

**American Darts Organization
Board of Directors Meeting – Q2
June 4, 2023
Video Conference**

Call to order: 1:21p EDT

Roll call :

President – Charles T. Sawyer

Vice President – Vacant

Chief Financial Officer - Jacqueline Robbins

General Secretary – Cynthia Annette Lynde

Director of Operations - Stephen Brown

Area 2 Manager – Brenda Roush

Area 3 Manager – Christopher Shawn Helms

Area 4 Manager – Elizabeth Newby

Area 5 Manager – Vacant

Area 6 Manager – Christopher Ryan Mooneyham

National Youth Manager – Carrie Marie Demers

Absent

Area 1 Manager – Ronald B Peppers

Members for quorum – 8

Review of Ancillary Items –

February 14, 2023 – January (Q1-23) 2023 BOD meeting minutes were approved.

February 14, 2023 – 01.29 Special Meeting minutes were approved.

Vice President Stoner resigned his position, effective February 28, 2023

Area 5 Manager French resigned his position, effective February 21, 2023

New Business –

Vacant Board Positions - Several board members voiced their concern about the two board positions that remain vacant. Conclusion is to have a separate discussion to resolve.

International Play

Director of Operations Brown stated that the 2024 America's Cup is still tentative. Discussion surrounding what to do if players are qualified but the event doesn't take place. Possible solution brought forward was to not qualify players for the US Team for this event, since it doesn't look like it'll happen.

Area 2 Manager Roush motioned to not hold a US Team National Finals for 2023, and any player already qualified through a National Qualifier will be sent to the 501 National Championship in Las Vegas instead. Area 6 Manager Mooneyham seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Action: Director of Operation Brown will write up an announcement and post as soon as possible.

2023 WDF World Cup – Esbjerg Denmark – September 26 through September 30.

Registration is due by June 30, so confirming which qualified players are participating needs to be completed soon. Director of Operations Brown is working on confirming with the adult players and National Youth Manager Demers is working on confirming with the Youth players.

Need to get shirts made, and need to collect/purchase items (900-1000) for gift bags for the World Cup, by Sept 23.

Plan for the World Masters is still tentative.

Report from the President – Tom Sawyer

Tablet Rentals – Need to decide how to handle, moving forward.

The ADO will purchase 40 dart standards. However, an additional 25 will be needed for Las Vegas. Area 3 Manager Helms offered to drive his standards to Las Vegas for use at the Nationals and Vegas Open, asking just to be reimbursed for the gas. The Board gratefully accepted the offer.

Report from the Vice President – Vacant

Report from the CFO – Jackie Robbins

Reports will be emailed to the Board members.

Report from the General Secretary – Cindy Lynde

General Secretary Lynde presented a revised Call for Candidate form, to include additional questions about the candidates' other experience, at the request of National Youth Manager Demers. Members agreed it should be used.

General Secretary Lynde will start the election process for 2023 in July, with calling for candidates for the executive positions - President and Chief Financial Officer.

Report from the ADO Office – Steve Brown

Been busy working on Masters Nationals and World Cup items. A few new dart clubs have applied for ADO membership.

Area Manager Reports

Area 1 – Ron Peppers – absent, no report

Area 2 – Brenda Roush

Area 2 Progress Report

Affiliated Organizations

Goal-16

Paid to date - 12 (75%)

Committed - 1 (81%)

Possible - 5

Tournaments

Goal # of tournaments - 13

Scheduled to date - 10 (77%)

2 WDF sanctioned tournaments in Area 2

Likely - 3 additional (100%)

Goal # singles entries - 1,258

To Date - 1,351 (107%)

National Qualifiers

Goal # held - 13

Held to date - 5 (38%)

Scheduled to date - +7 (85%)

Goal # advancers - 22

Advancers to date - 9 (41%)

International Travel Committee Progress Report

Committee Members - Tom Sawyer, Brenda Roush, Carrie Demers, Cali West, Joe Chaney, Liz Tynan, Lisa Tyler, Danny Lauby Jr.

Advisors - Jim Widmayer, Danny Baggish, Paula Murphy

Informational Flyer for Nationals – Area 2 Manager Roush had first presented a draft on Facebook ADO Group, and it is currently being used in Area 2. The question posed - whether the Board felt it would be

useful for the rest of the country. Board members were in agreement that it would be helpful to use for the next upcoming and future National Finals.

Area 2 Manager Roush suggested that Area Managers start to track expected revenue for their Areas – ADO-sanctioned tournaments, new Associations, National Qualifiers - to help the Board better plan for both National and International events. President Sawyer and Chief Financial Officer Robbins agreed. Discussion surrounding how this could be accomplished.

Area 3 – Chris Helms

Thanked Area 2 Manager Roush for the Nationals flyer. Plans to use it help Regional Directors, and help motivate them to keep going. Losing clubs in his area and region, but nothing to report on.

Area 4 – Elizabeth Newby

Last National Qualifier - 10 women and 14 men - was successful.

Rocket City DA not planning to sanction Shocktober tournament. Had a good turnout for Shoot for Moon (WDF sanctioned). Upcoming tournaments – Firecracker, Battle of Stones River, and Music City.

Florida Dart Association has paid dues. Wayne Greer is the new RD.

Kim Cline doing Qualifiers for South Carolina and Georgia. Dawn Cupp is doing Qualifiers in Ohio.

Area 5 – Vacant – no report

Area 6 – Ryan Mooneyham

Two clubs re-joined the ADO. WDF Bronze event – St. Patrick's Day Tournament – had a great showing and the organization is more than happy to have the another WDF sanctioned event next year. Have a few National Qualifiers, and more coming. Topeka is planning a tournament and is doing two National Qualifiers. Still trying with the MVDO. Still working on other regions.

National Youth Director Report – Carrie Demers

Youth Nationals coming up in July in Charlotte, NC. Information is posted and shared. Youth that participate will be playing for the World Masters and Youth Scholarship money.

Been working with Director of Operation Brown on getting everything ready for the youth going to the World Cup.

Old Business –

ADO WDF Official for WDF-ranked tournaments (proposal brought forth from Matt Stoner, via Facebook Board Group) - tabled

WDF Wild Card Spots (discussion during Q-1 meeting) - tabled

By Law Revisions

Review of Articles 1, 2, and 3 - tabled

Next meeting – Tabled scheduling until after filling vacancies discussion

Meeting Adjourned 3:48pm EDT