

# GREATER DENVER AREA SPORTS ASSOCIATION

# MEETING AGENDA

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3-12-2024 / March 2024 / Bad Habits, Denver, CO

## CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order at 6:47 PM by Katie Padderud.
  
- Roll Call
  - The following members were present at today's meeting:
    - Katie Padderud
    - Patrick Batten
    - Keenan
    - Michael
    - Nate
    - Brian
    - Joel
    - Rob
    - Sam (phone)
  
  - The following members were not present at today's meeting:
    - pickleball

## OLD BUSINESS

- Approval of Minutes from February - approved
- Commissioner Report
  - IPS - has responded to our email, wants to have a Zoom meeting to discuss next steps, maybe Brian, Katie, Patrick, Keenan and maybe Nate
  - ASANA - still working on bid for World Series - 95% there
  - Bylaws - in the process of being revised, 1 more meeting needed before bringing back to board, goal is by May meeting
  
- Finance
  - Denver Parks and Rec - fields paid through May, had a credit we used and hours were adjusted from 6am start to 10am start
  - We owe \$5k by April 3rd for the summer season
    - approx \$300 per field every Sunday
    - need to get registration open ASAP
  - field changes were fairly simple to make, email them directly to adjust permits
  - \$400 in bank and still have stuff to pay
  - pickleball has been using 3 courts, \$240 per weekend
    - \$422 left in budget left to spend on court usage for Spring
    - Pickleball has been notified
    - April 14th is last weekend
    - will be cheaper if they can get outside
  - working on extension for 2023 taxes

- Pickleball -
  - possible lead on other courts? Nate got some info from JW
  - only collected \$450 but spent \$800 on courts in winter season
  - courts they are using are very expensive
  - winter numbers have fallen off each year
  - spring \$3k budget only \$1900 brought in
  - TREASURER ASK
  
- Golf
  - registration open 3/15 first to returning players, open to public on 4/15
  - 28 spots and a sub list
  - \$375 for the 12 weeks
    - green fees + sports engine fees
    - extra over goes into pot for season winner
  - Last Thursday in May (30th) into August, July 4th off
  - City Park
  - Gay Games - Patrick will reach out to Rob for some info for the Gay Games committee
    - top locations, cost,
  - member at large - appoint but TBD
  - what help for fundraising etc. going forward
  - Matt Kreuter possible sponsorship lead with Marathon
  - discussion of possible tournament
  - weeknights not typically great if we change meeting day/time
    - weekends are better, mornings are best
  - TREASURER ASK
  
- Softball
  - NEED A BUDGET
  
  - Spring:
    - dates and fields nailed down
    - logistics worked out
    - registration ready to open
    - \$60 for each short season
    - \$135 for all the softball (2 installments \$75 up front, \$60 due June 1st)
      - if playing summer and paid \$135 there's a summer code
      - Nate will email everyone the code!
    - depending on popularity of spring, look at shortening season
  
  - Summer:
    - Opening weekend 6/16?
    - opening weekend party at vib?
    - See how spring numbers look and see when we start
  
- 5280 Showdown
  - no fields, no money
  - 6/16 we have 2 fields, do we skip the tourney this year and make this the first week of summer softball
  - canceling this year -
  - what does the vib hotel contract say? how far out can we cancel? what can we do

as a show of good faith? can we do league events at the taco bar? any attrition? if there is a clause, how can we make it up in a different way?

- ASANA
  - Strongly encourage a team to go to Memphis - what do we need to do?
    - if we can't do we want to continue in ASANA and continue to bid?
    - what is the demographic we are missing? where do we find them?
    - promote all of the other women's tournaments on our website
    - Patrick will reach out to Christy
    - Nate and Patrick will try to connect with DASL women
  - Memphis August 20 to 24, 2024
  - 2026 Series Bid update
    - more info after meetings
  - Need to put together a women's meeting, more participation needed
    - survey?
    - meeting? at field, end at the same time, want input
    - reach out to Kaitlyn McKowski - Nate did, she did not reply
  - Patrick and Keenan reach out to "Wiggles," do a women's qualifying tournament
  - Westminster and Longmont women's - get into one of those leagues?
- Athletic Director
  - looking into tennis courts for our tennis interest in June and July
  - Chris A can/will help when it comes to scheduling
  - Keenan will get him into his email and drive
  - need help paring down field reservations - Sam got some changes made, maybe he has info on how to get modifications made
  - potentially this year don't schedule teams to a specific field and if teams are available, can start on another field
  - could also potentially start on time
  - look at reducing hours initially, from 8 hours each day times 3 fields down to 6
    - drops it \$300 each week
  - will work on making sure our request for field prep is in
  - check with parks and rec to see if we can add back later
- Director of Competition
  - all new umpires get \$27 per game - low to get people to want to engage in umpiring
    - other leagues pay between \$30-40 per game
    - bump up returners to \$30
    - performance rating, neutrality on fields, merit based increases
  - Tony raise to \$30
  - Subs and year 1 start at \$27
  - recruit Chris A?
  - Jeff Pauley?
- Events
  - Denver PRIDE - June 22 - 23
    - vendor applications are SOLD out -
      - definitely do if we get ASANA world series
    - no parade application yet
    - volunteer beer pourers - we don't know how to get this
      - Pride business development?

