

**Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA)
Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting, August 15, 2007**

8:30pm ET 7:30PM CT 6:30pm MT 5:30pm PT

The Meeting was convened by Commissioner Theo Pozzy. Minutes were taken by Brian Graham.

Present: Staff: Brian Graham(ED), Dave Gentry(Staff), Dan “Stork” Roddick(Consultant)
BOD Members: Theo Pozzy, Pete May, Cris Bellinger, Bob Decker, Pat Brenner, Steve Dodge
Incoming BOD Members: Peter Shive, Ron Convers, Todd Andrews

Theo called the meeting to order and welcomed the incoming BOD members, who will officially take office on September, 1st

HQ Update (Brian Graham)

Financial Report

As of the end of June, the PDGA had a net financial position of \$295,227.00 compared to a net financial position of \$173,058.00 at the same time last year. This represents a increase of \$122,169.00. Income exceeded expenditures in June by \$80,687.00

Membership

Currently we have 11,083 active members. As of July 31st, we had 10,884 active members, compared to 10,201 members at this same time last year. This represents a 6.7% increase. We are currently only 219 members shy of surpassing the total number of members in all of 2006 – (11,302 members)

Staff

20 resumes were received in response to the job announcement for the position of IDGC superintendent. The top four candidates as selected by myself, with input from the office staff, were given phone interviews earlier this week. The top candidate for the job is Jason Allind of Flagstaff Arizona and he was offered the position this afternoon with a starting date to precede the Summit in September.

Worlds

The Pro and Am Worlds were recently completed with mixed reviews. The office is currently reviewing comments, complaints and suggestions in regards to the events. We will give the Board a full report once the financials and review process has been completed. We also plan on using our findings to create more detailed guidelines and requirements so we can improve upon these events in the future.

Unity Summit

The office sent an abbreviated explanation of the Unity Summit and the associated pilot program to all BOD members via the Yahoo Group yesterday. Brian re-iterated that the special sanctioning offered in the three pilot events, are just one small part of a program that is currently being developed and that it will be part of the Competition Endowment Program that was approved by the Board earlier this year. The goal of the 3 pilot tournaments scheduled for this year are to reach out to the Southern Nationals and NEFA while at the same time gathering data and testing procedures for the program, which is scheduled to be implemented next year.

PDGA Elections

The PDGA elections were completed on July 31st and the certified results have been posted at PDGA.com. 2,730 members participated in the election representing a participation rate of 25%.

Sponsorship

Brian Graham negotiated a \$5,000 gold level donation to the IDGC endowment fund this morning, from Todd Rainwater of Fort Worth, TX.

Memberships Rewards Program

Memberships manager, Addie Isbell, and Brian Graham sat in on a one hour online presentation by Judy Pariser of OneBigPlanet, a member rewards company. Addie will be sending the Board additional information on this meeting and a proposal by OneBigPlanet to provide PDGA members with a benefits program that offers huge discounts on airfare, hotels, dining, car rentals, movies and many other benefits.

Summit

The PDGA Fall Summit is currently planned for Thursday and Friday, Sept. 20-21 at the IDGC. The office requests the names of people the BOD wishes to invite to the Summit as soon as possible so we can extend them an invitation.

Upcoming Deadlines – FYI

The office will need to order membership and informational brochures (What is Disc Golf?) no later than Oct. 1st in order to have them ready for the upcoming 2008 season. We will need to know the following no later than the Summit in order to stay on our annual schedule:

- membership rate changes for 2008, if any
- Cost for the new magazine optional membership
- Cost for the new supporting level membership

Tour Update (Dave Gentry)

The PDGA Tour continues to meet or exceed the predictions for the 2007 season. June and July have seen a large increase in the number of events. The number of U.S events for the first seven months of 2007 is 11.3% ahead of last year. As of 8/14/07, there were 665 US, 9 Canadian and 97 International events on the PDGA calendar. Additional information is in the report that was uploaded to the Yahoo group.

Quest Agreement (Brian Graham)

Brian Graham spoke with Steve Pearson of QuestAt on Aug. 14, 2007. Steve explained that he had been out of town for some time and he apologized for the delay in returning the MOU. He plans on signing the Memorandum of Understanding and mailing it to the office.

Sponsorship Policy (Stork)

Stork gave the BOD an update on the proposed sponsorship policy and gave incoming BOD members some historical information on how the document came about.

Motion (Bob Decker)

Move to pass the Sponsorship Policy in its current wording. Seconded: Pat Brenner

For: Unanimous Motion Passed

Magazine RFP (Brian Graham)

The magazine RFP expired on Monday August 6th. The office received two responses to the request by the stated deadline.

- 4141 Disc Golf – Rich Givens
- Disc Golf Magazine – Dave Henrickson

Hard copies of the proposals have been mailed to incoming and Board members who will remain in office and PDF's of the proposals have been uploaded to the Yahoo Group. The office has prepared a cost comparison chart based upon 10,000 magazines and it was uploaded into the files section of the Board Yahoo Group this afternoon.

Transition Planning (Pat Brenner)

Pat re-iterated the need for the BOD to oversee the creation of documents to aid incoming BOD members in transitioning into their new responsibilities. The BOD agreed that this was a good idea and discussed the need to have each PDGA committee submit a report on their current status and any ongoing issues.

Action Item: The office will send all PDGA committee chairmen a report template along with an example of the Tech Standards Committee report, and request that they complete it and return it as soon as possible.

PDGA Policies & Procedures Manual (Bob Decker)

Bob explained the need to pass information and institutional memory on to new BOD members via a policies and procedures manual. He spoke of many needs including a detailed document outlining BOD responsibilities, the requirement of COI statements from candidates, a policy concerning disclosure of summary financial information, and disciplinary procedures. Bob also discussed including a section of procedures for members to follow to request more detailed financial information.

Action Item: Outgoing and other interested BOD members are requested to each submit a one page report outlining their perceived roles as a BOD member for the association.

Data Committee Report (Dave Gentry, Pat Brenner)

Dave relayed the need for the BOD to create a policy for the office to use in regards to the request for data from outside entities. Pat will serve as chairman of this committee.

Action Item: Put out a call for volunteers to serve on the data committee. Initiate first discussions for the data committee.

Disc Golf Video Game (Brian Graham)

A proposal from Autonomous Productions to create a video game for the Wii has been uploaded to the Yahoo Group. Autonomous is seeking PDGA approval and use of the logo in exchange for a percentage of the profits. The BOD instructed Brian Graham to proceed with discussions and negotiations with Autonomous.

Disciplinary Actions (Theo Pozzy)

Theo relayed to the BOD a question from the disciplinary committee in regards to disciplinary actions against non PDGA members playing in sanctioned events. The difficulty in contacting non members to get their side of the story was discussed as was the need for TD's to gather contact information in the registration process. It was agreed that all competitors in an event, whether a member or not, should be subject to the same rules and consequences for their actions. The Committee will be instructed to make recommendations to the BOD on this subject.

Other Business

On behalf of the office, Brian Graham thanked the outgoing BOD members for their contributions to the sport and the association. Brian encouraged the incoming BOD members to call the office if they needed any information and thanked them for serving on the BOD.

Motion

That the meeting be adjourned.

For: Unanimous **Motion Passed**

Meeting Adjourned 10:30pm EST