

## **ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

### **CONVENTION 2008 – DISCUSSION MEETING #2**

**Friday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**Chair:** Harold Stoddart

**Directors/Staff:** Mike Cregan                      John Cresswell                      Rheal Champagne  
Mike Kyte                      Rhonda Gifford                      Al Hong

**Recording Secretary:** Terry Macdonald

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Harold Stoddart called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Harold thanked all members of the tournament committee for their insight and devotion to the O5PBA: Dave Post, Rheal Champagne, Mike Kyte, from the office Al Hong and Rhonda Gifford and from the field Allan Barry and Iain MacLean. The past year has been a very interesting one. We've had 2 Tournament committee meetings and have had suggestions from various tournaments. He expected feedback from SAGM but only got 2 emails. So they must be doing an excellent job or no one out there cares what we're doing. These emails had to do with the Tournament of Champions and Share the Wealth. Thank you.

Tournament winners are on page 122 – 125. Jenn Bahlieda, on page 122 won Gold at the Nationals. The mixed team also won Gold. On page 123 the winner of the Booster Club tournament was John Swick. The Winner of the Share the Wealth Tournament was Wayne Forth. On page 124 the Provincial Triples team from Lucan was Jen and Mike Ankers and Leanne Lovie. The winner for the draw for the Share the Wealth was Anne Hoover.

#### **MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO TOURNAMENTS**

<b>ONTARIO OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS</b>
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#### **PAGE 57, ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

##### **RECOMMENDATION #1**

<b>THAT THE EMERGENCY SPARE BE DECLARED BY THE COACHES MEETING OR THE TEAM GOES WITHOUT FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE COMPETITION</b>
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<b>MOTION: TO MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION A MOTION WAS PUT FORTH BY PAUL BROWN; SECONDED BY BETTY JONES.</b>
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Call the question:      **RESULTS:   CARRIED.**

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**RECOMMENDATION #2**

**THAT ALL EMERGENCY SPARES MUST BE IN A SHIRT OF THEIR ZONE COLOUR AND IDENTIFICATION.**

The reason is for people are at the Open and come in using someone else's shirt and use masking tape across the back and it don't look very professional. So we decided that it would be better this way – wear a shirt in the zone colour but with no name on it.

**MOTION:    TO MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION A MOTION WAS PUT FORTH BY BILL LUTES; SECONDED BY SYLVIA POODRY.**

Call the question:      **RESULTS:   CARRIED.**

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**RECOMMENDATION #3**

**THAT ALL COACHES BE IDENTIFIED BY SILKSCREEN OR EMBROIDERY CREST ON THEIR SHIRT OR WITH A PROPER COMMERCIALY MADE IDENTIFICATION BADGE, OTHERWISE A \$50 FINE PER DAY WILL BE LEVIED.**

**MOTION:    TO MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION A MOTION WAS PUT FORTH BY PAUL BROWN; SECONDED BY DOUG PLUMMER.**

Someone clarified \$50 per day? Yes. It's part of the uniform for coaches. We're going to make sure that it's in the hand out so everyone knows.

Bob Beaucage, Central Ontario asked if it is the zone's responsibility to supply those. What if it's lost? Whose responsibility does that become? Harold confirmed that it is the zones.

Call the question:      **RESULTS:   CARRIED.**

## ONTARIO OPEN SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIPS

### PAGE 57, ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

#### RECOMMENDATION

**THAT THE FIELD OF COMPETITION IS SPLIT INTO TWO (2) GROUPS FROM WHICH THE TOP TWO (2) TEAMS FROM EACH GROUP WILL ADVANCE TO A MODIFIED PAIGE FORMAT TO DETERMINE THE WINNERS. IF THERE ARE AN UNEVEN NUMBER OF TEAMS, THE SHORT GROUP WILL PLAY A POSITION ROUND GAME TO DETERMINE THEIR TWO (2) TEAMS TO ADVANCE.**

John Cresswell explained that the feedback to us was that there were too many games to bowl and they are only one game away from being the Open. The tournament committee looked at it, and came up with this format so that there weren't as many games.

