



## Medicine Hat Dart League (MHDL) General Membership Meeting: August 15, 2017

**Location:** Legion    **Time** 8:00pm

### 1. CALL TO ORDER 8:00pm

#### Verification of Executive Members:

Carrie Stotz - President, present

Bill Hatter - Vice President, present

Dean Lawson - Past President, excused

Peggy Smith - Treasurer, present

Alexis Anderson - Secretary, excused

Heather Barron - Director A, present

Denise Yates - Director B, present

Martyn Sharp - Director C, present

### 2. VERIFICATION OF QUORUM:

2.1 VOTING MEMBERS: 29    2.2 NON-VOTING GUESTS: 1    TOTAL MEMBERSHIP/GUESTS: 30

Has quorum been reached: 10% membership or 20 members

### 3. RULES OF MEETING:

3.1 Respect current speaker. Only one person speaking at any given time.

3.2 When you wish to address the floor, please raise your hand. When you are acknowledged, please stand up and state your name for the record before addressing your business.

3.3 Prior to leaving, all members please ensure that you register your name to be entered in the Member Appreciation Draw held at the banquet.

### 4. MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING DATED: April 18, 2017

Any errors or omissions:

- The MH Open payout total should read \$7080.00
- The Silver Cup payout was \$2400.00
- The only time we adjust our dates is for a provincial tournament like the grass roots if we have Submitted an entry, otherwise we put the MHDL tournaments first.
- Wording on the \$5 is wrong it is not for the banquet but because you attended a meeting.

Adopted the minutes with the errors corrected: Dan Stotz    Seconded by: Raine Darbyshire

All in favour: 29    Opposed: 0    Carried: Yes

## 5. FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

Current balance: \$3190.13

Adopted by: Phil Newman    Seconded by John Barrett

All in favour: 29    Opposed: 0    Carried: Yes

## 6. OLD BUSINESS

- Nothing Outstanding

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

**7.1** Amend the score sheet and Operating Procedures with current secretary's email address O.P. 3.12b

- For electronic reporting we changed the email address to [andersonlexs@gmail.com](mailto:andersonlexs@gmail.com) from [carrie.stotz@gmail.com](mailto:carrie.stotz@gmail.com)

**7.2** Amend Operating Procedures 3.12a with this season's drop box locations.

- There will only be 2 drop box locations this year. Lizards Pub and Eatery, and Schooners neighborhood pub. There is no longer a drop box at Jiggers

**7.3** Amend Operating Procedures 4.12a with MHDLClosed ladies tournament format.

- The change is: In the event that there is 6 or less entries in an of the MHDL events the format shall be double round robin of 3 legs
- 7 - 12 teams: one round robin of 3 or 5 legs at the tournaments discretion
- These changes are for ladies tournaments only

**7.4** Amend By law 6.5 for Executive start date. This is a change

- The executive term begins July 1 and runs till June 30th in correlation the Darts Alberta Executive year start.

Adopted by Bill Hatter    Seconded by Steve Waite

All in favor : 29    Opposed: 0    Carried: Yes

### 7.5 Membership Fees 2017/2018

- At the AGM we increased the membership fees to \$50. However, there was an error in process and therefore the membership fees will not be increased to \$50, they will remain at \$40. We as an executive will figure out how to give back the extra \$10 to those who paid \$50 tonight.
- To clarify why it happen, we never put the increase to the floor for a vote so it wasn't carried.
- John asked what is the reason for the increase. Carrie said that because our costs are going up and we cut out things like door prizes, so in order to provide what we have had in the past at the banquet the membership fees have to up. But for this year the fee will be \$40. We will look at this at the AGM.
- If a new member comes in now do they pay the \$50 or \$40. Peggy states that they will pay \$40.
- Tina Murray asked a question, if we will be short for the next banquet. Carrie said that the sponsor fees have been increased by \$25 and the executive will work frugally to get the things that we want. Plus my next point I will talk about a survey, and hopefully that will answer it a bit more.
- Should we go elsewhere. Heather stated that the lodge is still the best deal in town. Peggy said she checked into another place and they were going to charge us \$1200 to rent the room, \$32 - \$38 per plate and \$6 per drink. The Lodge does not charge us for the room.

