



Windy City Curling  
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## Board Meeting Minutes 2/23/2022

### Board Members:

Present: Tom Arra, Jon Henderson, Anne Pettinger, Raymond Stone, Barry Hutchings, Eric Reithel, Aaron DeGagne

Absent: Tom Arra

Quorum present: Yes

### Others Present:

Club Members: Matt Galas (CCC)

### Opening Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at **6:33 pm** by President, Raymond Stone

### Old Business

- Financials - Jon Henderson
  - Income \$11,300
    - Fees & Glen Ellyn Park District
  - Expenses
    - Rent & Pins
  - Net Loss \$5,200+ for the month
  - Groundhog Spiel - Just under \$4,000 income
  - Cash-on-Hand - \$35,600 as of 2/28
  - Motion to Approve: Jon H.; Second: Barry H.
    - Motion Approved
- Membership Report - Anne Pettinger
  - 138 full members
  - All leagues have minimum players needed to run except Friday w/ 10 ppl.
    - Barry will make a post searching for more sign-ups.
  - Sunday brunch is full
  - Currently, all doubles players for session 4 are AYCC
- April 5th, Tuesday mixed league. An event is booked and we'll need to reschedule that day to a different date.
- Rookie Leagues - All
  - What's the plan around easter?
    - Move the one Sunday back to May 1
  - 27 people are registered for session 4 with 2 more on waitlist.
    - 2 Waitlisters bumped, and a refund issued
  - Need to double-check for duplicate registrations and unpaid invoices
    - Anne's on it
  - Coaches signed up so far?
    - Barry: 8 ppl
      - Torkelson, Giri, Tom A., Barry H. The Vissers, Ray S.
      - Need Rock-catchers?
  - When can we add more?



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- Summer Leagues - All
  - What is the schedule?
    - Week of May 8th through week of June 12th.
    - Week of June 19th Until Ice Maintenance
  - When are we opening registration?
    - Waiting until curling club manager website is live
      - Tom to get w/ Eric & Anne to coordinate
  - Planning on Sunday (Draft League), Tuesday, Thursday & Friday. All others open leagues.
- Trophies/Plaques - Anne/Barry
  - Competitive plaque will be ready the weekend of March 11.
    - Need hanging boards for the winners of Session ½ and winners from last season
  - Plaques for Doubles and mixed Tuesdays.
    - Motion to Approve: Anne; Second: Aaron
      - Motion Approved
  - \$450 each + \$75 set up fee. 3 plates already engraved.
  - Trophy \$325, + \$118 (CA) glass stone top.
  - Barry will search for donors. Donors will have the plaque or trophy named after them.
  - Aaron to send Barry league winners list for plaques.
- Merchandise update - Tonya Henderson (*If available*)
- Olympic Open House Recap
  - What did we do wrong?
    - Gathering volunteers needs to be WAY MORE proactive & earlier
    - Social media posts need to be WAY MORE proactive & earlier
  - What did we learn for the future? Where can we improve?
    - Media promotion, Volunteers
  - What went well?
    - 384 total people over 3 days.
    - \$3,840 coming to the club. 50% of income.
- WC3 Open Bonspiel
  - How is the planning process going? Good. Raffle, volunteer form, and registration reminder will be send out soon.
  - How many teams are signed up? 7 teams
  - What does the planning committee need to help with? The main thing we need is volunteers (day-of help + food). If anyone wants to help in a larger capacity, let Aaron know. Also, spreading the word about the bonspiel. Let's get to 24 teams!
- Nominations for next board members - Ray Stone
  - Nominations rolling in - Eric Clifford seems to have enough for a Director position
- CCC updates if available.
  - Questions coming in about Jr. Leagues.
    - Possibly a weeklong camp, during the week, around 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.
    - Joint venture between WCCC & CCC will handle this.
- Waltham playdate - July 30th here. Talked about, tentatively on the calendar.

## New Business

- Board member burnout and how can we avoid it in the future?
  - Possibility of required membership volunteering.



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- o Incentives for being on the board. Is it possible to cover the annual membership cost?
- COVID update - communicating to members about mask rules change as of 3/1
  - o Aaron will send out an email the day before.
- I (Aaron) would like to find someone to take over as MCA rep for next season. Commitment is relatively minimal, just 5-6 meetings/year
  - o Eric Reithel - Aaron to send Eric info
- MCA will likely be asking us to host Club Playdowns next year
  - o Ice conditions for playdown-type event
- Eric Reithel and Kelly Zahn presented an idea to Coordinate a LGBTQ+ Bonspiel at Windy City in February '23
  - o Confirmed with Aaron D. that there would be no conflict-of-interest with a repeat of this year's Groundhog Day bonspiel
  - o Eric to select tentative dates and present them at the next Board Mtg

#### **Closing Proceedings:**

- Motion to adjourn by Jon H., seconded by Barry.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:24PM
- Minutes respectfully submitted by Eric Reithel