

**Board of Directors Teleconference Minutes  
Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA)**

October 11, 2016

**Proceedings:**

*Meeting called to order at 6:07pm EST by Board President, Rebecca Duffy*

**Board Members:**

*Present:* Rebecca Duffy, Bob Decker, Kevin McCoy, Shawn Sinclair, Dave West, Justin Menickelli

*Quorum present?* Yes

*Others Present:* Brian Graham, Dan Roddick

**Old Business:**

**Office Report - Graham**

*Finance*

As of August 31, 2016 the PDGA had a net financial position of \$1,286,265 as compared to \$1,182,125 at the same time last year, representing an increase of \$104,140.

Profit & loss statement, balance sheet, statement of financial position, and year to date AR aging summary through August 30, 2016 have been uploaded to the BOD Yahoo Group for review.

*Tech Standards*

Approvals of the following discs and targets by the tech standards committee were certified by the PDGA Board of Directors via online poll since the last meeting:

- "Great Horned Owl" and "Walrus" from Daredevil Discs
- "Defy" and "Thrill" from Axiom Discs
- "Traveler" from Full Turn
- "Big Kahuna" and "Makani" from Innova
- "Black Hole Portal" (championship) and "Black Hole Pro" (basic) targets from MVP Disc Sports
- "A4" disc from Prodigy Disc
- "Matrix" disc from MVP Disc Sports
- "Caldera" disc from Obsidian Discs
- "D6" disc from Prodigy Disc
- "Nitro" and "Octane" discs from MVP Disc Sports
- "Aviator", "Gavel", and "Proof" discs from Dynamic Discs
- revised "Catch 21" target at championship level from 21
- "Archenemy" disc from Legacy Discs
- "Andro C" disc from Ozone Discs
- "Catalyst" and "Energy" discs from MVP Disc Sports
- "Tyrant" disc from Reptilian Disc Golf
- "Revolution", a target from NGA Structure, Inc.
- "Lithium" disc from Element Discs
- "Pipeline" disc from the DGA
- "Gargoyle" disc from Innova Champion Discs
- "Thrasher" disc by Discraft
- "Navigator" and "Passport" discs by Full Turn
- "Uranium" disc by Element Discs

- "Bighorn" disc from Daredevil Discs
- "Queen" disc from Westside Discs
- "Cinder" disc from Obsidian Discs Oy
- "STARi" disc from Prodiscus

*Sports Tradeshows & Conferences*

PDGA Executive Director, Brian Graham represented the PDGA at the following tradeshows and conferences over the past couple of months and reports that the PDGA and the sport of disc golf continues to be one of the most highly requested groups by sports commissions and visitors bureaus.

- Connect Sports – Grapevine, Texas
- SPORTS Relationship Conference – Overland Park, Kansas
- TEAMS – Atlantic City, New Jersey

*Memberships*

As of 10/10/16, the PDGA had 33,130 active members and membership # 89003 had been issued.

- Compared to 27,791 active members at the same time last year
- This represents a 19.2% increase in memberships thus far in 2016

*Tour Report – Sweeton*

*2016 Tour*

2016 YTD vs 2015 YTD Tour Breakdown																								
	Totals			Location			Tier Level																	
	Total	Paid	Unique	US	Canada	Intrntl	Major	NT	A	B	C	A/B	A/C	B/A	B/C	C/A	C/B	XM	XA	XA/XB	XB	XC	S	Leagues
<b>2016 YTD</b>	2954	2936	2837	2247	81	626	7	7	93	712	1666	18	0	1	7	0	38	13	5	1	10	121	0	255
<b>2015 YTD</b>	2582	2566	2458	2003	61	518	9	7	76	608	1515	23	1	1	10	1	45	12	3	0	8	14	2	247
<b>Difference</b>	372	370	379	244	20	108	-2	0	17	104	151	-5	1	1	-3	-1	-7	4	2	1	2	107	0	8
<b>% Difference</b>	14.4%	14.4%	15.4%	12%	33%	21%	-22%	0%	22%	17%	10%	-22%	100%	100%	-30%	100%	-16%	50%	67%	0%	25%	764%	0%	3%

Note: This comparison is skewed as the closest date for 2015 was 11/16 so the 2015 numbers have an extra month plus of sanctioning included in them over this year's numbers.  
 Note: The big jump in the XC numbers is from the 2016 Vibram Birdie Bashes.

