

CALGARY CURLING CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 25, 2015

6:00 PM

Present: Maureen Leew, Phillip Wray, Belinda Mitchell, John Teed, Rob Lane, Dave York, Reg Rowell, Bob Laycock, Andrea Czinkota, Rick Rathier

Absent: Joel Bray, Chris Been,, Meghan Pollock, Rod Woloschuk

Call to Order: 6:00 pm

Additions to Agenda: None

Approval of Agenda:

Moved by Belinda Mitchell, seconded by Phillip Wray that the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

Approval of the Minutes of previous meeting:

Moved by John Teed, seconded by Dave York that minutes be accepted as presented.

Carried

Business Arising from Minutes: None

President's Report:

It was certainly nice to see the Club return to a more normal pace following the Brier. Kudos to all staff for covering for those of our crew who were working at the event. It was nice to see such a Calgary Club presence at the event through our member volunteers but most importantly through the work of Bob in his Vice-chair role. He handled the challenge of keeping the Club running and ensuring all of the responsibilities under his charge for the Brier were well in hand. Somehow he managed to also keep up quite a schedule of public appearances and media interviews! Once again, it was nice to see positive reactions from across the country when the Calgary Club was mentioned. Good to see our mandate alive and well!

Last night's Wind Up was a huge success. There were a lot of fans upstairs cheering on their favourite team and many teams who came to spend time together before pulling out the golf

clubs. Although we sometimes feel we aren't able to attract our membership to the strictly social aspects of the Club, I believe events like this and our Turkey Shoot do exactly that. When we make the opportunities available, members seem to come out to enjoy in their own way. Thanks again to Bob for organizing prizes and a refreshment special to attract members. Brian and his crew did a great job of snacks as well.

As the regular season winds down the focus will shift to the Summer Project list. It is the hard work of our crew during the off season that helps to ensure we maintain a "World-Class" facility. When the little things aren't allowed to build up, the day-to-day maintenance becomes a bit easier. By continuing to push for the larger items on the list to be funded and completed, we can make steady improvements in the overall upkeep of the Club over time. Thanks again to our hard-working staff who see the projects through to completion.

Maureen Leew

President

Committee Reports:

Finance

Andrea Czinkota

The club's cash balance is \$447,394.72. Our balance sheet is in good shape. There will be some adjustments to page two of the financial report. Food and Beverage had about \$3000 overstated. There will be an adjustment to account for the Brier ticket money. We had an error in our T4 remittances (there will be money coming back). Overall we will have a gain on our revenues of about \$10000. Operating expenses are down about \$60000. Our administration expenses are expected to be down about \$15000. We will be about \$75,000 to \$90,000 above budget (this will easily cover our costs from the capital conservation grant).

Motion:

Moved by Andrea Czinkota, seconded by Dave York that the Financial Report be accepted as presented.

Carried

Club Draws

Rick Rathier

In past years, club simply selected all female team playing in Open play-offs which advanced the furthest along the elimination bracket. Eligibility was hinged on these teams only playing with all female rosters during play-offs only. This year several teams advanced a long way down the bracket however, self declared as being ineligible due to playing with a male spare.

Going backwards along the bracket, down to selecting an all female team which only won 1 game. Yikes!!

Suggestion is to create a separate Ladies play-off draw for club teams wishing to participate, and schedule their games later on in Open playdowns, (when more ice becomes available) and playing a couple of elimination draws, with finals on at same time as other Championship games. Teams would have to "register" in manner similar to Travellers and club would likely consider accepting team from which there are already 3 female players on same club team, who take on another player from elsewhere in club.

Will contact several of the "potential" teams to solicit their thoughts and comments regarding these changes.

Food and Beverage

Reg Rowell

We are on track to meet budgeted expectations. With regards to the \$3000 ... We have noted the impact of oil prices on events (smaller attendance but no events have been cancelled).

Ice and Building Maintenance

Dave York

Summer project list is started. Extensive this year and big part will be fixing the roof leaks. Brief discussion with the architect regarding phase 2 of our renovation plan. Ideas are feasible. We will take a proposal to the city to see if there are grant monies available. We are not encountering large expenses for this at this time. We have confirmation that \$123000 of \$164000 will be covered by our capital conservation grant.

Bonspiels and Playdowns

Rod Woloschuk

We have confirmation from SACA to host juvenile southernns on Family Day weekend of 2016. We may be in position to host the Alberta Mixed Provincials (usually runs in early April). This is an ACF event.

Golf and Entertainment

John Teed

No update on golf and entertainment. The CCA may consider changing the fee structure for member clubs.

Constitution and Shares

Belinda Mitchell

No report

Facility Associate Liaison

Joel Bray

No report

Curling Academy

Meghan Pollock

Spring league has sold out, we added Monday night and it is sold out as well. A taste of curling event is set for April 19, we have about 25 signed up. We will push for more to sign up.

Casino/Fundraising

Chris Bean

No report

Publicity

Phillip Wray

The club newsletter continues to be sent out. No issues to report.

Historical

Maureen Leew

No report

Nominating

Rick Rathier

No report

Marketing / Advertising

Rob Lane

No report

Manager's Report:

Summer Job List is started and presented. We will work around the Book Fair, Rotary, Lazy day Rafting , Folks fest, Golf Day, and a couple of Reunion events.

Brier Summary leaves the club in good shape. We managed a lot of good will as our facility was used for a number of reasons. I would thank the Board and members for allowing me to co-chair. I would recommend that the "next" chairs be retired or on leave before taking this on. It does run into long days that really get a little inefficient. Special thanks to Maureen, Brian and Al for the unexpected commitments needed. Our club did benefit from a lot of post brier extras that included beer, liquor, paper products, pop and furniture.

Coming Up will be the Oilmen's , corporate season(24 events and spring league), past presidents, book fair and our Golf Day. Spring league has expanded to 4 nights and they are all full.

Taste of Curling project is April 19th. This one day event will have 2 sessions of 20/30 curlers. We are posting on our web site as well as SACA.

Ice Leaves May 2 but we are still waiting on grant notices, casino results. Our MC panel will take 8 weeks once we order.

Conferences in April include the CSCM in Kelowna and the Business of Curling in Edmonton. We are still working on schedules.

Golf Days coming up include CCC at Carstairs on June 20th and the CCCM at Inglewood May 19th.

Thanks

Robert Laycock

GM

New Business:

Don Walker – we will meet in April

Past Presidents – Wednesday, May 6

Agenda Items for Next Board Meeting:

None

Date and time of Next Meeting:

Thursday, April 23 at 6 pm

Adjournment:

Moved by Phillip Wray, seconded by Belinda Mitchell that the meeting be adjourned at 7:10 pm.

Carried