

**NTBA Annual Meeting
Sunday, April 24, 2016
Holiday Inn Parkway Convention Centre, St. Catharines**

The President called the meeting to order at 2:02pm

Present: Charlotte Konkle, George Bechkos, Erin McMaster, Nancy White, Peter Spanyi, Bonnie Castrucci, Anthony Luongo, Terry Krawec, Brian Staneff, Jeff VanBavel, Arnold Beck

Absent: Nick Caroli, Terry Krawec

4 members also attended for a total of 14 voting members.

M/S/C - Brian McMaster, Nancy White to dispense the reading of the April 26, 2015 Meeting Minutes.

M/S/C - Bonnie Castrucci, Anthony Luongo to accept the minutes of April 26, 2015

President's Report – Charlotte Konkle – Report on file

- Highlights – Thank you to all board members; Emphasis on communications with all of our participants via league Presidents and Secretaries, along with hopeful implementation of email database of all participants
- M/S/C – Arnold Beck, Anthony Luongo to accept the Presidents Report

Association Manager's Report – Erin McMaster – Report on file

- Highlights – Noted that there is a typing error on the report distributed. It should read 1077 Adults not 1076 Adults for the 2014-2015 Season. Current season is at 1175 total members to date, showing a decrease of 14 adult bowlers but an increase of 5 youth bowlers. Thank you to everyone for their assistance during the 2015-2016 Season.
- M/S/C – Brian Staneff, George Bechkos to accept the Association Manager's Report

Financial Report – Erin McMaster – Report on file

- Highlights – First full year of operations utilizing Quickbooks Accounting Software which has run very smoothly.
- Peter Spanyi inquired as to why the variance of 14 participants from the Association Managers Report to the Financial Report and Erin explained that the Association Manager's Report was as of April 10, 2016 while the Financial Report is as of March 31, 2016.
- Ron McKay inquired about the variance in awards costs between the 2014-2015 Season and the 2015-2016 Season. Erin explained that most awards are ordered for longer than a one year supply therefore the following season generally speaking the expenses are not as high. Accruals are not set up for inventory values.
- M/S/C – Anthony Luongo, Arnold Beck to accept the Financial Report subject to audit

Acts of the Board – Charlotte Konkle – Report on File

- M/S/C – Peter Spanyi, Jeff VanBavel to accept the Acts of the Board

CTF Report - Erin McMaster – Report on File

- Highlights – USBC revoking the certification of two Motiv Balls, Jackal and the Jackal Carnage effective March 15, 2016. CTF if following USBC's lead on this situation.
- M/S/C Arnold Beck, Anthony Luongo to accept the CTF Report

OTBA Report – Charlotte Konkle, Report on File

- Highlights – Youth Provincial Championships being held at Parkway Lanes the first two weekends in May 2016. Anyone wishing to volunteer please contact Bob Hodge.
- Charlotte announced the passing of OTBA Association Manager Doug Imms and Life Member Barry MacKenzie this year.
- Miranda Panas from Niagara captured the OTBA Senior Girls high average with a 209.
- M/S/C Erin McMaster, Brian Staneff to accept the OTBA Report

Committee Reports:

Awards Committee – Nancy White – Report on File

- Introduction of new youth awards for the 2015-2016 Season including High Average Award for both boy and girl, along with a most improved award for both boy and girl. Also added a scholarship high average award per CTF Age and Gender Category, a once in a lifetime achievement per category.
- M/S/C – Brian McMaster, Jeff VanBavel to accept the Awards Committee Report

Hall of Fame Committee – Bonnie Castrucci – Report on File

- This year's inductee to the Hall of Fame posthumously was James Malton in the meritorious category
- Brian McMaster asked the Board to look into the timing of the Tournament that is run in conjunction with the Hall of Fame Ceremonies. It seems that Sunday is not a good day as attendance was down. Charlotte commented that she has heard concerns as well and it is on the list of items to be discussed at the next tournament committee meeting.
- Brian Staneff confirmed that the other nomination applications are kept on file for an additional two years.
- M/S/C – Erin McMaster, Nancy White to accept the Hall of Fame Committee Report

Legislative Committee – Charlotte Konkle - Report on File

- NTBA's bylaws have been updated and they conform to the CTF's mandate and are available on the NTBA Website.
- The Policy Manual is also in the process of being updated.
- M/S/C Bonnie Castrucci, Anthony Luongo to accept the Legislative Committee Report

