

MINUTES ~ WADA Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday, April 6, 2019 2pm
First Break (Sterling, VA)

- I. As most senior board member in attendance, Acting Chair Joe VanVoorhees called the meeting to order at 2:25pm

- a. Quorum was achieved. 4 Board members in attendance, plus 2 proxies.

		RSVP/Proxy	Attended/Proxy	Seniority
Chair	Michael Simone	Yes	ex/Kris	Jan-17
DC	Rich Lewis	ex/Colin	No/Ronda	May-17
DC	Colin Deffet	Yes	ex/Ronda	May-18
MD	Kris Petren	Yes	Yes	Sep-18
MD	Billy Powell	Yes	Yes	Jan-18
Vae	Neil Bradbury	Yes	Yes	Sep-18
i. VAe	Joe Van Voorhees	Yes	Yes	Jun-17

- ii. Officers in attendance: Ronda Daly, Brad Stauffer and Pat Martin.

- iii. Members in attendance: George Quinn and Mark Daly

- II. Minutes – Dec and Feb minutes were previously approved online.

III. Reports

- a. Chair – Joe distributed copies of an email proposal re tournament directors.

- b. Executive Director – Ronda

- i. USSDA – May 11th is our first challenger series.
- ii. Next meeting – Concerns that May 18th which is also the Marsden charity event. After discussing other possible dates, the board agreed to schedule the meeting at 11am on May 18th at Fairfax Revolution before the charity event.
- iii. Need to try to get people back into WADA. Suggested revisiting a Mixed Doubles league. Mentioned possibility of lowering the number of people on a team so all can play more. Suggestions of a straight up singles regular league, could do divisions, a challenge ladder. Would like something in place for the Fall. Ronda asked for brainstorming and the Board said to make the decisions and just do it.
- iv. Format – Our play format is out of date and takes too long. Have lost players due to the continued 3 hour matches. Need ideas and a proposal to fix. Perhaps change to “start BY 8pm” or change start time to 7:30pm.
- v. Complaints about coaching on the line – We follow ADO rulings but need to be more specific. Unwritten that a player must ask for coaching by taking a step back, turning and asking for help. Delays the match and throws off rhythm of players. **ACTION ITEM:** Board agreed to have Ronda write up a

Rules of Etiquette document. Board also agreed for Billy to write a Rule change referencing the Rules of Etiquette document so in future, Ronda would propose changes to the Etiquette document that the Board could approve immediately.

c. Secretary/Treasurer/Webmaster – Pat

- i. Website is up to date. Board meeting agenda has been moved to public viewing along with the RSVP for the board meeting.
- ii. Financial statement for Jan – Mar 2019 was distributed online.
- iii. Asked for Motion to approve increasing officer mileage reimbursement from \$.54 to \$.58 effective Jan 2019 in line with Federal guidelines since no new contracts were signed this year. **Motion was unanimously approved.**
- iv. **ACTION ITEM:** Board members suggested updating contracts or Rules (as appropriate) that officers always be paid mileage in line with Fed guidelines.

d. ADO Rep – Doug

- i. Changing qualifiers to point based because players didn't return after winning which wasn't good for the sponsors. Suggested up to 5 bonus points for showing up and bonus points for winning an event. Raise entry fee from \$40 to \$50 because there are 10 events. Board agreed.
- ii. Wadafiers for the WAO – will run as many as possible.

IV. Committee Reports

a. Tournaments – WAO

- i. Kevin Malenfont is doing live streaming and has an RV. Ronda checked with the Holiday Inn and they don't have power hookups for the RV which would have saved us the room charges.
- ii. **Sound** – we have 2 speakers. Dart Guys will do sound. Need to get all options on the table.
- iii. **Tournament Director** – Billy said the Rules do NOT require nominees be in attendance which is why the Board temporarily appointed Michael and Ronda as codirectors at the Dec meeting.
 1. Board discussed Joe's document proposing Tournament Director. (attached hereto)
 2. Ronda brought up her heavy involvement last year doing most of the planning and the required reporting after the tournament. Board agreed that a specific list of Requirements need to be made part of the contracts.
 3. **Motion was passed** (4 yea, 2 abstention) appointing Brad and George co-tournament directors with Ronda providing supervision. **ACTION ITEM:** The TPC will draw up the TD contract that will also contain a complete list of responsibilities for each co-TD.

iv. **Shirts** –

1. **Online presale** - Ronda has been working with vendor to presell shirts online to be shipped to her and picked up at the WAO. Cost is \$29, we would sell for \$40 with proceeds to Operation Homefront. Pat expressed concerns about retain selling and sales tax if WADA takes the orders and collects the money. Ronda will discuss with the vendor.
 2. The shirt vendor will also sell at the tournament and thus waive the custom design fee. Steve Oberti will also be selling tee shirts. Ronda has talked with both vendors and they are ok with both being there.
 3. Motion was unanimously approved purchase staff shirts by WADA maximum number of 10.
- v. **TD Committee Chair** – Joe, as acting chair, appointed himself chair of the TD Committee. They will meet after today’s board meeting.
1. **ACTION ITEM;** Prepare TD Contract and Responsibilities documents.
- V. Unfinished/”Old” Business
- a. 50th Anniversary Coin – Suggestion was to do a pin instead of coin.
 - i. **ACTION ITEM:** Kris will work on a proposal for the next board meeting and consult with Pat as needed.
- VI. New Business
- VII. Next Board meetings
- a. May 18th at 11am at Fairfax Revolution (before the Marsden event)
- VIII. Meeting adjourned at 4:05pm

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Martin
WADA Secretary/Treasurer/Webmaster

Minutes approved online by: Billy Powell, Kris Petren, Neil Bradbury

Executive Director: Ronda Daly

Chairman of the Board: Michael Simone

Tournament Directors: Brad Stauffer & George Quinn

Ronda, as the Executive Director, would provide supervision and final say on any major disputes however she would be able to provide in-the-field perspective to better understand and manage how the tournament is being viewed from the player's perspective. Ronda's excels as the face of WADA to the tournament attendees and ambassador to representatives of our sister leagues since she knows just about everyone. This is something that she could do better than anyone else from our group.

You would provide the backbone leadership of the registration desk, make sure the trains run on time by coordinating board member coverage throughout the tournament, and provide a bridge between the tournament directors who will be in charge of operations, the executive director who will be bringing up important feedback and tasks that may need to be addressed throughout the event, and the tournament staff of volunteers, including board members and WADA members.

Brad, as the Assistant Director of WADA, would serve essentially as tournament operations manager. He is already an officer who is familiar with the tournament, DartConnect, and is very capable of handling real-time issues needing technical expertise or physical labor and can be depended on to be able to do a heck of a lot of work reliably and with a friendly face. He would also be able to assemble teams to perform tasks ad hoc.

George, as a returning tournament director, provides continuity in the position and can run brackets in case of technical issues. He is familiar with the tournament process, and between the three of you, could make sure that the desk is covered around the clock by a board member and/or officer so the bank and money is handled properly throughout.

It's a very long tournament and it usually has involved at least three directors between ED, managing directors and tournament directors (Pat Martin or I can provide a quick history recap of the last twenty years). Having you, Brad, and George there to help Ronda also provides working tournament team representing all of WADA's regions. This being the twentieth year and 50th Anniversary of WADA, I am hoping and expecting a lot of people to attend that might not usually, including locals.

Shoot well,

Joe VanVoorhees

WADA Virginia Regional Director