



# *Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association*

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## *Board Meeting – October 1, 2006*

The fifth board meeting of the Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association was held In St Catherine's, Ontario at the Quality Parkway Inn.

### **Roll Call**

- President Nick Pisciotto, Vice President Della Trude
- Directors in attendance
  - Gus Badali, Alvin Clarke, Lena Donahoe, Ron Jones, Ann King, Charlotte Konkle, Linda McCormick, John McLean, Karen Nicol, Robert Oliver, Mike Payne, Jayne Picott, Denis Welch, Louie Willemson
- Directors who were absent:
  - Robert Ellis, Deborah Hope, Brian McLean, Janice Smith
- Life Members in attendance
  - Robert Trude, Barrie MacKenzie, Shirley Williams
- John McLean reported we have a quorum.

### **Opening of the meeting**

- Nick Pisciotto opened the meeting at 9:00 am.
- The Board observed a moment of silence for Bud Sparling who past on in the summer. Bud was a long time Junior Board Member. The board will be sending a donation out to the families' charity.
- A motion was made by Robert Oliver to dispense with reading of the minutes of the previous meeting. Seconded by Linda McCormick. Carried.
- A motion was made by Barrie MacKenzie to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as printed. Seconded by Robert Oliver. Carried.

## **Opening of the meeting – Con't**

- The president (Nick Pisciotto) did not have any report. All was covered at yesterdays Jamboree meeting.
- The Association Manager (Doug Imms) went over the intern financial statement.

## **Committee Reports**

- **Youth**

- A lengthy discussion about the changing of the Ivan Nelson Memorial tournament qualifying dates took place. The date changes were discussed in June at the youth meeting so there should have been no surprises.

Nick asked all participants at any committee meeting to ENSURE that any decisions made at these meetings gets back to their associations.

Kevin also did send out emails about the change to anyone that he had on file.

Robert Oliver had a concern that if the qualifying ran to Nov 12<sup>th</sup> then how could you get the entry mailed in by the 13<sup>th</sup>. John/Jayne stated that this was a typo on the entry form and has been corrected.

He (Robert) also had a concern that the parents were being asked for a lot of money to enable the kids to attend multiple workshops. John stated that some of these costs were covered by the tournament. Unfortunately we get complaints that the bowlers don't get together to practice so we put on these workshops and then we get complaints that it costs too much. Unfortunately any team that you qualify for (Adult or Youth) there is a cost involved. This is true for any sport and not just bowling. Jayne stated that the workshops were based on what the other provinces do for their athletes. After all we are attempting to put a stronger team together.

Gus made a comment that this was known at the June meeting but until just recently the exact date was not known. We need to improve on the communication!

- **Audit**

- No report at this time.

## **Committee Reports – Con't**

- **Hall of Fame.**

- Ron Jones stated that last night a very appreciative Earl Demmery was inducted into the Hall of Fame.
- He (Ron) stated that there must be more people that are deserving of being inducted into the hall of fame. He asked that all board members ensure that their associations are aware of the Hall of Fame and to submit any deserving individual names for consideration.
- He (Ron) would like to see at least one inducted done each and every year!
- Criteria and entry forms can be found on the associations' web site under the Hall of Fame tab.

- **Sports Council Report**

- John Mclean made this report.

He received a call from Ken Woolgar stating the Joyce is back in the hospital. He does not believe that Joyce will be able to do this job anymore. We need to look at possibly getting someone else to step in.

- All the required paper work to apply for the grant was completed to late to submit to the government for this year. Therefore the \$2,000.00 grant that the board approved to apply for will not be done this year. John McLean will get a hold of Joyce and see if this should be re-assigned.
- John also stated that Sports Ontario says we could use the Ontario Bowling Council incorporation as our own. John stated that we should look into this.

- **Awards**

- Louie stated that the committee has been working on handing out Provincial Tournament Pins. Louie will be sending out a presentation for approval from the board. He stated that they were looking at putting this in place for next year. Karen Nicol stated that these pins should come out of the tournament funds and NOT the association fund. Jayne Picott stated that if the board paid for the youth pins then she would be able to divert that money to youth scholarship.

