ONTARIO 5 PIN BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION

CONVENTION 2004 - GENERAL MEETING #2

Friday, June 18th, 2004

President: Jennifer Guay

Directors/Staff: John Cresswell Rheal Champagne

Rick Longworth Dave Post
Harold Stoddart Michael Davies
Mickey McNeil Mike Kyte
Marilyn Irwin Al Hong

Secretary: Mike Wilson

A **CALL TO ORDER**

1. Jennifer Guay called the meeting to order at 1:20 p.m. Roll call was taken. There were a total of 85 voting delegates present at this meeting.

B REVIEW OF MINUTES COMMITTEE MEETING #1

2. The minutes from Committee Meeting #1 were reviewed for content and accuracy:

No changes.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD BY BRIAN MCDOUGALL, SECONDED BY KIM SHEPPARD TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES FOR COMMITTEE MEETING #1 AS WRITTEN. CARRIED.

C REVIEW OF MINUTES GENERAL MEETING #1

3. The minutes from General Meeting #1 were reviewed for content and accuracy:

Brian Whalen asked if the slide show presentation was going to be available to the

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field. Yes. The file will be available in PDF for downloading from the web site.

Page 4; correct the spelling of Billie Hunt's name.

MOTION: A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD BY BRIAN WHALEN, SECONDED BY GARY BURKHOLDER TO ACCEPT THE AMENDED MINUTES FOR GENERAL MEETING #1. CARRIED.

D Guest Speaker

4. Faye Blackwood brought the delegates greetings from the Ministry and praised our organization for our choice of convention setting and our ability to mix business and pleasure together so seamlessly.

F <u>2004 – 2005 DRAFT BUDGET</u>

6. Treasurer Rick Longworth reviewed the draft budget with the delegates.

Jim Marshall of Smiths Falls asked if Rick could give a thumbnail idea of what was saved by the elimination of the Provincial Welcome receptions. Al indicated that it was in the neighbourhood of \$2,000 per event, therefore around the \$10,000 mark roughly.

G CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

- 7. Mike Cregan reviewed his Constitution report with the delegates noting that in paragraph three, line four; the word "constitutions" should read bylaws.
- 8. Mike outlined various methods and means that our organization could utilize to bolster our financial position (continue building a business plan that involves zones and local associations, target membership revenue goals, regional support groups, sponsorship marketing committee).

Bob Coulter, seconded by Terry Macdonald put the Hamilton motion (**page 104**) on the floor for discussion. Bob indicated that their reasons were listed in the book, but they felt that in some zones where we are having trouble getting the required members would help at the local level.

Brian Whalen, Maple Ridge indicated that he would be totally opposed to dropping any of the membership numbers because he felt that it would be sticking the dagger (metaphorically speaking) in the game of 5 pin bowling and killing it. We need to work towards the positive and Brian challenged each zone to come up with even one recommendation on how their region can increase their membership.

With no further discussion Mike Cregan called the guestion.

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MOTION: MANDATORY MEMBERSHIP FOR THE ZONE STATUS BE LOWERED TO 900, FROM 1000 CURRENTLY.

MOTION DEFEATED.

Peter Sproule, seconded by Cathy Hamilton put the Metro Toronto motion (**page 104**) on the floor for discussion. With the drop of 400 members in 2003-2004 it was hard enough to make the payment this year.

Wendy Dingman of Huronia questioned if the wording in section 3 of the Metro motion not be "Minimum" instead of maximum because we would never want to put a cap on the max.

Doug Connerty of Ottawa Valley indicated that the motion has a lot of merit, but as long as the organization's financial situation is the way it is, Ottawa Valley doesn't think we can pass the motion at this time. If the O5PBA becomes profitable again down the road we could look at this again. But we need to look at the DCs in a different light. It would be better to keep the DCs with less membership and leave them as a DC rather than have them fold.

With no further discussion Mike Cregan called the question.

MOTION

That the membership criteria, as defined in the O5PBA constitution, be amended as follows:

- 1. That the Zone criteria be reduced to 800 members from 1,000
- 2. For DC Zones, that the criteria be reduced from 30 members/lane bed to 25 members/lane bed
- 3. For DC Zones with 16 lanes or more, that the maximum number of members be reduced from 500 to 400

All other criteria would remain unchanged.

MOTION DEFEATED.

Jim Lablance, seconded by Howie Baker put the Bluewater motion (**page 105**) on the floor for discussion.

With the vast area that Bluewater covers they are getting less and less membership all the time and it would help their organization if we were to go this way.

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With no further discussion Mike Cregan called the question.

MOTION

By-Law #4 – Membership Rights and Voting:

4.1.00 Membership Class Descriptions:

4.1.04 Zone Association (Zone)

<u>Currently reads</u>: "A Zone, formally called a Zone Association, is a grouping of a minimum of one thousand (1000) registered members in a geographical area of the Province of Ontario, such area and the registered members therein recognized by the Corporation as a Zone and made an agent of the Corporation for the geographical area."

Given the current membership status of several zones (ours being 601) and the ever increasing need to fund raise to cover membership dues payable to the Corporation in addition to regular fundraising we, the Board of Directors of Bluewater 5 Pin Bowlers' Association, respectfully present the following amendment to the aforementioned by-law for consideration by the membership delegates.

<u>Amendment</u>: That the grouping be a minimum of seven hundred and fifty (750) registered members in a geographical area.

MOTION DEFEATED.

Mike Cregan thanked those people that put those motions forward because they did recognize a concern. The O5 is addressing it and we will be addressing it further with your help.

9. Brian Whalen, Maple Ridge put forward a recommendation that states:

That the Maple Ridge 5 Pin Bowlers Association recommends that the O5PBA include with the zone qualifiers information forms a question to the Open qualifiers on whether to change the playoff format of the Open to the Paige system or keep the current format. When the office receives all the answers to the questions back, the tournament committee can review the responses and if there is a majority in favour of changing to the Paige format, then the tournament committee re-evaluate changing the Open playoffs to the Paige format. In addition, on the question sheet include an explanation of what the Paige system is.

H SECOND CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

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Sheila Carr asked for the second call for nominations for the Board of Directors. None were given at this time.

The third and final call for nominations to the Board of Directors will be at General Meeting #3 on Saturday.

I <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

A motion was put forward by Brenda Fraser, seconded by Joanne Campbell to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

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