OCEAN STATE CURLING CLUB, INC.
BOARD MEETING

January 9, 2012

Board members present: Larry Riccitelli, Dick LaChapelle, Kathy Brady, Kathy Ervin, Janet Prichard, Gordon Walsh, Tim Watson

The meeting began at approximately 6:40 pm.

1) Approval of Prior Board Meeting Minutes. One change was requested to the minutes that were circulated - that "Gordon Emmett" be changed to "Gordon International."

The following motion was made by Kathy E.:

That the minutes of the November, 7th 2011 Board Meeting circulated by Tim Watson be approved by the Board as amended.

Dick L. seconded.

The motion passed 7-0.

2) Acceptance of Resignations. Kathy B. informed the Board that both Heidi Kevorkian and Chris Kite seek to resign from the Board.

The following motion was made by Kathy B.:

That the resignations of Heidi Kevorkian and Chris Kite from the Board be accepted.

Kathy E. seconded.

The motion passed 7-0.

Discussion followed with respect to whether the now vacant Board seats should be filled. It was agreed that we should seek replacements from the membership. Kathy E. proposed a Board seat focused on community outreach. Kathy B. is going to reach out to the members to find those interested in event coordination and training. Tim W. expressed a desire to also seek an eventual replacement for the position of Secretary after this year.

2) Treasurer's Report. Kathy E reported a current bank balance of $19,282.27. A discussion of dues payment followed.

Barb Smith arrived at 7:00 p.m.

The following motion was made by Kathy B.:

That the Treasurer's report be accepted by the Board.

Janet P. seconded.

The motion passed 8-0.

3) Training Coordinator. Gordon W. inquired as to how we might get training for our club's trainers. A discussion followed regarding various training materials like the Skip's Handbook and the training template Scott Frazier developed last year. Kathy B. discussed the possibility of doing a Learn to Curl next fall, although it may depend on this year's spring curling.

4 Future Growth / Management. Larry R. reported that the target membership after the Winter Learn to Curl was 40 and we are currently at 44. Jon L. is working to accommodate 11 teams for the second session. Discussion followed about eventually pursuing a second night of rental in Cranston to accommodate future growth. Gordon W. is going to explore this topic with the Cranston ice arena management. The conditions of the ice in Cranston was also discussed, especially with respect to monitoring and thickness.

Larry R. also reported that he had been looking into the costs associated with building our own facility. In the mold of Columbus, OH and Portland, OR, repurposing warehouse space might only cost approximately $350-400k. Larry R. to do more research as he feels the commercial real estate market is turning around and we will likely need to move quickly.

5) Spring Curling. It was reported that March 16th will be our last night in the bubble and that Jon L. is aware of this from a league scheduling perspective. Gordon W. has approached Cranston regarding a 6 week spring session in the front rink. We will be targeting 32 people for spring curling. The cost will be $100 pp with no byes.

6) Pin Quote. Discussion regarding having additional pins made.

The following motion was made by Dick L.:

That the Board accept the pin quote of approximately $250.
Barb S. seconded.
The motion passed 8-0.
10) Norfolk Curling Club. In light of the recent alleged arson at the Norfolk Curling Club, there was discussion of donating to their rebuilding efforts.
The following motion was made by Tim W.:
That the Board authorize the club to donate $100 to the Norfolk Curling Club's rebuilding efforts.
Dick L. seconded.
The motion passed 8-0.
11) Website. There was discussion of placing the club's annual financials on the member-only portion of the website.
12) End of Year Banquet. Kathy B. suggested it might be better to do the end of year banquet in March as opposed to after spring curling. The 22nd and 30th of March are potential dates. There was discussion of having one person do logistics of the banquet and one person do the awards.
13) Stone Care. Dick K. reminds the Board that we need to be cleaning the stones before they are put away.
14) Next Meeting. The next meeting was planned for March 6, 2012 at 6:30pm at the Learning Connection in Providence.
12) Adjournment. The following motion was made by Barb S.:
That the meeting be adjourned.
Janet P. seconded.
The motion passed 8-0.
The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.