

MASTER BOWLERS' ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES OF MEETING

Saturday, May 13th, 2006

Secretarial Note: The attendee list for this meeting has been lost and attempts to re-create it during the 2006-07 season will take place and then attached to minutes prior to the 2007 AGM Meeting. **Anyone who was in attendance at this meeting is asked to notify the office so we can add you to the list.**

President, Brenda Pankoff called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. She welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the members of the Board of Directors and the office staff, which included Nancy Moore, Director of Operations, Henry Fehr, Tournament Director, and Walter Heeney, Special Projects Officer. Our membership base for the 2005-06 season was 669. During the 2005-06 season the MBOA introduced the Unaffiliated Teaching Master to help those individuals whose bowling centre has closed and this year we had a total of 10 unaffiliated teaching masters. A financial package was handed out to all attendees that included the following:

- a. Revised 2004-2005 Financial Statement
- b. 2005-06 Financial Statement as of May 10th, 2006
- c. 2005-06 Tournament Financial Summaries by Event

Brenda Pankoff went through the package in order to clarify some of the issues that were submitted to the office. In the case of the revised financial statement the board noted that there were addition errors in the statement published in the Annual Report and these errors were brought to the Board's attention following zone meetings in February 2006. The total revenue in "Actual to 31 Jul 05" column should be \$241,311.76 instead of \$241,312.06 as published. The total on the last line in the "Actual to 31 Jul 05" column should be <\$13,472.70> instead of <\$15,038.70> as published. She also noted that the financial statement as of May 10th, 2006 is a snapshot of the financials for the organization as of this date bearing in mind that between May and July the organization incurs large expenses including the Master Senior, Pro Am and Nationals. She also went through the Tournament Financial Summaries to illustrate that the prize pay-outs, admin/lineage costs and national assessments are covered by the entry fees received. In some cases where there is an excess in revenue for the event, it can be attributed to lower lineage rates charged. It was also noted that no admin fees were charged against the Rookie Tour events.

There were many positive comments on the financial package presented to the attendees at this meeting. A copy is attached to these minutes.

1. Acceptance of the 2005 Annual General Meeting Minutes through the zone meetings. Carried.

Mover: Judy Begley (J-1)

Seconded: Alex Vande Pol (K-2)

2. Acceptance of the revised financial statement for the period ending July 31st, 2005 as presented at this meeting. Carried.

Mover: Brian Lawrence (B-2)

Seconded: Barb Murrell (G-1)

3. Acceptance of the actions of the Board of Directors for the 2005-2006 season. Carried.

Mover: Alex Vande Pol (K-2)

Seconded: Doris Ellis (X-2)

4. **ELECTIONS**

Brenda Pankoff went through the slate of officers as noted in the AGM package. It was noted that there were fifty-three (53) individuals in attendance at this meeting, but only fifty (50) individuals have voting privileges (Brenda Pankoff, Nancy Moore and Henry Fehr do not have a vote).

Slate

Dave Johnson
Mike Bates
Kathleen Millar

Nominations from Field

C2: Roger Vandepol (Mike Outingdyke)
J-1: Judy Begley (Laura Spoelstra)

Note: Kathleen Millar and Dave Johnson have decided to not seek re-election at this year's AGM. However, Dave Johnson would like to be involved in the tournament preparation, computer set-up, average calculations and statistics and the MBO website. On behalf of the MBO Board, we would like to thank both Kathleen and Dave for all the time and energy that both of them have put towards the Association and wish them every success in their future endeavours.

Brenda Pankoff asked for any further nominations. The following nominations were added to the slate of officers: Brenda Walters was nominated by Walter Heeny and Seconded by: Bob Walters.

The following nominees agreed to let their name stand for election: Mike Bates (Slate), Judy Begley (J-1), Brenda Walters (E-1), Roger Vandepol (C-2) was not in attendance, however, his name will remain on the ballot. Each nominee was asked to give a small speech. Ballots were handed out with a total of 50 eligible voters. Members were asked to vote for a maximum of three (3) individuals. The

first three (3) with the highest number of votes will receive three-year terms. The results of the election were as follows:

3-Year Term: Judy Begley
3-Year Term: Brenda Walters
3-Year Term: Mike Bates

MOTION: A MOTION WAS PUT FORWARD BY ALEX VANDE POL (K-2), SECONDED BY: CATHY HAMILTON (G-1), TO DESTROY THE BALLOTS. CARRIED.

