

Eastern Association of the Deaf Bowlers
60th Annual General Meeting
At Hilton East Brunswick, East Brunswick, New Jersey

May 5, 2006

President Harvey Grossinger (Washington D.C.) called the meeting at 7:41pm.

The officers present were Vice President Jam O'Hea (N.Y.), Secretary/Treasurer Frank Todesco (N.Y.), Law Chairperson Charles Schutz (N.Y.), Hall of Fame Chairperson Wayne Berke (M.D.), Law Committee Ron Arrigo (N.J.), EADB Webmaster/Tech Guy Mark Jeremy (N.Y.), 2006 New Jersey Chairman Ronald Rozynski

There were 34 captains attended to for the General Meeting.

President Grossinger appointed Bob Backofen as a Parliamentarian

Pledge of Allegiance (silence)

There was a moment of silence for:

Ernest Hoffman, Washington, DC
Frank DiVincenzo, Florida
Byron?????
Maximo Julia, Bronx, NY
Joey Lachance
Irv Goodman, Philadelphia, PA

Minutes Report from last year 2005:

Name was misspelled - should be Anthony, not Andy

Minutes report passed

Financial Aid Report 2005:

No comment

President Grossinger's report:

1. Yellow card for vote, give back
2. Position term end but board encourage continue due to no meeting next year until 2008
3. 22 years service
4. no general meeting 2007 due to Women's 50th Anniversary banquet

Vice President O'Hea's report:

1. 1st place - Masters Event – Ronald Hinkel – won champ
2. 2nd place – Masters event – Barry Tweed
3. There were 135 entries
4. Senior citizen Masters – 1st place – last name James Pendlton – 81 years old
5. 2nd place is Wayne Berke
6. there were 31 entries

Secretary/Treasurer Todesco's report:

1. Frank paid back bowler who overpaid in cash
2. Frank donated \$75 all events in HC and \$25 senior citizens in HC combo
3. Enjoyed working 3 years as secretary/treasurer.

4. Received USBC certified certification.
5. We bonded \$375 to Philadelphia Silent Athletic Club
6. EADB had 2 checking accounts & money market account interest 2.2%. Received \$726 from interest since last year
7. General funds now over \$10,000
8. wanted to discuss about investment with interest 6.7% to put \$10,000 from general fund to 14 months. 6.7% with 14 months, they get be \$575. that money go to scratch
9. Money market \$34,000 from host's city money & that money from host's will not be touch from EDAB money go to scratch. That money is NOT for EADB
10. EADB donated \$3,000 goes to scratch prizes. In the past year, we always donated \$2,000. \$3,000 this year
11. Any feedbacks about new entry form. Need improvement? Will some changes doubles, singles in one column, instead of separate. It will another column for this year's average. Will work on new entry form again
12. Will delete SSN and replace to USBC ID#
13. if any bowlers won over \$600, USBC will report IRS for tax purposes
14. add birthdates for senior citizens
15. support TA working TA since last year. Wants to start TA this year and to prevent sandbaggers

Hall of Fame Berke Report:

1. Hall of Fame award goes to Bill Heacock, will award in Maryland
2. Bowler award in Maryland last year
3. Request that you can submit leader yourself can be other than EADB

Unfinished business:

57th Wilkes Barres

Old Business:

- A. Add Jamie (first name) – **Motion passed** (voted)
- B. Minute Report 2005 - passed. **Motion passed**
- C. Vote Thomas Hinchey founder EADB and Hall of Fame to be named Hinchey Masters Senior Citizen – **Motion passed**

Election of Officer:

Nomination for Secretary-Treasurer position: Louis _____ nominated Frank Todesco for Secretary-Treasurer Seconded by Reggie Redding and won by ACL.

New Business:

- A. Article 7 Section 1e: changed from Secretary-Treasurer to Executive Board – **Motion passed**
- B. Article 7 Section 3d: deleted whole passage: Shall be paid an honorarium as determined by the Board, out of the tournament expense fund. The honorarium shall be approved by the captains at the General meeting during the odd-numbered years, no minimum or maximum.– **Motion passed**
- C. Article 7 Section 3r: deleted already in master duties: Shall receive a Masters Prize list from the Masters Chairman and add to the Association Prize List.– **Motion passed**
- D. Article 8 Section 4c: The Chairman shall make such reports available upon request. Old passage change to this – Shall see that the final financial report of Master Tournament Is given to Secretary-Treasurer to be added to the Association's final financial report within 30 days after Master Tournament event – **Motion passed**

