

Board of Directors Teleconference Minutes
Professional Disc Golf Association (PDGA)
July 11, 2017

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm EST by Board Vice President, Dave West

Board Members:

Present: Shawn Sinclair, Dave West, Hans Nagtegaal, Bob Decker

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present: Joe Chargualaf, Dan Roddick

Old Business:

Meeting Minutes

MOTION (Decker/Sinclair)

Approve the meeting minutes of the June 2017 board teleconference.

Yes: Sinclair, West, Nagtegaal, Decker

Motion passes 4-0

Office Report - Chargualaf

Finance

As of May 31, 2017 the PDGA had a net financial position of \$1,590,474.78 as compared to 1,443,836.17 at the same time in 2016, representing an increase of \$146,638.61.

Profit & loss statement, balance sheet, statement of financial position, and year to date AR aging summary through May 2017 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:

Discs:

- "Rat" from Innova Champion Discs
- "Taurus" from Millennium Golf Discs
- "P3x" from Discmania
- "Aftermath" and "Recon" from Legacy Discs
- "Cruise" from Full Turn Discs

Targets:

- "NBDG Gorilla" from Rhoi's/NBDG
- "Probasket Elite" from Latitude 64

2017 PDGA Elections

We received 5 PDGA Global BOD candidate submissions, 4 submissions for the PDGA Europe BOD, and all but one state (Missouri) and one province (Manitoba) had candidate names against them for State and Provincial Coordinator positions. Election notices were posted on PDGA.com and social media, and ballots were emailed to members to begin voting on 1 July 2017. Voting closes on 31 July 2017.

2017 PDGA Professional Disc Golf World Championship

PDGA Staff and volunteers successfully executed the World Championship on June 20-24, 2017. We held a debrief to discuss and share the things that went well as well as opportunities for improvement that can be applied to next year's Worlds in VT, as well as the HOF Classic in Oct 2017.

PDGA Staff Update

Dalton Slantis is joining the PDGA team as a part-time employee beginning in July. He will serve as an IDGC assistant through Dec 2017.

Memberships- Allen

As of July 10, 2017 the PDGA had 34,826 Active Members and PDGA member #98307 had been assigned

- compared to 30,377 active members at the same time in 2016
- representing a 14.65% increase in members thus far in 2017

Tour Report – Sweeton

1) 2017 Tour

2017 YTD vs 2016 YTD Tour Breakdown																				
	Totals		Location			Tier Level														
	Total	Sanct.	US	Canada	Intrntl	Major	NT	A	B	C	A/B	B/A	B/C	C/B	XM	XA	XA/XB	XB	XC	Leagues
2017 YTD	2632	2627	2053	71	508	9	6	100	641	1448	16	2	3	47	11	5	0	7	99	238
2016 YTD	2243	2235	1723	62	458	5	7	90	607	1224	17	1	5	30	13	4	1	10	49	180
Difference	389	392	330	9	50	4	-1	10	34	224	-1	1	-2	17	-2	1	-1	-3	50	58
% Difference	17.3%	17.5%	19.2%	14.5%	10.9%	80%	-14%	11%	6%	18%	-6%	100%	-40%	57%	-15%	25%	100%	-30%	102%	32%

- As of 7/10/2017 we have an overall growth of 17.3% in events over the same date in 2016. The US growth is at 19.2%, Canada growth is at 14.5% and Non-North America International events are at 10.9% growth.
- The fourth Player Ratings Update for 2017 events took place on June 27th
- This past Tuesday, July 4th was the submission deadline for the next update, and we are in the processing stages now and are not expecting any issues in meeting the July 25th publication date.

2) 2017 Worlds

Amateur & Junior Worlds

- Registration is now closed and we have 631 registered players for 740 spots. The biggest surprise is that the Advanced Master and Grandmaster divisions did not fill. We provided 108 spots for each, but only received 78 players for Advanced Masters and 83 for Advanced Grandmasters.

Pro Master Worlds

- To date we have 134 registered players for 372 spots.
- Registration for 2017-current Amateur members with a minimum rating opens on Friday, July 14th so we will likely get some locals from that.

We also only have 4 teams signed up for Mixed Doubles, so we will open doubles up to divisional play.

Technology Report - Ganz

PDGA.com

- Moving automated testing environment off of standalone server on AWS and onto Acquia's new testing platform.
- Continuing optimization efforts on web pages that carry the heaviest load. Currently working on tournament results pages.

Disc Golf Scene

- Currently working on PDGA leagues integration

Committee Reports:

Rules – Shawn Sinclair provided an update on the rules revisions. The rules committee will have proposed revisions to the Board for review NLT July 15, 2017. Contains a total of 48 items. The Board will vote on rule changes in Aug 2017.

Senior – Dave West reported that the Seniors only event (age 50+) was cancelled due to low sign up rate. Possibly due to seniors not interested in traveling for this type of event. They will reevaluate event for future opportunity.

New Business:

Rules and Mandos - Sinclair

Shawn Sinclair brought up that the Rules Committee pays an inordinate amount of time focusing on issues pertaining to mandos. He estimates approximately 40% of the questions they address are related to mandos, and most often they are tied to extremely rare situations that constitute maybe 1% of total shots thrown. He states that mandos are not actually a rule in and of themselves, and should be made easier to manage within the game of disc golf. Further discussion ensued, leading to agreement that the Rules Committee should continue finding ways to simplify how mandos are utilized and implemented in course design and overall gameplay.

MOTION (Decker/Nagtegaal)

To adjourn the July board teleconference and enter into executive session.

Yes: Sinclair, West, Nagtegaal, Decker

Motion passes 4-0

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 pm EST and the board entered into executive session.