



Back of the Strip Mall  
146 Roosevelt Rd, Villa Park, IL 60181

## Board Meeting Minutes 9/28/2022

### Board Members:

Present: Raymond Stone, Eric Reithel, Eric Clifford, Eric Baudais, Aaron DeGagne, Jon Henderson

Absent: Barry Hutchings

Quorum present: Yes

### Others Present:

Club Members: Matthew Ault, Matt Galas (CCC), Karen Miller

### Opening Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 7:05pm by President, Aaron DeGagne

### Old Business

- August Financials - Jon Henderson
  - -\$2,789.28 for the month of August
    - This tracks since we paid the IRS fees and interest, and we didn't hold any leagues for the month due to summer ice maintenance
  - \$14,887.42 Income for the '21-'22 Season
    - WCC would be pretty close breaking even without our minority interest
  - MOTION, Accept Financial Report - Jon H.; SECOND - Eric R.
    - MOTION: Passes
- Plaques and Trophies Update - Barry
  - Founders Cup - Greg Torkelson, Scott Piroth, Scott Maples, Jeff Elborne
    - Aaron will follow up with Barry for update for next meeting
  - Doubles nameplates in-progress
  - Barry working with Anne P. on Competitive League trophy
- Merchandise - Aaron D.
  - We are currently out of Koozies and Decals in our Stock
  - Fees Discussion update with CCC (summarized)
    - Flat percent being returned to WCC
    - CCC getting a 5% processing fee
  - WCC to Raise price of club pins to \$4.00 each
    - Currently cost \$3.40 per pin to produce

- MCA Update - Eric R.
  - What to do about the GNCC Region
    - We need to provide vote to MCA by October 20th
    - Lengthy open discussion held on the ins-and-outs of the USCA/GNCC situation
  - Based on Board discussion, we are leaning towards voting to keep the GNCC in the USCA
    - Will let the MCA leadership know, so that our votes can be aligned accordingly
    - Will still talk to members in-person to discuss the issue, and gather feedback
  
- Locker Clean-out - Aaron D., Eric R., w/ Matt G.
  - Locker fund - \$565 brought in
  - Shifting this money into Locker Upgrades
  - Talk with CCC about cost-matching and Priority of upgrades
    - Adding Lockers to the Women's Room
    - Creating Single-person Changing Areas in each room
  
- SafeSport + Basset Training - Aaron D.
  - SafeSport Required by Board Members & Conduct Committee
    - [Safe Sport](#) ← link
  - Basset Certifications
    - Completions: Aaron D., Ray S. Eric C., Jon H., Eric R.
    - To be Completed: Eric B.
    - Unknown: Barry H.
  
- Marketing Work for the board - Barry H.
  - Marketing and calls
  - Email blasts and Video messages
  - TABLED FOR NEXT MEETING
  
- Bonspiels and Events
  - Founders Cup - Aaron D. and Ray S.
    - Last weekend of October - Dinner included
    - 4 teams currently registered
  - Drag Effect - Eric R.
    - Committee already brainstorming ideas
    - Opening Registration this weekend
      - Making sure Teams and Individuals can register
      - Encouraging all-Ally teams to wait a bit before registering
  
- Leagues - Aaron and Eric C.
  - Session 2 update
    - Set Oct. 25 as a tentative date for registration deadline
  - If early draws in Sess. 2 need to reschedule a game, encourage League Coordinators to reach out to teams in the later draw that night to see if they want to play earlier
  - Changing Doubles time to 6:30 & 8:30
    - Idea discussed - based on member feedback, will NOT change Draw Times
    - Will let members know if they *want* to play at 8:30pm, they can, if able
  - Tuesday Mixed changed to full team sign-ups only

## New Business

- Club Championship - Aaron D.
  - Format and Qualification System
  - Will piece together a Google Doc to work on through Slack
    - Requirements for Qualification
    - Format of Championship
    - Use Waltham's system
      - Draft system of people who sign-up
  
- New Board Meeting Schedule - Aaron D.
  - Needs to move off Wednesday nights
  - Suggestion: Sunday afternoons, -Anne P.
  - Suggestion: Monday Nights, -Eric C.
  - Suggestion: Rotate the night we have the meeting, -Matt A.
  - Suggestion: Off of Wednesday nights, -Rachel A.
  - MOTION, Amended (Eric R.): Move future Board Meetings to Monday November 28th, and then Sunday, December 18th; SECOND: Eric C.
    - MOTION: Passes
    - Note on the Amendment: Motion originally included moving October's meeting away from a Wednesday night, but was replaced to the original Wednesday date once it was realized no conflicting league play would occur
  
- LeagueApps retirement - Aaron D.
  - Tom Arra suggested retiring LA since we're not using it
  - Suggestion: Keeping it live until the end of this year
  
- Goal setting for The Organization - Eric B.
  - Setting long-term goals for WCC in the next three years
    - Membership growth?
    - Creating new clubs within the Chicago area/sister clubs?
    - Moving away from CCC into our own facility?
    - Increasing Liquid Assets?
  - Setting short term goals as well
    - Checking our progress against benchmarks
      - i.e. - 10% Membership growth
      - I.e. - Filling each league
  - Suggestion: Survey Windy City Curling members on their thoughts
  - Suggestion: Set a long-term goal, then smaller goals along the way
  - Suggestion: How do we bring new people into the fold better?

## Closing Proceedings:

- Motion to adjourn by Eric R.
  - Seconded by Eric C.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:01p.m.
- Minutes respectfully submitted by Eric Reithel