

# CONSTITUTION OF PIEDMONT DART ASSOCIATION

## Article 1: Definition of Piedmont Dart Association

The Piedmont Dart Association is an "Open Membership" organization of darting enthusiasts in the Piedmont area.

## Article 2: Purposes of the Piedmont Dart Association

The Piedmont Dart Association is a multi-purpose organization, all of which pertain to darts. We of the Piedmont Dart Association believe in the competitiveness and comradery that exists in the sport of darts and it is our intention to continue to promote this competitiveness and comradery in all of our events. The main purpose of the P.D.A. is to promote darting in the Piedmont area through league and tournament play in as many classifications as possible. Also, if invited, the P.D.A. shall assist in and/or co-sponsor any tournament that a sister club wishes to host. The P.D.A. shall be charged with sponsorship of the City Team and with conducting qualifications for said team.

## Article 3: By-laws for the Piedmont Dart Association

NOTE: We believe in equal representation for all our members. We further believe in the need for rules and regulations to govern our organization, however, we contend that flexibility is the key element to the success of attaining our goals and satisfying our members' needs. The P.D.A. will entertain any motion for any by-law to be struck from, amended, or added to our existing by-laws. Said motion will be decided by a "Majority Rules" vote of all members present at any meeting in which such motion is made.

1. Membership in the P.D.A. shall be open to anyone 18 years of age and older.
2. The P.D.A. shall at no time have a limited number of members.
3. The P.D.A. fiscal year shall be from April 1 - March 31.
4. An annual fee to be determined by the P.D.A. officers shall be charged for membership in the P.D.A. and is due by March 31. This fee shall be pro-rated for members who join after March 31.
5. Fees are payable to the Treasurer of the P.D.A. and upon receipt of fees, the Treasurer shall issue a membership card bearing signatures of the member and the President of the P.D.A.
6. Officers - The P.D.A. shall have four (4) officers. Anyone who is an active member of the P.D.A. and dedicated to the betterment of our organization may be elected as an officer. Officers will be elected at the first business meeting in January and will serve one (1) year terms. There shall be no limit on the number of times a member may be elected as an officer. The officers of the P.D.A. and their main responsibilities are:

PRESIDENT - The President shall:

- a. preside over all scheduled meetings
- b. take the lead in organizing intra-city matches
- c. be the arbiter of any protest filed by a league or P.D.A. member (if the President is directly involved in the protest, the Vice President will serve as arbiter)

VICE PRESIDENT - The Vice President shall:

- a. substitute for the President in his absence and assist him in any way possible
- b. coordinate P.D.A. sanctioned league and tournament activities

SECRETARY - The Secretary shall:

- a. record minutes of all P.D.A. meetings and present the agenda for such meetings
- b. be responsible for all correspondence concerning the P.D.A.

TREASURER - The Treasurer shall:

- a. keep a ledger of all P.D.A. funds
- b. accept membership fees from and issue membership cards to all P.D.A. members
- c. report at every meeting on all financial activity since the last meeting and give a current balance of the P.D.A. account

7. Elections and Votes - Officers will be elected by a majority vote of P.D.A. members present at the first business meeting in January. If no candidate receives a clear majority on the first ballot, subsequent votes will be taken until one (1) candidate receives a clear majority for each office. For any P.D.A. vote to be valid, a minimum of ten (10) votes must be cast. Proxy votes will be allowed if signed by the absent P.D.A. member.
8. Any officer may be removed from office at any time if agreed upon by not less than 75% of active P.D.A. members.
9. Finances - As stated before, the purpose of the P.D.A. is to play and enjoy the game of darts, not organize a financial institution. However, adequate funding is necessary to ensure our smooth operation. The most important factor is that every contributing member knows exactly what he is investing in, how our account stands, and what plans have been agreed upon for whatever amounts are accumulated. The P.D.A. has adopted the following points concerning our finances:
  - a. the P.D.A. shall be funded by membership fees and various fund raising events
  - b. all P.D.A. funds are to be used expressly by the P.D.A. for its functions and any other uses must be approved by a majority vote of its members
  - c. any check drawn on the P.D.A. account must be signed by the President and Treasurer
  - d. expenditures of \$20.00 or more must be approved by the President and the Treasurer
10. When a vote of the P.D.A. membership is required, league team captains shall poll their team members (who are P.D.A. members) and report the results of their team's vote to the officers.
11. Merger of the P.D.A. with any other darting association shall be subject to approval of not less than 90% of its active members.

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