

President Harvey Grossinger called the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

The officers present were Vice President Jam O'Hea, Secretary/Treasurer Frank Todesco, Law Chairperson Charles Schutz, Hall of Fame Chairperson Wayne Berke, Law Committee Ron Arrigo, EADB Webmaster/Tech Guy Mark Jeremy, 2006 Chairman Ronald Rozynski and 2007 Chairman Kevin Blanks

**President Grossinger' report:**

Will not bowl for the next two years but will remain as a President until 2008.

**Vice President O'Hea's report:**

1. Wanted to say "Thanks" to Charles Schutz for getting two embroidered bowling shirts for the Masters and Senior Citizen Masters.
2. Announced that there were 124 entries for Masters and 30 entries for Senior Masters. Two bowlers backed out. There were unknown of how many walk-in entries until the next day – Friday morning.
3. Old score sheets is running out soon. Wanted to get a new score sheet for Masters and Senior Citizen Masters. Would like to re-design new score sheet.
4. Made a compliment to Mark's website. Keep it up!! There are too many misspelled bowler names on the website under "History". Bowlers' names need to be corrected soon.
5. Tournament Average – need to be discussed more. Wanted to bring this discussion in the General Meeting. Let all the bowlers and Captains know about Tournament Average and let them vote.

**Secretary-Treasurer Tedesco's report:**

1. Enjoyed working three years as Secretary-Treasurer.
2. Received USBC certified certification for this weekend.
3. We refunded bond \$375 to Philadelphia Silent Athletic Club.
4. EADB has two banking accounts – one is EADB business checking account and money market. The money market account interest was 2.2%. We received \$726 from interest since last year.
5. General funds are now over \$10,000. 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 \$575. That money will go to scratch.
6. Money market \$34,000 from host's city money & that money from host's will not be touch from EADB money go to scratch. That money is NOT for EADB
7. EADB donated \$3,000 goes to scratch prizes this year. In the past years, we always donated \$2,000.
8. Any feedbacks about new entry form. Need improvement? Will make some changes doubles, singles into one column, instead of two columns. It will add another column for this year's average. Will work on new entry form again.
9. Will delete SSN and replace to USBC ID#.
10. If any bowlers won over \$600, USBC will report IRS for tax purposes.
11. Add birth date on registration form for only senior citizens for this purpose tournament average if the age over 60, the tournament average will be waived.
12. Support tournament average. Had been working on it since last year. Wants to start tournament average this year and to prevent sandbaggers.

**Law Chairman Schutz's report:**

1. Reviewed minutes from 2004. One tabled motion from 2004, which was not brought up in 2005 meeting. If no replacement bowler is available, then the bowler who can't bowl will be blind with 10% subtract

- from his EADB average with same handicap from his EADB average. The missing bowler will not be able to collect any prizes. The monies will go to EADB fund.
2. Wants to add honor senior citizen's name Thomas Hinchey to Masters Tournament. He is the first founder of EADB.
  3. Wanted to add "disclosure" in the constitution

**Constitution of the EADB**

- a) Article 2 Section 1d: Single/Double events should combine into one event - not separate two events. **(PASSED)**
- b) Article 7 Section 1e: Change the word to "Executive Board" from Secretary-Treasurer **(PASSED)**
- c) Article 7 Section 3d: Delete the word "Honorarium" **(PASSED)**
- d) Article 7 Section 3l: Delete whole passage because we never check on that. Also, league secretary are the one who are responsible for the current average when they sign the verification form **(PASSED)**
- e) Article 7 Section 3t: add **within 30 days**
- f) Article 7 Section 4b: Shall attest the average of his bowlers by mailing the current league standing and average sheets or City Association copy with entry form or bring to the tournament secretary at the time of bowling. Change this to shall attest the average of his bowlers by mailing verification form and copies of USBC card from each bowlers. **(CARRIED – HOLD)**
- g) Article 7 Section 4c: Shall inform the Secretary-Treasurer of any changes in the line ups with substitution or changes in bowler's average prior 24 hours the event start. **(Leave it alone)**
- h) Article 8 Section 4b: 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 give to Secretary-Treasurer to be added to the Association's final financial report within 30 days** after Master Tournament event. **(PASSED)**
- i) 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 Associations' Prize List. Add within 30 days after Master Tournament event. **(PASSED)**
- j) Article 14 Section 21(new): Championship of Master shall receive free entry in following year. Remove this section. **(PASSED)**
- k) Article 10 Section 1d: need to rephrase statement 1 year. Effective start 2012. **(PASSED)**
- l) Article 10 Section 3g: Remove this statement. **(PASSED)**
- m) 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. **(PASSED)**
- n) Article 17 Section 6: 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 give the handicap entered. Change from **\$400 to \$5000**  
 Refine statement
  - Section 6) General fund need to be maintain of \$25,000 in account at all time
  - Section 6a) In any event, the general fund go 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, the remainder shall be used for actual pins
  - Section 6c) In any event, the annual exceed \$2,000 shall go to actual prize **(PASSED)**
- o) 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. **(PASSED)**
- p) Article 17 Section 12: any complaints, protest 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**. **(PASSED)**
- q) Article 17 Section 15: Delete whole passage: Whenever a bowler or captain mails a check to the Secretary-Treasurer for his entry fee and that check bounces, the Secretary-Treasurer shall inform the payee and the service charge will be doubled the usual bank service charge and the bowler(s) shall forfeit all rights

to bowl in the tournament unless payment in cash is made prior to the tournament. No checks will be honored during the tournament. **(PASSED)**

