



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

February Board Meeting Minutes 3/8/2023

Board Members:

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

Absent: *None*

Quorum present: Yes

Others Present:

CCC: *None*

Club Members: Rachel Ault, Matthew Ault

Opening Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 7:03pm by President Aaron DeGagne

Old Business

- January Financials - Jon H.
 - Financials presented via Zoom Screen Share by Jon H.
 - MOTION) Tabling discussion on investing cast assets in an online bank; Jon H.
 - SECOND: Barry H.
 - MOTION: Passes - 5 Yeas, 1 Nay
 - DISCUSSION) Glen Ellyn sending a second check; requesting a copy of the invoice we sent from Jon H. to confirm the P.O. Box is not on the invoice
 - Requesting a mailbox for WCC mail in the CCC office for future mail deliveries
 - MOTION) Accept Financial Report; Jon H.;
 - SECOND: Aaron D.
 - MOTION: Passes
 - CCC: Profit share update - Matt G.
 - Tabled to next meeting
- Merchandise - Ray S. & Tonya H.
 - We need plan for distributing annual membership shirts
 - SUGGESTION: Giving out existing inventory instead of ordering more
 - We believe we have plenty to not need to do this
 - Generating a list of new members who need shirts
 - League Coordinators ought to be keeping track of this
 - Tracking list should be kept in the box of shirts itself
 - Tonya H. planning to send in another order for t-shirts at the end of March (21st or so)
 - Siobhan helping Tonya design a Pride shirt design to have on-hand
 - Ordering an inventory of hats at the club to sell: Winter & Baseball style
 - Embroidered hats with the fitted brim style - tend to run on the pricier side

- Will research a second, cheaper style of hats (screen printed)
 - Increasing stock in T-shirts, Hoodies, etc.
 - Making sure
 - Promoting the Merch on our website
 - Remove the link to merch store from our website
- MCA Updates - Eric R.
 - Questions for the MCA Meeting coming up
 - Barry is requesting each club send a team of able-bodied curlers to join our wheelchair curlers from the PVA to play in the spiel
 - MCA will sponsor one person from each club to do an Officials Clinic March 25-26
- Bonspiels and Events
 - “The Drag Effect” Bonspiel Recap - Eric R.
 - A success by all measurable metrics
 - Exact profits TBD, but plenty of universal praise and word-of-mouth goodwill
 - \$1,900 raised for the Brave Space Alliance by the Charity Raffle table
 - Hosting a Clinic - Matt A. & Eric R.
 - John Epping - Proposal/pricing offered for curlers of various experiences
 - Brian Chick - Need to reach out for a proposal and re-visit potential dates
 - 5 & Under Cashspiel - Matt A.
 - 24 Teams, seems feasible with finances and how to do pay-outs
 - Which weekend to do it? - Shooting for September
 - Will vote in March
 - PVA “Pick Up Sticks” bonspiel - Barry H.
 - March 24-26
 - Will post an “SOS Video” on Facebook to generate volunteers and players
 - WC3 Open - Aaron D.
 - 12 Teams signed-up already
 - Putting a call-out for volunteers and teams in the next newsletter
- Leagues Update - Aaron D.
 - Session 4 updates and registration
 - All leagues sold out
 - Except: Tuesday Mixed, 8 teams; Friday Late Night, canceled
 - Gathering Feedback for what leagues should be offered next season
 - Need this info ASAP to start building the calendar for ‘23-’24 season
 - Eric R.: Request we as an all-male Board reach out to women specifically for feedback on league formats and nights
 - Tiebreaker for Competitive League - Aaron D.
 - Draw Shot Challenge as a tie-breaker, after head-to-heads are taken into account
 - Subbing Rules - Aaron D.
 - Subs for shorter/6-week fun leagues can go anywhere
 - 8-week leagues, played for “Championship” XP
 - Subs can be from anywhere following the league gender format
 - must play front-end
 - Rookies plan for Summer
 - Barry H. to get with Lauren V. and discuss Summer dates

- Changing the league to five weeks (based on feedback from Matt G.)
 - Lauren V. requesting web permissions to get roster info for the league
 - Would help schedule volunteers better as things change
 - Need to spell out expectations for League Coordinators in writing - Eric R.
 - Knowing each league's format and Inputting scores into CCM
 - Making Announcements from the Board more consistently
 - Other housekeeping items: (i.e. - T-shirt handout process, etc.)
- Summer curling - All 6-week Leagues
 - Dates and Days
 - Session 5: May 7th-June 19th
 - Session 6: June 20th-August 1st
 - Sun Brunch, Sun Chaos, Tues Open, Wed Open, Fri Happy Hour, Sat Brunch
 - League Registration: Opens April 1st, 2023
 - Prices
 - \$35 per draw?
 - All Open Leagues? Keep Doubles?
 - Registration open April 1st?
 - CCC would like a schedule ASAP and is requesting 1 weeknight for events
- Board nominations - Aaron D.
 - Deadline April 3rd
 - Current Nominees -
 - VP) Lauren V., Kelly Z.
 - Secretary) Eric R.
 - Director) Anne P.
 - Treasurer) Eric B.
- Survey Results - Eric B.
 - 23 Responses currently
 - Most want us to grow in numbers and diversity (to at least 200 or so members)
 - Most want us to keep some leagues, change others
 - No one wanted to keep the league schedule exactly as it is
 - Improving communication on multiple fronts was the biggest ask
 - Moving forward: Will work on a League Structure feedback survey ASAP
 - Need the results within a month or two to construct the calendar for next season

New Business

- Communication - Aaron D.
 - Newsletter cadence
 - Targeting once-a-month
 - Mass texting - Eric B.
 - Using a service to improve communication from the Board
 - Remind app
 - Would need to generate a policy of what is and is not worthy of texting people
 - League Sign-Ups, Board Nominations, etc. (Not Spam)

Closing Proceedings:

- Motion to adjourn - Eric R.
 - Seconded by - Ray S.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:29pm
- Minutes respectfully submitted by Eric Reithel