



DARTS ALBERTA THE ALBERTA DARTS ORGANIZATION

2016 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

DATE: Sunday, March 20, 2016
LOCATION: Royal Canadian Legion, Ponoka
EXECUTIVE: Brenda Dietrich, First Vice President
Laura Nett, Second Vice President
Lesley Johnston, Secretary
Kelly Shapka, Treasurer
Darryll Walsh, Publicity Director
Julie Narain, Youth Director
Wanda Earle, Membership Director
Bill Hatter, Tournament Director
Sandi Orr, Provincial Director & Administrator

REGRETS: Dean Lawson, President

ATTENDANCE: A total of 88 members were in attendance of the age of majority.

A. Call to Order

The 2016 Annual General Meeting of Darts Alberta The Alberta Darts Organization was called to order by the First Vice President at 10:44 a.m. Opening remarks were provided.

B. Verification of Quorum

It was declared that a quorum was present.

C. Adoption of Agenda

Angela Hovey / Tim Prokop moved that the agenda be adopted, as circulated; CARRIED

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

It was reported the minutes of the AGM have been available on the Darts Alberta website since April 2015.

Cindy Der / Brittany Tomchuk moved that the minutes of the 2015 Annual General Meeting held in Lacombe on Sunday, March 22, 2015 be adopted as circulated; CARRIED

E. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes from the members.

F. Financial Report and Approval of Audited Financial Statements

The 2014-15 Auditor's Financial Statements were presented. The Treasurer explained the different accounts that Darts Alberta holds and the investments that have been made. The floor was open for questions and there were none.

Willi Heinermann / Krystie Lewis moved that the 2014-15 Auditor's Financial Statements as of August 31, 2015 be accepted, as presented; CARRIED

G. Appointment of Auditors

Ivy Wieshlow / Keith Giles moved that QMA (Quality Management & Accounting) Inc. be appointed as the Society's Auditor for the 2015-16 fiscal year; CARRIED

H. Administrator's Report

The Administrator reminded everyone of the changes being made by Alberta Sport Connection and that their budget is not yet finalized. We are currently sitting in Tier 3 for the next 3-year cycle due to our own budget and membership numbers. The Administrator went on to explain the scoring system and pointed out what we are doing to focus on and improve areas of accountability such as the upcoming Coaches and Leaders Conference being held in Edmonton in September 2016.

It was also explained to the members that the Board does much more than run the Provincials and AGM. There is a lot of background work that goes in to running this organization and the Board puts in a lot of time and effort to try and ensure that everything runs smoothly.

The members were also asked for new ideas for provincial programs that focus on grassroots and intermediate players.

I. Reports of Executive Members

I.1.01.16 President

The President's report was read aloud by the First Vice President. In the report the President apologized for his absence as personal commitments prevented him from attending. The President congratulated Sandi Orr on receiving Edmonton's Award of Excellence for her contributions towards the sport of darts.

It was also explained that the Board is doing all it can to try and achieve maximum availability of funds from Alberta Sport Connection. Our membership base has expanded and this success is due to the hard work and commitment of our vast network of volunteers, members and very devoted Board of Directors. It is the valuable contribution that makes our adult leagues, youth clubs, ranked tournaments and society as a whole a continued success.

Your Board of Directors are always looking for ways to improve and that can only be done with continued support and assistance from the members. The members were also encouraged to continue to put forward ideas and suggestions on ways to improve.

The President closed by congratulating all the youth, adults and coaches representing Team Alberta in Richmond and wished them a very successful and fun time at Nationals.

I.2.01.16 Provincial Director

The Provincial Director recognized the adults who made the Alberta Team and introduced the coaches attending this year's Nationals.

I.3.01.16 First Vice President

The First Vice President thanked everyone that volunteered with last year's casino. The next casino is slated for the third quarter of 2017.

I.4.01.16 Second Vice President

The Second Vice President thanked those who participated in the last Pro Am. She also expressed how important this program is to the grassroots participants. The next Pro Am will be held in Ponoka on Saturday, September 10, 2016.

I.5.01.16 Secretary

The Secretary thanked all who participated in this year's Member League Championship. She also congratulated the 2016 men's and women's winners and wished them well at the 2017 Greater Vancouver Open.

I.6.01.16 Membership Director

The Membership Director reported that there are a total of 81 youth club members, 44 of which are NDFC members and 1,349 adults, 227 with NDFC affiliation. There are now 4 youth clubs with 21 coaches and 16 adult leagues registered with Darts Alberta. Everyone was thanked for filling out the new membership forms as it was extremely helpful updating and correcting the member data base.

I.7.01.16 Publicity Director

The Publicity Director reported that there are currently 582 people on the Darts Alberta Facebook group and 2 newsletters published last year.

I.8.01.16 Youth Director

The Youth Director thanked everyone for the opportunity to work with the youth this past year. An overview was provided of the increased participation at the Youth and 50+ Shoot, Provincials and yesterday's AGM Shoot. It was reported that Darts Alberta is looking for a new name for the Youth and 50+ Shoot and encouraged members to bring forward suggestions.