Public Relations Committee – Peter Spanyi – Report on File

- M/S/C George Bechkos, Nancy White to accept the Public Relations Committee Report

Scholarship Committee Report – Marj Hicks – Report on File

- Marj Hicks was not in attendance to read her report, so Charlotte read on her behalf.
- Sharon Walsh inquired as to the donations by each league by contributing one week of 50/50 monies to the scholarship fund as it was not done last year. Charlotte confirmed that it was not done due to the health of the scholarship fund at this time.
- M/S/C Bonnie Castrucci, Sharon Walsh to accept the Scholarship Committee Report

Tournament Committee Report – Peter Spanyi – Report on File.

- Brian McMaster inquired about the change to the Association Tournament by removing the doubles event. Peter explained that they are constantly trying to make changes to try and enhance tournament participation. Peter noted that many people have commented on that and it is on the list of items to discuss at the tournament committee meeting.
- Brian McMaster also noted that we increased the number of games to a four game block but the price of entry remained the same. Peter explained that there was an error and the NTBA absorbed the cost.
- Brian McMaster suggested that the Tournament notifications be out as soon as possible and possibly forwarded to the President's and Secretaries of each of the leagues for distribution.
- Sharon Walsh commented at looking at the feasibility of setting up an email distribution list. Peter Spanyi commented that there is a HTML sight Mail Chimp that allows you to have 1500 email addresses for free.
- M/S/C Erin McMaster, Anthony Luongo to accept the Tournament Committee Report

Youth Committee Report – Nancy White – Report on File

- M/S/C – Erin McMaster, Anthony Luongo to accept the Youth Committee Report

Audit Report – Brian Staneff – Report on File

- Highlights – No discrepancies were found. It has been suggested that the Tournament Accounts be handled in the same format as the General Accounts to allow for proper continuity.
- Charlotte noted to everyone that Erin McMaster did the audit of the Tournament and Scholarship Accounts.
- M/S/C – Arnold Beck, Anthony Luongo to accept Audited Financial Statements from August 1, 2014 to July 31, 2015 of the General, Tournament and Scholarship Accounts

Old Business:

- No old business

New Business:

- Charlotte introduced Brian McMaster – President of CTF for a brief report. He commented on the low participation at the Annual Meeting and that it is important to get as much involvement as possible in order to bring new ideas and solutions to the table. He also said the CTF has the same issues at hand, as do most of the associations. It is important for people to work and communicate together. He asked for volunteers the upcoming CYC's being held at Parkway Lanes June 9 -12, 2016.
- Erin confirmed for Ron McKay that we currently have 1062 paid members in the Association, not the total number of bowlers in each league.

- Brian McMaster asked Charlotte if the NTBA has ever thought of raising their dues as there is room for NTBA to do so as they have not done that in many years. Charlotte has confirmed that our dues are the lowest in all of Ontario. Everyone else is around \$6 - \$7.
- Brian Staneff has suggested that this is something that NTBA needs to consider since the Association has put off purchasing a new lane reader. Erin McMaster confirmed that the lane reading machine is not working at all at this point and it will be brought up for discussions in the next board meeting.

Nominating Committee Report – Brian Staneff & Charlotte Konkle – Report on File

- Charlotte read the Nominating Committee Criteria
- There are six spots available with only four people running
- The following seven (4) people were nominated for three year term commencing August 1, 2016
 - Arnold Beck, Bonnie Castrucci, Anthony Luongo & Erin McMaster.
- Charlotte confirmed that this is a majority vote meaning each person must receive 50% plus 1 vote.
- Ballots were distributed to all members, gathered and tallied by Charlotte Konkle and Brian Staneff.
- Elected four directors are Arnold Beck, Bonnie Castrucci, Anthony Luongo & Erin McMaster.
- Charlotte presented the following names for (1) Delegate for the upcoming CTF Meetings November 2016 in Calgary, Alberta – Erin McMaster and Anthony Luongo.
- Erin McMaster is the elected Delegate for the upcoming CTF Meeting in November 2016.
- Charlotte noted that there were no Delegates or Alternates brought forth for OTBA Delegates
- M/S/C – Arnold Beck, Jeff VanBavel to destroy ballots

M/S/C – George Bechkos, Anthony Luongo to adjourn the meeting at 3:10 pm

Recorded by Erin McMaster