



Sturgeon Falls Curling Club

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors Monday November 7, 2016

Present:

Directors:

Jamie Burk
René Rochon
Melanie Belanger

Nick Rankin
Louise Gauthier

Michael Gauthier
Dorine Stevens

Lisette Rankin
Carolle Dionne

Secretary:

Carolle Dionne

Trustees:

Roxanne Belliveau

Carmen Fraser

Jeannette Sylvestre

Absent:

Meeting called to order at 7:02 pm and chaired by *Jamie Burk*, President.

1. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion: *To adopt the agenda as presented*

Moved by: Melanie Belanger **Seconded by:** Rene Rochon **All in favour** – motion carried.

2. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES:**

Motion: *To adopt the minutes October 3, 2016 as amended – add under Directors: Present Celine Anderson*

Moved by: Lisette Rankin **Seconded by:** Celine Anderson **All in favour** – motion carried.

3. **Committee Reports:**

a) **Treasurer's Report by Michael Gauthier**

Mike presented and reviewed the Income and Balance Statements ending October 31, 2016.

b) **Membership Report by Dorine Stevens**

Good turnout for other registration nights

29 men; 26 ladies; 7 senior = 62 total registered since last meeting

Two members have not yet paid but have started to play while four members paid \$25.00 for the extra night. We had eight additional entries paid by debit. One member registered but did not pay because not sure if she'll return. She wanted to see if she'll enjoy the game.

Suggest that if members have not yet paid they should not be allowed to play after the first night unless they wish to make payment arrangements with the board.

Board discussed and will continue to monitor if they don't pay by end of this week they will be advised they can't play until they pay. The option is also there to pay half season.

c) **Bar & Entertainment by Michael Gauthier**

We had an incident on Saturday and discussion were had on how to deal with an intoxicated patron. How to deal with the situation. Suggestions to address the issue with a family member or a friend (sober / less intoxicated) could potentially have better results / understanding of the situation.

d) **Ice Report by Nick Rankin**

In spite of the ice plant setbacks but with the great help of 30 plus volunteers, we succeeded to get the ice done on time. As far as the ice plant goes, there are number of issues that have surfaced. The sizing of the compressors installed was incorrect. Instead of 22 ton, they were sized at 18 ton. The impeller in the brine pump needs to be smaller slowing the flow through the chiller for better cooling. In the meantime the valves have been throttled down to reduce the flow. The fans in the condenser were not shutting off when the plant was not cooling. A new contactor

has been installed in the panel to do this. The compressors would not shut off in certain instances using the switches on the panel. This has been corrected. A number of other settings were reviewed and corrected. Another Schrader valve was found to be leaking which required the addition of another 120 pounds of refrigerant. The above items are being covered by Metal-Air. There is no firm timeline yet for completion. As a result of the fixes done so far, the ice plant has gone from running almost constantly to running about 13 hours a day. The equipment for mapping the curling rocks has been received (carbon paper and rolling pin).

e) **Marketing & Advertising by René Rochon**

1. Finally have our 5 Radio sponsors:
 - A. Don Leblanc Business's- Padou's & Don's Pub – Full contract
 - B. East Link – Full Contract
 - C. Michaud & Levesque Hardware – Full Contract
 - D. Maslack Supply – Full Contract
 - E. Chez Jean-Marc Bakery – Full Contract

With these sponsors we have started our Moose FM Radio Ads which started two weeks ago (October 25th). The ads are done on Tuesday morning (8:30am) and are heard from Wednesday to Friday. The Treasurer can now invoice all of our Sponsors for the signs, banners, ice logo's and club info board.

Received confirmation from Bouffard Well Drilling for the sponsorship of the Ladies Bonspiel.

Put-up posters for FunSpiel at all local Businesses that I called upon. IE: No Frills – Metro – Canadian Tire – Stats Canada – Town Hall – Police Station – Tremblay Chev – Savage Ford – RL Equipment and all other businesses in town.