r) Article 17 Section 16: Delete whole passage: The Association's all-events champion (handicap only) shall be qualified to go to the World Deaf Bowling Championship, hosted by the National Deaf Bowling Association and the entry fee shall be covered by the Association, once the bowler has participated in the tournament. The all events champion must show up at the following year's tournament to obtain EADB's donation for NDBA entry to the World Championship. If the champion cannot attend to the WDBC, then the 2nd place will serve as an alternate. There are no third place and so on alternates. **(PASSED)**

s) Article 17 Section 17: Delete whole passage: Bowlers who won \$600.00 or more is required to provide his Social Security number for the 1099 Miscellaneous Tax form. Failure to provide the information to the Secretary-Treasurer shall result in forfeiture of prize winnings. **(PASSED)**

t) 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 3l and 3m). **(PASSED)**

u) Guideline: (new) Host city shall make a hotel room reservation during final inspection for one night and cost to be paid by EADB (article 10 Section 3t). **(PASSED)**

v) Guideline: (new) Host city shall make schedule plan for all meetings with alley manager, hotel manager, host city chairperson and committee during final inspection (Article 10 Section 3u). **(PASSED)**

w) Proposal t) and u) combine into one statement. Effective next year 2007. **(PASSED)**

#### **Other proposals by other Board:**

##### 1) Proposals by Frank Todesco

a) Article 2 Section 1d: change optional Double/Single combo event to Team/Single combo. **(FAILED)**

b) Article 9 section 7: Change 2 nights to 3 nights effective immediately. Next year 2007 **(PASSED)**

c) 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 event. Change from among first five places to based on ratio breakdown. **(PASSED)**

d) 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 **(PASSED)**

e) Article 17 Section 10a: (new) shall bowl double and single event together. **(HOLD)**

f) Article 18 Section 1: make a list of pants – more details what not to wear.

##### 2) Proposal by Jam O'Hea:

a) Article 4 Section 3c: Quorum of 7 to be changed to 6. **(PASSED)**

##### 3) Proposal by Ron Arrigo

a) To have any board to attend the final inspection whenever the host city is near by **(PASSED)?**

#### Other's Proposal by bowlers:

1) Lenny Amato, NJ proposal to have Senior Citizen Masters' current format to be change to same as Trimarchi Masters Format. Jam O'Hea Amend, Change to double elimination in Senior Citizens Master only. Seconded by Mark Jeremy. **(PASSED)**

#### **Tournament Average:**

#### **Currently**

Each bowler will have two averages (3 years tournament averages and league averages) to determine the Tournament Average

3 years tournament average:

- Add all scores of 3 years from Single, Double, and Team, then divide by number of games bowled
- If a bowler did not bowl one of three last years, use a year before that to make it to 3 years altogether
  - (i.e.: next EADB tournament is 2006, expect to have the scores from 2005, 2004, and 2003 but if not bowl in 2004, then bring 2002 in)
- Leagues' this and last year averages:
  - Based on the same rules as before: always take last year average unless this year has 10 or more pins, use this year average
- Determine the average for Tournament Average:
  - Compare 3 years tournament average and league average, take the highest average as an average for this tournament

## Revised

Each bowler will have two averages establish with high League Average and 3 years Tournament Average

3 years tournament average

- Add all scores from 3 years within 5 years of Single, Double, and Team, then divide by number of games bowled
- Actual scores

League's This year and Last year averages:

- Based on the same rules as before: always take last year average unless this year has 10 or more pins, use this year average

Determine the average for Tournament Average:

- Compare 3 year tournament average and league average, take the highest average as an average for this year tournament

Senior Citizen (age 60 & up) waived from Tournament Average

Suggest putting this in Article 12 Section 5 (new)

Tournament Average proposals carry to General meeting Friday night. Carried to General Meeting Friday night

No re-rate in Tournament Average. Re-rate in League Average only.

## **Revised Tournament Average – PASSED**

Harvey mentioned tournament host city guidelines hold during the year.

Hall of Fame Berke's report:

- 1) Hall of Fame name in error – check with Mark Jeremy
- 2) Vote who for Hall of Fame – Bill Heacock for 2007 (**vote passed**)
- 3) Looking for Hall of Fame award plaque and still looking for logo emblem

Law Committee Arrigo's report:

- 1) Question about financial report to Kevin - need to be more clarification about office supplies expenses.
- 2) Want to save inspection travel to check for bowling of board of officers for who live near so, Frank doesn't have to come. Please provide Frank of a checklist of what needs to be done and to make sure everything has met the requirements.

Website Tech Guy Jeremy's report:

- 1) Started website since last year and wants to say thank you for the feedback from Jamie O'Hea, Chuck Schutz and Wayne Berke
- 2) Will be some improvement/update on the website later

New Business:

President's Announcement:

- 1) Hall of Fame will be paid by EADB bronze card membership

2006 Chairman Ron Rozynski's report:

- 1) Wanted to say thank you for coming to bowling tournament
- 2) Hotel have interpreter provided, internet provided and VP 200
- 3) Saturday night, ballroom, selling raffle tickets and announcing award winners

2007 Chairman Kevin Blanks' report:

- 1) Hotel name changed to Hilton from Doubletree – hotel price \$99.00
- 2) 9 miles to bowling center from the hotel
- 3) There will be 50<sup>th</sup> women anniversary which means there will be no general meeting
- 4) Will have a banquet on Friday night and ballroom dancing on Saturday night

Meeting adjourned at 1:35 a.m.