Brenda Hamilton, Central Ontario asked how many games? Play each zone once? John replied that they would not play each zone. Brenda indicated that the only feedback that she got was that there were too many games on the Thursday – 7 games were too many in one day. John indicated that the feedback to the Tournament Committee from a lot of different people was that there were too many games being played in total. Brenda indicated that she didn't feel that this motion should be voted on at this convention when we are not represented by most people playing in the event. We can't ask people who aren't playing in this tournament to vote on something like this.

Brenda suggested that a questionnaire be sent out for SAGM so that everyone will know what is wanted. Brenda indicated that she didn't think it fair to vote on a motion, if it becomes a motion, when nobody here is actually participating in that tournament. Dave Post explained that this board and this membership decide on all tournaments. We don't go ask the bowlers. You people are paying for it and so you make the decisions. Brenda indicated that we have done surveys before, and you take these into consideration, but she did not see any questionnaire.

Rheal Champagne indicated that a questionnaire had previously been given at the Open and of the senior bowlers, 28 people indicated that there were too many games. Rheal went on to state that this is where the recommendation is coming from.

Brenda suggested that it was the day that was too long, not the total number of games, and that the question asked properly. Harold reiterated that the feedback was that there were too many games in total.

Rose Mackie, Huronia said that she was one of the people who called about this. Rose really liked the senior event because it only had a few teams the first year. Rose didn't participate this year because there were too many games. This fact was confirmed by Harold as well.

Norm Macdonald, Hamilton indicated that you'll lose a lot of people if it goes down to only 6 games. Harold indicated that we already have people who travel from Ottawa for only 3 games in all the rest of your tournaments.

**MOTION: TO MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION A MOTION WAS PUT FORTH BY JACKIE HAWKINS; SECONDED BY ROSE MACKIE.**

Call the question: **RESULTS: CARRIED.**

**PAGE 58, CENTRAL ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

**MOTION #1**

**THAT WE REMOVE ONE GAME FROM THE THURSDAY MORNING 4 GAME BLOCK TO THE WEDNESDAY NIGHT 3 GAME BLOCK.**

Harold asked if Brenda wanted to withdraw this motion. She asked that it be deferred to the General Meeting (#2) for voting delegates only.

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**MOTION #2**

**IF THE MOTION PASSES ON MOVING A GAME FROM THURSDAY TO WEDNESDAY, THEN THE START TIME ON THURSDAY MORNING SHOULD CHANGE TO 9:00 A.M. FROM 8:30 A.M. WHICH IS THE TIME THE SINGLES START.**

Harold asked if Brenda wanted to defer this motion also. Yes.

**PAGE 58, HAMILTON 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

**MOTION #1**

**ALL ZONES QUALIFY SIX (6) BOWLERS FOR THE SENIOR TEAM, 3 MEN AND 3 WOMEN, ALLOWING FOR THE USE OF A SPARE LIKE THE OTHER TEAMS.**

Norm Macdonald asked to defer this motion.

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**MOTION #2**

**ALLOW A 15 MINUTE WARM UP PERIOD FOR THE SENIOR TEAMS ON THE DAY THAT THEY FILL IN FOR THE OTHER THREE TEAMS WHEN THEY ARE HAVING THEIR PICTURE BREAK.**

Norm Macdonald indicated that if there was a scheduling change, this would not be necessary. He said that they had a 3 ½ - 4 hour break and were only allowed 2 ball warm up on each lane. Someone questioned what about the other teams? Norm said they only had a 1 hour break. Harold asked if he wanted to defer the motion. Yes.

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**RECOMMENDATION**

**CONSIDER INCLUDING THE SENIOR TEAMS IN THE CALCULATION OF THE WINNER OF THE AGGREGATE BANNER.**

Harold Stoddart indicated that we could not do this at this time because all zones aren't competing and it is 2 separate events. Norm Macdonald, Hamilton said that having watched the Nationals, there were missing teams but they still have an aggregate. John Cresswell said they did because if a team is missing, they're losing out on the points for that spot.