5. **MOTIONS FROM THE FIELD**

The following motions/recommendations were tabled at the meeting and their status is as follows:

- a. Zone G-3: Moved by: Jeff Canham / Seconded by: Shawn Coombs

CD's

Motion: Stop sending the Masters discs when the information is already on the website.

Decision: This motion was **WITHDRAWN** as the movers were not present.

- b. Zone L-1: Moved by: Norm Tucker/ Seconded by: Nathan Cooper

TOURNAMENT INFO

Motion: That paper copies be sent out to all bowling centres by September 1st. Install all information from CD to Masters' website. Discontinue CD and save costs.

Decision: This motion was changed to a recommendation. The Board of Directors will look to add a section on the renewal form to ask this question and to determine how many CD's or hard copies we need to send out. It was suggested by Judy Begley that each bowling centre be sent a hard copy. Brenda Pankoff noted that due to the cost this would not be feasible. The office will look at producing a poster with all pertinent tournament information.

- c. Zone G-3: Moved by: Shawn Coombs/ Seconded by: Phil Winter

YEARS OF SERVICE PINS

Motion: Remove the program to provide years of service pins.

Decision: This motion was **WITHDRAWN** after the Board explained the aspects of the program and how it will be funded. Some bowlers were concerned with

their year of birth being on the database but this information is for our use only and will not be further published in any further reports.

- d. Zone D-2: Moved by: Earl Engemann / Seconded by: Keith Porter

MOTIONS AT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

Motion: At the annual meeting, motions put on the floor from any zone and members who have made the motions and are not in attendance which negates that motion, that the membership in attendance from any other zone be allowed to pick up that motion and talk on it and offer it up as their motion.

Decision: The motion was **DEFEATED** and therefore, we will continue with the format that is currently in place for motions to be presented at the AGM (i.e. one of the two movers must be present at the AGM).

- e. MBAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS: (from Board Meeting of January 2nd, 2006)
Moved by: Martin Talbot/ Seconded by: Kathleen Millar

ELIGIBILITY FOR AGGREGATE

Motion: In order to be eligible for the aggregate (tournament or teaching divisions) players must declare their division prior to the master junior tournament. Any transfers after the master junior event has been completed will be accepted but those players will not be eligible for the aggregate for that season.

Decision: The motion was **CARRIED** and will be published in the upcoming Membership Booklet.

- f. MBAO BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
Moved by: Dave Johnson / Seconded by: Martin Talbot

CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL

Motion: If the opportunity arises to obtain sponsorship dollars related to liquor sales, that we would allow the appropriate consumption of alcohol during a non-youth event.

Decision: The motion was **CARRIED** but by a very close margin of 29 to 24.

- g. Zone G-3: Moved by: Mike Lee/ Seconded by: Shawn Coombs

LATE FEES

Motion: To have the late fees removed for masters who register on the day of the tournament.

Decision: The motion was **DEFEATED**

- h. Zone G-3: Moved by: : Mike Lee / Seconded by: Shawn Coombs

SWEEPS POTS

Motion: Remove the administration fee being taken from the prize pool being taken (i.e. singles and doubles pools).

Decision: This motion was **DEFEATED**. The justification was given that the administrative fees taken from the pools helps to cover the admin costs of running these pools as noted in the attached financial review.

- i. Zone G-3: Moved by: Shawn Coombs / Seconded by: Jeff Canham

TOURNAMENT WORKERS

Motion: Reduce expenses by eliminating paid “volunteers” that work the tournaments.

Decision: The motion was **WITHDRAWN** as the movers were not in attendance. It was explained that volunteers are required to handle a large amount of money during a tournament event and the responsibility of the monies held until deposited in the bank after the event.

- j. Zone G-3: Moved by: Mike Lee / Seconded by: Shawn Coombs

50/50 TICKETS

Motion: Purchase regular draw tickets instead of preprinted MBO tickets for 50/50 draws.

Decision: This motion was **WITHDRAWN**. It was noted that the preprinted tickets are purchased in a quantity of 10,000 tickets which lasts the organization for 2-3 years at a total cost of \$125.00.

- k. Zone G-3: Moved by: Mike Lee / Seconded by: Shawn Coombs

PRIZE PAY-OUTS

Motion: Provide a detailed report showing the revenue and expenses for each tournament to validate prize pay-outs.

