American Darts Organization Board of Directors Meeting – Q2 April 28, 2024 Video Conference

Called to order at 2:10pm EDT

Present:

President – James Raymond Widmayer

Vice President - Jeffery Douglas Olson

Chief Financial Officer - Jacqueline Robbins

General Secretary – Cynthia Annette Lynde

Director of Operations – Stephen Brown

Area 1 Manager – Ronald B Peppers

Area 2 Manager – Brenda Roush

Area 3 Manager – Russell Bruce Lyzak

Area 4 Manager – Elizabeth Newby

Area 5 Manager – Dustin Lee Story

Area 6 Manager – Christopher Ryan Mooneyham

National Youth Manager – Carrie Marie Demer

Members for quorum: 10

WDF World Masters and ADO National Finals

WDF World Masters is set for October 9 through 13. Location TBA

Area 2 Manager Roush, Area 5 Manager Story, Area 6 Manager Mooneyham, and Renee Ripol will be in Charlotte, NC to manage/run the ADO Masters National Finals.

Area 2 Manager Roush and General Secretary Lynde will put together a National Finals information flyer for Charlotte, as well as an information sheet for the WDF World Masters.

President Widmayer reiterated that players that have qualified for WDF Masters at the 2023 ADO Masters Nationals Finals can still play in a National Qualifier, but cannot win the trip to Charlotte for the Masters National Finals.

The Board will discuss and decide on team captains for the WDF World Masters after the ADO Nationals are completed.

2025 Las Vegas Open flyer

President Widmayer and Area 5 Manager Story will be working on the flyer.

Items to be decided are: the number of events, event schedule, and other details. The Board agreed to move discussion to Discord channel.

Still looking into having an ADO-run tournament in August 2025, which would also host the Cricket National Championship.

Transgender guidelines for ADO tournament rules

The Board confirmed that the ADO will adhere to the WDF policy on transgender athletes. Area 3 Manager Lyzak and Area 2 Manager Roush are compiling an FAQ document around common questions and implementation of the policy to be published for the membership.

2025 WDF World Cup is scheduled for Sept 23-27, 2025 in Seoul, Korea

Thus far, one bid to host the ADO National Finals leading to the World Cup has been submitted. The board agreed to accept bids until May 12, and will decide on the location at that date.

Report from the Vice President - Jeff Olson

Nothing new to report.

Report from the CFO – Jackie Robbins

CFO Robbins sent financial reports to the BOD via email.

All paperwork has been submitted to the tax lawyer.

Report from the General Secretary – Cindy Lynde

Will be getting back on track with By-Law revisions.

Area Manager Reports

Area 1 – Ron Peppers

Has been communicating with Kevin Simonis, new Region 1-3 Director, who will be holding National Qualifier soon. Working with Camellia Classic to correctly submit flyer for sanctioning and working on getting other tournaments going.

Area 2 – Brenda Roush

National Qualifers: 8 scheduled/held (goal 15) 5 advancers so far of 25 goal

Tournaments: 9 scheduled/held (goal 13); \$330 of \$430 sanctioning fees goal collected; 1,924 player

levys collected of 2,200 goal; 3 WDF tournaments toward goal of 3 WDF tournaments

ADO Organizations: 10 have paid dues out of goal of 16

Regional Directors: 3 out of goal of 5

Priorities for May

Get 4 more qualifiers scheduled

Contact 4 RUs and 2 RDs about attending nationals

Create July nationals flyer

Create WDF masters flyer

Pursue 4 additional tournaments

Contact 10 past ADO organizations

Recruit and train RD for 2-4

Reach out to contacts about RD in 2-1

Area 3 – Russ Lyzak

Have a new Regional Director for region 3-1. Problem with most Regional Directors being unresponsive, and still working on recruiting more working Regional Directors.

Area 4 – Beth Newby

New Individual members in Area 4 and a couple of new or returning clubs. New tournaments sanctioned in Ohio and Florida. Masters National Qualifier in Huntsville coming up soon; Area 4 Manager Newby will attend to help the new Regional Director.

Discussion surrounding the lack of something like a "new member packet" that could be emailed to new or returning associations. It was agreed that it is needed.

Area 5 – Dustin Story

Active regions are going well. 4 of the 5 regions have scheduled/held ADO Masters National Qualifiers. Website updates:

March web traffic report shows 25,000 page views. Most of the views are to the tournaments listing and the rankings.

The logo page has been updated, so that it is easier for tournament directors to download the correct logo, in the correct ratio, for their flyers. In the process of putting together email lists aliases for better communication with Regional Directors.

Area 6 – Ryan Mooneyham

St Patricks Open (WDF Bronze) went very well.

In talks with NW Arkansas about re-joining the ADO. In talks with Topeka about a National Qualifier with their tournament.

There was a National Qualifier that just took place in Minnesota. It is possible that there will be a need to find a Regional Director for region 6-2.

National Youth Director Report – Carrie Demers

Youth Nationals will be Saturday, September 14 at the Witch City Open. There is a possibility of holding a WDF World Cup Youth Qualifier on the Sunday.

To date, 15 WDF Youth Events have been scheduled for 2024.

Waiting for list of invites, from the regional tables, for the Youth WDF World Cup, in order for the parents to start planning.

Report from the ADO Office - Steve Brown

Working with CFO Robbins to track PayPal transactions where the payer did not note what the payment was for or submit online form. Working on tasks for WDF Masters.

Old Business – Tabled until proposals are received

New ideas to strengthen the ADO and our members

What the ADO pays/covers for a player who qualifies for a National Finals

ADO Youth Tournament

ADO League Program

National Finals Invitations to sanctioned Associations

Open Discussion -

Federation of Gay Games contacted Area 2 Manager Roush about adding darts to their Gay Games in 2030. Option for selling more boards – The ADO is currently out of boards to sell. Remaining stock to be used for National Finals.

Ancillary Items -

March 6, 2024 - February 2024 (Q1.2-24) BOD meeting minutes were approved.

March 17, 2024 – Revision of By-Law Article VII, Section 3 was approved

March 25, 2024 - Revision of By-Law Article VIII, rearranging the order of Articles was approved

Date of Next (Q-3) Meeting – Thursday, August 1, at 7p EDT

Adjourned at: 4:11pm EDT