

Niagara Tenpin Bowling Association
Minutes of the
ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – MAY 2, 2010
Quality Hotel & Parkway Convention Centre, St. Catharines, ON.

President Brian McMaster called meeting to order at 2:30 pm

ROLL CALL – Directors present: Brian McMaster, Charlotte Konkle, Marj Hicks, Ed Whipp, George Bechkos, Nancy White, Sam Navaroli, Gord McCormack, Peter Spanyi, Warren Gapp, Dan Ceccato. Association Manager - Rolly Aitken and 3 members. Total 15.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING – April 26, 2009

MSC: Charlotte Konkle, Warren Gapp that minutes are accepted as distributed.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT – Brian McMaster (Report read and placed on file)

Brian welcomed everyone to our 6th annual meeting and thanked the Board members for their hard work & dedication to improve the association. Information centres have been installed in each house. These will hold our newsletters, tournament listings, entry forms and final results. Tournaments have been successful this year but some are getting member support. Pete Spanyi will give more details in his report. This year has been a record year for honour scores – congratulations to everyone who has accomplished this achievement. Once again Brian thanked everyone in attendance for taking the time to attend this meeting. MSC: Gord McCormack, Dan Ceccato that report is accepted as distributed.

REPORT OF ASSOCIATION MANAGER – Rolly Aitken (Report read and placed on file)

Membership to date is 1523 adults, down 125 and 211 youth, down 4 – total of 1734. Honour scores to date for adults – 300-28, 299-14, 298-3, 800-7, 11 in a row-27. Youth honour scores – 300-1, 700-7, & 11 in a row-1. MSC: George Beckhos, Warren Gapp that report is accepted as distributed.

FINANCIAL REPORT - Rolly Aitken (report read and placed on file)

Balance in membership account as of April 30/10 - \$7,696.31. MSC: Charlotte Konkle, Rob Kent report is accepted subject to audit.

ACTS OF THE BOARD: MSC: Charlotte Konkle, Dan Ceccato that Act of the Board are accepted

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Legislative: C. Konkle – No report.

Finance & Audit: Marj Hicks (Report read and placed on file)

The final 08/09 season was completed & everything was in order. Copies of statements attached to report. The January for 09/10 season was completed with minor errors corrected. MSC: Marj Hicks, Nancy White that audited statements be accepted.

Tournament: Peter Spanyi (Report read and placed on file)

This bowling season saw the successful completion of a full slate of tournaments. Peter thanked committee members and board members for their help at these tournaments. A new tournament has been introduced, the Bowler of the Year, an invitational tournament open to the top 5 averages for both male & female in each house. We have introduced \$200 in gift cards to be given away at each tournament, for simply entering. At a committee meeting several changes were discussed and these were then brought to the board for approval of these recommendations. The changes were: eliminations of the 180 & under tournament and the 700 Club tournaments. The other change is to return to the open format for the Annual tournament and to hold three separate events, singles, doubles & team. Feedback from our bowlers is always welcome and we encourage them to spread the word about our tournaments. MSC: George Bechkos, Gord McCormack that report is accepted

Youth: Nancy White (Report read and placed on file)

Our youth are bowling up a storm. Alex Panas shot a 300 at Fariveiw and two 700's along with 11-in-a-row at Cataract. MSC: George Bechkos, Charlotte Konkle that report is accepted.

Scholarship: Marj Hicks (Report read and placed on file)

Our 08/09 winners of the Gail Navaroli Memorial Scholarship were Rachel Farrell and Martika Duguay, both bowling at Cataract. Scholarship winners at the Jack Erb Memorial Youth/Adult Tournament were Matthew Lennie, Jon May and Darren Cochrane. Your Youth Bowlers of the Year were Richard Newman – CT, Darcy Langelaan-Hipwell – FV, and Mitchell Maxner – PK. MSC: Gord McCormack, Charlotte Konkle that report is accepted.

Public Relations: Karen Cote

We had S.N.A.P. out to our Seniors Tournament (a local paper that covers events through Niagara Falls, Welland & Fort Erie). Pictures were taken of the Board of Directors and the bowlers and will be in the May issue of the paper. Our NTBA newsletter went out to all houses the beginning of March.

Hall of Fame: Gord McCormack (Report read and placed on file)

Two of our members were inducted into the Hall this year, Harry Moore for performance and Wayne Wardell for service. Gord added that the new criteria will be placed in each house. MSC: George Bechkos, Rob Kent that report is accepted.

Awards: Marj Hicks (Report read and placed on file)

The committee met and then brought their suggestions to the board for discussion and approval. It has been decided to eliminate the 175 Game badges and replace it with something more useful. Also we have eliminated the house most improved, as each league most improved is recognized by both NTBA and CTF. The Stepladder award is now awarded to our youth leagues and their honour scores will be acknowledged the same as the adults. MSC: Peter Spanyol, Warren Gapp that report is accepted.