- E. Article 8 Section 4c: shall see that the prize list of the Masters Tournament is given to the Secretary – Treasurer to be added to the Association’s Prize List. Add within 14 days after Master Tournament event. – **Motion passed**
- F. Article 10 Section 1d: add shall bowl each year between bidding to host event, change 3 years to 1 years – **Motion passed**
- G. Article 10 Section 3g: deleted we don’t practice that: Host City, upon receipt of a list of deceased members, and a list of Hall of Fame members from the Secretary-Treasurer, shall provide space in the souvenir book to be used for the purpose of listing former members who have participated in at least eight (8) tournaments and who have died since the last tournament. – **Motion passed**
- H. Article 17 Section 3: Tournament entries shall close approximately 40 days prior to the opening of the tournament. Change from 40 days to 30 days– **Motion passed**
- I. Article 17 Section 6: Replace whole passage from. When the balance in the general fund exceeds the sum of \$400.00, the amount in excess shall be used as a prize fund for the actual pinfall. However, the amount awarded shall not equal or exceed those given the handicap entered to Section 6: General fund need to be maintaining of \$25,000 in account at all time, Section 6a. In any event, the general fund goes below \$25,000, put in maximum of \$2,000 per year to meet the balance requirement, Section 6b. In any event, the general fund exceed \$25,000, shall be used as an actual pinfall prize fund, Section 6c. In any event, the annual exceed \$2,000, shall goes to actual pinfall prize fund – **Motion passed**
- J. Article 17 Section 11: delete whole passage: Double partnership of individuals from different city for the purpose of making a better showing in the tournament is prohibited. – **Motion passed**
- K. Article 17 Section 12: any complaints, protests and contentions as to the scores bowled, may be filled with the Executive Committee at any time during the tournament or at least ten (10) business days after the tournament closes. Change from ten (10) to 48 hours– **Motion passed**
- L. Article 17 Section 15: deleted because we do not allow personal checks– **Motion passed**
- M. Article 17 Section 16: deleted because the World Deaf Bowling Championship organization no longer existed– **Motion passed**
- N. Article 17 Section 17: deleted, will not ask for social security number because USBC already have yours– **Motion passed**
- O. Guideline: (new) In any event that any active board cannot bowl due to injury or health, he will be considered as bowler in any fees as registration and entertainment. He shall get package as bowler do. (article 10 section between 31 and 3m) – **Motion failed** due to constitution requires 2/3 vote

Other proposals by other Board:

- 1. Proposals by Frank Todesco
 - i. Article 2 Section 1d: change optional Double/Single combo event to Team/Single comb – **Board veto - dead**
 - ii. Change 2 nights to 3 nights effective next year: board passed – motion failed Ron Zuchegno amended to article 9 section 7 removed (3 nights for webmaster). Ron Rood, Jr seconded – **Amendment passed**
 - iii. Article 17 Section 4: the prize fee shall be ten dollars (\$10.00) per man, per event entered with the money used proportionately among first five places in the team, doubles, and singles events. Change from among first five places to based on ratio breakdown board passed – **Motion passed**
 - iv. Article 17 Section 5: cash prizes, based on a percentage of receipts from all entries, and shall be awarded to the winners of each event, at the ratio of 1 to 4 except handicap all events and actual all events as ratio shall be 1 to 20. change from 1 to 20 – 1 to 10 board passed – **Motion passed**
 - v. Article 18 Section 1: we need to clear what dress code is. Will put down more details on guideline and entry form about dress code. **Motion passed.**

- 2. Proposal by Jam O’Hea

- i. Article 4 Section 3c: Quorum of 7 to be changed to 6 – board passed – **Motion passed**
3. Proposal by Ron Arrigo
- i. To have any board to attend host city for the final inspection where the host city is near by. With final inspection guideline. Subsection a: if EADB office cannot attend, then host city chairperson will perform, if not then follow by EADB Secy-Tres. board passed – **Motion passed**.
4. Other proposals by bowlers:
- i. Error first name was misspelled – Lenard but correct name is Leonard Amato, NJ proposal to have Senior Citizen master’s current format to be changed to same as Trimarchi Master Form. **Board passed**
Amend by Jam O’Hea to have double elimination. **Board passed**
Table to be continued depending on senior citizens meeting
 - ii. Add statement 21 games per league – Ron Rood, Jr seconded – **Motion passed**

Tournament Average

- 1. Ron Rood, Jr modified 10 pins difference TA league average.
 - a. Use 10 pins difference - **Motion passed**
 - b. Last 3 years - **Motion passed**
 - c. Used 1/3 year (9 games) 2/3 year (18 games) 3/3 year (27 games) – **Motion passed**
 - d. Senior Citizens not waived – **Motion passed**
 - e. Teams, doubles, single events will be used TA if missed a game, should not count TA – **Motion passed**
 - f. Re-rate will not apply to TA – **Motion passed**

TA motion pass starting effectively 2007 next year

No more verification form. Use on back of the EADB entry form.

Bidding:

Bid for 2012 Lehigh Association of the Deaf, Allentown, PA moved to a bid in 2012. The total prizes are \$8,000 (\$5,000 to men and \$3,000 to women). Frank Todesco received letter and it’s been selected.

Host City 2007 Maryland gave \$3,000 to Frank Todesco, Secretary-Treasurer for prizes

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 pm

Emergency Meeting:

We had two (2) proposals that need to be discuss and voted on and we did.

Proposal #1 Walter Niesluchowski move to add words: USBC CERTIFIED LEAGUE IN Article 12 Section 2. Seconded by Ron Rood Jr. **Motion Passed**

Proposal #2 Ron Zuchegno move to add statement to re-rating: if your current average is more than 10 pins from last year, shall not receive re-rate. Seconded by John Taylor Motion **Passed**