



Altoona District Youth USBC

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Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: July 27th, 2011

Time: 7:00PM

Location: Bavarian Hall (Heritage Room), Altoona

Attendees:

- Jason Hann (Huntsman)
- Tammie Smith (Holiday Bowl)
- Christy Kidd (Bedford Elks) - Association Director at Large
- Chip Helsel (F.A Gerhart Lanes) – Association Director at Large
- Mary Blair (Holiday Bowl) – Association President
- Scott Zimmerer (Holiday Bowl)
- Darrin Kirk (F.A. Gerhart Lanes) – Association Manager/Tournament Director

Minutes

1. Meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00pm by Association Manager Darrin Kirk.
2. Meeting minutes from June 6th meeting were read and a motion to accept the minutes was made by Chip Helsel and second by Tammie Smith.
3. Old business
 - a. Fundraising
 - Due to the current amount of money in the funds Darrin expressed concern that if we don't do well with the 200 club and sponsorships we won't be able to give out as much scholarship money as last year. This would either mean a drop in the number of places to award or the dollar amounts awarded.
 - i. 200 club
 - Darrin discussed the need to make sure that the burden of selling the tickets was taken from Fred and that we need to make sure that we (the association) get them sold. Everyone agreed this needs to happen.
 - The tickets had been reprinted and are available. Some have already been distributed.



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- Due to the situation with Fred, we are currently without a DJ for the event. Scott is going to check with Matt Caporucchio who DJs at Holiday to see if he is available and if so what will he charge us. If Matt does not work out, Darrin is going to check with Rick Mascack.
- Darrin is going to have additional colored fliers printed up (3 per house) that will be 8.5x14 and may draw more attention and hopefully response.

ii. Sponsors

- Darrin discussed the need to make sure that the burden of trying to get sponsors or donations from sponsors was taken from Fred and that we need to make sure that we (the association) drum up the business. Everyone agreed this needs to happen.
- Darrin had mailed 56 donation letters to local businesses with a brochure letter and a 200 club flier. As of the meeting Darrin has received the following responses:
 - \$25 gift card from Hoss's
 - 4 – 2012 all day ride and Water Park passes from Delgrosso's Amusement Park valued around \$16 each.
 - Response from the Altoona Curve to fill out the on-line form for donation requests. Actual donations may take a few weeks to get approved.

4. New business

a. Financial statements

- i. As of the meeting there is \$8,229 in checking and \$4,041 in savings.
- ii. There is \$1,568.50 in outstanding gift certificates. That is money we cannot count on as available. Some will expire but Darrin is not sure which ones and when and will check into it.
- iii. The financials were accepted as read with a motion made by Christy and second by Tammie.



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- b. By Laws
 - Changes to the By Laws had to be made to bring them current. Darrin read the changes and a motion was made by Mary to accept and second by Chip. Darrin will post the new version to the district website as soon as he can.

- c. Registered Volunteer Program
 - This is a program where the USBC requires that association board members have a background check to be certified to work with youth bowlers. The centers themselves can elect to opt-out of this program. Darrin is going to work on getting this done for the current board. There will be an expense that the association will have to absorb.

- d. Bumpers now sanctioned (Roll N' Grow)
 - This is a new USBC program that allows a center to sanction bumper bowlers. The USBC cost of this would be \$8 per bowler. Add in the state (\$.50) and local (\$2.00) per bowler dues and this bring the total cost to \$10.50 per bowler. Bowlers will receive patches but no shirt. The centers represented at this meeting have elected to not sanction bumpers this year.

- e. Supplies for upcoming season
 - Supplies are expected to arrive at Darrin's house on Thursday, July 28, 2011. Once they arrive, Darrin will get everything together for the houses and distribute as soon as he can.

- f. BOW (kids in right age group)
 - Darrin reminded folks that submit bowlers for BOW that they are in the correct group based upon age not the group they are bowling in. The Example was an 11 year old who by age is a PREP but bowls in the JUNIORS should be submitted for BOW as a PREP.

- g. Awards (submit via email often)
 - Darrin asked to submit awards electronically if possible via email and to do it frequently so he can keep up with it. This will only benefit the centers in the long run and will avoid trying to get patches at the end of the season.



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h. Tournament Schedule

- The tournament schedule was discussed. Some of the dates and locations may change. Here is what has been proposed:

PROPOSED 2011 - 2012 Schedule					
Tournament	Date	Center	Squad Times	Cost - Handicap	Cost-Scratch (additional)
Krazy Bowl	October 9	Huntsman	11am - 1pm	\$12	\$5
4 Person Team	November 6	Bedford	12pm - 3pm	\$12	\$5
Open Scholarship	December 5	Bedford	10am - 12pm - 2pm	\$15	\$5
Doubles and Singles	February 12	Holiday	10am - 1pm	\$12	\$5
Qualifying Scholarship	March 3 and 4	Holiday	3pm (3rd) 9am - 11am - 2pm - 4pm (4th)	\$15	\$5
Bowler of the Year	March 31 (Saturday)	Holiday	Jrs/Srs 10am Bant / Prep 12:30pm	\$12	\$5

- The entry fee of the tournaments will remain the same: \$6.75 for the center and \$5.25/non-scholarship tournaments and \$8.25/scholarship tournaments for prize making the totals \$12 and \$15 respectively.
- The qualifying windows for the Qualifying Scholarship tournament still need to be decided and will be based on the State Pepsi Tournament qualifying windows.
- The dates for the Qualifying Scholarship tournament may change so they do not coincide with the Pepsi Tournament.



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- i. Other business
 - In order to try and keep incentive for bowlers to show up at the tournaments, we will implement the same program as last year where the bowlers are entered into a drawing for additional rewards for showing up at the tournaments.
 - Scott mentioned that he and Holiday will help us out by donating bowling balls that we can raffle off.
 - A suggestion was made that each house should be responsible for putting together a basket that can be raffled off at the 200 club.
 - There was a discussion about how to build up the membership at the houses. Tammie mentioned that we shouldn't focus on negativity of kids in other sports that compete with bowling but rather focus on the many other kids that don't do any sports but are looking to get involved in something.
 - It was also mentioned by Christy to maybe do a radio advertisement to get the word out. Jason said he would talk with someone he knows at Forever Broadcasting.
 - Darrin mentioned he is working on a new website but won't have it done for this season.
5. The next meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 5th, 7pm in the Heritage Room of the Bavarian.
6. At approximately 8:30pm, the meeting was adjourned.