Average Book: Sam Navaroli (report read and placed on file)

The average books will remain the same as previous years but the committee would like to incorporate the NTBA league code on the listing of sanctioned leagues. MSC: George Bechkos, Dan Ceccato that report is accepted.

Website: Dan Ceccato (report read and placed on file)

Our current hosting vendor is no longer suitable for what is required for our needs and so our goals for the summer is to find a vendor which will more appropriately meet the ever –changing needs of the Association. We would like to thank Nicole McIntosh for all the hard work and dedication she has put into maintaining the website and wish her all the best in her future endeavours. MSC: Rob Ken, Charlotte Konkle that report is accepted.

Performance Review – No report

Nominating Committee – Ed Whipp (report read and placed on file)

The following board members are up for re-election Brian McMaster, Sam Navaroli, Warren Gapp, Dan Ceccato, Nicole McIntosh and Ed Whipp. Nicole and I will not be running for another term, thus we have 6 positions open and 4 nominations. MSC: Marj Hicks, Dan Ceccato that report is accepted.

Coaching: Brian McMaster (report read and placed on file)

Within the last year or so a few of our members have upgraded and/or started their coaching certification. The NTBA, along with the OTBA will assist you in funding for these efforts. This is an area of growth, which will important for the future of our association, and the growth of our youth bowlers. I would like to congratulate Cody Rosa, Reg Jodoin and Erin McMaster on the completion of their certifications. MSC: Rob Kent, Warren Gapp that report is accepted.

CTF REPORT: Brian McMaster (report read & placed on file)

Highlights of report – CTF anticipates an overall decrease of 10% in membership. CTF has implemented some major adjustments to help cut costs. Dues increase of \$6.00 putting our membership cost at \$26.00. Awards – Seniors 50 POA now restricted to averages 160 & under, Youth 700 Pin suspended as they receive a watch for this award & Youth 200 & 550 Series will be discontinued. MSC: Warren Gapp, Marj Hicks that report is accepted.

OTBA REORT: Charlotte Konkle (report read and placed on file)

Awards – Provincial high average will be awarded to one man & one woman. This award will be a plaque and their total membership fee paid for one year. Youth – there will be 10 awards 5 boys & 5 girls in each division and they will receive a plaque & a \$100.00 scholarship. Tournaments - Adult tournament to be held at Rose Bowl, Windsor for 4 weekends in May. Youth tournament will be held 3 weekends in May at Parkway Lanes in St. Catharines and the CTF Canadian youth Championship will be a Parkway May 27-30. The OTBA Annual General Membership meeting is June 13th in Burlington. Karen Cote & Sam Navaroli are our delegates for this meeting. At the AGM Jack Erb will be inducted into the OTBA Hall of Fame. MSC: Warren Gapp and Nancy White that report are accepted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nothing

NEW BUSINESS: No new business.

ELECTIONS: Total number eligible to vote - 15

Election of Directors:

Directors up for election for a three-year term are Brian McMaster, Sam Navaroli, Dan Ceccato and Warren Gapp. Hearing no nominations from the floor, MSC: Charlotte Konkle, George Bechkos that nominations be closed. The successful candidates by acclamation are Brian McMaster, Sam Navaroli, Dan Ceccato and Warren Gapp.

Election of CTF Delegates (3) and alternates (3) for 1 year term:

Nominated from the floor – Charlotte Konkle, Gord McCormack nominated Erin McMaster – accepted
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Charlotte Konkle, Gord McCormack nominated Dan Ceccato – accepted

After a show of hands Erin, Brian and Dan are our CTF delegates.

Nominated from the floor – Charlotte Konkle, Rob Kent nominated Sam Navaroli - accepted
Charlotte Konkle, George Beckhos nominated Marj Hicks – accepted
Charlotte Konkle, Gord McCormack nominated Nancy White – accepted

After a show of hands Sam, Marj and Nancy are our CTF alternates.

Election of OTBA Delegates (2) and alternates (2) for 1 year term:

Nominated from the floor – Charlotte Konkle, Rob Kent nominated Sam Navaroli - accepted
- Charlotte Konkle, George Bechkos nominated Karen Cote – accepted

After a show of hands Sam and Karen are our OTBA delegates.

Nominated from the floor – Charlotte Konkle, Dan Ceccato nominated George Bechkos – accepted
- Charlotte Konkle, George Bechkos nominated Gord McCormack – accepted

After a show of hands George and Gord are our OTBA alternates.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Brian pointed out our new information centres are in all houses. Tournament information and newsletters will be displayed in these boards. Also the display cases that been used in the houses in the past for awards will now display our Youth bowler of the Year and our NTBA awards.

ADJOURNMENT: MSC: Gord McCormack, Charlotte Konkle that meeting is adjourned. Time – 4:00 p.m.

Minutes recorded by M. Hicks.