The issue here is that the Open Championships and the Senior Open Championships are 2 completely different events run at the same time. We agreed to do the coaching back and forth across the 2 events but how can you do the aggregate across 2 different events? Norm indicated that he was not aware that it is 2 separate events.

Harold Stoddart wanted to remind all zones that the results for the Open and the Senior Open are into the office as soon as possible so that it can be posted. You can send in the results electronically and forward the hardcopy later.

**PROVINCIAL TRIPLES TOURNAMENT**

**PAGE 59, NIAGARA PENINSULA 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

**MOTION**

**THAT THIS TOURNAMENT BE CHANGED FROM THE CURRENT FORMAT..."TOTAL PIN FALL PLUS HANDICAP" TO A FORMAT IN ALL ROUNDS BASED ON "PINS-OVER-AVERAGE".**

Motion was put forth by Bill Lutes; seconded by Virginia Labenski.

Bill noted that the High-Low, League Executive, Booster and Share the Wealth tournaments are all based on POA. This tournament is a bump in the road. The Triples is based on total pin fall plus handicap. When this tournament first came out, we expected some confusion and we were right. We had one tournament director read it wrong and the winning team ended up not winning and consequently the league pulled out of the O5PBA.

Harold indicated that the Board agrees with Bill. The problem is that people don't understand that 100% handicap is the same as POA. Bill didn't understand why it was disguised. Harold said it was voted that way at convention. Now, with your motion, we're trying to change back, and the board agrees. Bill asked to call the question.

Mike Heney, Ottawa Valley said that they gained entries with the handicap. Many bowlers didn't understand that it was the same, but because they don't like POA, wanted to play in a handicap instead. Harold agreed that many don't understand.

Norm Macdonald, Hamilton said that it is not quite the same because it is handicapped up to 800. So if you have 3 bowlers totaling 820, should they get a negative handicap? Yes. Ok, then it is the same.

Don Chase, Uxbridge Valley said that it is not the same because it is a negative tournament. If you bowl over your average, you don't lose anything. If you bowl under your average, you lose points and you have to gain them back. It becomes a negative tournament. John Cresswell indicated that on paper, it would show a negative. On paper it looks different, but it is in fact the exact same thing.

Paul Bauer, Grand River said that the only complaint that he's heard is that the secretary's have a hard time getting it set up initially, but it's gotten better. The only real complaint is that before you even start the tournament, you look at the scoreboard and you could already be 1500 points behind. He understands that it is the same, but when you look initially, it looks different.

Call the question:     **RESULTS:   CARRIED.**

<b>TOURNAMENTS – GENERAL</b>
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**PAGE 59, ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

**RECOMMENDATION**

<b>TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS: THAT THE 2008-2009 SEASON WINNERS COMPETE IN THE 2009-2010 SEASON USING THE ORIGINAL FORMAT PRESENTED AT THE SAGM FROM NOVEMBER 2007. ALL PROVINCIAL COMPETITORS WILL PLAY UNDER A POA BASIS.</b>
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Harold Stoddart indicated that the reason for this is that he received 2 emails on it. One email was that the high average bowler should bowl scratch against the other high average bowler. The other email was that if you don't have an average over 225 they shouldn't be allowed to compete. The problem with that is that some smaller DC's don't all have a bowler who would qualify and so they wouldn't be able to compete.

<b>MOTION: TO MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION A MOTION WAS PUT FORTH BY PAUL BROWN; SECONDED BY VINCE AMELOTTE.</b>
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Judy Begley, Metro Toronto asked for clarification. The SAGM minutes indicated that the tournament would be run this year, using winners from this year. Harold said that it was not passed at SAGM, but was deferred to here. So we changed the dates.

