**Minutes for OEDL Board of Directors Meeting 11/27/23 at Cavanaugh’s Head House**

**(Minutes taken by Recording Secretary, James Coughlin)**

**Present:** Keith Jameson, Jim Coughlin, Paul Kuhn, John Bouillon, Paul Lichorobiec, Bill Moriarty, Mike Aird, Jeff Baxter

**Excused Absences:** Greg Stoffa (work), Casey Hare (COVID), Alan Cahill (Medical)

**Call to order:** 7:06pm

**October’s Minutes Reviewed and Approved:** Motion to approve Mike Aird, seconded by Paul Lichorobiec. Minutes approved 7-0.

**Officer Reports:**

* **President** –
	+ Paul discussed the impromptu sit down with Bob and Kay Brookes that was held at Oxley Post after the Luck of the Draw on Friday, November 17, 2023. In attendance Paul Kuhn, Jim Coughlin, John Bouillon, Bob and Kay Brookes. Topics discussed at the sit down included:
		- Spoonie being contacted regarding OEDL business. Kay took ownership of this and it was requested to communicate only with current OEDL Board members.
		- Kay and Bob’s disappointment that OEDL didn’t honor the “gentleman’s agreement.” Paul interjected that the original thought process was that this agreement was violence and dues related and not about minor rule violations that should be handled solely by the affected leagues.
		- Overall, it was a positive meeting with QCEDL Board members.
			* Jim: When was this agreement forged? Approximately 6 years ago.
			* Bill: It was Bill’s understanding that this agreement was about sharing information about problem players, not adopting of penalties.
			* Bill: We never expected any other leagues to abide by our rules, just to be aware of any issues. More of a checks and balances approach.
	+ Paul discussed the Dan Murray, Jr. situation where he was caught stealing from somebody’s purse during a dart match. This was eye-witnessed and captured on camera.
		- Dan does not shoot in OEDL.
		- OEDL has no tolerance for theft.
		- OEDL decided to create a No Fly List or Watch List. Dan Murray will be added to this list and will be unwelcome in playing in OEDL league or events.
		- Approved 7-0.
	+ Paul decided to defer the Fisher Cup conversation to the Events Committee conversation.
* **Chairman** – Keith Jameson discussed the Alan Cahill situation. Keith contacted Alan and asked if he wished to take a medical leave of absence from the Board. Alan stated that he would understand of the Board asked him to take a leave. Board will not force Alan to step down, but will allow him to make a decision at his leisure. Paul K. had a similar conversation with Alan.
* **League Recorder** – Bill Moriarty has nothing to report.
* **Treasurer** – Bill Moriarty submitted this month’s Treasury Report via email to each Board Member prior to the meeting. Motion to Approve Jim /Seconded by Paul K. Board approved 7-0.
	+ Bill discussed forming a Budget Subcommittee to look at the past few years of expenditures and determine where increases are hitting us the hardest and look for alternatives to keep operating in the black, not just for this year, but for the next 5-10 years.
	+ Paul Kuhn agreed and formed a subcommittee. Bill will be the Chair of this committee and appointed Jeff Baxter, Alan Cahill, Greg Stoffa, and Keith Jameson to the committee. Paul Kuhn suggested that Justin Williams may make a good committee member for this topic and will contact him and gauge his interest.
	+ Bill additionally discussed the difference between a “forecast” and a “budget.”
* **League Director** – John (Pickles) Bouillon discussed the formation of a Thursday OEDL league. This is not a league to compete with QCEDL and ASL, but to give an alternative night to shoot for the South Philly and Center City shooters that do not wish to venture all the way to the northeast. Pickles has discussed this amongst shooters in OEDL to gauge interest and responses have been overwhelmingly positive. Numerous shooters have been looking for something close to home to do on Thursday nights. Starting small, possible 4 of our established “dart bars”, could host teams of 4-6 shooters, playing only single and double player games. Pickles hopes to get this started for a Spring Season. This would require amendments to the Rules and Regulations and Bylaws. Once again Paul suggested that Justin Williams, Esq. would be a great person to get involved with the R&R and Bylaws due to his legal background. Host bars that have already shown interest in this idea include; Cav’s Rittenhouse, McKenna’s Pub, and Cav’s Head House. Season length would depend on amount of interest and number of teams/players.
* **Vice President** – Alan Cahill excused absence.
* **Secretary** – Jim Coughlin has nothing to report.

