

January 4, 2023, General Membership Meeting for Winter season 2023

President Susan Linkous called the meeting at Murphy's Law to order at 7:30 PM

Board Members present Robert Jayne, Bobby White, Susan Linkous, and Amber Cole (remote on Teams). Shelley Norman not in attendance.

Susan wished everyone a happy new year and welcomed everyone to the winter 2023 meeting. She thanked Murphy's Law for hosting the General Membership Meeting. Susan called for the Secretary's report. Amy Gartrell read the minutes for Amber Cole, attending remote on Teams from the last General Membership meeting July 27, 2022. A motion was made to accept the minutes as read, seconded, and passed.

Susan called for the Treasurer's report. Shelley was not in attendance. No report given. Susan stated the books would be worked on and a report would be given at the next meeting.

League Director's report. Bobby White congratulated the winners of Fall 2022 season - Gold Urehdum; Silver Misfits; Bronze Ton of Bulls. To add players this season, captains still need to call the night prior to the match so Bobby or Susan can add player in Dart Connect. Any new Captain, please see Bobby after the meeting for instructions. Please call in results the night of the match. All players must fill out the membership application form in its entirety and pay their dues the first night of play. Failure to make sure all members of your team turn these in will result in loss of wins. There is only one envelope in packet to mail in membership applications and membership dues. Good luck this season and remember good sportsmanship.

Vice President's report. Robert Jayne no report given.

President's report. Susan stated we needed to rework the Rules of Play now that we are using Dart Connect for our stats. She noted some motions related to the PPA and how the Board sets divisions are guidelines and not set in stone. When the Board placed the team Misfits this season that won the Silver division, we considered moving them up to Gold per the membership's past motion, however, this did not agree with setting the division by PPA / Dart Connect. She reminded everyone that COVID 19 is still here. If you are not feeling well, don't come out to play. The CVDA calendar this year was affected by many holidays resulting in byes during season and playoffs. Tournament of Champions at Sportsman's this Saturday, January 7th. Setup at 12:30 PM. We are looking for volunteers to set-up and break down. Sign-ups will open at 6:00 PM and close promptly at 7:00 pm. You must be present and sign up yourself. There are no call ins or texts to be signed up. We will be paying the top 64 teams. No membership dues accepted day of tournament. If you earned points, you needed to be a member for 2022 by 11:59 PM on December 31, 2022. Susan welcomed the new teams and members and asked everyone to practice good sportsmanship and help new players.

#### Old Business:

Committee Reports.

Dart Classic committee report given by Terry Hackworth, committee chairperson. She announced that the CVDA Dart Classic is back and will be held June 9 through 11, 2023, at the Richmond East Moose Lodge in Mechanicsville. This is our big national tournament and an opportunity to show off our local dart talent and sportsmanship. Local member participation is important to our success. This is a three-day tournament that draws players from all over the USA as well as Canada. Our first committee

meeting was held December 11, 2022, at Rock Falls with great attendance. Members came with many ideas for fund raising. Past Dart Classic tournaments were held in a hotel, but costs in recent years have been too high. Another piece to this event is supporting a local charity. The Richmond East Moose Lodge is allowing us to use the ballroom for free provided we contribute to a charity of their choice. The CVDA has donated tens of thousands of dollars to charities over the years. The CVDA is a not-for-profit organization and philanthropy is an important aspect. The membership should be very proud of how we help the community. She would like the membership's help to make this event the best one in many years. Membership feedback and support is critical, and she hopes that anyone who wants to be a part of the event will attend the next Dart Classic Committee meeting January 22, 2023, at Murphy's Law 4:30 PM.

ADO report, given by Tommy Harrell. Tommy stated there had been no ADO qualifiers as there was little interest. He will schedule a few qualifiers to get a few CVDA members to regional play. Please check the stats, website and FaceBook for details.

Audit Committee. No Audit. No report.

PPA committee, chairperson B.J. Stamos. No report given.

Web Site and Face Book reports - No report given.

Susan stated this was last call for vote for Secretary for 2023. Five volunteers will count ballots.

Bobby White stated we needed to revisit a motion passed at the last General Membership meeting to allow teams to turn in rosters the day after the finals. Robert Jayne's intent was to allow teams in the finals an additional 24 hours to submit their rosters. Motion made to allow only teams in the finals one extra hour after finals end to turn in rosters (not the 6:00 PM deadline). Motion was seconded.

Discussion held. One member stated we approved the other motion, why the need to change? The Board explained that previous motion was not clear for the Board to enforce and enact. More discussion was held. Bobby withdrew his motion.

Terry Hackworth made a motion to allow an extra 24 hours to turn in rosters for teams in the finals only. She revised the motion to state if a team is in the finals, they have an additional 24 hours to turn in their roster by emailing all the Board members by 6:00 PM on Monday, the day after the finals. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Vote taken. YES – 51, No -2. Motion Passed.

Susan called for any other old business. There was none.

#### New Business:

Susan announced that Jennifer Wicks won the run-off Secretary election.

Oath of Office for 2023 Board Members was taken. President, Susan Linkous; Vice President, Robert Jayne; Secretary, Jennifer Wicks; Treasurer, Terry Beasley; and League Director, Bobby White.

Susan opened the floor to the membership for New Business.

Chris Fullerton stated the Board had voted to increase the CVDA tournament sanction fee from \$1 to \$2. He made a motion for the additional \$1 per person to go direct to the Dart Classic (fund). Motion was seconded. Discussion held. The Goal is to have money to rent a ballroom in a hotel as we used to years ago. We are a not-for-profit organization with most funds going to awards and operating expenses.

Vote taken. Yes – 55; No – 0. Motion Passed. Susan stated effective tonight, blind draw entry fees will increase to \$7 per entrant (\$2 Sanction fee). Note made that Chester Junction Friday night first blind draw would now be \$2 (sanction fee only!).

Dan Williams asked about the website. He stated the web site was not current. General Membership Meeting notice was not posted until last week. Minutes from last season were not posted. Amber stated minutes would be on the site shortly.

No other motions were brought forth.

Other New Business:

There was no other New Business. Packets were handed out starting at 8:22 PM. Motion made to adjourn, seconded, and passed.

Reminder that the first weekend sanction even would be Chilin in the Well on January 14 and 15 at Rock Falls on Saturday and Omega on Sunday.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 PM

Respectively submitted by Amber Cole