



The London and District Men's Dart League



EXECUTIVE MEETING

October 7, 2015

Attendance:

Member's Name	P/A	Member's Name	P/A
(President) Richard Duke	P	(Vice President) Brian Lonsbary	L/P
(Treasurer) Dave DeGroot	P	(Scorekeeper-web) Andrew Ferguson	P
(Director) Peter McClung	P	(Director) Ed Lewanick	P
(Director) Ben Garner	P	(Director) Dave DesChamp	P
(Secretary) Dan Riley	P		

Chair: 19:48

Called to Order: Richard

Complaint: The President starts the meeting by telling the Board that the Secretary has received a complaint from the September 24 night of play. Richard now asks the Secretary to inform the Board on this complaint.

The Secretary now states that this complaint is about an unregistered player playing for a team in the 6C format. The team Fart Duckers is accused of using this unregistered player against the Kent Kickers. Dan tells the Board that the Fart Duckers captain has already admitted to Dan (on the phone) that they did use this player that night.

Dan also notes that the player in question has now registered and paid his membership fee.

The President now invites captains Don K (Kent Kickers) and Andy D (Fart Duckers) to hear from them over this complaint.

The President now asks Andy D about this unregistered player and Andy admits that his team did use that player, but Andy states that he did ask Don if he could use this player and Don didn't object at that time.

The President now asks Don K about this matter and Don says that he wasn't sure about this player and decided later that he would place a complaint with the Board. Don states that the player in question played and took out two (2) or three (3) games that night.

After answering some questions from the Board the President asks both captains to leave the room while the Board discusses this matter.

The Board discusses the complaint and agree that the Kent Kickers should have protested the night from the start, but in this case it is clear that the Fart Duckers were clearly using an unregistered player.

Director Ben motions that the Fart Duckers lose all points and games associated with the Sept 24 night and the Kent Kickers will receive all games won (6) and the two (2) points for the night, seconded by Director Pete, carried.

The President now invites captains Don K (Kent Kickers) and Andy D (Fart Duckers) back into the meeting. Richard informs both captains that the Fart Duckers have now lost all points and games for the Sept 24 night and those points and games are now rewarded to the Kent Kickers.

Both Andy and Don thank the Board for their quick decision and leave the meeting at this time.



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Complaint: The President now brings up another possible complaint that was placed during the reporting of a team score. This matter was questioning the signing of a new player on a team on a Thursday night. Richard now asks the Secretary about this situation and if Dan received a formal complaint about this matter.

The Secretary acknowledges that he did receive the score sheet from the Scorekeeper pointing out the issue the one team had with their opponent, but the team in question didn't file a complaint with him. Dan states that this is not a complaint according to the rules since a complaint must be either filed with the Secretary by the actual complaint form or by email addressed to the Secretary, not through the reporting of scores to the Scorekeeper.

Dan explains to the Board that he has always accepted a new/replacement player by phone as long as the forms/money have been either given to Dan on or before a Thursday night or placed into the League mail box at the Victory Legion on or before a Thursday night. Dan states the rulebook doesn't state how he must accept a new/replacement player so Dan has been accepting players on game nights to help promote darts and not to have teams forfeit nights because they are one player short. Dan also states that has always warned team captains he checks the League box on Fridays. If Dan doesn't find the forms/money in the League mail box (on Friday), Dan would then place a complaint into the Board against the player and team captain asking them to be suspended by the Board, but Dan has not had to do that in the ten (10) years he has been the League Secretary.

Past Minutes: Minutes from the Sept 2 meeting where emailed to the Board by the Secretary on Oct 4 for their reading. After discussing the minutes the Secretary motions to accept the minutes as proposed, seconded by Director Ben, carried.

Financial Report: The Treasurer hands out his monthly report to the Board. Dave notes that the GIC (\$25,000.00) has been purchased and the bank account is at \$5,399.03 as of today. Dave also notes that he hasn't yet changed the way he records player transactions (teams and singles) in the financial report, but he will do it soon. The Treasurer now motions to accept the financial report as given, seconded by Director Ed, carried.

Reports of Officers: Director Dave had gone to the Moose 1300 to ask them about possibly being a Singles League venue in the near future. Dave reports that the Moose had to decline the chance to be a hosting venue for the Monday League. The Moose holds their monthly meetings on Mondays.

Directors Ed, Pete and Ben along with the Vice President have no reports at this time of the meeting.

The Scorekeeper reports that the website is doing fine, but Andrew did get an email from John Mc. about the naming of the upcoming tournaments. Andrew states that John is asking about the possibly history of the reason(s) why these tournaments are named the way they are.

After some discussion about the names (Frank Hannon, Fred Parry and Wes Harris) and reasons why the tournaments are named after them, the President asks the Secretary and other Board members to give Andrew the history behind the names.

Andrew states that the League's history should be celebrated through the League website and Andrew is given a few names of current and past members to ask for possible information.

The Treasurer hands a thank you letter from Heart and Stroke Foundation to the Secretary.



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Reports of Officers: The President now states that he received a phone call from the Victory Legion explaining that they have rented out the upstairs floor and the Victory is also a polling station for the federal election this Monday October 19th.

Richards states that with this news we are obviously going to either have to move the intermediate format to another venue(s) or postpone that week's play till later.