**Committees/Directors:**

* **Seeding and Scheduling Committee** – Paul Kuhn/John Bouillon discussed the rescheduled All Star Matches. Emails were sent to Team Captains to determine when they wanted to reschedule them and results were overwhelming in favor of January 9, 2024. January 9 is also the same night as the Seeding and Scheduling Meeting. Board discussed moving the Seeding and Scheduling Committee meeting to Monday, January 8. Chris Richman will send out numerous social media posts as a reminder as the shoots approaches.
* **Events Committee** –
	+ Paul Kuhn discussed the OEDL Fisher Cup team. Approximately 1 month ago, Paul had a lunch date with Adam Gingery and Ed Vollmer to discuss which players should be picked for the OEDL team. After last year’s 4th place finish, there was as strong emphasis to putting the strongest team together and winning. There will always be questions about this person versus that person, but this group each threw out ideas, opinions, stats, etc. and attempted to put our strongest foot forward. Paul listed the players picked for the team; Ruairi Goodfellow, Chris Friel, Ed Vollmer, Colin Rath, Adam Gingery, Paul Rutter, Jake Spingler, Erik Laughlin, Michael Peter, Jr., Will Gingery, John Dispaldo, Rich Rimkunis, Mike Quinones (Alernate), Scott Dutter (Alternate), Captain Ron Marks, Assistant Captains Paul Kuhn, Jim Coughlin, Pickles, and Billmo. Paul also discussed the jerseys for the Fisher Cup team and possible fund raising options to help address the jersey costs.
	+ Keith Jameson discussed the 1st PCS Qualifier. The 1st Qualifier, held at O’Neals, had 15 shooters in attendance. Hoping for more at later events. Social Media Director will continue to blast out reminders for upcoming shoots.
* **Rules & Regulations/By-Laws Committees** – Alan excused absence.
* **Hall of Fame Committee** – Greg Stoffa excused absence.
* **Awards Director** – Jim Coughlin discussed a letter he received in the mail from Sandrose Trophies (letter presented to those in attendance). Bill received the same letter. Apparently, Sandrose has sold his Awards Company and his customer list to Spike’s Trophies. This is slightly problematic as Spike’s prices were always higher than Sandrose, meaning an increase in costs come awards time.
* **Equipment Committee** – Pickles discussed the storage locker clean-out. Everything has been removed at this time except for 3 standup boards. Pickles and Mike Aird discussed meeting on Saturday morning to finish the clean-out.

**Old Business:**

* **Google Group setup** – Keith suggested inviting Social Media Director, Chris Richman to an upcoming Board meeting to discuss status.
* **Thomas Rose Suspension.**
	+ Since the last Board Meeting on October 30, 2023, the Board learned of additional issues related to Tom Rose vs. ASL. An email vote was conducted on November 13, 2023 and Tom Rose was unanimously suspended for 2 games for threatening Mike Semi, with the intent of further discussion at the next Board of Directors meeting tonight. Tonight, the Board discussed Tom’s failure to pay any of his registration fees to ASL. While Tom was not punished for the 2-League Rule, he was suspended for 2 games for threats, the Board needed to discuss what sanctions would be levied for failure to pay another league their required dues. OEDL Rules and Regulations carry penalties ranging from point deductions up to expulsion for failure to pay dues, the Board held a vote to suspend Tom Rose until said time that all past due registration fees were paid in full to ASL. Vote passed 6-1. OEDL Secretary Jim Coughlin stated he would send Tom Rose official notification of his suspension the next morning. League Director, John Bouillon will send Tom’s Captain a notification of the suspension as well.

**New Business:**

* **Avenuers of the Darts Situation** –
	+ OEDL player dues were collected by the team Captain, but not turned over to OEDL. The team Captain claimed that the money was stolen by family member and requested an extension. After 7 weeks with no payment made, penalty points were eventually levied against the team. Numerous players were in an uproar when the point deduction was imposed, as they knew nothing of the missing dues, and the deductions knocked them out of a playoff spot. The players voted to suspend their Captain internally amongst themselves. Some said the suspension would be for 2 weeks and others wanted it to be for the remainder of the season. However, the Captain played himself anyway against the wishes of his team. The following week, only 4 players showed up to the next match with several players quitting. The Board of Directors discussed a lack of confidence in the Captain of the Avenuers of the Darts to perform his duties, specifically pertaining to the OEDL Constitution and By-Laws Article 6, Section 6. With only 2 weeks remaining in the season, the Board decided to allow this season to conclude and make a decision about his ability to captain a team moving forward before the next season.
* Paul Kuhn – Discussed a COVID outbreak at Cavanaugh’s Rittenhouse after last week’s matches. 3 shooters tested positive the following week after the matches. The Captains of all teams present were promptly notified and a message was posted by the Social Media Director.
* Keith Jameson – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* John Bouillon – Discussed the make-up match between Cav’s Head House and Irish Society.
* Jim Coughlin – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Mike Aird – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Jeff Baxter – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Paul Lichorobiec – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.
* Bill Moriarty – Nothing to add for the good of the meeting.

**December’s Board of Directors Meeting:**

* Next Board Meeting scheduled for Monday, December 11, 2023 at 7pm at 2nd Street Irish Society. Approved 7-0

**Meeting Adjourned: 9:11pm**