

**Board Minutes of the Metro Detroit USBC Association (MDUSBC)
Saturday, April 15, 2017
Held at Metro Detroit USBC conference room, Lathrup Village**

President Vorpapel called the meeting to order at 12:35 p.m.

Roll call

Present: President Vorpapel; Vice-President Bresinski; Board members Banks, Block, DeRousie, Dickerson, Fletcher, Krywy, Hurrigam, Klix, Quinn, Suokas and Association Manager Martin.

Absent: Breen and Tambourine.

DeRousie moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the January 25, 2017 meeting, supported by Suokas. Motion carried.

President's Report

President Vorpapel gave the report.

He announced the appointment of Martha Marshall to fill a vacancy as an Adult Board member and asked for board approval.

Suokas moved to approve the appointment of Martha Marshall to fill a vacancy as an Adult Board member for the balance of this season, supported by Klix. Motion carried.

He worked two Women's Series events, two Masters tournaments, Senior Team tournament, Bowling Showcase Challenge, Michigan State Youth tournament, stuffed BFTC league donation envelopes and conducted the MDUSBC Annual Meeting.

He bowled in the Bowl For The Cure event, MDUSBC Open Championship and Senior Team tournament.

He attended the South Eastern Michigan Bowling Centers Association General Membership meeting, USBC Delegates meeting and various committee meetings.

He presented Premium awards at three bowling centers, reviewed monthly financial statements and bank statements and signed checks and documents as needed.

Bresinski accepted a motion from Fletcher to accept the president's report, supported by DeRousie. Motion carried.

Association Manager's Report

Association Manager Martin reported that there are 810 leagues, down from 846; 40,008 adult members down from 42,105 or 5.1% and 2,458 youth members down from 2,686 or 8.5% from last year. There are 408 premium upgrades.

Updates on Women's Series, Member Handbook, charities and Bowling Showcase were given. The 2018 Michigan State Women's tournament will be held at Airway Lanes for team event and Century Bowl for doubles & singles.

He asked for approval to purchase the licenses for the monthly Lottery tickets sales for BVL, McKay and Bowl For The Cure for the 2017-18 season; and paying a security deposit of one month's rent to the new landlord.

He also announced that Ashley Krywy will be joining the MDUSBC staff as an unpaid intern during the summer.

Fletcher moved to approve the purchase of the licenses for the monthly Lottery sales for the 2017-18 season, supported by Suokas. Motion carried.

Suokas moved to approve the payment of the one month security deposit to the new landlord, supported by Quinn. Motion carried.

Quinn moved to accept the Association Manager's report, supported by DeRousie. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Awards Committee

DeRousie gave the Awards Committee report. The committee is recommending Sharon Lisecki and Patricia Clark as Co-Secretaries of the Year and John Vorpapel as Volunteer of the Year.

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Further the committee is urging board members to contact league secretaries as to what they would like to see in end-of-season awards.

Fletcher moved to accept the Awards Committee report, supported by Dickerson. Motion carried.

Bowl For The Cure Committee

Fletcher gave a report of progress on Bowl For The Cure. Over \$26,000 was raised and sent to USBC Bowl For The Cure with a lot of help.

Finance Committee

DeRousie gave the Finance Committee report. The committee is recommending a deficit budget of \$20,281 based on a 7.5% decline.

Quinn moved to accept the Finance Committee report, supported by Klix. Motion carried.

There was discussion on the fees for the MDUSBC Lifetime memberships. Dickerson moved to keep the MDUSBC Lifetime membership fees the same at \$300 for 55 and older, \$400 for 30 to 55 and \$500 under 30, supported by Fletcher. Motion carried with 1 opposed.

Masters Committee

Martin gave the Masters Committee report. The committee is recommending reducing the entry fee for the Masters from \$170 to \$150 and the Senior Masters from \$140 to \$120. Also change the format from two weekends to one weekend in the Masters with a six-game qualifying on Saturday and match play on Saturday and Sunday. Also recommending awarding Thunderbowl Arena the 2018 Super Senior Masters at \$2.00 per game with a \$150 sponsorship and Indian Lanes the 2019 Senior Masters at \$2.25 per game with a \$100 sponsorship.