Paul Sprague, Orleans asked to be reminded who were the winners and when would be run? Harold provided example from his house: they have 2 leagues that bowl the year, and 3 other leagues that bowl in thirds. Each third has a winner that will advance. All leagues bowl in a house round – 4 POA and 1 scratch. They go on to a provincial in November 2009. League winners from next year bowl the following November. John Cresswell further clarified that you would hold your roll-off at the beginning of the season with the winners from last season. The concept was to hold the members, as they'd need to buy another membership in the current season in order to be able to bowl.

Gary Kehoe, York Simcoe noted that his membership card is actually good to the following November, so could he still bowl without buying a new one? John said that this was technically correct.

Chris Moore, Huronia indicated that the O5 fiscal year end is July, so it would only need for the memberships to expire at the same time.

Call the question: **RESULTS: CARRIED.**

## **PAGE 60, METRO TORONTO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

### **MOTION**

<b>TO REPLACE THE TRIPS AWARDED TO PROVINCIAL TOURNAMENT WINNERS WITH A CASH PRIZE SUCH AS \$1,000 INSTEAD.</b>
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Motion was put forth by Tim O'Hara; seconded by Judy Begley.

Tim indicated that the motion was brought forward because we're always looking for money. These trips are costing us \$2,500 per winner. That's a savings of \$1,500 per winner. That's roughly \$30,000 on the season. John Cresswell indicated that yes it is a huge savings. But, if you look that we increased membership fees to \$10 and we're going to be recommending that tournament fees across the board with the funding proposal. So we keep adding expenses but tell the bowlers that we're taking something away from you. Yesterday we heard that the people

want the trips for the Booster Club Championships. In 1994 we changed the team tournament to cash prizes and the entries dropped from 4500 to 3600. They increased again the following year when we switched back again. People want the trips. This is why we're keeping the Booster Club as a tournament, not a local fundraiser.

Vince Amelotte, Orleans stated the same feelings as John. John indicated that he has been on the trip numerous times, paying for himself. It is a worthwhile thing to go on. You go back to your leagues to say how good it was, and become an ambassador for 5-pin bowling.

Jackie Hawkins, Kawartha Lakes noted that the C5 prize to national winners was a travel voucher. Is this something we could consider? The cost would be cut in half and the person could choose to go whenever they want. She doesn't believe that our prize should equal that (in value) of what the C5 gives. John Cresswell pointed out that we have many more bowlers bowling in our provincial championships. We have to look after our own members. So for us to say that our prize should be less than theirs, don't agree. Also, for someone to be given a voucher for \$1250 for 2 people to travel, it's not going to happen. Jackie feels that her zone believes that a travel voucher would be enough.

Judy Begley, Metro Toronto noted that she is losing at least one league in her zone due to the impending closure of GM. Her people cannot afford to take the time off work, the extra expenses and find a babysitter if they have kids. If we do just the \$1000 cash, we can reduce some of our tournament entry fees. And this is where we can help all of our members. The trip is only for 1 or 2 people but the lower fees would help everyone and you may get a lot more entries into the tournaments. Harold noted that if you take away the trip, you will lose entries. They bowl in tournaments to win trips.

Chris Moore, Huronia noted that he won a trip and it was a great time. But this is 2008, and the people he spoke to would rather have the cash.

Brenda Hamilton, Central Ontario said she's never been on one of these trips and would love to go. It is with a whole group of people. The cost of airfare is going up and you'll not find a trip like it for \$1250.

Mike Heney, Ottawa indicated that he's won 2 trips and when you have 100 bowlers all together in one place, I enjoyed it so much that I've bought one before. He's talked to Al about buying one again for this November. He believes that if you discontinue the trips, you're going to lose more than you're going to gain.

Paul Brown, Lindsay confirmed that the trips are for 2 and costs roughly \$83,000 at \$2500 each. So if you give each winner, 17 winners, \$2500 voucher to go where ever they want to go, you're saving \$42,500. Harold was not sure of where Paul got his figures come from.