### 7.6 Membership Survey

- The Executive decided to create a membership survey for our members of our MHDL to complete. The web address will be available in the captain's packages.

- Carrie encourages everyone here and their teams to complete the survey; because you are the members, and without the members there is no league. This is a chance for your opinions and ideas to be heard. It is also anonymous.
- The deadline will be Oct 31.
- This is the first survey. There may be a follow up survey.

### **7.7 Captain's Meeting**

- Heather explained that Executive would like to have a captain's meeting during the Christmas break. This is so we can get feedback on any concerns, comments or complaints about how the league is going. Some people don't want to go through the procedure of a written report, and this will be easier to do.
- Question asked if it has to be captains. Heather stated that it should be the captains, so they can discuss the rules and ask questions on things they may not understand. The co-captains are welcome as well.
- Is there an interest? Answer is Yes.
- Question: Do we have to vote on it? No we don't. We use to have the captain's meeting in years past and would like to do that again.

### **7.8 MHDL Tournament Information 2017/2018 Season**

- Currently working on venues and dates for our tournaments
- We are keeping in mind what was brought up at the AGM about looking at the tournament dates for Darts Alberta, MHDL and youth tournaments, taking it all into consideration and try to work it all out.

## **8.0 OPEN FLOOR**

- 8.1** - ?? Joe Lemaire asked if the MHDL could have more weekend tournaments that the standard 7 we already do.  
\*The executive said no we can only do league shoots
- 8.2** - ??John Barrett asked if the executive could let the members know ahead of time what they would be discussing or voting on for the next meeting:  
\*Carrie answered that about one week ago the agenda for tonight's meeting was posting for Anyone to see, so they would know what is going to be discussed.
- ??John Barrett also would like to have a vote at AGM in April on changing the doubles in the A division from the best of 3 to the best of 5 games.  
\* Taff agrees that we put in minutes now and vote at the next GM
  - ??John Barrett asked if we could generate income at our dart shoots, like a 50/50 draw.  
\*Taff and Peggy replied that we cannot because it is illegal for us, because gaming does not recognize us; that Darts Alberta is the non profit organization in our province.
- 8.3** - Phil Newman suggests we take the \$10 extra for our membership and put towards the door prizes  
\*Carrie said that the Executive could look at it and that this is the kind of thing he and others can put on the survey.
- 8.4** - ??Geoff Barron asked how can we raise the sponsorship \$25 without voting on it.  
\*Carrie explained that the way it is worded in the by-laws the sponsorship does not have to be voted on by members, only the membership fees do.  
\*Carrie states that the Executive wants to amend the by-law so that the membership fees and sponsorship fees are two separate entities. Then when we vote it will be two separate votes
- 8.5** - Taff Hatter said that the Chris Hatter is cancelled this year.  
\* Taff explains that Squires is no longer in business and the Legion has rented their rooms

downstairs out so we can't have it there. The Redcliff Legion is too small

\*Hotels are not an option either because they are too expensive and we need about 6 days to set up and take down and they are not going to let us have a room for free that long.

**8.5 -** ??Raine asked if we are having the Medicine Hat Open.

\*Carrie said we are working on finding a venue. Taff and Heather will be taking a look at Redcliff Harmony Hall.

**8.6 -** ??Phil Newman asked about advertising, if we did any?

\*Heather explains that we put an ad in the newspaper, shopper and kijiji. We also put up flyers in the pubs and grocery stores. It is also on the dart website and facebook page.

\*Carrie said that the executive tried really hard to advertise this summer and did so trying to keep our expenses down. If anyone has any ideas on how we can do that, please put on the survey or bring up at the next AGM

**8.7 -** ?? Rob Kochie wanted to know if we still need to have 2nd and 3rd place medal or trophies

\*Taff explains that some people really like to receive the awards.

#### **9.0 - GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:**

Date: April, 2017 an exact date will be posted and emailed.

#### **10. - MEETING ADJOURNED:**

Time: 8:58 pm

Raine Darbyshire adopted to close the meeting. Seconded by: Geoff Barron

All in favour All Opposed: 0 Carried: Yes