



Victoria Curling Club

**Board of Directors Meeting,
March 7th 2018 – 5:30-7PM
Minutes**

Attendees: Paul Dixon, Mark Stefanson, Nick Coleman, Donna Somer, Neil Campbell, Colin Coughlin, Andrew Komlodi, Stu Fraser,

Regrets: Marlene Jeffries, Trystyn Berg

1. Call to order

With Quorum, the meeting was called to order at 5:32pm by President Neil Campbell

2. Approval of the agenda

Motion: Move to approve the agenda for the March 7th, 2018 VCC Board Meeting

Moved by: Mark Stefanson

Seconded by: Stu Fraser

APPROVED

3. Approval of minutes from February 7th, 2018 meeting

Motion: Move to approve the minutes for the February 7th, 2018 Board Meeting

Moved by: Stu Fraser

Seconded by: Nick Coleman

APPROVED

4. Business arising from previous minutes

None

5. Correspondence

A volunteer from the Scotties received a \$40 parking ticket for parking in the Save On Foods parking lot. The Board felt that this was an issue for the Manager.

6. President's Report: N. Campbell
 - A. The brine pump is in Victoria and is housed at Accent Refrigeration until the ice is out.
 - B. We have raised close to \$4000 for the brine pump to date.
 - C. Positive feedback from message to membership regarding the brine pump.
 - D. Paul has a lead on \$1000 from Thrifty Foods.
 - E. Glen Meadows Curling club
 - A. One league-Monday league is coming to Victoria.
 - B. Look for spare equipment from Glen Meadows for VCC. Paul has asked Jack Bowman to find out about any spare equipment.
 - F. Ladies 65th - report given by Mark Stefanson
 - A. Recognized the important role ladies have played and due respect.
 - B. Wanted to build a relationship with the City of Victoria.
 - C. 4 times a year send something to the Victoria counsellors like the T-Line.
 - D. Great club building event
 - E. Overheard that we should have an annual Ladies Tea-integrate with Daffodil? Invite city counsellors to sponsor and volunteer night.
7. Grant to get more women curling? Daycare-team with Crystal Pool?
8. Lease Negotiations
 - A. Capital Lease-want to meet to discuss lease and have a brainstorming session. Planned for March 13th at 5:30pm.
 - B. Do we want to ask Parks and Rec for money? and we compete against municipal rec centres and we can't apply for grants. We provide a service that brings revenue to the city.
 - C. Gift us the land? The we can get a mortgage and we can do our own financing. Colin has a negotiation strategy report that he has put together that we can use.
 - D. We want a long term fix.

9. Bonspiels

A. Daffodil

1. Successful-\$2500 bar tab from Saturday night. Good reports on ice.
2. 5 out of town teams (one from Denver and one from Seattle).

Suggest that the organizers conduct a survey of participants to find out what is important to them.

B. T-Bird

1. 48 teams - registration is full.

C. Soo Long

1. Scaled back strategically to a maximum of 40 teams.
2. Do something to acknowledge Glen Meadows membership?

D. Mixed Double

1. Full-4 teams from Cowichan.

10. Grants

- A. Capital Gaming Commission-possibly \$200,000 is a fund-raising priority for the summer.

11. Treasurer's Update: S. Fraser

12. General Manager's Report: P. Dixon

- A. Ammonia detection Sensors enroute and should be installed soon.
- B. Rotary Grant (Quentin) will be about \$1200.
- C. PCMCA provincial championships is coming to our club next year. Berwick is a major sponsor. We can provide advertising.
- D. Leads from Glen Meadows Open Select coming Monday mornings-lots of interest from Glen Meadows.
- E. Wednesday morning is now at 16 teams (2 new teams).
- F. Broom Under Water is taking a waitlist and will be able to ask for deposits at the end of the year.
- G. Glen Meadows is used to paying higher fees than ours.
1. issues-parking and distance: offer a Green St pass to each team? To everyone in the club?
- H. Can we reduce curling fees to accommodate byes to try to get more teams? This has been discussed previously and the decision was to not adjust fees.
- I. Learn to Curl is done and had 32 curlers

1. Will do a Learn to Curl night on March 27th at 7pm.
 2. Forward Learn To Curl contact information to Soo Long committee-Paul has told Learn To Curl about it.
- J. Leagues Rep Meeting is the 2nd week of April.

13. Committee/Team Reports

- A. Communication and Marketing Team - M. Jeffries
- B. Curling Programs and Services Team - T. Berg
1. Move Program development into Membership Committee.
 2. Curl BC meeting in Vancouver-Deb should go with Paul and Neil.
 3. Geoff Davis is going to Sweden to represent Australia. Can we recognize him and his team at the T-Bird banquet? Put the Australian flag on his name board?
- C. Finance Committee - Stu Fraser
1. Maintain and Membership fees are problematic with IO system
Motion: Change annual Membership fee to \$25
Moved by: Nick Coleman
Seconded by: Colin Coughlin
APPROVED
 2. Will have to follow up at AGM.
 3. Colin will investigate the benefit to the club of keeping our banking with Coast Capital Savings or whether we should switch to another financial institution.
 4. We should have a working budget going forward into the next fiscal year.
- D. Ice Management and Safety Committee - A. Komlodi
1. We need a policy for provincial hosting.
 2. Host a provincial or regional event every two years.
 3. We are the most competitive club and should live up to our branding.
- E. Management Team - N. Campbell - no report.
- F. Membership Recruitment and Retention Team - N. Coleman. Written report.
- G. Revenue Generation Team - Colin Coughlin
1. Paul and Colin met with the President of the Poker Association.
 - A. The bar area would be perfect.
 - B. Sunday afternoon tournaments.
 - C. Not very lucrative.
 - D. \$150 sponsor/session
 - E. Would make money on food and beer, but would not patronize



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Goodfellows Cafe.

H. NSTF-National Sport Trust Fund

I. Possible musical event on August 11, 2018

J. We will form a committee for the brine pump to raise money if deemed necessary at the end of the season.

14. Other Reports

15. New Business

None

Next Board Meeting: April 4th, 2018 at 5:30.

Adjournment 7:01pm