



Windy City Curling  
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## Board Meeting Minutes 7/1/19

### Board Members:

**Present:** Brian Stoiber, Kerry Myers, Tom Arra, Mike Lerner, Carol Collins, John Henderson, Simon Ganet

**Absent:** None

**Quorum present?** Yes

### Others Present:

**Club Members:** Ann Pettinger, Linda Arra, Anthony D'Arco, Scott Maples

**Other/Guests:** No

### Opening Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 6:58 pm by President, Brian Stoiber
- May & June meeting not submitted for approval

### President's Report, Brian Stoiber:

- Welcome new board/members
- Priorities for 2019/2020 season – Bylaws review, communication streamline

### Finance Report, Jon Henderson:

- May financials:
  - \$1,500 income from league fees, donations (amazon and reoccurring donor) Simon to reach out to reoccurring donor to thank and ensure reoccurrence is intentional. Simon will send her a t-shirt as a thank you gift.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> time with operating lose for a month – due to all league app fees deducted in May and revenue hitting in the following month.
  - JH Motions to approve financials – Passes Unanimously

### Old Business:

- MCA representative and priorities – KM volunteered to be rep
  - What's our agenda with MCA?
    - We want to host one of the events.
    - ML- What are the option for new improving stones - renting / resurfacing?
    - Instructor Level I course at WC3?
- Curling Night at the Park (White Sox game) – Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Saturday 6pm game
  - We can have booth – do we want to staff it?
  - Some promotions tied to ticket sales like logo displays, 1<sup>st</sup> pitch, someone in booth talking about curling
  - Simon to reach out to other area curling clubs for participation
  - It's the half-way to St. Patrick's Day game
  - Ticket cost \$17.00 – Each participating club will take proceeds based on tickets they sell



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- Simon to research charter bus and parking costs to take shuttle to event
- **Adjusted schedules (July 18<sup>th</sup>)**
  - Leagues cancelled on Thurs (7/18) for Food Truck Spiel and Tues (6/25) for CCC ice house insulation project
  - Board decided to add an additional week to the schedule for league B to make-up for these dates.
- **Dekalb public library (Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>)**
  - Library seeking club participation in Countries of the World exhibit – Requested club speak at the Canada booth about curling - time commitment is one hour
  - Simon to reach out to Waltham and to WCC Canadians to gauge interest
- **League update**
  - Sunday is smallest league only 22 people
  - ML to add KM, CC, and TA to the league apps admin list
  - Since Jan 1<sup>st</sup> – 116 unique players (including rookie league)
  - ML to find out how many unique players are from CCC
  - Chicago Curling Club is changing management designation which may impact numbers for the fall
  - Gender breakdown of WC3 – 70% / 30% (male/female)
  - Postponing discussion of specific leagues (gender, experience, etc.) until we can guarantee 3 full league nights
  - ML to sketch out rough schedule for including an Experienced league in the Fall – curlers who have been playing for X number of years.
  - Next Rookie league – only has 1 person registered – Keep reg open then evaluate next steps

### **Project Updates:**

- **Meeting minutes approval and posting process**
  - KM to coordinate
- **Membership packet**
  - BS to get Ann a nametag
  - Discussion of Club ambassadors at each league to greet new players
  - Development of Membership Packet for new members. Goal to be ready for the fall – Board to provide edits to BS
- **Membership feedback**
  - How do we get better feedback from members? – closing the loop / having the meeting at the club and at a regular time / communication / posting in both FB groups of meeting notice
- **Consolidation of applications and data**
  - Storage of usernames and shared passwords
  - Implement annual systems check and update
- **Website domain transfer, consolidation, and QA**
  - Website domain name to move to new account. Page and emails down for 24 hours. BS to provide alternate email for immediate communications during the downtime.

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- **Mobile app**
  - Internal beta testing happening for android. iPhone version in Apple approval process
- **Bylaw amendments/updates**
  - In order to amend the bylaws, a simple majority of active members is required
  - WC3 has 2 membership classifications – discussion of voting rights eligibility
  - **Conflicts of interest, membership levels, nomination/voting**
    - Currently doing slate voting – change to different? Board directed to consider other ways such as preferential voting
    - Decision to develop a Committee of board and non-board members to research and provide recommendation to full board.
    - Discussion of preserving the WC3 culture with influx of new members from other clubs
    - Goal: Committee make recommendation to Board by the end of the year
    - Bylaws are going on the webpage for all members to access
    - The first WC3 election was not a slate was open nomination and general election – also when the board was expanded
    - Goal to have committee formed by next meeting with 2 or 3 non-board members on this committee
- **Marketing/email campaigns -**
- **Sub policy**
  - Board to think about it and address it in the future
- **Schedule board meetings (October – May/June)**
  - Dates will be posted in both Facebook Pages and on Calendar
- **Logging volunteer commitment**
  - How are we counting this? – Simon logged days at L2C last year
  - Event organizers to count this
  - Tracking in google doc

### **New Business:**

- **Merchandise sales**
  - Motion to: Trial CCC to WC3 merchandise transfer for July - Passes unanimously
  - Decision to sell what merchandise is left at Food Truck Spiel and order new for the fall
- **Ice conditions**
  - CCC: Tuesday the ceiling was insulated causing ice problems that were compounded by Ice King breakdown. Maintenance on machine has been delayed by Canadian Holiday. The dehumidifier is now working.
  - CCC agrees to provide regular updates on Mondays and Wednesday to WC3 on ice conditions.
  - WC3 will in turn provide timely updates to members
- **Leagues & membership structure**
  - Covered briefly in earlier discussion / Tabled due to time
- **Committees & committee reports (org charts)**
  - Committee for new Members: ML volunteers to chair
  - Committee for Bylaws Review: CC volunteers to chair

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**Open Discussion:**

- Request to put open ice on the calendar – CCC agrees

**Closing Proceedings:**

- Motion to adjourn by Brain Stoiber, seconded by Tom Arra
- Meeting adjourned at 9:13 pm
- Minutes submitted by Secretary, Kerry Myers