This was a long discussion.

## **Committee Reports – Con't**

- **Awards – Con't**

A motion was put forward that Louie should be allowed to look at this avenue and should these pins come into being the cost of the pins for each of the Annual Provincial Tournaments (Men's, Women's and Youth) would come from the Association and NOT the individual tournaments. The money that the tournaments are currently paying for these pins would simply go back into the tournament for whatever purpose it is required for.

Only 8 people voted for this. 5 were for and 3 were against therefore the motion carried. There were lots of abstentions.

- **Nominating Committee**

- No report at this time. However a question was asked regarding credentials. Every time you are up for elections you MUST forward a new set of credentials to the Nominating Chair.

- **Tournament Committees Report**

- **Mens / Womens Tournament**

- Della went over the interim financial statements. There are lots of cheques still outstanding. The final statement will be available at the meeting in June.
- Tournament Committee (Karen Nicol, Charlotte Konkle, Ron Jones, Robert Trude and Della Trude) met to go over the tournament guidelines. These are now posted on the web site under the Public Tab.

The major thing that the committee wants changed due to this now being one organization is:

The women's tournament gives out a SCRATCH winner in the ALL EVENTS division and the Men's tournament gives out a SCRATCH winner in every event. The committee is recommending that this be changed to award 10% of the money to "Scratch" awards and 90% of the money to the "Handicap" awards for BOTH tournaments.

## **Committee Reports – Con't**

- **Tournament Committees Report**
- **Mens / Womens Tournament**

A change for last years tournament was that as there was no mention of rule 319D so CTF stated that it MUST then apply. This was announced at every the beginning of every squad.

### **Reporting Prior Prize Winnings**

Rule 319d. A handicap or classified tournament may require a bowler to report any previous tournament prize winnings as a condition for entry. In a handicap or classified tournament that does not have such a rule, anyone who has qualified# for a cash and/or merchandise prize of \$300 or more in the position standings prize list in any event in a tournament, including all events, special features, special prizes and donated prizes, within the last 12 month period must give tournament management the following information prior to participation, for possible average adjustment:

1. The name of each tournament in which they have been paid such a prize, or if not yet paid, where they have qualified for a prize.
2. The amount of the prize.
3. The actual score bowled to qualify for the prize.
4. The prize position.

Failure to comply with these provisions is cause for a forfeiture of entry fee and prize winnings.

Add to the rules that the Provincial Association has a web site and to ensure that the results are posted on it for EVERY tournament.

The committee also discussed the Jackets and Plaques that are awarded. They feel that because we are now ONE organization then the prizes should be the same! The committee felt they should be Plaques and NOT jackets.

## **Committee Reports – Con't**

- **Tournament Committees Report – Con't**
  - **Mens / Womens Tournament**

Other changes were as follows:

### **Men's Tournament:**

Remove the check box for anyone over 55 years old. We no longer hand out any awards for this category.

Change the men's rules to be handicapped on 230 and not 220. Barrie MacKenzie stated that this should be 240.

Other minor wording changes.

### **Women's Tournament:**

New scratch divisions to match up with the men's tournament.

Other minor wording changes.

### **Posters and Entry forms:**

Last year 400 posters were ordered (200 men and 200 women) at a cost of \$825.00. The committee is recommending that this be changed to 100 men and 100 women.

Also cut down on the number of entry forms. Last year 4000 men and 2000 women were ordered and there were plenty left over.

John Mclean made a motion to adopt the tournament committee's recommendations with the amendment proposed by Barrie MacKenzie. This was seconded by Robert Oliver, Carried.

- John McLean made a motion to ensure that rules 319a-2, 319d and 319e are added to our tournament rules that they DO NOT apply. This was seconded by Charlotte Konkle, Carried.
- The tournament guidelines are in place to ensure that we have some consistency between tournaments. Della Trude made a motion to accept these and Charlotte Konkle seconded it. Carried.

