



## Berwick Curling Club Board Meeting February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019



**Attendance:** Arlene MacArthur    Bryan Illsley    Curt Palmer    Matt Redden  
Beth Eason    Claude LeBlanc    Danny Vaughan    Michelle Larsen  
Brad Schurman    Connie Milne    Hartley MacArthur    Mike Larsen

**Missing:** Alice McNeil, Deb Hubbert, Tammy West.

**1) Approval of the January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Board Minutes:** Matt motioned to approve the minutes of the January 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting with the noted correction in section 2 d. (2 d should read, The sensor on the ERV on the roof was replaced). Seconded by Danny.

### **2) Business Arising From The Minutes:**

- a) **Garbage Shed** – The shed has arrived and is being used. All garbage, recycling and cardboard is to go into the shed until garbage day/returns are made.
  - Hartley suggested that a landing and skirting be built in front of the shed door. Materials would cost approximately \$100. The Board agreed that this would be a good idea for safety as well as for visual appeal.
- b) **Water Softener** – Doug has installed a small water softener in the bar on the cold-water line for the glass washer. In return, he will receive two years free sign rental in the ice shed.
- c) **Credit Card** – Financial reports are now at a place that they are current and ready to submit to the bank for a credit card application.

### **3) Financial Report – Mike**

Bank Balance – The bank balance as of February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 is \$70,575.22

The common cost cheque for \$6000 dated for February 15<sup>th</sup> will clear the bank account in the next few days.

Membership is up \$17,000 from last year. Bar sales have gone from \$10,250 at this time last year to \$21,300 this year.

#### 4) New Business:

- a) **Mark Riley Project** – Ann Dort has advised Mike that there are 125 tickets sold to date for the Mark Riley Project dance scheduled for March 16<sup>th</sup> and Brad noted that 25 of the 50 he has at the store are sold. Mike is looking after the stage from the Lions, getting volunteers and the special event liquor license.
- b) **High School Regionals** – The Club will host the High School Regionals February 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. The School will pay \$60 per team for the 12 teams entered. They school program will be finished before Friday Evening Curling on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and before Pay the Pig the evening of February 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Juniors have been invited to run a canteen during the High School Regionals but Mike is uncertain if they will do so or not. The Bar will not be open.
- c) **Apple Spiel** – There is space for 24 teams and Danny has all 24 team registered and all but 4 paid with 3 more teams on the waiting list. Someone is required to organize the kitchen help and food for that weekend. The Lions offered to so a soup and sandwich combo for \$12 each. An email will be sent out to the membership to request volunteers and help for the Apple Spiel.
- d) **Stick Curling Provincials** – The Berwick Curling Club has been approached to host the Stick Curling Provincials. The Stick Curlers have their own Association and like to move around the Province to gain exposure. During their event, they have their general meeting and request a lunch that day. The Provincial Event would be held over a 3 day period and generally has 27 or 28 participating.
- e) **Stick Curling Bonspiel** – There is a competitive stick curling league around the Province involving the highest level of stick curlers. They have 3 tournaments a year with a final in February requiring ice for a full Saturday and half of Sunday. They also offer to hold clinics during their tournament. They are requesting a quote to host at the Berwick Club. Glooscap has quoted \$500 for 8-10 teams. The Board discussed and decided to offer the Club to them in November or early January for \$750 if they would commit to holding a clinic.
- f) **Next Year's Calendar** – The calendar needs to be set for next Season during the next meeting. The Ice makers require 2 weekend to flood during the season so that needs to be set now.

#### 5) Roundtable:

Claude questioned if we were having the semi-annual meeting. At this point there will not be a semi-annual meeting, just the annual. The question was raised if the Club requires both an annual and a semi-annual meeting. If the semi-annual meeting were to be dropped, it would require a membership vote to change the by-law.

There is nothing on the calendar for the evening of February 16<sup>th</sup> following the Edie Spiel. Claude would like to offer that night to the Learn to Curl people to use if they wish.

The Club website has, on the membership home tab, ability to book ice time. We need to start guiding people to use this feature for better control, clarity and ease on those receiving calls to inquire if ice is available.

There are a couple of lights out over sheet D. This has been noted on the deficiency list (with the KMCC and Lindsay's). There is also a second light that is out at times.

It would be good to have someone on publicity of events once they are complete as a follow-up.

Danny noted that we now give out 2 free drink tickets for session winners. He questioned if we should look at something more for anyone who is a 3 time session winner. Not at this time.

Danny also noted that there are a significant amount of people signing up for Tuesday and Thursday evenings who are requesting that they be on a team with another person. It is expected for couples who are curling but there are a number of people wanting to curl with their friend which makes it very difficult to create teams.

There has been a request to inquire if a junior curler could fill a void on the evening social league schedule. The Junior would incur the extra \$115 per year fee to join the evening league. As long as Alice felt a Junior was ready and a 15 year minimum, it should not be a problem. An email will be sent to the membership and also a request of the Friday night league to see if any adult members would like to fill the empty positions first.

**6) Date of Next Board Meeting:** The next Board meeting will be held on March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm in the meeting room upstairs.

**7) Adjournment:** Beth motioned for the meeting to be adjourned at 7:40pm.

Minutes submitted by Arlene MacArthur, Secretary