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**199 GEORGIAN WAY GLEN ALLAN RECREATION COMPLEX**

**SHERWOOD PARK CURLING CLUB  
DRAFT BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

January 10, 2021  
3 PM, ONLINE

| <b>Name</b>           | <b>Position</b>                        |
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| <b>In attendance:</b> |  |
| Herb Herder           | President                              |
| Doug Kroetsch         | Past-President                         |
| Donna Dosman          | President-Elect                        |
| Jody Zacharkiw        | Secretary                              |
| Dee Matishak          | Treasurer                              |
| Heather Nedohin       | SPCC Manager                           |
| Guy Algot             | Monday Mix League Representative       |
| Mary Plester          | Monday Night Doubles Representative    |
| Vern Schmidt          | Tuesday Mens' League Representative    |
| Theresa Blades        | Tuesday Ladies League REpresentative   |
| Cathy Henbest         | Wednesday Ladies League Representative |
| Rodney Yaremchuk      | Thursday Mens' League Representative   |
| Blair Horn            | Friday Night Mixed Representative      |
| Bonnie Schmidt        | Seniors League Representative          |
| Dianne Loesch (Fika)  | Director at Large                      |
| Lynn Penner           | Director at Large                      |
| Ron Michaud           | Director at Large                      |
| Mel Schaufele         | SPCC - Finance                         |

**1. Call to Order** (President, Herb Herder)

Called to order at 3:01pm. On behalf of all of us, wishing everyone a Happy New Year and a better 2021.

## **2. Approval of Agenda**

The purpose of this meeting is to share additional information, given everything that is going on in the pandemic times we are navigating.

Vern Schmidt moved to approve the agenda. Diane Loesch Fika seconded. Motion carried.

## **3. Review of Board Meeting Minutes, October 25, 2020 (for approval)**

Lynn Penner moved to approve the minutes. Bonnie Schmidt seconded. Motion Carried.

## **4. Reports**

### **4.1 SPCC Manager's Report (Manager, Heather Nedohin)**

See report for full details.

Significant cutbacks to staffing and energy usage in the club. Our focus is on daily review of the situation we are in and providing information to club members. The Covid Response team has been meeting regularly regarding the creation of scenarios based on what is happening.

Highlighted work being done by Donna regarding Ethics and Code of Conduct policy. Based on issues that have been coming up, we need to be more current.

Strategic Planning meeting this week to move forward for the upcoming 5 years.

SPCC continues to lead with the request for clarification and special consideration of curling through letters sent to the Mayor, MLAs, Health Minister and AHS etc. Hoping we can come back sooner than other indoor sports.

Have been working on several budget scenarios, hoping that when we reopen membership will be excited to get back at it.

Pushed acquisition of rocks to the beginning of next season.

We have asked Terry to defer any return flight based on when we find out what will be happening. He was able to cancel the flight for next week and get a credit. He will await our directive as to when to return.

When the county has a green light to return they will ask for 5 days to get ready to open. Premier Kenney indicated he will give a one week notice.

### **i. Additional Executive comments**

None added.

## **4.2 Financial Report (Treasurer, Dee Matishak)**

The Treasurer presented 3 budget scenarios.

Best case scenario is opening the start of Feb and playing until about April 23. If we can go that far, we can get 12 games in. we forgo any options for playdowns. It will be for fun.

Profit scenario would be based on getting all the grants. We don't know if we will get them or they will still exist, etc. we could possibly come out with no loss this year.

Most preferred scenario - 8 games - looking at a deficit of 30,000. This would also take into account that this is minus the refunds. 247,000 at 8 games. 12 games would give registration about the same. We would recalculate if we had to shut down this week, or the next or the next. Because more costs keep coming out. Would look like only about a third of revenue if we have to give back a lot of refunds. We will deal with refunds until the end of April, as per the policy.

We have saved some money as we haven't had to pay during the times of shut down. They have been good to us in times when things are beyond our control.

Relaunch subsidy. \$20,000 is part of what you see that has helped reduce the deficit. Thanks to Mel for the work into the grants and those who helped.

No extra events scheduled. Total focus is on league play. Given stat holidays, we might want to utilize Saturdays for make up games.

### **5. Old Business**

As discussed in Manager's Report

Rock Replacement, Strategic Planning Process, Code of Conduct

### **6. New Business**

#### **6.1 Current AHS Directions**

Jan 12 date extended to Jan 21 with no changes of restrictions, since the last meeting,

## **6.2 Return to Play - completion of season options?**

One: no curling until September

Two: starting of Feb and ending in April.

The more games we play, the better off we are financially. If we could get 7-9 games in, we would be in much better shape than we had hoped.

Members voted on preference of curling to the beginning or the end of April. All members indicated they would play until the end of April.

Rodney suggests we ask all of membership.

We have hopes to start up and hope not to have to shut down again. We could start up and shut down again.

## **7. League Rep Input / Q & A Roundtable**

Donna - might come asking for people to send letters to MLA, Hinshaw, etc.

Mel - working on rent subsidy. Qualify for approximately \$7,500 /per month. .

Guy - wondering about a calendar. Clarify that we need to be out by the end of April. We have not had the conversation with the County whether we can play into May. Asked about events.

Heather is not committing at this point. Absolutely no 2 day events. We may need the Saturdays for leagues to make up games. We do not have these answers until we know when we start again.

Rodney - if there is a return we will still have a portion of the membership coming back. We need to be prepared for how members will respond. What if 25% of members are not ready to come back.

We haven't figured this out yet. We can go out with a survey. Gov't - going to be putting energy into businesses and with sports differences, not likely to be high on their priority list.

Theresa - not sure if her team would come back. Might need to pick up spares. Curious also about other members. Thinking shut down is likely to continue.

Vern - hoping most will come back, but likely a couple might come back

Donna - scheduling could be difficult. We would look at modifying the schedule as well if needed.

Vern - can we look at going with BC curling rules with sweeping etc.

Heather - there are too many unknowns to determine a return to play plan. Every province is different and club rules are different too. Highly doubt it because curling Alberta gave the mandate.

Rodney - what we will do with teams that choose not to return. Nothing, if you choose not to return, that is your choice.

Donna - clarified that the refund policy is based on us making that call.

Bonnie - on behalf of 146 seniors, cannot guess what their response is at this time.

69% only curl once per week.

Blair - what about not being able to use all sheets. Maybe could have a kickoff to next season for a championship day.

Cathy - concerned about AHS choosing what to come back and not. Do they have the manpower? Likes the idea of starting next season with playoffs.

Mary - wondering whether we are considering sending out a survey to membership.

Herb - yes.

Club Managers are looking at creating one - JP headed the first time around and rest modified, which is currently being formulated.

Vern - if we send a survey, we need to highlight that it is a choice and refunds are not awarded

Diane - is Mike willing to come back?

Heather - Yes he is eager. He is going to be at Festival Place and is starting to make Sherwood Park home.

Ron - maybe cut the survey down to a team level. Easier to manage the information.

-safety protocol - could step this up with mandatory masks, active curlers only to not have a mask. Take it off to be active but back on as soon as you are inactive.

Heather reported that the Saville got 2 more weeks in. Crestwood has no games in. Everyone is likely to extend into April.

Blair - consideration of memorial rocks, special rocks. We had a death from Friday night mix. Want to talk to the family about a memorial rock on Vern's behalf.

#### **8. Next Meeting Date - TBD**

We will look at something in 2-4 weeks based on information that comes out from AHS. Will stay in touch about it.

#### **9. Adjournment**

Thank you to everyone for your time, effort, commitment and support. Looking forward to successes together.

Meeting adjourned at 4:35 pm.