Did cold calls for Future Sponsors for our Curling Walls. All are interested but I will need to do follow ups. We have acquired a New Banner sponsor – The Cutter's Edge – Thanks to Melanie Bélanger.

f) **Bonspiel Report by Melanie Belanger**

We ended up with 12 teams, need to either prep earlier or push it back a few weeks. Potentially incorporate it with the National Curling Week (Nov 17-27).

Finance for the Funspiel: Income \$1550; Expenses \$218.85 for a Net profit of \$1331.15 Deposit \$1337.

g) **Curling Leagues Report by Celine Anderson**

Leagues are off to a good start

Tuesday night has 9 teams with one bye a week and the ladies don't mind!

Wednesday has 8 teams

Thursday has 6 teams

Friday has 12 teams. This schedule isn't completely finished but should be by the end of the week!

h) **Little Rock by Jeannette Sylvestre**

18 children have registered for Sunday mornings –12 Little Rocks (age 5 – 9 years) & 6 Juniors (ages 10 – 13 years) One yet to pay and another may be joining.

We have 6 coaches – Pam Morel, Roxanne Belliveau, Aaron Lisk, Mel Belanger, Celine Anderson and Jeannette Sylvestre. Three assistant coaches: Chloe Labelle, Maxime Goupil and Logan Burk as well as two parents helping out - Karen Pigeau and Stephanie Lisk.

Exploring gift item for children and a donation of hot dogs and buns was made from our Community Challenge Bonspiel.

Seven students have registered and apparently another 12 interested. Ron McLeod has offered to help out on Monday evenings.

NOCA – Hit, Draw and Tap Contest, cost is only \$50. Message was fanned out to Guy Piquette to share with his contacts at Franco-Cite and to Karen Pigeau for Northern.

i) **House Report by Lisette Rankin**

All is good.

j) Building Report by Carolle Dionne

The rest of the graffiti was removed by Nipissing Exterior Cleaning (arranged by Jamie Burk). Nothing else to update. Roof remains to be fixed. Contractors to be sought.

4. Ongoing business

a) Defibrillator:

Checked and tested tonight by Carolle Dionne.

b) Capital Projects Fundraising

Tickets were out last week and more than half were distributed. This year the seller of the winning ticket will receive a \$50 gift card (Beer Store) for each 1st and 2nd prize.

Progressive 50/50 – need a volunteer to take this over. Rene and Carolle have volunteered to look after this.

Top 50 Fishing Derby – already received some registration as a result of the meeting on Sunday (Nov 6). Changes with the prizes and equipment. Local sub-committee should be meeting in December to get started on the advertisement and promotion.

Looks like the dates will be change for the upcoming fishing derbies so they're not both on the same weekend.

c) Curling Clinic

Sunday afternoon and not that many showed up – two new people and a few seniors.

Suggest we prepare a calendar at the end of our 2017 season in preparation to the 2017/18 season. Providing us more time for advertisement and preparation.

d) League Rules / Etiquette

The rules and etiquette have been drafted up by Nick and posted in the club. It was suggested a copy of the league rules be posted on the rink side as well.

5. New Business

a) Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario (AGCO)

Some members advised we cannot expand our licence due to the square footage on the ice surface as we can only take into consideration the portion along the wall.

b) Youth Coach Curling Clinic

Celine and Karen attended. Celine plans on submitting some information to Jeannette to incorporate some of the things they've learnt. Very informative and beneficial.

c) House Contract

Submitted by Lisette Rankin and presented by Jamie Burk. No change from 2015/16.

d) Craft / Trade Show

To market ourselves at local events. Discussion also suggested we host a Chamber and Commerce meet and greet.

e) Northern Ontario Mixed Double – Provincial Championship

Suggested we form a sub-committee. Sub-committee – Louise Gauthier, Nick Rankin, Melanie Belanger and Celine Anderson.

6. Correspondence

NOCA – information was distributed to the committee members and also fanned out to contacts for our local high schools.

7. Next meeting – December 5 at 7 pm (future meeting Jan 9 / Feb 6 / Mar 6 / Apr 3)

Motion: To adjourn the meeting @ 8:50 pm

Moved by: Louise Gauthier

Seconded by: Lisette Rankin

All in favour – carried.