WAUSAU INTERCHURCH DARTBALL LEAGUE

(Captains Meeting 4/6/2026)

Roll call: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM at Peace United Church by Pres. Mike Hofmann. Roll was taken. All current teams were represented with the exception of the Packers.

Secretary's report: The secretary's report dated 9/8/2025 was reviewed. A motion was made to approve the report as written. It was unanimously approved. Secretary's reports can be seen and reviewed on the League website.

Treasurer's report: The treasurer's report was given by Jeff Braunel. As of 4/7/2026 the league will have $2403.61 in its account

Purchasing agent report: The purchasing agent (Randy Gilray) reports that the league has 9 dozen boxes of darts left. Darts are $40 a dozen. A motion was made and seconded to have the purchasing agent order 12 dozen boxes more of various colors to have an assortment in stock. The Leagues cost from the supplier will be $36 a box if we order 12 dozen boxes.

Banquet report: Will Wayne Flanagan again be in charge of working on the end of year banquet for 2026 - 27? Wayne asked if someone else would take over being in charge of the banquet. *(Please contact Wayne and Mike if you are willing to take charge of the banquet).* There were no big complaints on the meal provided by Hoehn's Huddle. Hoehn's also donated a number of gift certificates as door prizes. After a motion by Mike, Wayne will check with them to see if we can get $19 a head catering prices for next season's banquet. Tentative ticket price range is $18 to $20 depending on if the tip would be included and the cost of purchasing a cake, milk and coffee. March 29th is the banquet date for 2027. Leftover food was given to a needy family at St. Marks. $109 was donated and also a lot of food donated to Mt Olive food bank. We didn't lose money on the banquet. Mt. Olive supplied the coffee. We paid Mt. Olive $200 also. There was conversation also about free meal ticket for Brummond award winners.

Website report: Mike reported on the website. The site is doing fine. The end of season averages have been updated. Mike will be updating the league divisions on the site. There are four divisions of four teams. Two teams from each division get into the playoffs. The new divisions for the 2026 – 2027 season are: Division "A" the Royals, Saints, Beavers, Packers. Division "B" teams are the Rockets, Brewers, Hornets, Pointers. Division "C" teams are the Panthers, Sox, Gophers, and Rangers. Division "D" teams are the Turtles, Oilers,

Mountaineers, Wolf Pack. Team Highlights, from 2025 – 26 will remain on the website throughout the summer and be replaced when the new season starts.

<u>Recording Secretary report:</u> The recording secretary's job is to collect stats and averages and also to get rosters from all the team. Please send in rosters with ages in to Mike at the beginning of the new season. *<u>(Please let Mike know if you are interested in taking over this job).</u>*

<u>New board program:</u> Do you need a new board? The league will help teams purchase a new board (up to 3 teams per/yr). Boards cost $350 new. Your teams cost would be $150 with a trade in or $175 without (one sided board). The league would pay the remainder. Boards are currently purchased from a dealer in Kenosha. Three teams need new boards for next season. Randy will be purchasing 3 single sided boards from the Kenosha dealer. The Capt. From the Wolfpack will pick up the boards when they are ready. Money for new boards will be collected in September.

<u>New Season:</u> The 2026 – 2027 season will start on September 21, 2026. There will be no snow dates planned. Games will be canceled. If a game is missed for any other reason, make your best effort to make up the missed games. If you are having trouble making missed games up contact the other captain and come up with an agreeable solution to which team won and which team lost. (Flip coin?). Tentative banquet date is March 29, 2027 contingent on Mt. Olive's approval. Playoffs will be on March 22, 2027. The next Captain's meeting will be on <u>Wednesday</u> September 9, 2026

Start time for games will be at 7 PM. It would be up to the captains to contact each other if you wanted to start at 6:30 PM. There was a lot of discussion on this subject. Mike asked the group how many teams could play at 6:30 and five teams (Panther's, Wolf Pack, Gopher's, Turtles and tentatively Rangers) said they could or would be able too. There was a decision to make a list of what teams could play at 6:30 this coming season and the list would be given out at this falls captain meeting. It would then be up to the captain to play at that time.

See above website report for the "new divisions" and playoff scenario for the 2026-2027 season. Divisions were adjusted by final record of this past season.

There was discussion on the scheduling of games for next season. New schedule will start with playing game against teams you didn't play twice this past season. Rotation of schedule will then continue as usual. Teams shouldn't be playing against an opponent three times in a season. If possible schedule will be made so teams play one week home and the next week away.

There was also discussion on playing games as a series to help shorten a night, where if you win the first two games you wouldn't play the third game. So you would win the night or series which would mean one win or loss toward the season totals. There was discussion against this idea because of the number of players who have no time constraints and just like playing and enjoy playing 3 games in a night. No action was taken.

There was also discussion about playing the playoffs where each match would be the best of 3 games. How much time this format would take was the brunt of the discussion. It would be a long day. Conversation was tabled for the time being. Think about this for future discussion at this fall meetings.

Good Luck at the State tournament everyone.

Please review the minutes before our next meeting and send any corrections to Mike.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

League Secretary, Clark Reetz