## **Committee Reports – Con't**

- **Tournament Committees Report – Con't**

- **Jack Erb Memorial Ontario Seniors Tournament.**

- One bid has been received from Niagara to host this tournament at Parkway Lanes St. Catharines next year at a cost of \$12.80 for 6 games. The tournament will be held on October 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> 2007.
- A Verbal bid from Cataract Lanes St. Catharines was received but with to many limitations.
- A motion by Shirley Williams and seconded by Ron Jones was made to award the tournament to Parkway Lanes. Carried.

- **Ivan Nelson Memorial CTF Youth Championship Tournament**

- Nothing further to report at this time.

- **Annual Youth Championship Tournament**

- Nothing further to report at this time.

- **Family Twosome Tournament**

- Nothing to further to report at this time.

- **Pespi Cola**

- Nothing to further to report at this time.

- **Rules and Legislation**

Due to the fact that the bylaws were not received and distributed in time a motion was entertained to vote on them at this meeting.

Motion made by Ron Jones, Seconded by Robert Oliver, Carried.

- **Rules and Legislation – Con’t**

- **BYLAW Changes**

**Article IV - Provincial Association Board of Directors – Management – Section B. Eligibility**

**Currently Reads:**

1. A member in good standing of a local Provincial Association at the time of election and throughout their term.

**Amend to Read:**

1. A member in good standing of the Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association and the Local Association they represent at the time of election and throughout their term.

A discussion took place as to when this person would be removed from the board. It would take place at the next AGM.

Motioned by Ron Jones, Seconded by Linda McCormick, Carried.

**Article V – Officers – Section D. Term**

**Currently Reads:**

The term for elected officers, except the Association Manager is 2 years. The maximum consecutive number of terms is 3. The Provincial Association Board determines the number of years in one term and the number of terms allowed.

**Amend to Read:**

The term for elected officers, except the Association Manager is 2 years. The maximum consecutive number of terms in each office except the Association Manager is 3. The Provincial Association Board determines the number of years in one term and the number of terms allowed.

Motioned by Ron Jones, Seconded by Charlotte Konkle, Carried.

**AMENDED:**

The term for elected officers, except the Association Manager is 2 years. The maximum number of terms in each office except the Association Manager is 3. The Provincial Association Board determines the number of years in one term and the number of terms allowed.

Motioned by John McLean, Seconded by Ron Jones, Carried.



- **Rules and Legislation – Con’t**

**Article IX –Amendments - Section C. Amendments to Bylaws**

**Currently Reads:**

Notification of any proposed change in bylaws, and the reason for the change, will be forwarded, in writing to each local association sixty (60) days prior to the next Provincial Association Board meeting.

**Amend to Read:**

Notification of any change in bylaws, and the reason for the change, will be forwarded, in writing to each local association sixty (60) days after the change has been approved by the board.

Motioned by Robert Trude, Seconded by Della Trude, Carried.

**AMENDED:**

Notification of any change in bylaws, and the reason for the change, will be forwarded, in writing to each local association after CTF has approved said changes.

Motioned by Robert Oliver, Seconded by Linda McCormick, Carried.

- **Hall of Fame By-Law Changes**

**ARTICLE III - ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS, Article III**

**Currently Reads:**

Section (iii) - No individual who is under suspension by ABC, WIBC, YABA or CTF shall be eligible for election to “The Hall” at any time. An Individual, who has been re-instated with full privileges to the organization that they had been under suspension, shall be eligible for nomination to the Hall.

**Amend to Read:**

Section (iii) - No individual who is under suspension by ABC, WIBC, YABA, or CTF shall be eligible for election to “The Hall” at any time.

Motioned by Ron Jones, Seconded by John McLean, Defeated.

Section (iii) - No individual who is under suspension by ABC, WIBC, YABA, USBC or CTF shall be eligible for election to “The Hall” at any time.

Motioned by Ron Jones, Seconded by John McLean, Carried.

- **Rules and Legislation – Con’t**

## **ARTICLE V - HOF COMMITTEE**

### **Currently Reads:**

The HOF committee shall be appointed by the President of the Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association and shall consist of five (5) members, including the chairperson. In addition, one (1) alternate shall be appointed to act in an emergency only. Each member of the committee shall be from a different Local Association. A vote by closed ballot shall determine which nominees shall be elected to the Hall of Fame.