Call the question:     **RESULTS: DEFEATED.**



## **PAGE 60, YORK SIMCOE 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**THE SUNNY DESTINATION TRIPS BE CHANGED TO EITHER LATE JANUARY OR EARLY FEBRUARY TIME FRAME.**

Heather Cresswell, York Simcoe said that she's listened at seminars and conventions about these trips. She's been monitoring them for the last 2 years from December on, the price for Dominican Trips and any destination. Heather noticed that the prices drop in February by \$500 - \$600 per trip. Heather acknowledged that it is difficult to book that many trips in advance and get a deal, but perhaps it's time for a different departure time.

Heather also wants to know if we've looked into using a different travel agent. Al Hong pointed out first that we don't deal with a travel agent – we are our own. We deal directly with a charter organization called Sunwing. We get the wholesale price that travel agents get. As far as going later in the year, this was investigated. We generally book for 50-60 people. For last date in January, this would cost an additional \$150 per person and if we went the first week in February, it would be \$160. That's not discounting what you've done as seat sales and sell-offs do come up, but he could never get 50-60 seats – only about 10 – 12. So to protect your dollars it is just before the busy season. This year we are leaving on a Monday instead of Friday or Saturday, and this is saving us \$70 per person. We try to look after the affairs of the Association, looking for what's best for our people and our organization

Mike Cregan indicated that the total cost for the trips is \$46,000 – broken down as follows: Holiday Classic \$13,800, High Low Doubles \$9,200, Triples \$6900, Booster \$2300, Executive Tournament \$2300 and new Tournament of Champions \$11500. It used to be over \$50,000 when he first started looking at this. Al further noted that when we're budgeting, we budget high to ensure that we have enough revenue to offset the expense. Whatever deals he can find will only benefit us in the long-run.

Harold noted that we would take it into consideration.

## **PAGE 60, ORLEANS 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

**AFTER STAFF MEMBERS OF THE ONTARIO 5PBA HAVE COMPLETED MAKING RESERVATIONS FOR BOWLERS FOR TOURNAMENTS, THEY SHOULD SEND THE RESERVATION CONFIRMATION INFORMATION BACK TO THE ZONE OR DC CONTACT PERSON(S) AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE TOURNAMENT. THE CONTACT PERSON WOULD THEN GIVE THE INFORMATION TO THE BOWLER.**

Paul Sprague, Orleans indicated that they've had a few problems over the years. People sometimes go down a day early or late and the hotel doesn't have the information and it's hard to

track people down. It would make things easier. Al Hong commented that the problem this year would still have happened as the individual involved arrived a day early and he cannot plan for that. Paul agreed that there was a problem with that one. He just feels that if the bowler has a confirmation number, then they can deal with hotel directly. Al noted that after this particular incident, he has provided the hotel with cell phone numbers directly and can be reached 24/7. We deal with Sheraton regularly and they don't always provide a confirmation number. He doesn't feel that it is a good idea to bombard the airwaves with tons of numbers. But he will do so if mandated to.

Dave Post provided a 10-minute break. We resumed at 10:15 a.m.

## **MOTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS PERTAINING TO FINANCE**

Before starting, Mike Cregan addressed the membership. He wanted to clarify something. My term on the board is up and my commitment to my employer allowed me to complete my term and be available for various events. I have to keep my promise to my employer – they pay me! But if anybody thinks that I'm walking out of here on Saturday and forgetting this organization, then you're wrong.

Mike has too much time and effort invested in this plan to just walk out and forget about it. I'm still going to be on the finance committee and am just a phone call, email or msn message away from anyone on the board. Mike is not gone from the organization. In fairness to the board and you people, I cannot commit to run when I can't commit the time that's needed. I'm not walking away; I just have other commitments that take precedence. Ok.

Mike has had several conversations with various individuals last night. You are looking at each line item where there are significant changes. Budgets have 2 sides. Budgets have revenues, which are prefaced with numbers 4 & 8. Expense items are prefaced with 5 or 6. For every item prefaced by a 4, there is an offsetting item prefaced with a 5, because they are linked to tournaments and events. Anything prefaced by a 6 is a general expense and is not allocated to a specific event or tournament. And 8 are the revenues that are not for specific events, like our support from the government. I prefer to deal with things under my control. Banquets and accommodations are not under my control, as I have no idea how many of you will show up. Therefore, these figures are not in and they will wash out anyway.

