Darts Alberta casino is in Edmonton on June 28 and 29, 2013 and that all positions have been filled. Former and current Team Alberta members were thanked for stepping up to the plate to volunteer for the casino.

It was questioned and clarified that volunteers that live greater than 100 km from Edmonton will be provided a gas mileage allowance per vehicle and one night's shared accommodations.

I.1.04.13 Second Vice President

The Second Vice President provided background on the Pro Am tournament held in Ponoka each year and reported that a total of 18 grassroots winners and 18 elite players competed in the event. Although typically this will be capped at 16 each, there was a great deal of interest from grassroots winners and Darts Alberta wanted to ensure all those registered could participate. Elite players were thanked for their participation in the event and for providing mentorship to their partners.

The Second Vice President reported that the program is accomplishing what it has set out to achieve—encouraging grassroots level players to develop their skills by participating at a higher level of competition. This was quite evident this year with two former grassroots Pro Am participants on the 2013 Alberta team.

I.5.01.13 Secretary

The Secretary congratulated the men's and women's winners of the 2012 Member League Championship and wished them well at the 2014 Greater Vancouver Open (GVO).

I.6.01.13 Membership Director

The Membership Director reported that the total membership for Darts Alberta is 1,042 which includes 33 youth members and 194 NDFC adult members.

I.7.01.13 Communications Director

The Communications Director reported on the following:

- More time has been spent on the content of the Darts Alberta website this year.
- All members were encouraged to submit articles and photographs for the website. Everyone was reminded that if submitting articles to provide the relevant information on the event, date and location. If submitting photographs, members were asked to include names.
- The Darts Alberta brochure has been updated and available on the website.
- New survey software is being experimented with. Members can expect to see a lot more surveys in the future to participate in to provide their input.

I.8.01.13 Youth Director

The Youth Director reported on the following:

- A new youth league has started up in Edmonton.
- Unfortunately, the Morinville Youth League has folded.
- Members were asked for ideas on how to get more youth involved in the sport.
- Although the youth numbers might be down, we have a strong team heading to Newfoundland in May to represent Alberta.
- Alberta's youth team won the Silver medal in the 2012 Canada Cup and Gold in the 2012 Nodor Cup. A summary was also provided of all of the individual accomplishments at the 2012 Youth Nationals.
- Dawson Murschell was congratulated on earning qualification into the 2013 World Masters for being the number 1 ranked youth member in North America. Abbigale Hatter was recognized for placing second in North America. Unfortunately due to age restrictions she will not be able to accept qualification to the World Masters.
- Dawson Murschell was recognized for winning the 2012 America's Cup Youth Championship.
- Alex and Stephen Foulds were recognized for running the Calgary Youth League for two years.
- Terry and Cindy Hayhurst were recognized as examples of how successful the Canadian Youth Program is.

I.9.01.13 Tournament Director

It was explained that the reason for the change in location of the AGM and AGM shoot was to provide a consistent, more central location for all Albertans to participate. The Tournament Director requested feedback on this new location and venue.

J. Notices of Motion and Special Resolutions

No notices of motion or special resolutions were submitted prior to the deadline date.

K. Election of Officers

K.1.01.13 President [Term from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2015]

The First Vice President called for nominations for the position of President.

Bill Hatter was nominated. Jeff Howard was nominated and graciously declined. After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Bill Hatter was elected as President, by acclamation, for a term until June 30, 2015.

K.2.01.13 Second Vice President [Term from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2015]

The President called for nominations for the position of Second Vice President.

Brenda Dietrich was nominated. Christina Clark was nominated. After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

A ballot vote was conducted.

Brenda Dietrich was elected as Second Vice President, for a term until June 30, 2015.

The ballots were destroyed.

K.3.01.13 Treasurer [Term from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2015]

The President called for nominations for the position of Treasurer.

Kelly Shapka was nominated. Margaret Heinermann was nominated and graciously declined. After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Kelly Shapka was elected as Treasurer, by acclamation, for a term until June 30, 2015.

K.4.01.13 Communications Director [Term from July 1, 2013 until June 30, 2015]

The President called for nominations for the position of Communications Director.

Wenda Picard was nominated. After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Wenda Picard was elected as Communications Director, by acclamation, for a term until June 30, 2015.

L. New Business

The floor was opened for new business and the following questions were brought forward:

Sponsorship / Self-sufficiency

It was suggested that Darts Alberta seek other means of funding rather than solely relying on Alberta Sport and casino funding. It was noted that this is one of the 7 key strategies over the next 3 years. It was reported that the sponsorship package is being updated and will be included on the website and members were encouraged to use this package should they know of any interested corporate sponsors.

Tournament Results

It was asked if ranked tournament results could be included on the website. It was noted that results are included as a link on the events page under each individual tournament listing, but recognized that some are missing. The Tournament Director will look into creating a form similar to the NDFC to make it easier for ranked tournaments to submit their results in a web-friendly format.

M. Adjournment

Judi Brown / Fred Seaward moved that the meeting be adjourned; CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved, as circulated

Date of Approval: _____

Approved, as corrected

Secretary Initials

Presidents Initials