

GREATER DENVER AREA SPORTS ASSOCIATION

MEETING AGENDA

12-15-2024 / December 2024 / Buddies, Denver

CALL TO ORDER

- The meeting was called to order at 1:16 PM by Katie Padderud.

- Roll Call
 - The following members were present at today's meeting:
 - Katie Padderud - secretary and womens+ sb
 - Patrick Batten - commissioner
 - Keenan Kanaeholo - Marketing/Communications
 - Chris Wright - Membership
 - Tony Rush - athletic director
 - Russell Johnson - golf
 - Tony Leyendecker - golf
 - Kellan Srur - Treasurer

 - The following members were not present at today's meeting:
 - TJ Dubovich - pickleball co-director
 - Ersin Sulukioglu - pickleball co-director
 - Zach Ford - DEI Chair
 - Softball Director
 - Competition director - Joel Saslaw
 - Herardo Martinez - tennis
 - Damian Hopper - tennis

OLD BUSINESS

- [Approval of Minutes from November](#) - approved!

- Commissioner Report
 - Feels that members don't know what the board does, Keenan compile list of duties to present at annual meeting
 - Katie, Zach, Keenan and Patrick will meet again about updating the bylaws - to be continued

- Finance
 - In transition from Sam to Kellan
 - Will log into email BEFORE the end of the year
 - Money in the account, a few bills going out
 - Need to find more fundraisers/sponsors in the coming year
 - Kellan and Patrick will look at partitioning money to each sport and present at annual meeting
 - 2025 Budget is done and under Finance folder in Google Drive
 - [2025 Budget Linked](#)

- Pickleball
 - On break until winter season begins in mid-January. Dates and locations TBD.
 - Will begin advertising right after the New Year begins
 - Doing a special holiday drop in round today 12/15 at Clear Creek park

- Golf
 - Not many new updates since last meeting
 - League is set for this coming year
 - Same size as last year
 - Dates are set - Thurs 5/29/25 to Thu 8/21 at City Park
 - Tournament 9/13 ♡ Willis Case Golf Course
 - 36 Person Tourney - will look at additional outside support
 - 8:30 shotgun start
 - Will send email announcement at start of 2025 to last year's players
 - will remove a few people due to no shows
 - Last years winners didn't get paid out - was money sent for that? How much was the amount?

- Tennis
 - No winter session due to weather
 - Will do pickups if the weather is nice
 - Encouraging attendance at Sin City Classic
 - For spring thinking of shorter season, keeping an open court
 - March 15 start date
 - Still looking to host Rocky Mountain Open Tournament June 6-8

- Softball
 - Need a new director - Brian needs to step away due to personal reasons
 - Governing board takes over until someone steps into that role or a new plan is established
 - AD and membership will brainstorm ideas, Patrick and Katie can then reach out to those individuals
 - could approach individuals to be division directors, overseen by board
 - Jameson would do lower
 - Katie would do women's
 - would need an upper and a middle director
 - Softball open house/league meeting/town hall 1/9/7pm via Google Meets
 - Tony will take the lead, Katie will assist as needed
 - Seek feedback about last year's structure of seasons
 - 5280 Tournament? Do teams want this? Anyone willing to take it on?
 - New women's team - waive team fee for first year
 - New lower/mid team
 - Buddies is a bust fundraising option for teams/sports
 - Softball board review rules to include ADA(PIP) language (bylaws, too)
 - get Joel involved to check rules
 - Look at new storage - current is so far out of the way - on hold until we figure out

where summer fields will be

- new containers/bins to transport stuff - at minimum, pricing
- Patrick will have information by February meeting
- Storage inventory - Katie, Chris, Keenan will find a date to inventory by January meeting
 - measure size when we inventory
- 5280 Showdown
 - Will we do a tournament this year?
 - PRIDE tournament?
 - June 28/29, 2025
 - June 21/22, Thursday Juneteenth
- ASANA
 - this year's world series is in Myrtle Beach, not looking like great attendance due to difficulty of location and cost
 - Denver bid is dead 😞 unless ASANA reconsiders hotel configuration
 - Still looking for an ASANA representative
- Athletic Director
 - Need to set a time for commissioner, treasurer and AD to go to US Bank to get credit card
 - Emails from Parks and Rec
 - historical payments due in the beginning of 2025
 - approx \$7,000
- Director of Competition
 - not in attendance
- Events
 - Calendar of Events
 - shared Google calendar
<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0?cid=Y18zbG9uOWUwYTJ2dDZjMxGxqNmlhYjZ0dGF2b0Bncm91cC5jYWxlbnRhci5nb29nbGUuY29t>
 - Beer Bust Dates - all monies recorded - need amount from November
 - 4 generic dates in 2025
 - offer to sports if they want dates, too
 - [put in Beer Bust spreadsheet](#)
 - Charlies is under new management
 - Keenan will meet with them
 - this one doesn't require pouring
 - not sure on the percentage?
 - Rockies games - different format this year, 2 games, 1 in April and 1 in September
- Marketing/Communications
 - holiday newsletter coming soon
 - Sin City let us know if you're playing

- Please let us know if there's a nonprofit we should support
 - Softball town hall 1/9
- Membership
 - no big updates right now
 - wants to start a master list of dates
 - planning a templated intro, wants to have something easy to send/share
 - would like a list of all board members and contacts - GDASA Secretary and Chris can work on that
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Chair
 - not in attendance
 - Zach and Keenan are reviewing language on the website
 - Reworking survey
- Sponsorship/Fundraising
 - Chris will reach out to his company's Sparkle Group about funds
 - will reach back out 1/1/25
 - \$1500 approved by Zach's company - came through, deposited into account
 - Buddies is a bust fundraising option for teams/sports
 - [Beer Bust Tracker \(link\)](#)
- Community Sponsorship
 - One chosen for all GDASA for the year
 - Need to cut a check to Denver Element for 2024
 - bust totals plus registration donations
 - 95 + 24 = 119 from registrations
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 - 2025 Ideas
 - Trevor Project
 - Trans rights
 - Housing
 - Start looking for organizations to support in 2025
 - 10% to board
 - 10% to charity
 - 80% to volunteers
 - Starting now!
- Gay Games
 - Valencia 2026 - Gay Games...registration is open!
 - golf, tennis, softball
 - 2030 Bid update - Denver made top 3!!!
 - Need to create an extended bid book, will need more information from each sport
 - April deadline for our information
 - Keenan will let people know after his board meeting that is upcoming
 - 125 + 31 = \$156 donation to gay games

NEW BUSINESS

- Annual meeting date, time and location

- Chris's meeting room, February 8, 2025 12pm board meeting, 1pm Annual Meeting
 - AMLI Broadway Park Apartments, 357 S Bannock
- Need a new PO Box - Patrick's address is OK for now but to be most official we should have an alternate address
 - Patrick will work on that
 - same for storage
- Next Meeting - 1/12/25, 10am, Beauvallon 4H

PARKING LOT BUSINESS

- PO Box is officially closed. All future correspondence should go to Patrick's mailing address - **925 N Lincoln Street, Apartment 4H, Denver, CO 80203**
- GDASA merch other than hats and not rainbows

ADJOURNMENT

- The meeting was adjourned at 2:38 pm 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

1/12/2025

Katie Padderud, GDASA Board Secretary

Date