

**Annual Meeting Minutes of the Metro Detroit USBC Association  
Sunday, May 16, 2021 at Sterling Lanes, Sterling Heights**

MDUSBC President George Bresinski called the annual meeting of the Metro Detroit USBC Association (MDUSBC) to order at 2:20 p.m. at Sterling Lanes in Sterling Heights, Michigan.

In attendance were 33 registered members.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Libbi Fletcher conducted the memorial service honoring bowlers who had passed away in the previous year.

Scott McLeod moved to dispense with the reading of the previous minutes, supported by Pat Klix. Motion carried.

**President's Report**

President Bresinski reported activities from August 1, 2020 to present.

He attended and worked the MDUSBC Masters, Senior Masters, Super Senior Masters and Queens. He also worked the Michigan State Masters and Senior Masters. He also officiated all of the Women's and Men's Series events.

He bowled in the MDUSBC Open Championship, attended the virtual 2021 USBC Convention, and will attend the 2022 USBC Convention if elected as a delegate.

Vice-President Libbi Fletcher accepted a motion from Anita Maiorana to accept the President's Report, supported by Jim Horton. Motion carried.

**Association Manager's Report**

Association Manager Mark Martin thanked the board and staff for their hard work during the past year of operations of the MDUSBC. He also thanked the leadership from President Bresinski.

Membership is down 40.2% overall with adult membership down 40.2% and youth membership down 40.2%. The final figures for the 2018-19 season were 36,027 adults and 1,929 youth. Last year at this time, MDUSBC had 35,956 adult members and 1,926 youth members. This year we have 21,526 adults and 1,135 youth. This includes 2,038 that have purchased the Adult Basic, which is available to those leagues that bowl 16 weeks or less. A total of 279 have purchased the Premium Upgrade, which entitles those bowlers to crystals awards for 11-in-a-row, 300 game and 800 series. This still makes the Metro Detroit USBC Association the largest local association in USBC with over twice as many members as the next largest association, which is Chicago.

USBC awarded local associations a grant based on membership and Metro Detroit USBC received nearly \$40,000. The MDUSBC Board has decided to give each 2020-21 member a \$10 coupon to be used towards entry into either the MDUSBC Women's or Open Championship. The coupons will be direct mailed to each of the eligible members, can only be used once and must be redeemed by December 31, 2021.

We've continued our delivery system this season. With the system, we deliver on a weekly basis to all bowling centers in our association awards, rosters and other reports. Additionally league secretaries can

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send back to the association office through the system by having the counter put the information in the "blue" bucket.

Additionally we stay in contact with our members using Constant Contact e-mail program. Over 20,000 of our members have e-mail addresses, which is over 50% of our adult members. It is a great tool and very cost effective.

Speaking of communication Bowling Showcase is our television show. It airs each week on WADL-Detroit, Channel 38, on Saturdays at 10 a.m. and re-aired Sunday morning at 1:30 a.m. There were 6 original magazine along with the best of the past five years challenge shows for a total of 30 shows. It's been a great success.

Metro Detroit USBC has over 20 tournaments each year and has the most tournaments of any local association in USBC. The tournaments run the gamut offering all members opportunities for competition to improve their skills.

There are 60 bowling centers in the MDUSBC with 1,964 lane beds. With our membership, the MDUSBC is the largest local association of the United States Bowling Congress. As a result, we can send a maximum of 30 delegates to the USBC Convention in Las Vegas next April. We will be electing delegates to the USBC Convention later in the agenda. Delegates are expected to represent the association at the national convention, attend workshops and seminars and participate in the annual meeting. Additionally elected delegates are expected to render volunteer services to the association between the time of election and the time of serving as a delegate. Between now and the convention the association has an event each weekend so there's plenty of opportunities.

John Vorpapel moved to accept the Association Manager's report, supported by Anita Maiorana. Motion carried.

### **Nominating Committee Report**

Mark Hurttgam, chairman of the Nominating Committee, made the announcement and procedure for floor nominations. The agenda package included the resumes of those who had applied and were reviewed by the Nominating Committee.

He asked for nominations from the floor for adult director and director representing youth on the board. Tamara LaPlante and Stacey Black-Quantz were nominated from the floor for director representing youth position.

The election was held later in the meeting.

### **Finance Committee Report**

Mike DeRousie, chair of the Finance Committee, gave the report. The financial statements have been reviewed by Hoffman Accounting and found to be in order. The budget for the 2019-20 fiscal year was a deficit of \$26,350. The final result was a positive income of \$64,779.67. Year-end reports are available on the website under Board Information. The approved budget for the current 2020-21 fiscal year is a deficit budget of \$62,180 and we are currently tracking close to that number. There are sufficient reserves to cover the deficit.

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The board receives Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet and Statement of Cash Flows reports each month. The Finance Committee receives monthly general ledger reports with all financial transactions. The officers and Finance Committee chair receive a copy of the bank statement each month.

The Association Manager salary is \$73,500 per year. The Board approved a \$5,000 bonus in recognition of his excellent performance review. He spends numerous hours in addition to his normal schedule during the weekends from September through May working for the Association.

The profit & loss statement is broken down by tournament. In the 2019-20 fiscal year, there was aggregate tournament income of \$178,387 with \$167,909.42 in tournament expenses for a net gain of \$10,477.58. As you can see, other than restricted funds, our intention is that tournaments are self-sustaining causing neither a drag on the budget, thanks to our sponsors, nor a notable source of income.

Martha Marshall moved to accept the Finance Committee report, supported by Anita Maiorana. Motion carried.

**Youth Committee Report**

Stephen Krywy, chair of the Youth Committee, gave the report.

He thanked the Youth Committee members for their time, energy and efforts with all of the schedule changes will all of the youth tournaments. He recognized the Youth Committee members in attendance.

