



199 GEORGIAN WAY

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SHERWOOD PARK CURLING CLUB
DRAFT BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Sunday, January 7, 2018
4:00 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
Guy Algot	Bonspiel Coordinator
Dianne Loesch Fika	Director at Large
Robert Friedt	Senior Mixed Curling League Representative
Rhonda Gibson	Thursday Ladies League Representative
Cathy Henbest	Wednesday Ladies League Representative
Blair Horn	Friday Night Mixed Representative
Michelle Lappin	Wednesday Ladies League Representative
Ron Michaud	Thursday Night Men's League Representative
Kelly Rudyk	Saturday Night League Representative
Mel Schaufele	SPCC Bookkeeper
Vern Schmidt	Tuesday Men's League Representative
Lesley Stafiniak	Web & Signage Master
Don Steinbach	Director at Large
Jeanette Torgerson	Tuesday Ladies League Representative
Barry Wagg	Member

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM by President Greg Empson.
A round of introductions of all those present was made.

2. Approval of Agenda

The draft Agenda was approved as circulated.

3. Review of Board Meeting Minutes, December 3, 2017 (for approval)

The draft Minutes of the SPCC Board meeting held on December 3, 2017 were approved with the following amendment to the report from the Senior Mixed Curling League: "In the New Year, 6 sheets of curling ice will be needed and used on Fridays by Senior league curlers, indicative of the strong interest in curling among this segment of the SPCC membership who also curl on Monday and Wednesday mornings".

4. Reports

4.1 Ice Tech Report. H. Nedohin gave a verbal summary of the report prepared by the Head Ice Technician. The report focused on ice maintenance services in recent weeks. A second flood of the ice is expected prior to the Ladies Bonspiel (February 10-11). The ice will be going out on March 25th, and SPCC facilities will be closed as of March 31st. Are there any issues or questions? From the Tuesday Men's League, V.



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Schmidt said there were complaints about the ice conditions prior to the Christmas break, due to the length of time between the flood of the ice in October, and the last curling dates in December. The ice conditions this week, the first week of January 2018, seem to be “very good” to “excellent”.

4.2 Financial Report. M. Schaufele presented the draft Financial statements as of December 31, 2017, circulated on January 5, 2018 (see attached). Noting the positive financial status of the SPCC, the statements were received as information.

4.3 SPCC Manager’s Report. See report circulated on January 7, 2018.

Regarding the food and beverage services provided by the Belvedere Golf and Country Club, M. Lappin reported concerns from the members of the Wednesday Night Ladies League about the slowness of table service, and the lack of responsiveness to walk up service to the bar. These concerns have been raised by members of other leagues. H. Nedohin will meet with A. Anderson, BGCC, to discuss these concerns and seek solutions needed to increase member satisfaction and prevent loss of revenue from food and beverage services.

Regarding special event planning in upcoming years, H. Nedohin requested input from the Board as to preferences for hosting special Curling events. This request was addressed under Item 5.1 (see below).

In response to a question from G. Empson on the status of a grant proposal for a reverse osmosis water system, H. Nedohin stated that three quotes for the reverse osmosis water system are to be received this week and that the grant proposal is under development.

4.4 League Reports

4.4.1 Senior Mixed Curling League. R. Friedt reported that an excellent Christmas banquet was enjoyed by over 125 members of the Senior Mixed Curling League, with all positive comments. For next season, there is significant interest to start another draw on Wednesday afternoons using 4 sheets of ice. H. Nedohin raised concerns that the Wednesday schedule is quite full. She will discuss options with R. Friedt.

There have been more falls among senior curlers this season. There is more interest in equipment options for head injury prevention in the event of falls. Some Senior curlers do not wear double grippers on their curling shoes which may increase risks for falls on the ice.

To reduce risks of injury, H. Nedohin addresses safety issues with curlers at the beginning of each season, and as needed during the year.

4.4.2 Thursday Men’s Curling League: R. Michaud reported that the season continues to go well. Registrations for the Men’s Bonspiel are full.

4.4.3 Tuesday Men’s League: V. Schmidt noted that continued issues related to slow service in the lounge, and the quality of ice conditions, have been addressed earlier in this meeting. All teams registered early for the Men’s Bonspiel and so benefited from the early bird registration fee.