The budget is generated by line items and the elements attached. Example; Trial balance page, item 4-2210 Semi-annual registration for 2007-2008 was \$2750. In 2008-2009 we're proposing \$11,284, which is a significant change. Look at the SAGM sub sheet: \$11,284 made up of postage, refreshments, executive expenses, printing, miscellaneous, and \$9194 of office expenses, because we're trying to fund the organization differently. So in order to understand, you have to look at the sheets behind the trial balance. Another example is item 5-1540 Open Dance banquet – last year was \$12000. This year we are showing \$1200. If you look back at 4-1530 which is Open banquet, it showed \$11000 last year and nothing this year. This is an example of something I don't have any control over so I've not included it on either side. The sheets at the back have the make-up of where the numbers come from.

Please stop and ask me if you don't understand this...it's critical before we go any further. We can go into individual events and make a line change, but it will not make an iota of difference on the bottom line because the tournaments and events are funded by the users.

Does anyone have any questions on how these figures were made up or why we have them where we do? The users pay – the ones who don't use it just cover the general expenses. Everyone needs to pay equally based on membership. We can't fund the organization if we don't have a budget in place by August 1<sup>st</sup> and you can't fund your organizations if you don't know what your costs are going to be. We're using the numbers for membership from this season for next year. We know the numbers for tournament entries. The same would go for the Booster. Based on last year's entries, the Booster cost will be \$152.17, based on the 30 entries that we had last year. For every kit you have that sends one person on, you pay \$152.17. The rest of the money you keep. If other zones or DC's now want to come in, then we have extra money and that excess will be shared among the associations that participated. It will not be used to alter the \$7.81 figure or the bottom line.

## **PAGE 61, ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

### **RECOMMENDATION #1**

#### **TRAVEL EQUALIZATION FOR TOURNAMENTS:**

**TO IMPLEMENT A TRAVEL EQUALIZATION SCHEDULE BASED ON TRAVEL FROM ZONE TO ZONE USING THE GEOGRAPHICAL CENTRE OF A ZONE.**

**BASED ON 2 PARTICIPANTS:**

**0 – 100 KM (ONE-WAY) – NO REIMBURSEMENT**

**101 – 399 KM (ONE-WAY) - \$0.10 PER KM ONE WAY**

**400 -1000 KM (ONE WAY) - \$0.10 PER KM ONE WAY, PLUS \$20 FOOD ALLOWANCE PER PARTICIPANT.**

John Cresswell indicated that this recommendation comes from the Orleans motion on page 63. The Board of Directors looked at this recommendation and thought the concept was good, but implementation would be a nightmare. So we've come up with something a little simpler. There is however a minor calculation error. The reimbursement value should be less the first 100 kms off any trip (everyone would be responsible for the first 100 kms).

**MOTION: TO MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION A MOTION WAS PUT FORTH BY GERRY FARRELL; SECONDED BY TIM O'HARA.**

Ed Sodtka, Kingsway was lost. Who's going to pay and to whom? John Cresswell pointed out that this would be for provincial tournaments that the bowlers are bowling at. There will be a new line under expenses for the tournament called Equalization. Then will be divided by all participants and recalculate a new fee for that event. Let's assume that the equalization fee was \$51 per association to travel to the event. Your board is entitled to \$30 based on the mileage formula. The net amount you would have to pay would be \$21 out of your pocket. Ed asked if the board would be paying the bowlers or to the zone? John replied that the provincial office

would send the payments to the associations, and they would be responsible to distribute it to their bowlers. Ed indicated that they already subsidize their bowlers. Do they have to give them the equalization on top of what we give them? No – you do as you see fit. Mike Cregan reiterated that money is going back to the zones to distribute to bowlers.

