



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

2024 Annual WCC Meeting - 05/04/2024 (Meeting held at Chicago Curling Club)

Current Board Members:

Present: Barry Hutchings, Lauren Visser, Aaron DeGagne, Eric Baudais, Anne Pettinger
Quorum present: YES

Incoming Board Members:

Present: Colin Rittgers, Colleen Kolher

Others Present:

CCC: N/A

Club Members: Aaron Visser, Kurt Makaryk, Luiza Hutchings, Brian Morrison, Siobhan Cogswell, Greg Stewart, Spencer Tuskowski, Kelly Zahn, Paul Conant, Mike O'Neill, Jeff Schmitz, Merlin Howick, Blake Iles

Opening Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 1:35pm

Agenda:

- 'Thank you' to Chicago Curling Club for allowing us to use their space
- This past season saw good growth and steady membership numbers
 - We are a world-known curling club w/ members who travel for bonspiels
- Recognitions:
 - Aaron DeGagne, our out-going president
 - Received a big thanks from Barry for all of the technology help
 - Anne Pettinger, our out-going director for her second run as Club Drawmaster
 - Matt Galas and Scott Maples, for their work at the facility to make sure everything runs the best it can
 - Matt Ault, current club member
 - for the new sponsorships he brought in for bonspiels
 - His work coordinating the 5-and-Under Cashspiel
 - Helping create streaming in the warm room
 - Siobhan & Alvin, our social media team
 - for their great work increasing our visibility and engagement online
 - Eric Baudais, for his work improving the Treasurer position on the Board

- 2024-'25 new President takes over: Lauren Visser
- 2024-'25 Treasurer remains Eric Baudais
 - Annual Financial Report:
 - Windy City Curling received \$53,970 in donations after the fire/flooding
 - WCC suffered \$9,119 in merchandise and streaming equipment loss
 - Insurance only cover liability, no property
 - Our investment into a high-yield savings account has already generated income
 - Our annual expenses are regular for what we expect
 - See financial statement for details about donations from members' league fees
 - Balance sheet for March is strong:
 - \$117k cash on hand & \$128k in total assets
 - \$1.8k in liabilities
 - Some deferred revenue (refunds in April will go to zero in next financial statement)
 - Our annual budget is irrelevant due to Session 4 leagues being on hold from fire
 - Cash flow remains strong:
 - Net income \$47k, spent \$23k (deferred rev and paying expenses)
 - Ending at \$117k at end of period
 - The Board and WCC Membership still need to decide how to spend the donation money received after the club is rebuilt, should there be cash remaining
- Rebuild updates - Matt Galas (*Presented in proxy from April Board Meeting*)
 - Mitigation and demo of facility space is now complete:
 - Removal of flooring drywall and contents
 - The club is ready to be rebuilt
 - Mitigation of space above is not complete; affecting rebuild of ice house area
 - Water still leaks into our ice house when it rains
 - Reconstruction plans have been approved by insurance:
 - New office space) Will have two offices - one for WCC & one for CCC
 - New countertop and cabinets in front of offices
 - New locker design and layouts to allow for more locker spaces
 - Check has been issued and permits have been approved
 - Payment still pending
 - Bank lienholder still needs to be setup for oversight of reconstruction
 - Once approved, payment will be released
 - Rebuild is currently behind schedule
 - Still on track to host PVA Pick-up-Sticks & Food Truck bonspiels
 - Matt G.: "Might be a blessing in disguise to build back better"
 - Any ongoing questions can be directed to Matt Galas

- 2024-'25 Calendar - Eric R. (*Presented in proxy from April Board Meeting*)
 - Fall seasonal calendar (Sessions 1 & 2) has been approved
 - Winter calendar (Sessions 3 & 4) will be reviewed and approved by new board
 - PVA Pick-up-Sticks - Aug. 16-18
 - Siobhan will make the flier
 - Food Truck bonspiel - Aug. 22-25
 - 6 teams spots left
 - Contingency planning) ice & restrooms needed at a bare minimum
 - 86% sure this will happen on time
 - 5-and-Under Cashspiel - Oct. 3-6
 - Already sold out
 - PVA Cashspiel - Oct. 25-27
 - CanAm Cup - Nov. 16
 - First time hosting this event at our club
 - USA Wheelchair Mixed Doubles Curling Nationals - Jan. 9-12
 - Session 1 will start Monday, August 26th (immediately after the Food Truck bonspiel)
 - Registration will close earlier than in the past
 - This will allow time for the draw to be set up and detail planning
- New board introductions:
 - Barry Hutchings becomes Past-President
 - Josh Richardson joins the Board as Vice President
 - Eric Baudias reelected to remain Treasurer
 - Colleen Kolher joins the Board as Secretary
 - Eric Reithel assumes new role as Director (Communications)
 - Colin Rittgers joins the Board as Director (Drawmaster)
 - Lauren Visser becomes Windy City Curling President
- In closing: A big "Thank you!" to everyone for their support after the fire
 - We are excited to build on this support and for the new space to be built

Closing Procedure:

- Meeting Adjourned at 2:00pm
- Next (*tentative*) meeting set for: Monday, May 20th @ 7:30pm

Minutes taken by Anne Pettiger; Respectfully formatted and submitted by Eric Reithel