4.4.4 Tuesday Ladies League: J. Torgerson reported that the league is going well this season. In December, the Tuesday Ladies League raised a total of \$2590.00 for the Strathcona Food Bank. An excellent Christmas banquet was enjoyed by the members.



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4.4.5 Wednesday Night Ladies League: M. Lappin reported that the Wednesday Ladies League did a fund raiser to support homeless people, rather than hold a Christmas party. A total of 65 items were donated in one week. On Christmas Day, gifts were distributed to homeless people in Churchill Square and at the Mustard Seed Mission in Edmonton. M. Lappin suggested that this charitable project may be of interest to other leagues for next season.

4.4.6 Friday Mixed League: B. Horn reported that the Christmas event was well done, and included raffling of donated Christmas baskets.

4.4.7 Saturday Mixed League: K. Rudyk was welcomed as the new representative of the Saturday Night Mixed League. He reported that the Christmas function was low key. Some League members were concerned about losing the Mixed Bonspiel this year, and hope that this bonspiel will take place in future.

4.4.8 Juniors' League: H. Nedohin reported that the Junior League is full, and the number of Junior curlers continues to grow! A trip to see the Grand Slam of Curling in Camrose is planned (see Manager's report). Insurance coverage is in place.

4.4.9 Thursday Ladies League. R. Gibson said the Christmas banquet was a great event. The League Social Committee did a 50/50 raffle with proceeds going to the Strathcona Women's Shelter.

5. Old Business

5.1 Discussion of events for 2018/19 season

The SPCC is on the NACA rotation roster and will be hosting the following events:

- Men's Northern Playdown in January 2019;
- Seniors Northern Playdowns in 2019-2020;
- Juniors Northern Playdown in 2022-2023.

H. Nedohin requested input from the Board as to preferences for hosting other special Curling events in 2019 and 2020. In discussion, hosting an event for Wheelchair curlers was considered, as the GARC curling facilities are wheelchair accessible. However, transportation of wheelchair athletes from outside of Sherwood Park is a challenge, as the Edmonton Transit System buses for wheelchair users, and the Strathcona County transit buses for wheelchair users, do not travel outside their respective regions.

Support for hosting the Alberta Junior Championships in 2019 and 2020 was identified. If there are other events, such as the Provincial Women's Championship in 2020, or the Provincial Seniors Championship in 2020, then Board members are requested to let H. Nedohin know.

Service Experts is interested in sponsoring a Mixed Doubles Event again. This opportunity will be brought forward for consideration at the next Board meeting.

The SPCC Ladies Bonspiel is scheduled for February 10-11, 2018. Eleven teams are registered to date. Deadline for early registration is January 14, 2018. A total of 24 teams will be accepted.

5.2 Rock Handles. D. Loesch Fika reported that one submission has been received for a Memorial rock handle. As announced on the SPCC website, SPCC Members who have curled for **20** years or longer are eligible for nomination for a Milestone rock handle. SPCC League representatives are asked to communicate information about the Memorial and Milestone rock handles to their league members so



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that eligible members may be nominated. This year, the deadline for submission of nomination(s) is February 2nd, 2018. Nomination forms are on the SPCC website.

6. New Business

6.1 Year end – VOY party planner needed

A person to plan the Volunteer of the Year event is needed. This year end event to recognize all SPCC volunteers is to be held on **Championship Day (March 17th, 2018)**. Any interested member is encouraged to contact H. Nedohin or G. Empson.

7. Next Meeting Dates

The date of the next meeting of the **SPCC Board** will be held on **February 25, 2018 at 3:30 PM**. The focus of the meeting will be planning the proposed budget for 2018-2019.

A meeting of the **Executive Committee** is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 7, 2018 at 5:00 PM** in the SPCC Meeting Room. The focus of the meeting will be the proposed budget for 2018-2019.

An end of the year **SPCC Board and Staff curling event** was proposed by Ron Michaud and Dianne Loesch Fika, and was supported by Board members. This event will be held on **Sunday, March 25th at 10:00 AM**, followed by food and refreshments in the SPCC Lounge.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 17: 05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Allison McKinnon
SPCC Secretary