



SHERWOOD PARK CURLING CLUB
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Sunday, February 25, 2018
3:30 PM, SPCC Meeting Room

Name	Position
In attendance:	
Greg Empson	President
Ralph Maclean	Past-President
Doug Kroetsch	President-Elect
Allison McKinnon	Secretary
Lynette Carlson	Treasurer
Heather Nedohin	SPCC Manager
Cathy Henbest	Wednesday Ladies League Representative
Corwyn Chomay	Director at Large
Blair Horn	Friday Night Mixed Representative
Ron Michaud	Thursday Night Men's League Representative
Kelly Rudyk	Saturday Night League Representative
Angela DeWolfe	Sunday Open League Representative
Vern Schmidt	Tuesday Men's League Representative
Lesley Stafiniak	Web & Signage Master
Rodney Yaremchuk	Director at Large
Regrets:	
Guy Algot	Bonspiel Coordinator
Dianne Loesch Fika	Director at Large
Don Steinbach	Director at Large
Jeanette Torgerson	Tuesday Ladies League Representative
Marilyn Lappin	Wednesday Ladies League Representative
Robert Friedt	Senior Mixed Curling League Representative
Rhonda Gibson	Thursday Ladies League Representative

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM by President G. Empson.

2. Approval of Agenda

The draft Agenda was approved as circulated, with the addition of the following items under New Business:

- 6.3 Club Championship Score IX Schedule
- 6.4 Proposed new league Wednesday night after Ladies
- 6.5 Year end Board Event
- 6.6 Benches on Ice
- 6.7 Schedule for the 2018-2019 Year

3. Review of Board Meeting Minutes, January 7, 2018 (for approval)

The draft Minutes of the SPCC Board Meeting held on January 7, 2018 were approved as circulated.

4. Reports

4.1 Ice Tech Report. H. Nedohin presented a report prepared by the Head Ice Technician, M. Brodeur. See report. Ice conditions are variable across sheets, with some sheets having ridges, according to curlers from various leagues. High quality ice is a top priority for the SPCC. External advice on how to improve the ice conditions will be sought. Decisions on the recruitment and retention of SPCC staff for ice maintenance are delegated to the SPCC Manager.

4.2 Financial Report.

A draft Financial Report as of January 2018 was previously circulated by M. Schaufele, SPCC Bookkeeper (see report). A projected surplus of \$40,000.00 may be realized as of year end, May 30, 2018.

4.3 SPCC Manager's Report. No written report. H. Nedohin presented a verbal report, highlighting the 4th annual EIPS bonspiel which was a "huge success". Junior curlers are achieving success on the provincial level. Banners for the champion Junior teams will be hung over the SPCC ice surfaces and winners will be recognized on Championship Day.

G. Empson and H. Nedohin will be meeting with the new Manager of the Belvedere Golf and County Club (BGCC) to review the existing contract. In view of the increase in revenue from food and beverage sales, changes in Alberta labour legislation on minimum wages affecting staffing costs, and SPCC expectations for high quality service, BGCC would like to discuss this agreement. G. Empson and H. Nedohin are to report back to the Board following the meeting with the BGCC.

4.4 League Reports

4.4.1 Senior Mixed Curling League. No report.

4.4.2 Thursday Men's Curling League: The league is going well; all scoring is up to date. No issues were identified.

4.4.3 Tuesday Ladies League. No report.

4.4.4 Tuesday Men's League: The Men's Bonspiel was successful. "When ice issues are resolved, league play will be in good shape".

4.4.5 Wednesday Night Ladies League: No issues to report.

4.4.6 Friday Mixed League: One week left in League play. Preparations for play-offs are in progress.

4.4.7 Saturday Mixed League: K. Rudyk, as the "new guy", commented on the need for leagues to share information on practices, and raised questions about the timing

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of the bell and double boards. League representatives are to meet with H. Nehodin to share information about same and other league operational issues.

4.4.8 Juniors' League: No report. See report above by H. Nedohin.

4.4.9 Thursday Ladies League. No report.

4.4.10 Sunday Open: Angela DeWolfe is the new representative of the Sunday Open League. She reported that curlers in this league are requesting better quality beer on tap. Such comments need to be sent to H. Nedohin who will follow-up with the BGCC.

