

Victoria Curling Club

October 10th, 2018 5:30-7PM

Minutes

Attendees: Neil Campbell, Marlene Jeffries, Kristine Dobell, Paul Dixon, Stu Fraser, Mark Stefanson, Harold Trenchard

Regrets: Colin Coughlin, Andrew Komlodi, Donna Somer

1) Call to order

With quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 5:41 pm by President Neil Campbell.

2) Approval of the agenda

Motion: Move to approve the agenda for the October 10th, 2018 VCC Board Meeting.

Moved by: Mark Stefanson

Seconded by: Marlene Jeffries

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3) Approval of minutes from September 5th, 2018 meeting

Motion: Move to approve the minutes from the September 5th, 2018 VCC Board Meeting.

Moved by: Mark Stefanson

Seconded by: Marlene Jeffries

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4) Business arising from previous minutes

a) No business from previous minutes

5) Correspondence

a) Visiting international Teams

a) VCC received a banner from Finnish Mixed Curling Team as a thank you for practise ice and games etc. Paul sent the Finnish team off with hats etc.

b) Japanese Men's team will also be visiting this year.

c) As an aside, the board should develop a policy for visiting teams and ice etc.

b) City of Victoria asking for support on grants

a) Reply from City of Victoria - the mayor wants to know what is going in the letter. Neil will be working on the wording of the letter.

6) President's Report: N. Campbell

- a) Crystal pool situation
 - a) The pool rebuild/refurbish is back on the table. VCC wants to be included in the discussions.
 - b) Is the VCC brochure ready? This could be useful for getting our foot back in the door on the Crystal Pool discussions
- b) Revenue Generation Team
 - a) Received capital gaming grant - \$42000
 - b) Team's goal is to raise \$50k exclusive of gaming grant
 - c) Curling Canada is now offering low interest loans for capital improvements.
- c) Curl BC Regional meeting
 - a) Changes in how to apply for money for training and development.
- d) Other
 - a) Intercultural Association - meeting scheduled on October 24th or November 4th - Donna will meet with them as Neil is away.
 - b) North Park Association would like to hold their association meetings here. Neil has communicated the club's willingness to provide them with meeting space.
 - c) UVic/Camosun varsity teams - Elaine Dagg-Jackson met with them recently and it seems more receptive. They would compete for their respective institutions but be hosted at the Victoria Curling Club.

7) Treasurer's Update: S. Fraser

- a) At this point in time, the club is looking good. Barring any unforeseen issues, we are looking good to be in the black this year.
- b) Revenue - \$70k ahead of last year (attributed to new members and other sources)
- c) We need to address property insurances. Liability is currently being renewed.

8) General Manager's Report: P. Dixon

- a) Leagues/events
 - a) Adult Learn to Curl - 37 people registered (more than double last year's numbers)
 - b) Clinic - October 27th - info will be sent out shortly.
 - c) Blender - the first Blender of the year didn't draw the same numbers as last year, although the band "Arf the Dog" was excellent - the seems to be no reasons why the decline in numbers, so we will keep trying and see how it goes with the next one.
- b) Safety drill
 - a) Held during commercial league - went smoothly.
 - b) Took about 3 minutes, 45 seconds.
 - c) Will be building slots behind each sheet for people to store certain items that can be easily accessible during an actual event.
 - d) Evacuation happens during an audible alarm, the blue light is a low level alarm.
 - e) Report submitted to Worksafe BC

- c) Volunteers
 - a) World hockey tournament - met with organizers, we get a 10x10 booth at the tournament.
 - a) Need someone to run booth, volunteers. Coolshots table possibility?
 - b) Paul will put out a call for volunteers to assist at the booth.
 - c) Paul will also be sourcing cheap tshirts etc for volunteers to wear while staffing the booth.
- d) Daffodil bonspiel
 - a) So far, nobody in the Wednesday ladies league wants to help or volunteer to take it on.
 - b) Monday night ladies want to pass this task on.
 - c) We need to find coordinator - try the league reps first.
- e) 4 new taps at the bar from Category 12 brewery
- f) 6 VIP packages from the World Juniors
 - a) Silent auction? Raffle?
 - b) How do we maximize these tickets? Should we open it up to the broader community?

9) Committee/Team Reports

- a) Communication and Marketing Team - M. Jeffries
 - a) Paul will put the call out for newsletter pieces from league reps
 - b) Kristine will contact Ryan to discuss brochure
 - c) Publicity
 - a) There will be coverage from the Japanese team when they arrive. The junior hockey tournament will also bring publicity
 - b) Times colonist - need to target some events.
- b) Finance Committee - Stu Fraser
- c) Ice Management and Safety Committee - A. Komlodi
 - a) Falls this year - had a couple so far because the ice is a bit greasy.
 - b) Will be reiterated at the next league reps meeting
 - c) More safety gear in the Pro shop now.
- d) Management Team - N. Campbell
- e) Membership Recruitment and Retention Team - Kristine/Marlene
- f) Revenue Generation Team - Colin Coughlin
- g) Strategic Planning Team - A. Komlodi
 - a) Andrew submitted a document
 - b) It still says Victoria Curling Centre - this needs to be changed.
- h) Lease renewal - Colin Coughlin
 - a) On hold

10) Other Reports

- a) Food services contract – Neil Campbell
 - a) New contract has not yet been finalized. They are still working on the food in the evening on a trial basis before they set their hours.

11) New Business

- a) CurlBC Regional Meeting minutes
 - a) Submitted
- b) Review of 2018 AGM
 - a) Should we move the AGM to June again?
 - b) Marlene to reformat, then send out.
- c) Appointment of Directors - Mariah Coloumbe, Harold Trenchard

Motion: Move to appoint Mariah Coloumbe and Harold Trenchard to the 2018/2019 VCC board of directors

Moved by: Stu Fraser

Seconded by: Mark Stefanson

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12) Next Board Meeting: Thursday November 8th, 2018 at 5:30pm.

13) Adjournment

Motion: Move to adjourn the October 10th, 2018 board meeting.

Moved by: Mark Stefanson

Seconded by: Marlene Jeffries

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