The MDUSBC Youth Championship was held at Woodhaven Bowl-A-Rama, thanks to the center for their support. The final standings are posted on mdusbc.com and an additional \$10,000 was added to the scholarship funds from the SMART program. Next year's event will also be at Woodhaven Bowl-A-Rama in November and December.

The MDUSBC Junior Masters was held at Mayflower Lanes, thanks to the center for their support. Winners were Samantha Percha and Tre'von Terrell. Next year's event will be held at Woodhaven Bowl-A-Rama in March 2022.

The MDUSBC Adult/Youth was held at Woodhaven Bowl-A-Rama. A total of 83 teams participated in the Baker style tournament. Next year's event will be held at AMF Rosebowl in March 2022.

With all of the changes due to Covid-19, the Youth Committee will be selecting the annual scholarship winners. Each winner will receive a \$2,000 scholarship.

He also thanked the MDUSBC staff for their work with all of the youth tournaments and programs and a special thank you to Florence and Mark for handling all of the entries for the youth events.

Ashley Krywy moved to accept the Youth Committee report, supported by Jim Horton. Motion carried.

**Charities Report**

**BVL & Bowl For The Cure**

Libbi Fletcher reported on Bowlers to Veterans Link (BVL) and Bowl For The Cure.

She gave thanks to all who supported both of the charities even during the pandemic.

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Last season the Bowl For The Cure event was held at Bowl One Lanes in February. It was very successful raising a total of \$27,064.67 through the event, raffle lottery tickets and donations from the leagues. This season we were only able to sell the raffle lottery tickets and \$5,423 was raised for Bowl For The Cure.

BVL is traditionally in November. Raffle lottery tickets were sold and the \$6,815 proceeds were donated to BVL. This compares to \$17,754.17 last season.

Thanks for everyone's help in supporting our veterans and helping eradicate breast cancer in supporting our fundraising efforts.

**McKay Invitational**

Mark Martin reported that the McKay Invitational tournament was not held, but will return in December 2021 at Sterling Lanes. Raffle lottery tickets were sold and the \$5,475 in proceeds were split between the Karmanos Cancer Institute and the International Bowling Hall of Fame and Museum.

**Unfinished Business**

There was no unfinished business.

**New Business**

There was no new business.

**Election of the Directors representing Youth**

Election for Directors representing Youth on the board for two-year terms. The nominees were Stacey Black-Quantz, Kenneth Clayton, Tamara LaPlante, Johnny Mason Jr, Rosesherein Mason and Jonathan Parker.

With six candidates for two spots, a ballot vote was conducted.

Result of the election was Rosesherein Mason 20, Kenneth Clayton 19, Stacey Black-Quantz 9, Johnny Mason Jr. 9, Tamara LaPlante 4 and Jonathan Parker 3.

Rosesherein Mason and Kenneth Clayton were elected to a two-year term as Directors representing Youth.

**Election of Adult Directors**

Election of adult board members for two-year terms: The nominees were Richard Banks, James Horton, Jay-Michael Jackson, Patricia Klix, Stephen Krywy, Martha Marshall and Hayman Matti.

With seven candidates for six spots, a ballot vote was conducted.

Result of the election was Stephen Krywy 32, Richard Banks 31, James Horton 31, Patricia Klix 31, Martha Marshall 28, Hayman Matti 22 and Jay-Michael Jackson 9.

Stephen Krywy, Richard Banks, James Horton, Patricia Klix, Martha Marshall and Hayman Matti were elected to a two-year term as adult board directors.

**Election of delegates to the Michigan State USBC meeting**

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The MDUSBC is entitled to seven delegates to the Michigan State USBC meeting.

Nominations were taken from the floor. Nominated were Richard Banks, George Bresinski, Patricia Klix, Ashley Krywy, Martha Marshall, Mark Martin, Hayman Matti, Scott McLeod and Carol Roberts.

With nine candidates for seven positions, a ballot vote was conducted.

Result of the election was George Bresinski 32, Mark Martin 31, Ashley Krywy 30, Martha Marshall 24, Patricia Klix 24, Richard Banks 20, Hayman Matti 20, Scott McLeod 17 and Carol Roberts 16.

George Bresinski, Mark Martin, Ashley Krywy, Martha Marshall, Patricia Klix, Richard Banks and Hayman Matti were elected as delegates to the Michigan State USBC annual meeting. Scott McLeod and Carol Roberts will be alternates.

**Election of delegates to the USBC Convention**

The MDUSBC is entitled to 30 delegates to the USBC Convention. Nominations from the floor were taken.

Richard Banks, George Bresinski, Kenneth Clayton, Libbi Fletcher, Darrin Flowers, Connie Fordyce, James Horton, Mark Hurttgam, Patricia Klix, Ashley Krywy, Lauren Krywy, Stephen Krywy, Anita Maiorana, Martha Marshall, Mark Martin, Johnny Mason, Rose Mason, John Vorpapel and Doug Williams were nominated.

Ashley Krywy moved to elect USBC Delegates by acclamation, supported by Anita Maiorana. Motion carried.

Richard Banks, George Bresinski, Kenneth Clayton, Libbi Fletcher, Darrin Flowers, Connie Fordyce, James Horton, Mark Hurttgam, Patricia Klix, Ashley Krywy, Lauren Krywy, Stephen Krywy, Anita Maiorana, Martha Marshall, Mark Martin, Johnny Mason, Rose Mason, John Vorpapel and Doug Williams were elected.

Mark Martin moved to authorize the MDUSBC President to appoint additional delegates, supported by Patricia Klix. Motion carried.

Scott McLeod moved to destroy the ballots, supported by Randy Tambourine. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

Jim Horton moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by John Vorpapel. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark A. Martin  
MDUSBC Association Manager