- Keenan and Sam will reach out to the contacts they have
      - partner with anyone we know who does get it
    - Do we want to do anything?
    - Keenan will head up keeping us in the loop
      - keep on agenda
  - Rockies Games
    - QR Codes are coming - have at field so people can buy
    - Need to sell 50 tickets for each game, get portion from each ticket sold
    - June 19 - Dodgers Wednesday, pre-Pride
    - September 27 vs Dodgers, fireworks
    - not putting it in registration
  - Cheesman Park - Board will take this on
    - Permit Held
    - Picnic and Cosmic Cornhole
      - Jorge will host it
      - Need to find out more from Jason
    - All GDASA event
  - Hamburger Mary's (see below in fundraising)
  - 2024 Calendar of Events
    - shared Google calendar
      - <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?cid=Y18zbG9uOWUwYTJ2dDZjMxGxqNmlhYjZ0dGF2b0Bncm91cC5jYWxlbnRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t>
- Communications
  - see above/events
- Membership
  - Hall of Fame? Do we want to pursue? Revisit in May(ish) and see what bylaws say
    - GDASA-wide
    - Nate will spearhead
  - IPS world series pickup rule revision request submitted - comp committee discussing first, won't hear for a while
  - wants to send out welcome emails
  - Gay Games Denver Bid - Keenan will ask Nate for help
- Sponsorship/Fundraising
  - Sponsorship packet - in progress, almost complete
    - Keenan owes Brian one sheet to be able to post
  - Rockies game - fundraising - YES! Two dates, one in June, one in September
    - June 19th and September 27th
    - Blake from the Rockies will get us the link when it's ready
  - Online Merch Store - Keenan will look into a different one
  - Jocks in Jocks at the Eagle?
    - underwear thing, bid to earn money
  - Hamburger Mary's will help us fundraise
    - Tuesday night drag queen bingo, we pay \$300 for queen and prizes, we just get people to show up
      - second Tuesday of every month
      - May 14 is our first choice
      - July 9 is our second choice
    - Mateo Torres Applebees fundraiser, Patrick will get more info

- day and location, sunday after softball?
- XBar Beer Bust to pour, meeting with
- Trying to talk to Sweet, too
- #Vybe?
- DEI Chair? \$2500 to a board Zach sits on?
  - Need to specify if he is voting or non-voting
  - what do we need to do to satisfy their requirements?
  - oversight
- Community Sponsorship
  - One chosen for all GDASA for the year
    - Colorado Health Network
    - Denver Element
      - are they a 501c3?
    - Hey Denver?
- Any update on Brian's grievance?
  - Brian will have his paperwork resubmitted and restructured by this weekend

## NEW BUSINESS

- Tennis
  - few people are interested in bringing it in
  - Keenan and Patrick are working on mixers
  - seems like there is some interest,
  - Michael is looking into courts
- Open Governing Board Positions
  - Sponsorship
    - Chris Wright and Trent Castleberry still working on them
    - Kellan, too
  - Fundraising
    - Patrick will take it on in the short term, Keenan will help!
  - Treasurer
    - can we reach out to pickleball and golf and get one of them on our board
- Next Meeting
  - Sundays will continue to clash with Pickleball and eventually softball
  - Thursday Apr 11, 2024
    - Check Town Hall
    - Check Patrick's House

## PARKING LOT BUSINESS

- Is Director of Competition an appointed position by board
  - Job Description
  - Bylaws
  - all sports eventually
- joint event with Football?
  - Drag battle for a cause?
    - Giant tip jar battle of the bottles

- GDASA merch other than hats and not rainbows

**ADJOURNMENT**

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:07pm by Katie Padderud.

**SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE**

I certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes approved by the Board of Directors.

Katie Padderud

4/11/2024

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*Katie Padderud, GDASA Board Secretary*

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*Date*