5 Old Business

5.1 Grant Application: Reverse osmosis water system

A grant proposal for funding of a reverse osmosis water system has been submitted to the Alberta Government. There has been no response as yet. A proposal has also been submitted for a STEP student, with no response received as yet.

5.2 Volunteer Appreciation Event

Invitations to attend the SPCC Sponsors and Volunteer Appreciation Event on March 17, 2018 have been sent to the Board, Sponsors, and league curlers identified for recognition by League representatives. Board Members who have not yet responded to the invitation to attend this event were requested to confirm or decline the invitation to attend. League representatives were asked to identify volunteers from their leagues who should be invited to this event, if they have not already done so.

5.3 Memorial and Milestone Rocks

Nominations for Memorial and Milestone Rocks have been received by the Committee. It was clarified that one name of a SPCC member who is eligible for a Rock Handle Award has been omitted from the list presented at the meeting by H. Nedohin. After discussion, it was agreed that this SPCC member is eligible to receive a Milestone Rock Handle and that this will be done this year. The policy for awarding Milestone and Memorial rock handles needs to be reviewed and clarified for the 2018-2019 year.

5.4 Hosting of Special Events in 2018-2019; 2019-2020

The SPCC is hosting NACA Men's Northerns in January 2019. This will affect the scheduling of the Men's Bonspiel in 2019.

H. Nedohin presented information on the hosting fees for various special events. She suggested that the SPCC host the 2020: U-18 Provincials. Support for hosting this event was identified.

Service Experts Mixed Doubles in 2018-2019: Plans are preliminary at this point. Service Experts is interested in continuing to sponsor this event.

A Committee for Special Events to be struck, as suggested by R. Michaud.

6 New Business

6.1 SPCC Awards Policy (see <https://sherwoodparkcurling.com/index.php/13-club-info/409-awards-policy>). The SPCC Awards Policy, as approved in December 2010, was tabled for review. Awards are to be made in accordance with this policy. Do the criteria for awards need to be reviewed? G. Empson proposed that the Executive prepare a new Awards policy, and submit it to the Board for approval at a future Board meeting.

6.2 Draft 2018-2019 Budget

A revised, draft budget for the Sherwood Park Curling Club in 2018-2019 was circulated in advance of the meeting, on February 24th, for the consideration of the Board.

L. Carlson, Treasurer, presented background information on the preparation of the draft Budget for the 2018-2019 season. Discussion ensued on factors influencing the proposed revenues and expenditures in this draft Budget, including a new fee to be paid per curler to Curling Canada, cost differentials among Leagues, and potential capital expenses. It was noted that registration fees have not increased in recent years. It was noted that the SPCC reserve funds are to be retained for capital expenses, not for ongoing operating expenses.

MOVED BY R. MacLean, SECONDED by V. Schmidt, that the proposed budget with a 5% increase in league fees, be approved. MOTION was CARRIED.

6.3 Club Championship Score IX Schedule

R. Michaud spoke to the Club Championship Score IX Schedule. He will be doing this for the Men's leagues, but not for other leagues. H. Nedohin is to work with other leagues on implementation of the Score IX schedule for Club Championships.

6.4 Proposed new league Wednesday night after Ladies

R. Michaud proposed a new league for Wednesday night, using a different format, emphasizing doubles and triples, with six end games. This option will be considered for implementation in 2018-2019.

6.5 Year End Board Event

A year end curling event is to be held on **Saturday, March 24th from 5 to 7 PM**. Eight teams from members within the Board, staff, and significant others are invited to attend this event. The new format of Doubles and Triples, will be the format for the game. R. Michaud volunteered to organize this event. H. Nedohin is to send out the invitations, and R. Michaud is to assign the teams.

6.6 Benches on the Ice

V. Schmidt raised this issue for Board consideration, in view of requests for more ice benches identified by some SPCC members. H. Nedohin reported that a design for on ice benches is being prepared by a potential contractor, and costs are to be submitted to the SPCC Board for consideration at a future meeting.



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6.7 Schedule for the 2018-2019 Year

H. Nedohin reported that the schedule for 2018-2019 is a work in progress. The estimated start date is September 17th, with the ice going in, and an opening event at the end of September. The end of the season may be during the second or third week of March 2019. Hosting of special events, such as the NACA Men's Northern competition, will impact the scheduling of club level leagues and bonspiels.

7 Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the SPCC Board will be held at the call of the President.

8 Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison McKinnon
SPCC Secretary