### **Amend to Read:**

The HOF committee shall be appointed by the President of the Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association and shall consist of five (5) members, including the chairperson. In addition, one (1) alternate shall be appointed to act in an emergency only. Each member of the committee shall be from a different Local Association. A vote by closed ballot as outlined in the Hall of Fame Policy Manual Section 2 and 3 shall determine which nominees shall be elected to the Hall of Fame.

Motioned by Ron Jones, Seconded by Linda McCormick, Carried.

- **Hall of Fame By-Law Changes**

### **Currently Reads:**

Nothing

### **Amend to Read:**

#### **8. EXPENSES OF INDUCTEES / NEXT OF KIN**

The Ontario Tenpin Bowling Association will cover the following expenses for each Hall of Fame Inductee or, in the case of a Posthumous Inductee, the Next of Kin;

- I Mileage at the same rate as outlined in 14, b), ii of the O.T.B.A. Policy Manual
- II A hotel room up to a maximum of \$100.00
- III Two Jamboree Dinner tickets for each Hall of Fame Inductee or, in the case of a Posthumous Inductee, the Next of Kin.

- **Rules and Legislation – Con’t**

Motioned by Ron Jones, Seconded by Linda McCormick, Defeated.

- I Mileage at the same rate as outlined in 14, b), ii of the O.T.B.A. Policy Manual
- II One hotel room at the hosting hotel.
- III Two Jamboree Dinner tickets for each Hall of Fame Inductee or, in the case of a Posthumous Inductee, the Next of Kin.

Motioned by Robert Oliver, Seconded by Ron Jones, Carried.

- **Scholarships**

- John went over the financial report. The current balance is \$94,528.88. Out of this \$67,930.50 is being held to be handed out. That leaves a surplus of \$26,698.38. Out of this \$1,800.00 is being handed out every year for the Ivan Nelson Memorial CTF Tournament.

- **Old Business**

- Currently none.

- **New Business**

- John Mclean – Mixed Doubles Tournament. John presented a draft of the tournament entry/ rules and a discussion took place. Ron Jones stated that John put a lot of work in it and it is greatly appreciated. However at the last tournament meeting held in July at Burlington Bowl there were mixed feelings as to whether or not we need a Mixed Doubles Tournament. The tournament committee is proposing that a survey be done in Windsor as to whether this tournament should be held in the future, and if so when. Also should it be combined with the current annual tournaments? This was seconded by Mike Payne.

Jayne Picott stated that if we where going to send the winners of this tournament on to the next level it should be held in January and not May as there would not be sufficient time.

Barrie MacKenzie stated that he felt this tournament would not be a success if it was held on its own. He feels that it needs the influx of bowlers (from the annual tournaments) to make it a success. Jayne stated this might be the case in Windsor but the smaller association this would not be the case.

The vote was 9 for and 4 against.

- Nick Piscioti stated that this weekend the Jamboree is going to cost approximately \$7,000.00. Since the new organization of ONE membership the participation at the annual Jamboree has been steadily going down.

Jayne Picott made a motion that the Jamboree should be discontinued as the attendance is 95% board members. This was seconded by Charlotte Konkle, Carried.

- John McLean made a motion that the “NEW” board meeting (taking the place of the “OLD” Jamboree) should be held on a Saturday at 1PM. The location of this meeting is to be confirmed at a later time. Due to the fact that this is just a board meeting now, if anyone is travelling 250km or more one way the association will cover a hotel room for one night according to the Association Policy manual. This was seconded by Della Trude, Carried.
- The Hall of Fame inductee will now be done at the AGM. This might now be finger food versus a sit down meal. This will be a matter of cost. Hopefully this would attract more people to attend the AGM.
- John McLean made a motion for the Hall of Committee to meet in time to induct someone into the hall of fame in June 2007. Seconded by Robert Trude. Carried.
- Shirley Williams made a motion to remove the bar at this event due to the cost. Seconded by John McLean, Carried.

John McLean made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:45.