

August 30, 2023, General Membership Meeting for Fall season 2023

Board Members present Robert Jayne, Bobby White, Susan Linkous, Jenn Wicks, and Amber Cole (remote on Teams).

President Susan Linkous called the meeting at Chester Junction to order at 7:30 PM. She thanked Chester Junction for hosting the Fall 2023 General Membership Meeting. She told everyone of Terry Beasley's passing two weeks prior and asked for a moment of silence. There will be a celebration of life on September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11 AM in Hopewell. She stated the Board has moved Jenn Wicks to fill the Treasurer's position and that Amber Cole has come back as Secretary. Susan then called for the Secretary's report. Jenn Wicks read the minutes from the last General Membership meeting May 5, 2023. A motion was made to accept the minutes as read, seconded, and passed.

Susan called for the Treasurer's report noting that the Board has not gotten the laptop and paperwork from Terry Beasley's family and is giving them time. Jenn Wicks provided the balance of \$43,036.27. There are outstanding expenses that checks are to be written for summer season trophies to Bunkie Trinite (\$1500+), Rock Falls Tavern of \$300 for the food at the Finals, hauling of the trailer/ delivering stanchions \$40, Area Rep Stipend of \$75, Points list \$150, and all Board Stipends – 5 at \$100 each. A motion was made to accept the minutes as read, seconded, and passed.

League Director's report. Bobby White congratulated the winners of winter 2022 season - Silver Bohica and Gold Vision Quest. We have 26 teams this season – Gold and Silver only; no Bronze. Dart Connect is working well and will be a little different this season. The Score sheet is different for Gold and Silver. Listed by Sets not Games now in Dart Connect. Set 1 – 501 Doubles; Gold 4 singles is a SET. Reminder to ALWAYS SAVE YOUR MATCH in Dart Connect. Instructions are in the packets and players will need a guest account. Captains will need to contact either Bobby or Susan to add new players. Captains still need to text or call-in results, membership applications, and fees. Bobby wished all a good season.

Vice President's report was given by Robert Jayne. He is recertifying the sponsor locations and has a few more to complete for the annual review. He stated we made it through last season without the drama and that everyone had fun. Please be respectful of the sponsors and staff. As always, please watch stat sheet, Facebook, and check the website for any future events.

President's report. Susan stated Murphy's Law was closed. She commented on the division setup process and the challenges we continue to face. With 26 teams for the fall season, having a bronze division with two or three teams was not a good option for players or sponsors. Sponsorship fees are the basis to pay for the seasonal awards. Last season the sponsor fees received \$1400; trophies alone \$1475. The Board will be looking at options for awards with costs continuing to rise. Most Captain's look at the Rules of Play. All players need to review the Rules of Play. To grow the league, everyone must help, not just the Board. Please be willing to assist new players on league night, blind draws, and weekend tournaments. She wished everyone good luck this season.

#### Old Business:

Committee Reports.

Youth League. New Committee. Chris Wicks stated the youth league had gotten off the ground and more players will be joining. The June 3, 2023, meeting – one attended. The second day, August 6, 2023 – 7 players participated in a round robin youth draw with an adult. The third day, August 20, 2023 – 4

players attended. Chris noted there is more sportsmanship with the youth (than the adults) and they are the future of the sport in the area. There are two divisions of play. One age group is 6-12 and the other age-group is 13-18. For now, they all play together in one bracket. He needs the parents to join in and he stated, "it is all about the kids!" There were flyers on the tables for the youth league and he is hoping this will spread by word of mouth.

ADO report. None given. Tommy Harrell stated no report as there has been no ADO play. Susan asked Tommy to start scheduling round robin qualifiers. Tommy replied for players to reach out to him that are interested in ADO play, and he will set these up. The next Regional is in three months. If there are not enough women for a bracket, then all will play in one bracket.

Dart Classic committee report. Terry Hackworth stated she had no financial or tournament data to report. Susan Linkous provided information from this year's Dart Classic held in June. She stated there were 742 entrants for the weekend. A donation of \$4,149 was made to St. Jude's Research Hospital – the charity selected by the Richmond East Moose Lodge. Board Sponsorships of \$1350 collected with \$500 direct to charity and \$850 used for expenses. Total expenses of \$3457.64. As for the extra \$1 per person collected for every tournament, there will not be enough to secure a hotel for next year's Dart Classic as the ballroom alone for 3 days could be \$15,000.00. Anyone that has ideas for next year's Dart Classic, please contact a Board member.

Audit Committee report. No audit. No report given.

PPA committee, No longer needed. No report given.

Web Site and Face Book reports - No report given.

Bobby White reminded everyone of the upcoming Save the Tatas tournament at Partners II on September 16<sup>th</sup> and Omega on September 17<sup>th</sup> as well as the SCAN tournament September 23<sup>rd</sup> hosted this year by Chester Junction.

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

#### New Business:

Nominations for Board of Directors for 2024

Susan opened nominations for the 2024 Board of Directors:

Secretary – Paul Martin - nomination was seconded and accepted; Amber Cole – nomination was seconded and accepted.

Treasurer – Jenn Wicks – nomination was seconded and accepted.

League Director – Bobby White – nomination was seconded and accepted.

Vice President – A.J. Morgan - nomination was seconded and accepted; Tommy Harrell - nomination was seconded and accepted; Robert Jayne – nomination was seconded and accepted; Chris Wicks - nomination was seconded and accepted.

President – Susan Linkous – nomination was seconded and accepted; Chris Fullerton - nomination was seconded and accepted.

Nominations were closed.

Susan asked for New Business.

Motion to publicize Board Meeting dates and locations. Board agreed – no motion seconded. Secretary Amber Cole stated members could request a link to TEAMS call if they could not attend in person or if a meeting was remote. The Board will post on the website, CVDA Facebook page, as well as weekly stat sheet.

Tommy Harrell made a motion to restore the minimum number of legs played to qualify for the playoffs. A player must play a minimum of 10 legs by the 10<sup>th</sup> week to qualify for the playoffs. Motion seconded and discussion held. Discussion on extenuating circumstances. A player that did not meet the 10-leg requirement would not receive an award for the season. The five-minute discussion was extended for another five minutes. Vote taken. YES 39, NO 7. Motion PASSED. Will be added to the Rules of Play and be effective for January 2024.

Paul Martin asked if the CVDA was in good standing with the State Corporation Commission (SCC) and with the IRS. Susan stated she was working on those and would look into this further and advise.

No other motions were brought forth.

The 50/50 raffle run during the meeting to benefit Terry Beasley's family raised \$274 with all donated back.

Other New Business:

There was no other New Business. Packets were handed out beginning at 8:23 PM. Motion made to adjourn, seconded, and passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM

Respectively submitted by Amber Cole