



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

November Board Meeting Minutes 11/28/2022

Board Members:

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

Absent: Jon Henderson

Quorum present: Yes

Others Present:

CCC: Anthony D'Arco

Club Members: Lauren Visser, Karen Miller,

Opening Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 7:06 pm by President Aaron DeGagne

Board Member Announcement

- Eric Clifford is leaving us :(ul> - We wish him well on his next journey, and thank him for his hard work
- To fill his vacancy, Karen Miller is filling in for the remainder of his term
 - Confirmation vote to be held at the conclusion of the meeting

Old Business

- October Financials - Aaron D. presented in lieu of Jon H.
 - Financials presented via Zoom Screen Share by Aaron D.
 - MOTION) Accept Financial Report - Eric R.; SECOND - Barry H.
 - MOTION: Passes
- Plaques and Trophies - Barry H.
 - Barry has the info he needs to complete updating the hardware
- Merchandise - Tonya H.
 - Hoodies order update
 - Lauren V.) Rookies interested in the light blue logo-only t-shirt
- Glen Ellyn Polar Plaza - Ray S.
 - Now set for December 10th, from 12:15pm - 4:00pm
 - Seeking Approval to give out:
 - Pins to each participant
 - 1 shirt for each 45 minute session for "Closest to the Pin" shot
 - In desperate need of at least one volunteer, preferably two
 - Barry H. to check his schedule

- MCA Updates - Eric R.
 - Update from November 7th MCA meeting
 - Dar Curtis needs teams for Dec. 17-18, 2022
 - Grant Application now open for MCA Grant
 - USAC issue in a wait-and-see holding pattern
 - Kankakee may start a new area club soon

- Locker Fund - Aaron D., Eric R., w/ Matt G.
 - Will dedicate the funds from locker revenue to locker improvements
 - Improvement ideas still under discussion
 - Tabled pending new info from Matt G.

- Marketing Work for the board and long-term goals planning - Eric B.
 - Recent work focused on generating the most recent newsletter
 - Eric B. coordinating a member survey with Karen M. and Matt A.
 - Board will then set a long-term plan and view of Windy City Curling
 - Survey to find ways to check our progress against short-term benchmarks
 - i.e. - 10% Membership growth
 - I.e. - Filling each league
 - Member conversion and marketing updates - Barry H.
 - Anthony D. & Siobhan helped develop the CRM w/ Barry H.
 - Helped convert 8 new members into the club
 - Barry will continue to follow-up with Rookies
 - Registrations increasing as weather turns colder

- Bonspiels and Events
 - Founders Cup recap - Aaron D. and Ray S.
 - Went pretty well w/ 6 team taking part
 - \$850-or-so in profit
 - MOTION: Convert the Founders Cup into a Balanced-Team Draft Spiel - Eric
 - Seconded: Ray S.
 - MOTION: Passes
 - Drag Effect bonspiel - Eric R.
 - 16+ Teams registered already
 - Pins ordered and donations are coming in
 - In the process of figuring out food and volunteers right now
 - Northern Suburban Special Recreation Association (NSSRA) curling - Aaron D.
 - Wheelchair curling event - Wednesday, February 1st @ 11 a.m.
 - 8-10 players in a L2C format
 - At least 1-2 more Volunteers needed in addition to Aaron D. & Sara H.
 - Can reach out to PVA for volunteers
 - 10-year anniversary party
 - January 7th - Will go live w/ details on the website Nov. 29
 - PVA "Pick Up Sticks" bonspiel - Barry H.
 - March 24-26
 - All players required to stick curl

- Leagues Update - Aaron D. and Eric C.
 - All leagues now live on the website
 - Need to pick a cut-off date
 - No changes to league nights
 - Wednesday Late Night added for after Women's League
 - Wheelchair Curling - Barry H.
 - Every other Wednesday through the Wauwatosa bonspiel
 - Members excited for the Wauwatosa bonspiel
 - Set for January 21st
 - Volunteers needed
 - SUGGESTION) Lauren V. Future Rookies Leagues - 6 weeks
 - Summer Leagues
 - Need to discuss criteria sooner rather than later
 - Need to decide Days and Times to not run at a loss

New Business

- PROPOSAL) Weighting Championship Qualification
 - 4 pts. Minimum per player w/ No team collective minimum
 - Earning experience Points
 - 1 pt. per 6- and 8-week league
 - 2 pt. Per Competitive League
 - Earning Bonus Victory Points
 - 8-wk Leagues) 2 for Winning/1 for Runners-Up
 - Comp. Leagues) 5 for 1st/3 for 2nd/2 for 3rd/1 for 4th
- Scheduling practice ice time and reschedules - Open Discussion
 - Email Anthony & Scott to setup times to practice to avoid conflict
 - anthony@curling.club & scott@curling.club
- Updating waivers with Code of Conduct
 - Need to find out from Tom Arra where the current waivers live in the system
- Sanding of Stones over Christmas - Open Discussion
 - Board approves Anthony & Scott to "paper the rocks"
- Adjusting leagues for PVA event
 - March 24-26
- MOTION) Approving Karen Miller joining the Board - Eric C.
 - Seconded: Barry H.
 - MOTION: Passes

Closing Proceedings:

- Motion to adjourn - Eric R.
 - Seconded by - Ray S.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:42 p.m.
- Minutes respectfully submitted by Eric Reithel