



Windy City Curling
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Board Meeting Minutes 3/15/20

Board Members:

Present: Brian Stoiber, Tom Arra, Mike Lerner, Kerry Myers

Absent: Simon Ganet, Jon Henderson

Quorum present: Yes

Others Present:

Club Members: Matt Galas, Christina D'Arco, Ray Stone, Eric Clifford, Jeff Elborne, Aaron DeGagne, Kevin Runge, Greg Stewart

Other:

Opening Proceedings:

- Meeting called to order at 11:04 am by President, Brian Stoiber
- February meeting minutes were amended and approved via Slack on March 10, 2020

COVID-19 Discussion

- Discussion of club closing or remaining open
- CCC to remain open regardless of league closure
- Remain open for next 2 weeks and then reevaluate decision based on participation
- Communicate cleaning procedures (wipe down stone handles, club brooms, tables and bar), reiterate broomstacking is optional, ask people feeling ill to stay home, remove communal food, replace pre-game handshakes with fist or elbow bumps.
- Motion by TA to remain open with improved sanitation protocols listed above. Second by KM. Motion passes unanimously.
- For PPL members who do not want to curl the last 2 weeks the club will refund them.
- If the next leagues end up postponed - PPL will be reimbursed.
- Send message out to the spiel registrants - proceed as usual, communicate the sanitization procedures, offer refunds to teams that don't want to play.

Old Business:

- Finance – Jon Henderson
 - January financials
 - Treasurer responsibility - Discussion about getting an outside firm to manage the finances and Treasurer manages relationship with vendor.
- Membership – Mike Lerner
 - Winter/Spring/Summer league updates - PPL and AYCC are near even for Winter 2
 - League Apps update on requests - Our development requests have been received but no information on if it's being addressed.
 - Pricing for Family League - Table until we discuss leagues for next season
 - League Registration Numbers - trending as expected - Sunday is most popular



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- o League chairman - Mike's replacement - Not necessary. Transition next season.
- o ML to run L2C to Rookie conversion rate
- o Rookie league to league is about 50%.
- o Pro-rate the member fee per session for next year along with AYCC.
- o Discussion of membership feedback requesting childcare during draws. Board does not want to assume liability for making this service available for members.
- Public Relations – Kerry Myers
 - o MCA Grant Money - Hold off until the fall
 - o Press memo template for media inquiries - KM will do for April
 - o Identifying event strategy going forward - KM will do for April
- Events – Simon Ganet
 - o Yearly schedule planning - Club to have all leagues, spiels, decided over the summer before the ice reopens in Sept.
 - o Rough Ice melt schedule: Melt after Food Truck spiel June 28th. Ice available at the end of September.
 - o Waltham Juniors want to have a special raffle basket to raise money in our WC3 open spiel. Christina to find out additional details and the board will vote.
 - o April Spiel Planning Update: Volunteers & Team Registration
 - 19 teams registered - 2 teams have dropped
 - 3 remaining for WC3 teams - 2 additional open on 4/1/20
 - o Founder's Cup Spiel: Volunteers & Team Registration - Currently scheduled for May 2-3.
 - On Hold for recruitment of April Spiel
 - Receiving questions about the club championship procedures
 - Discussion of League trophies / and Founder's Cup trophy
 - Announcement of Fall opening spiel at April Spiel
 - TA to create rough club schedule by next board meeting
- Nomination/Bylaws – Brian Stoiber
 - o Committee recommendations - completed review of bylaws. BS to present recommendations at next board meeting for a vote.
 - o Give club members two weeks to review before vote for approval
- Merch & Apparel
 - o Style guide - TA, BS, and KM to continue working on this
 - o Board has approved vendors with approved merch on the webpage. Members can select which items to purchase.
- Milwaukee Curling Association Grant
 - o KM to write the grant for on-ice equipment and ice house infrastructure (including insulation, liners, vinyls, bumpers)
- WC3 & CCC contract for 2020 - 2021 Season
 - o BS and TA to and then sit down to review with Matt to review in person.

New Business:

- Insurance
 - o Board approved to renew insurance plan with USLI via Slack on 3/9/20
 - additional coverage than what USCA provides
- Second LTC at Prairielands - Scheduled for May 2nd



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- o They have asked to borrow rocks again
 - WC3's one set of rocks will be made available, hacks, and other arena equipment. Club is not assuming responsibility to transport
 - Club will use FB to post for volunteer recruitment
- o What else can we donate to help them?
- o How are these items being delivered?

CCC Update:

- Discuss slack offline

Open Forum:

- Chrstina to work with Jon on refunding spiel participants

Closing Proceedings:

- Motion to adjourn by **ML**, seconded by **TF**
- Meeting adjourned at **12:45pm**
- Minutes submitted by **Secretary, Kerry Myers**