



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

October Meeting (10.20.2024) Meeting held on Google Meet

Current Board Members:

Present: Josh Richardson, Barry Hutchings, Colleen Koehler, Eric Baudais
Quorum present: YES

Others Present:

CCC: Matt Galas
Club Members: Julia, Scott G, Charity, Matt K

Opening Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at: 7:04

Agenda:

1. Financial Report - Eric B.
 - *Matt G to send additional financial info to Board this week; Matt and Eric B to connect in person on Friday*
 - Financials for August and September reviewed
 - August 2024 is Fiscal year end
 - September is start of new fiscal year
 - Financials Approved - seconded by Barry, approved by Josh & Colleen
 - Reviewed League Pricing (Budget):
 - Winter All You Can Curl price needs to be evaluated and decided - using \$600 as a placeholder (for purposes of discussion during this meeting)
 - Budget is input into QuickBooks
 - Projections were not based on full leagues, they were based on last year's numbers
 - QuickBooks desktop version is a year out of support... might need to reevaluate software if our current version somehow 'fails'
 - Cloud version is \$75/mo - not a layup
 - No action to take at this time
2. MCA Update - Eric R. - *Eric R not present*

3. Update on Club Rebuild - Matt G - We have the certificate of occupancy!
 - This weekend was awesome! 10-12 people on Sat/Sun (each) - so good to feel 'back'!
 - 😊. **Huge Kudos to Merlin, Greg Stewart, Lori, Sara Heatherly, Julia, Jansky, Anne, Kurt, Phil F, Donna, Eric B, Matt Ault, Vince, Ray Smith, Tamara & Mike**
 - Items hung up / rearranged / cleaned - warm room is 95%!
 - Furniture coming this week
 - Lockers arriving and installing tomorrow!
 - Board did vote to approve \$5200 from GoFundMe for additional locker expenses. Additional 22 lockers for Women & Privacy Wall
 - Likely need another call for volunteers next weekend - by end of next weekend club will be 98% READY TO GO!
 - Houses in this past Saturday, remaining ice activities will be largely complete this week
 - 3 sponsor houses
 - Wall art in ice house
 - Starting next weekend will be pebbles and scrapes - IGO for the 'party' concept on 11/8 and leagues to begin on 11/10
 - Landlord Responsibilities: (will not prevent opening, purely aesthetic)
 - Front entryway (upstairs) - is responsibility of landlord - no work has been done (it was to begin, but not yet)
 - Crack in foundation behind the bar
 - Corporate Outing right before Drag Effect - Matt G to connect with Eric R
4. Leagues Update - (# of people) - Josh is going to send an email this week with a League update.
 - Sunday Brunch 18
 - Monday Open Early draw 11 - needs more people, or consideration for opening up to doubles. Deadline of Nov 1 to fill as is.
 - Thursday is up to 40. Currently a 7pm start.
 - PVA curls early (6-7:30), on every other Thursday (ahead of leagues) during fall, perhaps every week in winter.
 - PVA practice is 6-7, and a game from 7-7:30 (would only need 1 sheet)
 - PVA grant is being worked on - update to/from Barry eta next week
 - Doubles has a waitlist
 - Wednesday Competitive has 10 teams (good)
 - Tuesday has 5 teams (ideally need to find at least 1 more team)
 - Rookies needs a big push - (Josh)
 - Social Committee to assist
5. Committee Updates
 - Webmaster Committee - Eric R working on a manual for online info for League Mgmt
 - Party Planning Committee
 - Per Julia, PPC is meeting tomorrow night, hoping to have something back to Board referencing all dates / events included in these minutes
6. Friday 11/8 or 11/9 - Member Welcome Back Party
 - Both dates are available, see if there's a preferred date from Members
7. Welcome Back Party / CanAm Cup: 11/16/24
 - CanAm Cup (12 curlers from Canada & 2 full WCC Teams) - Barry lead
 - Needs volunteers (8-10 members to assist) - *Matt to connect with Julia, and volunteer needs to be communicated to Board to update SignUpGenius*
 - USA Curling will have a rep there (perhaps Brett Jackson)

- Barry to request allowance for Buona Beef to feed the CanAm participants (Wolf and 22nd)
 - *Barry to get price estimates and vote in Slack*
 - Post CanAm Cup - “Welcome Back Party” - Grand Re-opening / Open House
 - Welcoming in community, chamber of commerce, sponsors, rookies, club members, etc.
 - Loop in the social committee to help get the word out
 - Teaching on a sheet? / game on a sheet
- 8. Merchandise (Tonya)
 - Matt found 2 boxes of pint glasses
 - Pins?
 - Need 12 for CanAm participant
 - Dynasty Jersey re-order shipping mid Nov
 - Tonya had to prepay - she will be reaching out for payment
 - Per Eric B for future orders, the club can float prepayment
 - Tonya looking for any ideas for additional merch
- 9. In next Newsletter being sent by Josh this week - Request for the “return” of the items that people took when helping clean out the club (return before next weekend pls)
- 10. New WCC Office
 - Furnishing discussion
 - laptop/wiring IGO
- 11. Membership Incentives - *Matt Ault lead?*
 - Idea: Discount for Rookies if they roll into an AYCC following Rookies?
 - Discounted price for first year or two
 - Advertise the discounted rates when recruiting rookies
 - Idea: Discount for existing Members who recruit / refer
 - Siobhan ideas
 - Josh will include in upcoming Newsletter
- 12. USA Curling - “Competitive” meeting on Wednesday night - “town hall”; Josh will include in the upcoming newsletter
 - Membership renewal issues? Include everyone who might need to register prior to 12/1
 - Wednesday, Oct 23rd - Barry to post on FC and Josh to send in newsletter

Closing Procedure:

- Meeting Adjourned at: 8:04pm
- Next meeting set for: TBD
 - Planning for in-person, at the club - with consideration for Thanksgiving

Minutes Respectfully submitted by: Colleen Koehler