

**Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA)
Board of Directors Teleconference Meeting, Sept. 3, 2007**

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

The Meeting was convened by Commissioner Bob Decker. Minutes were taken by Brian Graham.

Present: Bob Decker, Cris Bellinger, Todd Andrews, Ron Convers, Rick Rothstein, Juliana Korver, Matt Gillis, Brian Graham (ED), Dave Gentry (Staff), Dan “Stork” Roddick (consultant). Steven Dodge (NT Committee chairman) dialed in at 10:00pm EST.

Election of Board Officers (Bob Decker)

Brian Graham read article IV of the PDGA by-laws, which outlines the duties of the officers. Bob Decker opened the floor for nominations and the following was recorded:

President – Bob Decker (nominated by Ron Convers – second by Cris Bellinger)

Vice-president – Cris Bellinger (nominated by Bob Decker – second by Todd Andrews)

Secretary – Juliana Korver (nominated by Juliana Korver – second by Cris Bellinger)

Treasurer – Todd Andrews (nominated by Cris Bellinger – second by Ron Convers)

Motion (Cris Bellinger – second by Todd Andrews)

To accept the slate of nominees as the new officers of the PDGA Board of Directors.

For: Unanimous **Motion Passed**

Meeting Minutes (Decker/Graham)

The BOD discussed the procedures for taking minutes and expressed the wish to have more detailed minutes published.

Action Item: Cris Bellinger and Brian Graham will explore options for recording the monthly teleconferences.

Motion (Bellinger – second by Gillis)

To approve the minutes of the August 2008 BOD teleconference as presented.

For: Decker, Andrews, Bellinger, Rothstein, Korver, Gillis **Against:** None **Abstained:** Convers
Motion Passed 6-0

Disc Certification (Graham)

The following discs have been recommended for approval by the Technical Standards Committee: Boss (Innova), Distance Driver (DiscMania), Riot (Latitude 64)

Motion (Bellinger – second by Convers)

To certify the above three discs for approval.

For: Unanimous **Motion Passed**

HQ Update (Graham)

Financial:

The finances of the PDGA continue to be healthy. The monthly financial report will be uploaded to the Board Yahoo Group as soon as it is completed.

Memberships:

As of the end of August, the PDGA had a record 12,123 active members

- Compared to 11,184 members at the same time last year
- This represents a 8.4% increase over the same time last year

Flying Disc Magazine:

Brian Graham gave the BOD an update of the meeting with Rich Givens that took place in Kalamazoo.

Action Item: BOD members are to send their official critiques of the magazine to the office for compilation and uploading to the Yahoo Group for review and discussion. Brian Graham will discuss a member feedback survey with Flying Disc Magazine.

National Sponsorship Leads:

Brian Graham gave the BOD an update on a sponsorship package he is creating as well as several large national sponsors that he is currently working with.

2008 World Championships:

Brian Graham relayed to the BOD his overall impression of the World Championships in Kalamazoo, MI, which went very well. The office will continue to work with the host team to finalize the finances of the event and a final report to the BOD is forthcoming.

Chains Movie:

Brian Graham gave the BOD an update on his meeting with Derek Hastings in regards to the PDGA's support of the "Chains" movie. Graham recommended that the PDGA increase its level of support by an additional \$100 to get us to the \$1,000 level, which would entitle the PDGA to more prominent credit in the movie.

Motion (Decker – second by Gillis)

To add \$100 to bring the PDGA's total level of support for the "Chains" movie to the \$1,000 level.

For: Decker, Andrews, Bellinger, Rothstein, Korver, Gillis **Against:** Bellinger **Abstained:** None

Motion Passed 6-1

John Jokinen Update:

Brian Graham gave the BOD an update on the PDGA's attempt through a collections agency to recover money owed by John Jokinen and the Highbridge Hills Sports Complex.

PDGA Tour (Dave Gentry)

Gentry gave the BOD an update on the Tour. The PDGA has sanctioned a record 923 events in 2008 thus far including 778 US, 9 Canadian, and 136 International events. This represents a 15.7% increase in the total number of events compared to 2007. The BOD discussed the availability of the PDGA Ratings calculator and decided to discuss it more detail at the fall summit.

Steven Dodge (NT Committee chairman) dialed in at approximately 10:00pm EST.

National Tour application and agreement (Steven Dodge)

The 2009 NT application and agreement was discussed at length and the BOD expressed the need to perform an in depth review of the National Tour.

Motion (Bellinger – second by Andrews)

To leave the National Tour as status quo until further review by the Board of Directors.

For: Andrews, Bellinger, Rothstein, Gillis **Against:** Decker, Korver **Abstained:** Convers

Motion Passed 4-2

Motion (Korver)

To use the existing NT format in 2009 with the exception of offering only Men's & Women's Open divisions and a min. \$5,000 added cash.

Motion does not receive a second

Motion dies

Action Item: Add the review of the National Tour to the fall summit agenda.

Call for summit agenda items (Decker)

Bob Decker requested that BOD members submit agenda items for the upcoming fall summit to be held on Sept. 15-16 at the PDGA International Disc Golf Center.

Action Item: BOD members are to mail agenda items to the office no later than midnight Friday, September 5th.

Communications Director (Decker)

Bob Decker and the BOD discussed the role of Communications Director. The BOD and E.D. agreed that a BOD member should not be directly involved in the moderation process of the online discussion board.

Action Item: Brian Graham will discuss the job of lead discussion board moderator with Jeff LaGrassa.

Women's Committee Update (Korver)

Juliana Korver gave the BOD an update on the PDGA Women's Committee and her recent conversation with chairperson, Lynne Warren. Lynne expressed her support of the committee but decided it was in the best interest of the committee if she stepped down as chairperson at this time. The Women's committee and BOD liaison, Juliana Korver, will begin a search for a new committee chairperson.

Annual PDGA Awards (Graham)

Brian Graham informed the Board that the office has begun the process to create a stats based formula to be used in conjunction with player voting to help determine the winners of the annual PDGA awards. This formula will be presented to the BOD at the Fall Summit for review and comments.

Motion

That the meeting be adjourned.

For: Unanimous **Motion Passed**

Meeting adjourned approx. 12:03 am EST