Decision: The motion was **CARRIED**. It is the intention that the prize pay-outs will be posted as soon as possible at the tournament. In the case of the teaching side, this will not be known until the second day. For the other tournaments, our goal will be to present a tournament summary by the next event for that division.

- l. Zone D-2: Moved by: Tracy Smith/ Earl Engemann

FILL-THE-FIELD TEACHING DIVISION

Motion: That tournament division masters be allowed to fill-the-field in teaching events using the scratch component.

Decision: The motion was **DEFEATED**. It was noted that this motion may have been carried if the wording of the motion did not indicate for the scratch component only.

- m. Zone K-1: Moved by: Mike Stoddart / Seconded by: Jodie Barker

NATIONAL ASSESSMENT

Motion: That any division that cannot support itself including the national assessment, should not be supported as a separate entity and should be amalgamated into one division.

Decision: This motion incurred a great deal of discussion by Mike Stoddart and others in attendance. The motion was **DEFEATED**.

- n. Zone Z-1: Moved by: Kevin Pitkin / Seconded by: Sheldon Pressey

MID-WINTER BLUES

Motion: That there be the option of running the Mid-Winter Blues in early December.

Decision: This motion was **WITHDRAWN** as the movers were not in attendance. It was noted that the Board would review the dates for the Mid-Winter Blues in order to give them other options to run the event.

- o. Zone J-2: Moved by: Ted Kormann / Seconded by: Cindy Kormann

MASTERS RINGS

Motion: That the costs incurred for rings/diamonds be included in the tournament expenses (Lineage/ Admin) for all masters aggregate events. Prize monies would be reduced in order to pay costs of rings/diamonds.

Decision: The motion was **DEFEATED**.

- p. Zone G-2: Moved by: Cathy Davidson / Seconded by: Bill Stowe

NATIONAL AGGREGATE REQUIREMENTS

Motion: That the Master Junior, Master Bantam, Mid-Winter Blues and Year-End event plus one (1) optional should be the mandatory teaching division national aggregate requirements.

Decision: The motion was **WITHDRAWN** as the movers were not in attendance at this meeting.

- q. Zone G-2: Moved by: Cathy Davidson/ Seconded by: Steve Phillips

UNAFFILIATED TEACHING MASTER

Motion: To dissolve the unaffiliated teaching master.

Decision: This motion was **WITHDRAWN** as the movers were not present at this meeting.

- r. Zone E-1: Moved by: Bob Walters / Seconded by: Dave Mitchell

UNAFFILIATED TEACHING MASTER

Motion: To reverse motion 8a from 2005 AGM Minutes to eliminate the unaffiliated teaching master classification.

Decision: This motion was **DEFEATED**.

- s. Zone K-1: Moved by: Mike Stoddart / Seconded by: Jodie Barker

Teaching Division

Motion: That we offer a ring to the top winner at the teaching masters optional events for the top POA total regardless of what side of the event would be playing for this. The second and third boards would be for POA and scratch.

Decision: The motion was **DEFEATED**.

- t. Zone G-2: Moved by: Cathy Davidson / Seconded by: Bill Stowe

MID-WINTER BLUES PROVINCIALS

Motion: That the Mid-Winter Blues Provincials should be five (5) games instead of six (6).

Decision: The motion was **WITHDRAWN** as the movers were not present at the meeting. However, the Board noted that they will review the possibility of reducing the number of games at the Provincial from six (6) to five (5) in order to reduce lineage costs.

- u. Zone J-2: Recommended by: : Ted Kormann and Cindy Kormann

ADDITIONAL TEACHING EVENT

Recommendation: That an additional experiment event be added to the schedule for 2007. This event would not be part of aggregate and would be held at the same time and place as the New Year's Classic in early January. The event would be POA and Scratch 5 games. Cost should be \$75 (POA), \$75 (Scratch), \$150 (Both). Tournament Masters could pay to be in the event and use their scores bowled at the same time in new year's classic. If more than 30 enter in POA or scratch there would be a ring awarded for

each section if less in one section than 30 no ring awarded in that section. Cost of the rings would come out of tournament fee paid.

Decision: Since this was a recommendation only, a poll was done and there was support to have a look at this event. This item will be deferred to the Tournament Committee for review.

