

NORTHERN ONTARIO DARTS ASSOCIATION
2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2017

Call to order: 10:33

Roll Call:

Christine Stark – President/Prov Director/TB Assist	Chris Arsenault – 1 st Vice Pres/Sudbury Assist
Lynn Marshall – Treasurer/Timmins Assistant	Stan Minogue – Secretary/Timmins Director
Cathie Noonan – Membership Director/Espanola Dir	Dan Carter – SSM Director
Aaron Stark – TB Director	Stan Snow – Sudbury Director
Tammy Irving – SSM Assistant	

Guests:

Matti Lehtisaari	Tania Cloutier
Minnie Milley	Marc Leonard

Voting strength: **15**

Apologies for absence: Preston Noonan, Amanda Manzutti

Verification of quorum: **yes** (8 votes required for pass)

Adoption of Agenda:

Flexible order of business - motion to accept by Cathie Beaudry, seconded by Lynn Marshall

Passed

Approval of 2016 Minutes

- a) Business arising from minutes – Ladies singles format
 - a. Petition was received during the year to reconsider the ladies format as participation is down due to players withdrawing/not playing because of the full round robin. This year there were 28 women registered to play.
 - b. The change was originally brought about because there was concern for the limited amount of games played in the ladies' sections.
 - c. Reminder that the district directors are supposed to represent their region as a whole.
- b) Ladies Format – Alternative Options Submitted for consideration
Option 1 – 28 players – 6 hours play Saturday (estimated)

Round 1 – 4 divisions of 7 – estimated time of completion – 3 hours – 6 matches – everyone advances to round 2

Round 2 – re-seeded 4 divisions of 7 – estimated time of completion – 3 hours – 6 matches – top 16 cumulative points from both rounds advance to Sunday's top 16

Round 3 – Sunday – top 16 as normal

Option 2 – 28 players – 7 hours play Saturday (estimated)

Round 1 – 2 divisions of 14 – estimated time of completion – 7 hours – top 8 from each division advances to Sunday's top 16

Round 2 – Sunday – top 16 as normal

Motion to use Option 2 as a trial this year instead of the full round robin and get feedback from each region after this weekend – by Cathie Noonan, Seconded by Stan Snow

Defeated

Motion to use Option 1 as a trial this year instead of the full round robin and get feedback from each region after this weekend – by Lynn Marshall, Seconded by Chris Arsenault

Passed

Result is the ladies format for this weekend will be cumulative points, points per match or leg to be decided on depending on turn out. One of the main reasons why Northern Ontario has a different format than other provinces is because we have the blind draw and the doubles events that are used as fundraising to cover Provincial costs.

Annual Financial Report - Presented by Lynn Marshall

No discussion or questions for Lynn.

Motion to accept by Cathie Noonan, seconded by Chris Arsenault

Passed

Membership Report – Presented by Cathie Noonan

101 adults and 5 youth

75 returning, 26 new

Espanola – 7, Sudbury – 15, Timmins – 12, Sault Ste Marie – 19, Thunder Bay – 51, Others - 3

Motion to accept by Stan Minogue, seconded by Aaron Stark

Passed

Youth Director Report – Presented by Christine Stark on behalf of Amanda Manzutti

4 Youth members playing at this year's nationals. There are potential new players from Timmins/Sudbury interested in playing. We need to encourage communication early in the year at the beginning of the season to encourage youth players

Motion to accept by Cathie Noonan, seconded by Lynn Marshall

Passed

Tournament Director Report – presented by Chris Arsenault

21 mixed teams, paying top 8 total of \$1,520.00. Net cash inflow from mixed doubles is \$1,400.00

Singles event has 28 women and 60 men.

Motion to accept by Tammy Irving, seconded by Cathie Noonan

Passed

10 minute break

Provincial Director Report – presented by Christine Stark

8th overall last year

Mixed doubles had Joint 9th result for Matti & Roxanne, Ladies doubles had Joint 3rd result for Roxanne and Tammy, Ladies singles had Joint 9th for Roxanne and the men won the first round of the NODOR cup.