Chris Moore, Huronia wanted further clarification. He suggested that Ottawa would have to pay more because they were further away. He also commented on traveling to Hamilton for the Open. Mike Cregan indicated that the Open was not included in the original calculations. Many rumblings from the floor said that was not what the motion reads – all provincial tournaments.

Mike Cregan indicated that this could be included. It only changes the funding for that tournament. He also clarified that the equalization is added to the cost of the event. Therefore, Ottawa would get reimbursed more as they're further away. In other words, everyone else will be helps pay Ottawa's expense to come to Hamilton. Chris indicated that he was confused still. Mike directed him to the figures to see the cost of the Open. Right now the fee for the Open is \$81.61 per participant that you had last year. So if you put equalization in, maybe that figure goes to \$90. Have to do the calculations. Chris now understood.

Judy Begley, Metro Toronto wanted to know if the Youth Challenge is included in this. Mike Cregan said it's up to you. You have to tell us what you want. We just have to make small change to format.

Vince Amelotte, Orleans indicated that he had concerns about location of "central" centre. John Cresswell said that the geographical centre of the zone was what he showed. If you think that the starting point should be altered, please let us know. Need to determine now so that can do all the cost calculations. Vince requested that we only use centrally located centres or centres with the highest concentration of bowlers.

Mike Cregan indicated that he understood his concerns and indicated that at least the proposal gives most zones something, rather than minimal or nothing now.

Paul Sprague, Orleans just wondered also about how determined geographical centre. He also has another question: when board attends board meetings, do we get one-way or round-trip expenses? Mike Cregan indicated that he gets round-trip, door-to-door. Paul wondered why our proposal only one-way? Shouldn't we also pay two-way? Mike indicated that this is only our recommendation and it can be changed how you want. We can change formula. This is to get it on the floor and discussed. Someone questioned if this was a motion or a recommendation? It is a motion, not a recommendation.

Jim Marshall, Ottawa is not disputing Kemptville, but it is not the best choice. John Cresswell clarified that he looked a map and found the centre and found the nearest town. I can make the necessary changes for any zone who wants a change.

Judy Begley, Metro Toronto noted that we increased the membership fees last year. We are going to have to increase our tournament entry fees. Can we keep increasing everything to the general bowler? We're going to have nobody participating in our tournaments. Mike Cregan

indicated that costs are increasing everywhere. We can cut costs but it can turn into a downward spiral. We have to get new members in, find new ways of funding money. We have to get out there and promote the sport if we want to progress forward. There are certain costs that must be covered. You told us that all events must break even.

Vince Amelotte, Orleans noted that Ottawa always has to pay more for everything because they are so far away. This equalization is a minor amount.

**AMENDED MOTION:**

**TO MAKE THE ORIGINAL MOTION AS IT IS WITH THE EXCEPTION OF HAVING THE MILEAGE CALCULATION BASED ON TWO-WAY KM'S RATHER THAN ONE-WAY.**

The amended motion put forth by Paul Sprague; seconded by Dave Murrell. Clarification: that the first 100 km each way would be "free".

Call the question:      **RESULTS:    AMENDED MOTION CARRIED.**

Clarification by Mike Cregan: this will be for all Provincial tournaments.

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**RECOMMENDATION #2**

**THAT THE ASSOCIATION ADOPTS THE NEW FUNDING FORMULA AS SUBMITTED WITH THE CONVENTION BOOK WITH BOTH THE SUNNY DESTINATION TRIPS AND A PORTION OF OFFICE EXPENSES CHARGED TO MOST TOURNAMENTS AND EVENTS.**

**MOTION:    TO MAKE THIS RECOMMENDATION A MOTION WAS PUT FORTH BY GARY KEHOE; SECONDED BY VINCE AMELOTTE.**

Margaret French, York Simcoe asked why most tournaments and not all? What does that mean? Mike Cregan indicated that we did not want to charge these expenses against the tournaments that are fundraising tournaments, so that more money stays with the participating associations.