- As of 10/10/2016 we have 2,954 events in the sanctioning database and all but 18 have completed all sanctioning requirements and are therefore displayed on the online schedule. This is an increase of 14.4% over the numbers that were registered five weeks later during 2015.
- The seventh Player Ratings Update for 2016 events took place on 9/20. The submission deadline for the October update was on 9/27 and as of that deadline (currently being processed by the ratings team) 2,236 events had been properly reported and imported. The next ratings update is scheduled to be published on next Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

As of 9/20/2016 we had 147 overdue reports (22 are Vibram Birdie Bashes which are not rated.) We send reminders every month to tardy TDs asking them to get their reports sent in and offering our assistance.

---- End Tour Report

*Technology Report*

Technology director, Steve Ganz and executive director, Brian Graham have been working with the PDGA attorney to draft legal agreements to acquire The Disc Golf Scene tournament registration system and to add Peter Crist to our PDGA technology department staff beginning on January 1, 2017.

---- End Technology Report

## **New Business:**

### *Board Officer Elections*

Rebecca Duffy gave the board an overview of the elections process including the fact that nominations had already been made earlier in the day via email to allow executive director, Brian Graham the opportunity to set up an online poll for Hans Nagtegaal to enter his votes since he was travelling with his job and was unavailable for the teleconference meeting. Discussion ensued on whether the votes should be open or private ballot and the majority of the board stated that they preferred that it remain an open vote just as past elections.

The nominees for President were Rebecca Duffy and Justin Menickelli and the following votes were cast via roll call:

*Rebecca Duffy* – Decker, Sinclair, McCoy, West, Duffy, Nagtegaal (by online poll)

*Justin Menickelli* – None

*Abstention* – Justin Menickelli

Rebecca Duffy was elected as President of the PDGA Board of Directors by a 6-0 vote.

The sole nominee for Vice-president was Dave West and the following votes were cast via roll call:

*Dave West* – Decker, Sinclair, McCoy, West, Menickelli, Duffy, Nagtegaal (by online poll)

*Abstention* – None

Dave West was elected as Vice-president of the PDGA Board of Directors by a 7-0 vote.

The sole nominee for Secretary was Kevin McCoy and the following votes were cast via roll call:

*Kevin McCoy* – Decker, Sinclair, McCoy, West, Menickelli, Duffy, Nagtegaal (by online poll)

*Abstention* – None

Kevin McCoy was elected as Secretary of the PDGA Board of Directors by a 7-0 vote.

The sole nominee for Treasurer was Bob Decker and the following votes were cast via roll call:

*Bob Decker* – Decker, Sinclair, McCoy, West, Menickelli, Duffy, Nagtegaal (by online poll)

*Abstention* – None

Bob Decker was elected as Treasurer of the PDGA Board of Directors by a 7-0 vote.

### *Committee Liaison Assignments*

Rebecca Duffy explained the importance of the role of board liaison to each PDGA committee and invited board members to express their interest in serving on the various committees. Following a roll call of each committee and board discussion, the following committee assignments were made:

- Competition (Sinclair)
- Course Design (McCoy)
- Disciplinary (Duffy)
- Environment (Roddick)
- Game Development Team (Sinclair)
- Majors & NT (steering)
- Military (Duffy/West)
- PDGA Europe (Duffy)
- Ratings/Stats (Decker)
- Rules (Duffy)
- Senior (West)
- Tech Standards (Decker)
- Women's (Nagtegaal)
- Youth & Education (Menickelli)

### *Miscellaneous Updates - Graham*

Executive Director, Brian Graham provided the board with the following updates:

PDGA Europe - Graham stated that the office staff and board president, Rebecca Duffy had been working with Hans Nagtegaal to provide the requested documents to establish PDGA Europe as a non-profit entity in The Netherlands, and to open a bank account. Hans will be visiting the International Disc Golf Center in mid-November for a week of training with the office staff as well as a visit to our fulfillment center contractor.

Rulebook / Competition Manual – Graham reported that the planned 2017 revision to the rulebook and competition manual had been shelved at the recommendation of the rules committee and competition committee, The revision work will continue by both committees in 2017 with a revised rulebook and competition manual to be published in advance of the 2018 season. A reprinting of our current rulebook and competition manual is nearly complete and the books will be shipped to our fulfillment contractor next week.

**MOTION** (West/Sinclair)

To adjourn the October board teleconference.

Yes: Sinclair, Decker, McCoy, Menickelli, West, Duffy

Motion passes 6-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:09pm EST and the board entered into executive session.