Motion to accept by Stan Snow, seconded by Dan Carter

Passed

District Directors report

Thunder Bay - Aaron Stark

Prince Arthur Hotel was impressed with the bar sales last time we were here and are glad to have us back. Beer allowed back and forth in hallway, nothing is to be brought from your room. There will be a build your own sandwiches for around \$7 at lunch and dinner. Outside drinks only allowed in the am (unless told otherwise by staff). Drinks are \$4.50.

Lost a few ladies players due to the one round robin format. Some older returning members are planning to come back.

Sault Ste Marie – Dan Carter

Numbers down. Dan will remain as Director 5 new players. Youth need communication to start early

Espanola – Cathie Noonan

5 men, 2 ladies

Sudbury – Chris Arsenault

Same crew as last year, numbers relatively unchanged. Idea of bringing youth and adults together for a tournament

Timmins – Stan Minogue

Number of players are down – 12 players. Stan and Lynn are stepping down as directors and no replacement known at this time.

Motion to accept district reports by Aaron Stark seconded Tammy Irving

Passed

New Business –

- a) Discussion of venue fees - Affiliation fee for each District.
In order to be a member of NODA, the district must pay the affiliation fee \$150.00/district (small districts to pay \$75 if they qualify). This in part pays for our Affiliation fee for NODA to be affiliated with NDFC.

Motion to rename venue fees to affiliation fees by Chris Arsenault, seconded by Stan Minogue

Passed

- b) Discussion Regarding Social Media - Rules in place with both NODA and NDFC

Rumours and derogatory comments need to be addressed to District Director or the person above them, chain of command.

NODA Website/Facebook pages are not the venue for complaints. The intent of these pages is for promotion of tournaments and events for the province.

Derogatory comments on any social media will be investigated and disciplinary action may be involved depending on the severity of the offence.

- c) Nationals Update 2017 – Rooms are blocked

Player Commitment Fee \$500.00

April 23rd deadline (7 Days) \$250 by the 23rd, NON-REFUNDABLE,

Remaining balance is due within 2 weeks. (May 7th).

If you miss a deadline, for any reason, it is completely your responsibility and the next alternate will be asked to replace you. Communication back to Christine is mandatory.

All players must stay in the venue at the Nationals to support all remaining players that are still in competition.

- d) Team Shirts – This year's team shirts are the same as the 2015-2016 shirts. Extra shirts will be \$85 and can be purchased by anyone.

There will be a call out for designs for the 2018 shirts (it will be announced and posters placed in venue also). The membership will vote on which design to use. Suggestion was made for colour change but reminder that Northern Ontario's colours are green and gold.

- e) Provincials Date – Potential weekend change

There will be a poll of members for feedback on when they would like to see the Provincials held. For example: 3rd weekend of March, Easter weekend. Should be mindful of other events (i.e. district shoots, Youth Provincials) when providing suggestions. Votes will be tabulated and majority rules.

Elections – Newly Elected

1st Vice President – Chris Arsenault will stand. Unopposed. Chris acclaimed.

Youth Director – Amanda Manzutti will stand. Unopposed. Amanda acclaimed.

Treasurer – Lynn Marshall will stand, Liz Briand nominated. Vote results – Liz Briand is now treasurer.

Additional Positions

2nd Vice-President – unexpected vacancy, membership not renewed. Matt D'Angelo has said he would step into a position to help. Matt to join as 2nd Vice-President.

Secretary – Stan unable to maintain current position for personal reasons. Chris and Christine will jointly carry out duties.

Other Business -

New Bank Account – The board of directors agrees that a new account to be set up by Treasurer – Liz Briand at the Northern Credit Union. Dual signing authorities required. Signatories to be treasurer and president.

Items for Discussion at next AGM:

Mixed Doubles format change – looking at something to change things up for a fundraising, perhaps early bird singles.

Increase of fees to \$100 per player with no Mixed Doubles.

Provincials 2018 – Timmins has first right of refusal – declined due to no director at this time

Sault Ste. Marie – declined, unable to confirm volunteers and equipment needed.

Sudbury – accepted. Details will be provided as soon as possible.

East/West Rotation remains the same – 2018-East, 2019-West, etc.

Comments and Queries from Guests

Apology from one of the members for comments made. Apology made to Dan, Preston and Christine.

Recognizing that the board act professionally and with the interest of the province in mind.

Date and Time for Next AGM

Sudbury – March 30, 2018, location TBD.

Adjournment – Christine Stark, seconded by Stan Minogue