The Alberta Youth Team Members were congratulated and coaches were introduced.

I.9.01.16 Tournament Director

The Tournament Director thanked the new Executive of the CPDA for their efforts to improve the ranked tournaments in Calgary. They are currently working towards having one of these events also BDO ranked.

All tournament players were thanked for their participation and the adults and youth of Team Alberta were congratulated.

J. Notices of Motion and Special Resolutions

There were no notices of motion of special resolutions brought forward.

K. Election of Officers

K.1.01.16 First Vice President [Term from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2018]

The Second Vice President called for nominations for the position of First Vice President. The following members were nominated:

- Brenda Dietrich
- Wanda Earle (declined with thanks)
- Draper Thomas

After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Brenda Dietrich was elected as First Vice President, for a term until June 30, 2018.

K.2.01.16 Secretary [Term from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2018]

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

Lesley Johnston was nominated. After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Lesley Johnston was elected as Secretary, by acclamation, for a term until June 30, 2018.

K.3.01.16 Youth Director [Term from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2018]

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

Darryll Walsh was nominated. After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Darryll Walsh was elected as Youth Director, by acclamation, for a term until June 30, 2018, effective July 1, 2016.

K.4.01.16 Membership Director [Term from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2018]

The First Vice President called for nominations for the position of Membership Director. The following members were nominated:

- Wanda Earle
- Darlene Howarth (declined with thanks)
- Angelina Palumbi

After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Wanda Earle was elected as Membership Director, for a term until June 30, 2018.

K.5.01.16 Publicity Director [Term from July 1, 2016 until June 30, 2017]

With Darryll Walsh being elected as Youth Director, this opened the position of Publicity Director for the remainder of the term. The First Vice President called for nominations for the position of Publicity Director.

The following members were nominated:

- Julie Narain
- Draper Thomas
- Kathy Pasjack
- Logan Crooks
- Melissa Kimmitt
- Angelina Palumbi

After 3 calls, there were no further nominations and nominations were declared closed.

Kathy Pasjack was elected as Publicity Director, for a term until June 30, 2017, effective July 1, 2016.

Cindy Der / Ivy Wieslow moved that all ballots be destroyed; CARRIED

L. New Business

L.1.01.16 Discussion of Future Location of Provincial Championships

The Administrator brought forward the idea of centralizing the Provincial Championships to try and make travel fair for all participants from throughout Alberta. Feedback was asked for as well as potential locations and venues. It was pointed out that Edmonton truly is the center but the Red Deer area may also be a possibility especially with new infrastructure being built for the upcoming Canada Games.

Although Calgary was selected as the central location for the youth this past year, this is no longer the case now that we have the Fort McMurray Youth Club that has recently joined.

It was clarified that regardless of any future decision, Edmonton is the scheduled location for the 2017 Adult Provincials based on the existing structure.

There was no objection of the Board pursuing centralized locations for the Youth and Adult Provincials.

L.2.01.16 Provincial Format for Advancing from Round Robin (Prokop)

The Administrator read the following motion submitted:

Tim Prokop moved that at Provincials, for the ladies sections, ALL women who have qualified at Zones and registered to play the Provincials should all go through to the knockout rounds. No-one should be disqualified in the round robin sections. ALL players, regardless of men or women should have that right to play in the double knock-out rounds and not be bumped out from the round robins on sheets of 5 regardless of the outcome of the round-robin section.

The Tournament Director explained why the format was changed in 2009 and suggested that should the proposal be considered the Board would recommend cutting off participants at 32 ladies and 64 men.

An in depth discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of changing the format.

Being no seconder to the motion, the question was not brought to the floor for a vote.

Consensus was reached to leave the format as is.

L.3.01.16 Zone Qualifier Poster Notification (Prokop)

The Administrator read the following motion submitted:

Tim Prokop moved that due to people having to schedule time off work, I put a motion to the floor that the dates for each of the Zones be announced 1.5 months in advance.

The Administrator explained that all zone directors are volunteers and sometimes finding a venue can be difficult. It was also noted that most zone playoffs are typically posted on the website anywhere from 4 to 6 weeks before the event begins.

Being no seconder to the motion, the question was not brought to the floor for a vote.

Consensus was reached that Zone Directors will continue to get their dates and posters posted as early as possible prior to their playoffs.

L.4.01.16 Shoot on the Bow Tournament (Smith)

Ellison Smith thanked all those who participated in the inaugural Shoot on the Bow Tournament. With the Calgary Open date change, members were asked which date for the 2016 shoot would be a better choice. Those in attendance agreed that the weekend of August 27 would work best.

L.5.01.16 Coaching Criteria

It was questioned regarding what Team Alberta coaches need in the way of training and certification. The Administrator read the [announcement from the Darts Alberta website](#) and encouraged anyone interested to contact the Administrator for more information.

M. Adjournment

Gerald Spicer / Rick Arnott moved that the meeting be adjourned; CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approved, as circulated

Date of Approval: _____

Approved, as corrected

Secretary Initials

Presidents Initials