After some discussion it is decided to ask either of the Moose Lodges if they could possibly host this format on a one time basis.

Director Pete says he thinks the Moose 1300 has meetings on the first two (2) Mondays of the month, so it may be possible at that Moose may host that week of darts. Director Dave will check with the Moose 1300 and report back to the President and the Board asap.

The Secretary starts his report by handing over the current phone/internet bill to the Treasurer and the \$55.00 for Dan's share of the bill, Dan also hands a missing phone bill over to Dave as well. All receipts Dan has are also given to the Treasurer. The new/replacement player list and money/checks (\$790.00) is given to the Treasurer by Dan. Dan brings up the two (2) players that were kicked off of their team. Both have now found a team to play for, but they didn't pay the \$5.00 fee (for both of them) and if they do then Dan will have to pay it.

The President states that in this case the Board would wave that fee as long as the Board agrees and when asked by Richard the Board does agree to wave the \$5.00 fee this time.

The Secretary now asks the Board members if they do accept players (new/replacements forms and money) that they get the paperwork and money to Dan and or to the Treasurer quickly.

Dan would prefer that no Board member accept these forms/money since the Secretary is the only Board member that has the records to okay the players who may be new or a replacement player and Dan has to make up the player's membership cards quickly as well.

The Secretary now states that the system he's been using for the numbering of all League members is now in the 1300's and this number doesn't reflect the true membership totals. Dan says that with the changes in membership over the last ten (10) years the numbering system is due to be either replaced with another option or just delete the numbers all together. The names of the membership would still be updated every year, but the format a player plays in would serve as a better way of keeping track of the membership for instance.

Old Business: Director Ben states that he doesn't have inspection reports for the Byron, Lambeth Legions and Black Diamond Bar, Ben states he will have them for the next meeting.

The Secretary now asks about the Duchess of Kent, Dan was there last week and noticed that three (3) playing boards beside the bar didn't have any lights on them. Dan says that with the number of teams at the Duchess that night two (2) teams were playing on the unlighted boards.

Both teams agreed to play on those boards, but Dan thought the venue was cleared by the Inspection Committee. Dan was told by the Duchess the lighting issue will be taken care of shortly.

Director Ben states that the Duchess was told by the Committee that those three boards couldn't be used without proper lighting.

The Scorekeeper now asks about the playing boards at Poachers Arms with suspect lighting and furniture in front of the playing boards.

The President states that this is his home venue and he acknowledges that some changes are happening at Poachers as the venue is trying to find their best way to accommodate the dart players and the bar's regular customers.

It is agreed that the venue needs to be re-inspected and watched to see if this happens again.



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Old Business: The Secretary now brings up the computer issue and Dan states that this issue has been going on since before June and Dan would like to see something happen in the matter.

The President states that the place that the League bought the computers from is now out of business. Director Ed states he knows a guy and the Scorekeeper will also check out Micro-Tech to see about a new League computer or two.

The running of tournaments is now brought up by the Secretary, Dan states that we need to have conveners for at least tomorrow night's tournaments and maybe the season.

The President states that he believes that all the tournaments with the exception of the Fred Parry and Frank Hannon shoots tomorrow can wait until a later meeting.

The Board agrees with the President to have the later tournaments assigned at a later date and after some more discussion it is also agreed that the Vice President and Director Ben will convene the Fred Parry (P-12 game), with the Secretary running the Frank Hannon (6 game).

The question about the 13% discount that the membership receives from Saunders Pro is still there the President reports. But Richard states they (Saunders) do want any unused league membership cards back for them to hold on too.

The Secretary states that with that request Dan will be holding onto some membership cards to prevent Dan having to go and get membership cards from Saunders for the near future. Dan will return the unused league membership cards to Saunders shortly.

The President now discusses the new Executive shirts and why they are not here tonight.

Richard explains that with the changes that we made to the shirts and the combination of vacation time (for the shirt provider) and the sudden influx of a whole a lot of shirts ordered by other teams in Toronto, our shirts are behind. Richard does state that we should have them by the charity tournament.

Director Ed states that the pens were ordered and they should be ready in two (2) weeks, Ed says that the Treasurer sent the cheque on September 16.



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New Business: The Secretary now asks the Scorekeeper about the posting of the July 22 minutes and why those minutes look so different (sloppy) than other minutes. Dan states that when he looked at the minutes there were many issues with how the minutes are laid out, Dan explains that he takes care on how the minutes are prepared and Dan wouldn't send the July minutes that way to Andrew.

The Scorekeeper states he didn't do anything to the July minutes and shows the Secretary the minutes on his laptop. Andrew says that Dan maybe having issues with the old computer he is using.

The Secretary now asks who will take the membership cards he has for the Premier-12 game format. Dan states he has about twenty (20) membership cards for the top half of the League.

With Dan going to the Frank Hannon (6 Game), Dan needs someone to hand out those cards.

The President states he will hand out the membership cards and takes the membership cards from the Secretary for the P-12 Fred Parry tournament.

The Secretary also states that he will be late at the Wes Harris Charity tournament due to a family commitment; Dan will get to the tourney as soon as he can after his sons confirmation if possible.

Motion to Adjourn: Made by Director Ben,
Next meeting is November 4 at 19:30
Meeting closed at 21:08

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