**Minutes for OEDL Board of Directors Meeting 3/27/23 at Cavanaugh’s Headhouse**

**(Minutes taken by Recording Secretary, James Coughlin)**

**Present:** Keith Jameson, Paul Kuhn, Casey Hare, Jim Coughlin, Alan Cahill, Paul Lichorobiec, Spoonie Rand, Mike Aird, Jeff Baxter

**Absences:**

* Greg Stoffa **–** excused (work)
* Bill Moriarty – excused

**Call to order:** 7:15pm

**February’s Minutes Approved:** 7:19pm, Motion to Approve Casey/Seconded by Paul K., Approved 8-0.

**Officer Reports:**

* **President** – Paul discussed a minor issue with the Player Stats in YLS. This is due to Statisticians not having access to the Google email and the Google Drive not being updated by Casey as she was busy with work and personal business. An email thread was created and some unappreciated comments were posted. Casey jumped on the sword and took the blame, but it was deemed unnecessary. Just an inconvenience due to Google security protocols.
* **Chairman** – Keith Jameson has nothing to report.
* **Treasurer** – Bill Moriarty absent, but did submit this month’s Treasury Report via email to each Board Member. Keith discussed a League expenditure during the Treasurer’s report that would require a Board vote. G-mail storage for the OEDL Scores account was running out of space. To increase that space would require a $2 per month payment to Google. Board voted 8-0 to approve the expense. Bill will set up a recurring payment to address this issue.
* **League Recorder** – Bill Moriarty excused absence.
* **League Director** – Casey Hare discussed make up matches. All make up matches are scheduled at this time.
* **Vice President** – Alan Cahill discussed the cost of an All Dart Connect League versus the cost of Statisticians. Recognizing that Dart Connect is the future and does the job of Statisticians, the Board discussed the financial implications of switching to Dart Connect League-wide. Dart Connect charges $20 per team per season to run a League (52 teams x $20 = $1,040 per season), Statisticians current cost the league $50 per season, per Division ($50 x 10 Divisions = $500 per season). Potential cost for the OEDL to go all Dart Connect as opposed to continual use of Statisticians is $540 per season or $1,080 per year. Additionally, each team would require at least 1 player to own or have access to a tablet each week (at least when hosting home games). Paul Lichorobiec has a scheduled call with a representative from Dart Connect to discuss some options, including either a one Division trial, or possible league-wide implementation. Conversation to be continued at next Board Meeting.
* **Secretary** – Jim Coughlin has nothing to report.

**Committees/Directors:**

* **Rules & Regulations/By-Laws Committees** – Alan Cahill has nothing to report.
* **Events Committee**:
	+ Paul K. discussed the Ben Herman Shoot. The Shoot will take place at Cavanaugh’s Rittenhouse on April 1, 2023 with registration beginning at 1pm and darts flying no later than 2pm. Paul purchased 40 tickets for the 7pm Flyers game that same night. Price for this combined Shoot/Flyers game is $100, for just the Shoot it is $30. Paul asked if anybody on the Board will be able to attend and received confirmation from Jim, Paul L., and Keith with others unsure at this time. Paul hopes to fill the remaining spots with Ben Herman’s former teammates and friends. This is the Inaugural Ben Herman Shoot and we hope to grow it each year and build a collaboration with the Flyers that will include memorabilia to be auctioned, Flyer/OEDL Dart flights, etc. Paul also requested a $100 donation from the League toward this benefit shoot. Casey motioned/Jim C seconded, approved 8-0. All proceeds from the Shoot will be donated to the Veterans Multi-Service Center in Old City in Ben’s name.
* **Equipment Committee** – Mike Aird ordered a collapsible tri-pod stand and light setup after the last Board of Directors Meeting. Mike was going to bring the set-up to this meeting, but was unable to get to Lucky 13, where it was used for the D-7 All Star Shoot, to pick it up. No issues were reported by any shooters at the event. Jeff Baxter was at the All Star Shoot, and although he didn’t have any matches on that dartboard, he relayed that he heard no complaints. Mike and Paul L. have both shot on the tri-pod setup and opined that it was sturdy and ideal for transport and setup. Board discussed the possible need of a dartboard surround to block any wayward darts that miss the target. All present Board Members agreed that this is a good idea. Board further discussed the positives of having collapsible tri-pod stands as opposed to the large wooden pop up boards. With the purchase of the tri-pods we can eliminate the need for the OEDL Storage Unit. The cost savings in doing away with the Storage Unit is ~$1,944 per year (according to Treasurer’s Report). Mike Aird stated he would also need a large plastic bin also for storage of the dartboards once they are connected to the mounting brackets. Jim motioned to approve this expenditure/Casey seconded. Board voted unanimously 8-0 to order a total of 7 more tri-pod dart stands, 7 lights, 8 dart surrounds and a plastic bin. Estimated cost of this equipment is ~$1,300. This would give OEDL a full complement of 8 dart stands, lights and surrounds for any event. Board discussed, but came to no final conclusion as to what can/should be done with the existing wooden dart stands. To be continued.
* **Awards Director** – Jim Coughlin deferred to Jeff Baxter to discuss Queen Anne and Banquet Plates for 1st Place and Championship Teams. Jeff relayed that we do not have enough Queen Anne (smaller) Plates for this upcoming awards cycle and we are also very low on the Tavern (larger) Plates. Jeff suggested ordering a minimal run of the Tavern Plates (36 Plates) and a full run of the Queen Anne plates (72). 72 Queen Anne Plates and 36 Tavern Plates are both adequate for approximately 3 years’ worth of awards. Board voted unanimously 8-0 to place the order. Jeff further discussed some specific requests from several teams regarding their plates and how he wished to handle them. All requests and Jeff’s suggested response were approved by the Board.
	+ Jim discussed Print for Progress, the Apparel Company that handled last season’s apparel awards. It appears that they have gone out of business. Jim will have to find a new Apparel Company for awards this season and ongoing. Board discussed several options. Jim will update at next month’s Board Meeting.
* **Scheduling and Seeding Committee** – Paul Kuhn has nothing at this time.
* **Hall of Fame Committee** – Paul stated that he still needs to speak more in-depth to Ron Marks about heading the Hall of Fame Committee. If Ron is going to head this, we would likely need some additional help with this committee. Board discussed several OEDL members/former members that could be good additions, including Ruben Macias (Paul K), Joe Ferry (Jeff Baxter) and Shorty (Keith). Would also need at least 1 Board member to be part of this committee. Conversation to be continued.

