



The London and District Men's Dart League



EXECUTIVE MEETING

October 7, 2009

ATTENDANCE

Member's Name	P/A	Member's Name	P/A
(President) John McDowell	P	(Vice President) Dave Twamley	P
(Treasurer) Dave DeGroot	P	(Scorekeeper-web) Richard Duke	P
(Secretary) Dan Riley	P	(Director) James Ataide	A
(Director) Brian Lonsbary	P	(Director) Mike Tettmar	P
(Director) Derrick Thomas	P		

Chair: John

Called to Order: 19:45

Minutes: Minutes from the September 5th meeting are presented the Board for their approval. Hearing no questions John asks for a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Motion by Richard, Seconded by Dave T. Carried

Financial Report: Dave D hands out his monthly statement to the Board members. Dave points out that according to the last meeting he has purchased a \$20,000.00 G.I.C following what he was instructed to do. The bank balance is now \$11,034.93 as of today and that Dave still has \$60.00 to be deposited at a later along with any money that Dan will give him later in the meeting.

Brian asks a question about the check was made out for Shawn Brennerman's registration fee from the P.D.C is still out there or has it been cashed yet. Dave answers Brian that the check for Shawn has not been reconciled yet and when it is it will show up in the column Dave has shown us all.

Hearing no more questions John asks for a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Motion to accept this report is made by Derrick, Seconded by Richard. Carried

Reports of Officers: Mike, Dave D & Dave T have nothing to report at this time. Derrick has concerns about the boards & lighting at Hotshots and how close the boards are at the Roxbury. These two venues will have to be looked into later and a re-inspection will have to take place.

Brian has been to the Roxbury and he states that the boards are one foot to close. Brian did talk to the owner and told him the standards that the League has for not just his venue, but all venues city wide. The owner stated to Brian that his venue will be brought up to the standards within a week. Brian offers to go check out Hotshots later this week and he will give a report at the next meeting. Brian does still have Shawn's check; he just hasn't seen Shawn at darts.



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Reports of Officers: Richard reports that the Most of teams are reporting on time, but it is time he crack down on any late scores reported. Richard has no longer accepted any late reporting of scores from anyone as of the third week (September 17th). Also Richard reports that there could be a team out there that is having problems getting at least four players out every night, this team has had to forfeit twice. Dan & Richard will try to hook up a player(s) for this team because the Board wants needs every team in the League to play every night. Richard has standings for the tournaments tomorrow for the gentleman who are running these tourneys.

Dan reports that most of his stuff is under new/old business. Dan does report that he is having computer issues with his own computer and he will be starting up the old Secretary's computer to get the work done and report all the scores he does receive on time.

John reports that (since all but one) new Board members are here, he wants every Board member to follow the dress code put out in the rule book. Everyone's attendance will be checked and all members must have 75% attendance of all regular monthly meetings. Every Board member should always try to de-escalate any problems you run into; you also have to enforce the rule book (you cannot change the format(s) at any time) no matter who's team is having a problem and make note of what happened so if possible the Board could put any changes of the rule book at the A.G.M. John would also like to look into getting a membership rewards program going and John will follow this up with the person (Terry Firth) who has suggested it. John also has a letter for the website for Richard to post putting forward John's goals this year for the League.

Old Business: Dan talks about some of the emails he has received to date, the email from Mike Tettmar has been taken care of. But Dan does have an email from John McGregor about the incident that happened at the P.D.C in August. This email does state that the committee that handles all complaints from the P.D.C's will be handling what happened here at the P.D.C in August, but John McGregor still thinks that we could do something to Shawn since we did sponsor him. The President has asked to Ombudsman for his opinion and John asks Dave G to look into this matter and give the Board a report at the next meeting. Dave G did state to John that if the League starts to try to regulate the membership at any tourneys that not sponsored by the League, that this could open up a Pandora's Box that the Board might not be able to get out of. John tables any more discussion about this issue or any sponsorship until the Ombudsman's report comes in at the next meeting.

Dan states that everything else he has is under new business.

Richard brings up the laptop issue from a past meeting and the web site sponsorship advertising of the League.

Dave D answers Richards question on the sponsorship issue by stating that if a team is sponsored by a venue that is not the sponsorship of the League. The teams are usually playing out of a venue that does give them their registration fees (sponsorship) and the venue profits by this team playing there though bar sales. A web site sponsorship is from giving money to the League for sponsoring a Division or Tournament, were trophies will be handed out to the teams that qualify and that type of sponsorship gives the whole League a hand. That is the difference between the two different types of sponsorships that are out there.



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Old Business: Richard's other question about the laptop should go to the membership at the A.G.M because the amount of the laptop is over and above the amount the Board can spend according to the rule book (2.11.3) Dan states. The rule 2.11.3 does state that the Board could go out and get this laptop, but with a laptop going for over \$1000.00 to \$1500.00 (or more) this could be a big issue.

Brian makes a motion to bring the issue of purchasing a laptop for the League is brought up for a vote at the A.G.M by the membership This vote will have a maximum amount of money the League is willing spend (possibly \$1500.00) to replace League computer equipment. Seconded by Mike, Carried.

New Business: Richard states he has an email from the Westenders (5th) about the coin toss, It does not state that his team has to start the night going first, the Board will have to look into this, but in all team sports the team that does win the coin toss has a choice of excepting the starting first or going second. The Board cannot force a team to go first or second and that this is another issue that will have to go to the membership at the A.G.M since if we rule on this issue it would change the rule book.

Youth Dart League have sent our League a thank you for our sponsorship of their League.

Dan reads two more emails he has from the membership. The first email under this part of the meeting is from John McGregor dealing with the line up. The line up issue was not caught by either Captain and they agreed to play the night out, but John is asking for some clarity for the sake of the League for the coming year so that if the issue that came up gives every Captain a guideline to act on in the future.

The last email is from Randy Hounsell informing the Board about the format being changed in Third Division. This email states that a Board member (from the Third Division) has given his okay for teams to play all six singles first and not following the way that the rule book states (5.16.2). John states that this will not happen again, we have already discussed the rule book and the formats in it at tonight's meeting. If there is a problem from a team doing this on their own then the Board will handle that when it comes up, any member of the Board that does due this will be dealt with and any Board member who goes against the rules could be expelled from the Executive Board.

Banquet Committee: Dave T states that he is having a problem getting a meeting with the Victory's Branch Manger. But Dave has contacted the Victory's President and he will get a meeting scheduled with the Board about the menu & pricing before the October meeting. Dave says that when he does have a date and time for this meeting, Dave will contact his Committee and if any other Board member wishes to come to the meeting as well.

Dave D wants to be at this meeting as well and Dave T will contact the Treasurer will be invited to this meeting as well.

Motion to Adjourn: Made by Dave T Seconded by Dave D
Next meeting is November 4th at 19:30
Meeting closed at 22:00

Dan Riley

Secretary: L.D.M.D.L.