Call the question:      **RESULTS:    CARRIED.**

**PAGE 62, OTTAWA VALLEY 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION**

**MOTION #1**

**LET THE O5PBA BASE OUR ASSESSMENT ON THE MEMBERSHIP AS OF DECEMBER 1 OF THE CURRENT BOWLING YEAR AND THE FINAL ASSESSMENT BEING MARCH 1 BASED ON THE ACTUAL MEMBERSHIP FOR THE CURRENT BOWLING YEAR.**

Motion was put forth by Jim Marshall; seconded by Mary Jane Quenville.

Jim indicated that they never know what their membership fees will be other than that it's based on last year's figures less 10%. They think it would be easier if the assessments were on these 2 date and then they would know what they have to pay rather than sending in money and then waiting for a refund later on. Mike Cregan noted that the motion that just passed indicates that as of right now, your membership fee will be \$7.81 per member based on last year's members. There is no further guesswork. Further, we can't wait that long to find out how much money might come in. You will know all of your costs of membership, tournaments and events before you leave this weekend.

The motion was withdrawn.

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### **MOTION #2**

**ALL MONIES IN THE DC ASSOCIATION BANK ACCOUNT(S) AND/OR OWING A DC ASSOCIATION THAT FOLDS BE FORWARDED TO THEIR ZONE ASSOCIATION INSTEAD OF GOING INTO ESCROW WITH THE O5PBA.**

Motion was put forth by Mike Heney; seconded by Mary Jane Quenville.

Mike Heney understands that many zones are struggling. Currently, if a DC folds, any monies they have are forwarded to O5PBA and put into escrow, in case the DC starts again. He doesn't know how many DC's have folded over the years, but he doesn't know what's happened to that money. If a DC folds, then the charge for membership will fall back onto the Zone. But the zone doesn't have their money. Smith Falls folded but Ottawa received an invoice for \$1.53 for their deficit assessment. This doesn't seem fair.

Mike Cregan indicated that the O5 couldn't really support this motion as it sits, but we could if it were to go both ways, and it is not retroactive – going forward only. Mike Heney indicated that back in 1983, Preston folded and the money was placed into escrow. Two years later it tried to restart but they were told that the funds were no longer available as they had been used for other things. John Cresswell indicated that he doesn't know what happened back in the 80's, but if you look at the accounts currently, you can see that any money in escrow stays there 3-5 years. This also happened with a folded York Simcoe DC.

### **AMENDED MOTION:**

**ALL MONIES IN THE DC ASSOCIATION BANK ACCOUNT(S) AND/OR OWING A DC ASSOCIATION THAT FOLDS BE FORWARDED TO THEIR ZONE ASSOCIATION INSTEAD OF GOING INTO ESCROW WITH THE O5PBA. THE SAME WOULD BE SAID FOR THEIR DEBTS. IN OTHER WORDS, IT DEBTS AND ASSETS FLOW BOTH WAYS.**

The amended motion put forth by Mike Heney; seconded by Mary Jane Quenville.

Nicole Nibbs, Central Ontario asked if instead of escrow, we could not use the funds to pay any outstanding membership fees due and the rest to stay in escrow. John Cresswell indicated that we haven't had very many DC's fold with excess monies. Paul Brown thought that this should be retroactive. Mike Cregan said that we cannot go back – it has to go forward. Paul Brown asked what about any money we're currently holding? Mike Cregan indicated that you're now talking about possibly amending the way that a DC folds.

Further, where would we get the money, if a DC owes us? Paul questioned the constitutionality of this. Mike Heney indicated that he was not looking for the money from last year, or 20 years ago but just want to change things for future. Mike Cregan asked if we could table this until we have a definitive answer.

Mike Cregan also indicated that directors are responsible for any monies owing to the O5, and should the association fold, they are liable. This has not been enforced. Chris Moore, Huronia found this information interesting. Chris has not signed anything that would make him liable for the debts of his zone. Mike said he'd have to check to see – his understanding is that directors are responsible...they are at the provincial level.

Paul Sprague agreed to withdraw the motion at this time, allowing the board to get some additional answers.

Joanne Ellison moved to adjourn the meeting. **CARRIED.**