- v. Zone B-2: Moved by: Pat Alexander / Seconded by: Fred Keast

MASTER BANTAM AND MASTER JUNIOR

Recommendation: That the Master Bantam and Master Junior be changed to a doubles (Master and 1 Master Bantam or 1 Master Junior) with a pins-over-average format due to declining numbers in YBC.

Decision: This motion was **WITHDRAWN** due to upcoming motions being presented.

- w. Zone E-2: Moved by: Shawn Barker / Seconded by: Walt Upton

MASTER BANTAM AND MASTER JUNIOR

Motion: As we are all volunteers doing the teaching master for the kids, if a master cannot bowl in either the Master Bantam or the Master Junior due to work, that he/she is not expected to pay a penalty or no-show fee.

Decision: This motion was **DEFEATED**. The MBAO office will continue to deal with each situation on a case-by-case basis if the office is contacted prior to the event.

- x. Zone P-2: Recommended by: : P-2 Masters

MASTER SENIOR

Recommendation: That Master Senior changed to two (2) shifts (Saturday and Sunday) with a reduced field size in each shift to increase speed of shift. Finalize stepladder still on Sunday.

Decision: This was a recommendation. The difficulty is staffing this event. This recommendation will be referred to the Tournament Committee for review.

- y. Zone D-2: Moved by: Dot Britton / Seconded by: Anna Dennis

MASTER BANTAM

Motion: That Bantams of any age be allowed to bowl in the master bantam providing they are capable of bowling one-handed and have a respectable average.

Decision: This motion was **WITHDRAWN**.

- z. MBO Board of Directors:
Moved by: Tim O'Hara / Seconded by: Mike Bates

MASTER BANTAM

Motion: That for the master bantam tournament, we continue to qualify girl and boy bantam bowlers, 7 years of age but not older than 10 years of age as of December 31st. However, once you run out of a gender, then the teams may be comprised of two boys or two girls. If a centre runs out then, they can qualify any 6 year old first and lastly any 5 year old in that order.

Decision: This motion was **CARRIED**. This item will be included in the write-up for the event and will be highlighted at the YBC Zone Rep's meeting in August 2006.

- aa. Zone P-1: Moved by: Nancy Fleming / Seconded by: : Jim Ronaldson & Kathleen Coombs

MASTER BANTAM

Motion: That the 7 year age be eliminated for the Master Bantam qualifying.

Decision: This motion was **DEFEATED**.

- bb. Zone H-1: Moved by: Dell Wright / Seconded by: Bill Lazaros

DRESS CODE YOUTH EVENTS

Motion: That proper uniforms (i.e. Master shirt with black dress pants/slacks) be worn at all Masters Tournaments involving the youth (Master Bantam, Master Junior and Master Senior). Also the YBC Youth must wear the proper uniforms (i.e. shirt with a collar). If proper uniforms are not worn, then the team or individual will be disqualified from the tournament.

Decision: There was much discussion on the dress code for youth events. It was agreed that the motion would be changed to a recommendation. This recommendation will be reviewed by the Board of Directors and the Tournament Committee to come up with a uniform rule for the youth events. It should be noted that the dress code will stay as is for the Master Bantam and Master Junior events as it is the YBC dress code. We will review the write-up for the Master Senior as most seniors wear dress pants if they are participating in the MBO YBC Rookie Tour. For the masters, it was suggested that if a master is affiliated with a bowling centre that they should wear their affiliated bowling centre identified shirt at the Master Senior event.

6. **ZONE DELEGATE OF THE YEAR ANNOUNCEMENT**

Nancy Moore handed out the certificates and decals to all zone delegates present at the meeting and thanked them for their assistance during the 2005-06 season. She noted that the announcement for the 2005-06 Zone Delegate of the Year will be done at the

meeting, however, the formal presentation will be done at the Year-End Festivities. Nancy congratulated Brian Lawrence from B-2 for being this year's recipient of the Zone Delegate of the Year.

7. **OTHER BUSINESS**

The following items were tabled at this meeting:

- a. Walter Heeney congratulated the board for their efforts in putting together the financial package handed out at the meeting and that every board member should be congratulated on their efforts.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 noon. A motion was put forward by Elaine Freiday (X-2), Seconded by: Keith Porter (D-2) to adjourn the meeting. Carried.

Minutes done by: Nancy Moore, Director of Operations
August 31st, 2006