



**Victoria Curling Club
Board of Directors Meeting
August 25th, 2020 5:30-6:30 PM
Minutes**

Attendees: Harold Trenchard, Marlene Jeffries, Colin Coughlin, Kristine Dobell, Neil Campbell, Stu Fraser, Paul Dixon, Andrew Komlodi, Cody Hall

Regrets: Mariah Coulombe, Cameron de Jong, Stephanie Cambrey,

1) Call to order

With quorum present, President Colin Coughlin called the meeting to order at 5:31pm. Note that this meeting was held via teleconference due to the gathering restrictions in accordance with recommendations from health authorities.

2) Approval of the agenda

Motion: Move to approve the agenda for the August 24th, 2020 VCC Board Meeting.

Moved by: Stu Fraser

Seconded by: Harold Trenchard

APPROVED

3) Approval of minutes from August 10th, 2020 meeting

Motion: Move to approve the minutes for the August 10th, 2020 VCC Board Meeting.

Moved by: Stu Fraser

Seconded by: Harold Trenchard

APPROVED

4) General Manager Report

a) League Reps Meeting

a) Held on August 24th at 6pm

b) Attended by all leagues - mapped close to survey results that was sent earlier this summer

c) A couple of leagues will be losing teams. Brewers league will not be continuing this year.

d) Likely looking to lose some teams from leagues

e) Curling has moved into Phase 3 - can field teams with 4 members, but still under the restriction of 50 maximum on the ice at one time. Need decisions on the ice install due to this

a) This restriction - 48 curlers, 12 teams at any given time -> 6 sheets of ice

b) Majority of leagues wanted 4 person curling, rather than 3 person curling.

c) Options:

a) Make only 6 sheets of ice, leave 1 and 8 empty

b) Make 7 sheets of ice, leave sheet 8 empty

- c) Make 8 sheets of ice as normal
- d) Potential fallouts of less sheets:
 - a) Exit on sheet 8:
 - a) If sheet 8 was not used, can we make an exit door as opposed to having to go through the lobby area and creating potential issues.
 - b) It would be possible to have an additional exit AND have ice on sheet 8 but it would be tight
 - b) Cost savings:
 - a) If we do not have all the sheets, there are some savings by not having the ice in. Likely \$10k in hydro, refrigeration and maintenance (if only 6 sheets). If we install on the 2 sheets later, it makes it very difficult but not impossible (ie painting etc)
 - b) Once sheets are put in, we can't take them out but you can cover them up.
 - e) Kelowna just received permission from their regional health authority to have 4 person teams on 12 sheets. Starting plant on Monday - but we'll need to put ice down in 9-10 days.
- d) Board decides that we should put in all 8 sheets in anticipation of getting an exception to the 50 person maximum, but we should also pursue the exit on sheet 8 if possible to alleviate the bottleneck between draws.
 - a) Q. If there is an exit at sheet 8, how many players will just leave?
 - b) Q. What about the risk to members of walking at night to/from Green Street?
 - c) Q. Can we accommodate an upright solution for brooms in the bar? Bags under the table should not be an issue.
 - d) Q. Are we able to create a loop through the men's change room to accommodate the lounge access without going outside?
 - e) Paul and Cody will look into this further.
- f) League idea to have 2 draws of 4 sheets each back to back was brought up at LR meeting
 - a) Works for a couple leagues
 - b) Would require a 5AM start for staff
 - c) Additional cost
 - d) Would likely increase curler numbers but there is no way of knowing by how many.
 - e) On the balance of cost vs service it was decided not to offer the 2 draws.

5) Curl BC Update

- a) No updates

6) Food Services

- a) Communication with Ola from last week: Goodfellows would like \$15k for items left in the

kitchen. We should talk to some members to see what the equipment is actually worth and get an independent evaluation of the items.

- b) The club cannot afford this equipment at this time - it's unlikely that we can use it immediately to make a profit.

7) Insurance review

- a) Look at insurance policy to see if there are any pandemic exceptions
- b) Paul to look into the insurance policy and provide a copy to Colin and Neil

8) Victoria Foundation

- a) Offer members a multiyear membership for an increased fee, then making that fee tax deductible (ie \$2.5k for 5 years of curling, then the \$2.5k becomes tax deductible).
- b) Colin reached out to VF, but does not think it can be done unless it is a capital project. This type of model cannot be used to maintain operational stability.

9) Next Board Meeting: September 15th, 2020 5:30pm

10) Adjournment

- a) Meeting adjourned at 6:36pm