January 13, 2016, General Membership Meeting for winter season 2016

President Dorothy Schroeder called the meeting at Rock Falls Tavern to order at 7:30 PM

Board Members present Dorothy Schroeder, Carol DeHart, Amber Cole, Chris Wells, and Wayne Nolen

Dorothy welcomed everyone to the winter 2016 meeting and thanked the Rock Falls Tavern for hosting the General Membership Meeting. She called for the Secretary's report. Secretary, Amber Cole read the minutes from the last General Membership meeting September 2, 2015. A motion was made to accept the minutes as read, seconded, and passed.

Chris Wells presented the Treasurer's Report through December 2015. He reported Total income of \$47,677.00; Total expenses of \$34,070.88; for a net income of \$13,606.12. The funds for the Tournament of Champions will be pulled out of the Sanction account. The balance in the account is \$30,247.31. Copies of the report were available if any member wanted to review. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as read, seconded, and passed.

Wayne Nolen gave the League Director's report. The finals for fall 2015 were held at Chester Junction on December 13, 2015. He congratulated the winners - Gold -Ureduhm; Silver – Vision Quest; and Bronze – Maker's 5 Mark. He thanked the Area Reps John Huddleston, Carol Dehart, Amber Cole, and Chris Wells for last season. John, Carol, and Chris will be back this season. He noted the upcoming weekend event Chillin in the Well, Saturday at Rock Falls and Sunday at Omega Bar and Grill. Wayne wished everyone good luck this season.

Carol DeHart presented the Vice President's report. She mentioned upcoming weekend tournaments as well including Chillin in the Well, Sweet Heart and Darts at Rock Falls Tavern February 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> and March Madness in honor of Susan Davis on March 5<sup>th</sup> at Chester Junction.

Dorothy Schroeder gave the President's report. She stated for all attending the Tournament of Champions, that we have vouchers available for a local hotel provided by Liane Bullard. A list of players that have qualified for the Tournament of Champions is up front for review as well as the top 10 men and women list. She thanked everyone for supporting the CVDA events this year. Dorothy read a letter regarding the youth league and board's decision to disband.

## Old Business:

Audit Committee report was given by Rodney Wilson. We had an audit committee meeting at Chester Junction at the end of September and we reviewed the books from January 2015 to June of 2015. We will be scheduling a meeting in the next few weeks to go over the books and documentation for July 1 to December 31, 2015.

Youth League. No report was given. Susan Linkous stated there was no report since the youth League has been disbanded.

Dart Classic Committee report was given by Amber Cole. The 2016 Dart Classic will be June 10, 11, and 12. We are at the same hotel as the past two years and the flyer will be posted to the website shortly. The committee ran a successful cash raffle in the fall with Brian Kemp winning the top cash prize. The next committee meeting is tentatively scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 PM at Chester Junction. Anyone interested in fund raising, volunteering to help during the tournament weekend, please attend the committee meeting or see Amber to get involved.

Tournament of Champions Committee report was given by Amber Cole. No committee meeting was held. Anyone with ideas or suggestions, please bring them to Amber and the Board. The Tournament of Champions will be January 30, 2016, at the Hopewell Moose Lodge. Sign up at 6:00 PM and close at 7:00 PM. No call ins, no text messages. You must be in the building prior to 7:00 PM.

ADO Report - Susan Linkous stated the winners for the Sterling ADO Regional were Mark Hinds, Chris Linkous, and Amy Gartrell. Chris finished third and is the alternate for the US Team in Barbados. The winners of the Long Shots ADO

Regional were Joseph Huffman, Chris Linkous, and Dorothy Spencer and they will go on the play in Las Vegas at the end of the month. Hank Schroeder will be the new ADO REP for this year.

Web-site. No report. Tim Crockett was not present.

Membership Committee. No Report. Chris Pace, chairperson.

Dorothy called for any other old business. There was none.

## **New Business:**

The BOARD took the oath of office for 2016. President – Dorothy Schroeder, Vice President – Carol DeHart, Secretary – Amber Cole, Treasurer – Charlotte Smith (Charli), League Director – Robbie Loving.

Dorothy called for New Business and recognized Susan Linkous, who read a statement addressing her concerns over board actions and decision, specifically the youth league, board stipends, hotel room expenditures for the Board for the Dart Classic.

Open discussion was held on Mrs. Linkous's statement resulting in a motion from Rodney Wilson to increase the Board Stipend to \$300 per person (from the current (\$150) if funds are available. Motion was seconded. Discussion held; vote taken. Motion passed.

Rodney Wilson asked the Board about the hotel rooms and was told the rooms were at discounted rate. Amy Gartrell commented confirming the rooms were at a discounted rate and were well earned. Rodney suggested a spending limit and would get with the Board for further discussion and a motion at the next general membership meeting.

Motion from Amber Cole to change the Rules of Play, Membership, Section "D" to: <u>ALL</u> members shall have the benefit of a pro-rated seasonal fee based on the season in which he/she begins play. (if first season of play is fall season; fee will be 1/3 of annual fee. If first season of play is summer season, fee will be 2/3 of annual fee). REMOVE – a new member is defined as a person that has never played as a CVDA member. Motion seconded. Discussion held. Amber explained we want to change so that ALL will get this and not just new members and this may encourage people to join teams in the summer and fall and does not penalize those players. Vote taken. Motion Passed.

Motion from Amber Cole to REMOVE from the Rules of Play, Membership, Section "O" which states: "Any person on the original roster must play 16 legs between weeks 1 and 6 to be eligible to play in the playoffs or receive a plaque. Player(ers) that join a team before week 8 must play at least 14 legs to be eligible to play in the playoffs or receive a plaque. If there are extenuating circumstances that are present(ed) the to BOD this could be waived. Extenuating circumstances include but are not limited to shift work, out of town, and family or member emergencies." Motion was seconded. Discussion held. Comments: we have players that captain a team and don't play and deserve an award; rule states that if added before week 8 and you can't add after week 7 so this is misleading. Vote taken. Motion passed.

Question from the floor regarding Area Rep duties as the Board asked for REP for the Chester / Hopewell Area and had received no volunteers. Some of the challenges are the bars don't open until after 4:00 PM for score sheet pick up. Comment was made on team captains using smart phones to take pictures of score sheet and send to league director instead of the Area Rep picking up weekly sheets. Dan Williams noted that Area Reps are covered under the bylaws.

Jim Jordan made a comment of cutting expenses by not requiring a membership application with dues unless a player's information had changed.

Dorothy asked for other New Business. There was none. Packet distribution began at 8:35 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM

Respectively submitted by Amber Cole