Dickerson moved to accept the Finance Committee report, supported by Banks. Motion carried.

Tournament Committee

Martin gave the Tournament Committee report. The committee is recommending changing the handicap percentage to 100% for the 500 Club, Open and Women's Championships; add a \$10 squad organizer incentive in the 500 Club tournament for organizing and submitting 8 or more entries at least 10 days in advance; reduce the entry fee for the Queens from \$90 to \$70; award the 2018 500 Club tournament to Bowl One Lanes at \$2.50 per game, the 2018 Queens to Garden Bowl at \$2.75 per game, 2019 Women's and Open Championships to Century Bowl at \$2.50 per game and 2019 Senior Team to Sterling Lanes at \$2.50 per game.

Dickerson moved to accept the Tournament Committee report, supported by Quinn. Motion carried.

Youth Committee

Block gave the Youth Committee report. The committee is recommending changing the handicap percentage to 100% for the Youth Championship, to clarify the eligibility rule for the Junior Masters, potentially expand the Junior Gold spots in the Junior Masters, award the 2019 Adult/Youth tournament to Thunderbowl Arena at \$2.00 per game with \$150 sponsorship, the 2019 Junior Masters to Bowl One at \$2.50 per game and the 2018 Youth Championship to Super Bowl for \$2.50 per game with \$750 sponsorship. The plaque order was awarded to Plaqueman Awards.

Twenty scholarship applications were received. After much discussion and deliberation the committee selected Richard Allison Jr. and Brandon Campbell as the male recipients of the \$1,000 scholarships and Emma Farquharson and Stephanie Schalk as the female recipients of the \$1,000 scholarships.

Dickerson moved to accept the Youth Committee report, supported by Banks. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

The Youth Awards banquet will be Sunday, June 4 at DeCarlo's and the Adult Awards banquet will be Tuesday, June 13 at DeCarlo's.

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MDUSBC will support the PWBA at Super Bowl in June by providing volunteers as needed and requested and also participating in the Pro-Am on Thursday, June 15 at 7 p.m. MDUSBC will pay the entry fee of those board members who wish to participate. Those participating at this time are Block, Bresinski, Dickerson, Hurtgam and Martin. Others that want to be included should contact Martin.

There was discussion of conducting 1 Super School for league officers and proprietors prior to the next season to answer questions and provide information on the upcoming season. This was suggested for July/August at the Association office.

Association Manager Evaluation

Martin was excused from the meeting to conduct the Association Manager evaluation.

Upon his return President Vorpapel announced that the Association Manager performance evaluation was "Excellent". Moving forward the board requested a contingency plan in the absence of the Association Manager and a succession plan in the 2018-19 budget.

Dickerson moved to award the Association Manager a \$3,000 bonus, supported by Banks. Motion carried.

Martin returned to the meeting.

Vice-President election

Bresinski was the only candidate for Vice-President. Suokas moved to elect Bresinski to Vice-President by acclamation, supported by Fletcher. Motion carried.

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Next Meeting

The next MDUSBC Board meeting will be Tuesday, July 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Mark A. Martin
Association Manager

Upcoming Events / Meeting

Monday, April 23 – Thursday, April 26 – USBC Convention, Las Vegas, Nevada
Sunday, May 7 – MDUSBC Women's Series Invitational – Shelby Lanes
Sunday, June 4 – MDUSBC Youth Banquet – DeCarlo's
Friday, June 9 – Saturday, June 10 – Michigan USBC WBA meeting – Metro Detroit
Tuesday, June 13 – MDUSBC Awards Banquet – DeCarlo's
Saturday, June 24 – Sunday, June 25 – Michigan USBC BA meeting – Mt. Pleasant