

Monthly General Board Meeting  
RMDA  
October 18, 2017  
Blue Bonnet Restaurant  
457 S. Broadway  
Denver, CO. 80209

**In Attendance – Brenda Roush, Renee Ripol, Chris Seifert, James Sands, Steve Maestas, Dave Hale, Angie Lowman, Stacy Edwards, Cindy Lynde, Ken Lynde, Josh Schuler**

**Call to Order – 7:00 pm**

**New Business**

- Discussion on teleconferencing some of the monthly meetings. Who will look into the process and viability?
  - It was discussed that this would be used for bad weather or emergencies. Will contact Terra to investigate
- Pictures were taken of all board members in attendance. When will they will be posted on the RMDA page?
  - Anyone that missed pictures please send one to Ken.

**Protests and Petitions**

- none

**Commissioners Reports**

- Board Advisor
  - James has board measuring tools and will be distributing to the commissioners
- B League
  - Jeff Lovato's grievance regarding the scoresheet stemming from the incident on 9/11 was already addressed so there was no vote needed.
  - Request to add Ethan Hitchcock to Beer Depot Dozers after the deadline was denied per the rules, no vote was required.
  - Flight Master's Captain indicated to the board that they would no longer be playing this season, applicable B captains were notified.
- A League
  - Diddler's Choice has been playing with 2 players has a commissioner reached out to the team? James talked to the captain and they will continue play with 2 until the end of the season
  - Harley Dartinson has officially quit for this season. A forfeit will be awarded to any team scheduled to play them until the end of the year and notification will be given to those teams.
- AA & Masters League
  - It's Not Broken – requesting to add players after the 8 week deadline due to personal issues a couple of the player are having. Request denied

**Membership Committee – Chair Josh Shuler Confirmed Members: Tanja Farmer, Heather Frayer, James Mutchler, Brian Finken**

- Email sent on September 25<sup>th</sup>, to previous players, to obtain data on why players have left the RMDA. So far over 80 previous members replied to the email and emails are still being received today. Biggest reasons for leaving were moving, job and family. Email did produce some renewals as well, Josh working with those members.
- Reviewed feedback from members regarding the format of play and suggestions, this will be used to formulate next steps in increasing membership.
  - See attached committee notes

**Sponsoring Establishment Outreach – Chair Steve Maestas Confirmed Members: Amy Robertson and Chris Blinkinsoph**

- Steve will sit down with Heather from Mirage in the next couple of weeks and is still investigating best way to contact most of the sponsoring establishments.

Steve will be certifying/inspecting bars according to the “guidelines”. He will compile responses from each bar for the board to review. Some of the longstanding sponsoring bars are not in compliance with the guidelines and we will need to work with them to get them compliant

**Rules Committee – Chair Stacy Edwards**

**Will meet and have information by November meeting.**

- It was discussed that we add a rule regarding Master players in the top 10% denied movement and to revisit the capping of master players
- There is also a typo in the appeals section of the rules that needs to be corrected

**Banquet/Awards Committee – Chair Terra Poplstein**

- They would welcome more volunteers for this committee
  - Projects- formulate a spreadsheet for all awards and find a way to circulate it to Ensure names are spelled correctly and sizes are correct. Determine who wants awards and who wants to donate theirs.
- Next meeting will be to determine specific roles for volunteers in terms of setup/teardown, food planning, venue planning, transportation planning, equipment planning,
- Brenda will compile a list of tasks to prep for the banquet

### **Technology Committee – Chair Renee Ripol**

- Dart Connect/Tablets/holders costs were discussed, obtained pricing from Gena and discussed buying tablets and holders for B league teams that currently do not use them (10 teams).
  - Tablets will be given to the Captains of each team.
- Automation of T to T – Renee will be creating an Excel spreadsheet to eliminate the paper form and will have something to show the board by November meeting.
- Data Stream stats from Dart Connect to RMDA statistician
  - Kevin Kellogg and Tom Nickerson will be meeting to start that process.

### **Communication Committee – Chair Gena McCracken**

- Need updated information for November
- Gena McCracken will be putting together a Dart Connect page that will be connected to the RMDA site with reference on how to use it and instructional guidance. Tom Nickerson said that he can provide a spreadsheet of members to Dart Connect personnel. Brenda cautioned that we need to be careful of the language we use in the tutorials by stating that it is “easy” because that would deter new users from trying Dart Connect. She also suggested that a Dart Connect Help Desk during Captain’s meetings because the questions are entirely different from bar to bar.

### **Tournament Committee – Chair: Cindy Lynde, Members: Renee Ripol, Matt Westerberg, James Sands, Jenn Sands, Barb Sifrit, Brenda Roush, Beth Davis, Ken Lynde, Terra Poplstein**

- The 2018 Colorado Open will be held the first week of November.
- 2018 Shamrock Classic will be March 2-4 and flyer was sent to ADO for sanctioning

### **Youth Committee – Chair Jimmie Jarrell Members Teresa Schultz, Angie Lowman Waiting for totals will have information for November meeting. Josh will send email for 11 kids at the col open, liked streaming had 1200 viewers at one point.**

- Jimmie Jarrell is working with Westword to get an ad out that will hopefully get other bars interested in hosting teams and increase our exposure.

### **Beyond the RMDA Committee – Chair Brenda Roush, Chris Seifert**

#### **American Darts Organization**

- US Team National Finals, all matches had scorekeepers. Way to go RMDA, and particularly Matt Westerberg and Angie Lowman!
- Tom Sawyer, Larry Butler, Sandy Hudson and Lisa Ayers won the spots to the America’s Cup in 2018
- Cricket ADO National Qualifier – November 19, 2017 Cripple Creek
- ADO Singles leagues at Steel Tips, Mirage and Longshot will qualify 11.5 men and one woman

- Dart Women of the West (October 29) will qualify 8-16 women
- 501 ADO National Qualifier – late November/early December, Colorado Springs or Denver location

### **United States Sports Dart Alliance**

- Chuck Hudson, USSDA founder attended the Colorado Open. He was impressed, once again, with our tournament. I let him know that the RMDA is not going to join the USSDA at this time, and will consider holding a non-member qualifier for USSDA nationals in the summer of 2018. I have not heard any additional questions or comments from our members about the USSDA.

### **Championship Dart Circuit**

- Peter Citera, CDC co-founder was invited to attend the Colorado Open. He accepted the invitation and then offered to run a Q School event. With only two weeks to promote it, our participation of 22 players was impressive. We had 11 local and 11 out of town players. JD Newman of Las Vegas won the event, Chris Martin of Chatanooga took second, and RMDA players Josh Shuler and Charlie Meininger were the top 4 finishers. Josh and Charlie have been awarded 2018 CDC Tour Cards!

### **Dart Women of the West**

- Dart Women of the West - Cricket Tournament  
Sunday, October 29th  
@Cheers  
Noon - B Singles Sign up starts 11:30pm  
12:30 - A Singles  
1:30 - Open Singles  
3:00 - Women's Doubles

### **Statistician Report**

**Commissioner will review and confirm with Tom by the end of next week- James will investigate and update the board**

- A proposed schedule for the 2018 Spring season was given to the commissioners for their review.

### **Treasurer's Report**

- Monthly financials – Terra is out of town, financials to be posted to the RMDA website when complete

### **President's Business**

- Voting process is completed and will be used for the next issue.
- Meeting adjourned 7:43 pm
- Next meeting 11-9-17 Blue Bonnet 7 pm