



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

March Meeting (03.15.2026) Meeting held on Google Meet

Current Board Members:

Present: Josh Richardson, Amanda Pizarek, Eric Baudais, Julia Makiejus, Sara Heatherly, Anne Pettinger, Matt Butts

Quorum present: YES

Others Present:

CCC: Matt Galas

Club Members: Scott Gerstenkorn

Opening Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm (Josh)

Agenda:

1. Financial Update
 - Reviewed February statement
 - **Motion to accept: Anne / Second: Amanda / Approved: 6-0**
 - Currently have approximately \$1K in with an interest rate of 2.85%. Eric is considering setting up a brokerage account (e.g., treasury bonds or CDs) to increase interest earnings. This could also help with stock donations.
2. Facility Update
 - There's a leak in the warm room over the table for Sheet 3.
3. MCA Update (Scott G.)
 - Need to confirm if we are hosting Arena Playdowns - June 26-28? No discussions yet, but Scott let MCA leadership know we have it on the calendar.
 - No new meetings since our last board meeting.
 - Scott has been asking MCA for next year's calendar.
 - We will host an officiating clinic on Saturday, Sept 12.
 - Will try to fit it into a one-day event (9am-8pm or so) vs. typical 2 days.
 - MCA intends to make it a free event (they usually charge around \$40-50 per person for this clinic)

- WCC will consider volunteering to host MCA Mixed Fours playdowns next season as a trial run ahead of hosting the Mixed Fours Nationals next Spring.
 - The club will also need to schedule an internal playdown event. Host clubs receive an automatic team entry, which will need to be factored into the club calendar.
4. 2026-27 Calendar
- Summer Leagues
 - Will offer Sunday evening, Tuesday, and Thursday leagues - all Open format.
 - Will consider opening Friday evening if other leagues fill and there's enough interest.
 - Current members do not need to pay an additional membership fee, but non-members (including current Rookies) will be required to pay a \$25 Summer membership fee in addition to league fees.
 - We will give priority to our current members and Rookies before opening up to non-club members.
 - Bonspiels
 - Sara will reach out to Dupage Sports Commission for Cash Spiel sponsorship/donations.
 - USA Curling Mixed Fours
 - Will likely be held late April 2027.
 - Waiting on response from USA Curling for contract.
 - If we host this event, it will replace our WC3 Open bonspiel for 2027.
 - Skills Clinic
 - Eric R. wants to run Brian Chick's clinic again this Fall.
 - Propose holding over Labor Day weekend to not take away an additional weekend from CCC.
 - Rookie Leagues
 - Recommend we get something posted soon for the Fall to capture interest.
5. Founder's Cup
- Already full with a decent waitlist.
 - Do we expand to 20 teams? Would add 4 more teams to the current lineup.
 - Would require expanding to Tuesday night (Tues-Sat)
 - Would mean 5 groups of 4 - some teams would have a long bracket.
6. WCC Logo Policy
- Temporarily tabling the vote - Josh will have Jake Koernig, who is an IP attorney, review it first.
 - The Board will vote on Slack after Jake's review.
7. Annual Meeting and Board Elections
- Julia will send out newsletter announcement
 - Will clarify that both director positions are now 2-year terms, instead of 1-year like the past few elections.

8. Discord

- Several club members still don't know we have a Discord.
- We now have a permanent invite link - Suggest putting QR code signs around the club; can also add it to the bottom of league registrations.
- Amanda will print QR codes for the Club.

9. Next Board Meeting

- April 19 at 7:00 pm
- Will set up a meeting in late May with the newly elected Board

Closing Procedure:

- **Motion to adjourn: Josh / Second: Amanda / Unanimous**
 - Meeting Adjourned at 7:54 pm
- Next meeting set for:
 - Apr 19, 7 pm Central

Minutes Respectfully submitted by: Julia Makiejus, Secretary