**Old Business:**

* **Teams Missing Fees –** Bill excused absence, but did send an updated list of delinquent fees to each Board member with the Treasury Report. Several Board members asked the same question; does it seems to anyone else that this list got bigger since last month? Board suspects that Bill audited the rosters and corrected the previous list of delinquent fees. To be discussed with Bill at next month’s meeting. Only $175 in delinquent fees league-wide at this time.
* **Banquet**: Tankies has notified the Board that they are interested in hosting the Banquet. They will be added to the list of interested host locations. All locations interested in hosting the banquet will need to fill out a Banquet Bid Form to officially submit a bid. Paul K. will ask the Social Media Director to post the Banquet Bid Form in next week’s OEDL Facebook post.
* **Venues that have expressed interest in hosting the Banquet:**
	+ Cavanaugh’s Riverdeck
	+ Cavanaugh’s Headhouse
	+ Columbia Social Club
	+ Mummer’s Museum
	+ Brahaus Schmidts
	+ Saturnalians Mummers Club
	+ Cavanaugh’s Rittenhouse
	+ Tankies Tavern
* **Board Elections**: The following OEDL members have notified the Board of Director’s that they are interested in running for the Board of Director this year.
	+ Paul Lichorobiec
	+ John “Pickles” Bouillon
	+ John Mullen

**New Business:**

* **Delco Umbrella:** Chris Friel and Mike Campagna have contacted Paul Kuhn and expressed an interest in forming an “OEDL Umbrella” that incorporates the Delco Dart League into OEDL. Lots of discussion during this topic. Paul intended to reach out to Chris Friel and have him come to the Board of Directors Meeting to make his pitch and answer questions, but forgot.
	+ What is the purpose?
		- Expansion of the OEDL? Growth of the League? Attract more players from neighboring communities?
	+ Will they fully fold into the OEDL and just be a Delco Division(s)?
		- This would mean playing our format, our awards, our bar fees and dues, our Constitution and By-Laws, etc.
		- How many teams are in the Delco League? Is it enough to be a Division? 2 Divisions?
	+ Is their only goal to be eligible in Philly Dart Shoots? i.e. Fisher Cup, Mr. Philly, etc.
* **Pirates Benefit for Keith Kelly:** Board has been notified that Pirates will be hosting a Benefit for Keith Kelly sometime in April. Will update as more information is learned.
* Keith - Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Casey – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Paul Kuhn – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Alan Cahill – Is Facebook our only Social Media presence? Do we have Instagram or Twitter? It would help us to both grow and get our messages out if we had additional social media presence, as Alan himself doesn’t have Facebook and access to any of our messaging. Casey suggested that we develop a Communication Strategy that includes; exact days and times to post messaging to create symmetry, rules and guidelines, etc.
* Jim Coughlin – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Paul Lichorobiec – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Mike Aird – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Spoonie – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Jeff Baxter – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.

**March Board of Directors Meeting:**

* Next Board Meeting scheduled for April 24, 2023 at 7pm at O’Neals. Approved 8-0

**Meeting Adjourned: 8:27pm**