

OCEAN STATE CURLING CLUB, INC.
BOARD MEETING

June 7, 2011

Board members present: Kathy Brady, Dick Lachappelle, Kathy Ervin, Jon Langille, Tim Watson

Others present: Gordon Walsh

The meeting began at approximately 6:45 pm.

1) Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes - The following motion was made by Kathy B.:
That the minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting circulated by Tim Watson be approved by the Board.

Dick L. seconded.

The motion passed 5-0.

2) 2011-2012 Budget - Kathy E. in her capacity as Treasurer presented a preliminary 2011-2012 budget for the Board's review. While some expenses and the revenue amounts are still in flux, it seemed to show that we should break even or be close to it even at next year's reduced dues. The Board decided to set next year's full season dues at \$375 pp, or \$350 pp if paid by August 15th. The concept of an "Under 30" discount was also discussed, but for next year, the Board seemed happy to rely on the "New Member" discount. The "New Member" discount will be \$100 pp for the first half and \$175 pp for the second half. This will only be available to new members who have either (1) completed a Learn to Curl with us or (2) curled previously with another club. Issues surrounding how to create a sub list and finding subs were also discussed. It was decided that we should charge \$50 pp per half to be on the sub list. Also, team members will be responsible for finding their own subs this year. It appears that the new club management website we will likely utilize will help with this immensely.

Gordon W. reminded the group that community outreach should be factored into the year's budget.

Kathy E. reported the club's current bank balance to be \$16,884.09. Kathy E. also reported that she was going to check that the 2010 tax return postcard was filed with the IRS on our behalf.

3) Web-based club management system - Kathy B. reported that the preview that several board members got of a web-based management system seemed promising. It would allow league organization and management of the sub lists. It would cost \$300 (CDN) per year. Kathy B. was going to consider appointing someone to be the project manager for the system.

4) Officer/Board Appointments

The following motion was made by Kathy B.:

That Gordon Walsh be elected to the Board of Directors and assume the role of Vice President - Elect, with all the rights and obligations of such positions.

Kathy E. seconded.

The motion passed 5-0.

The following motion was made by Kathy B.:

That Barb Smith be elected to the Board of Directors, with all the rights and obligations of such position.

Gordon W. seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

The following motion was made by Kathy B.:

That the Board of Directors be expanded to 12 members.

Kathy E. seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

5) At-large members - The potential roles of at-large members were discussed as the Board recognizes the need to spread the duties beyond the Board members. The Kite family seemed interested in training; Larry Riccittelli may be interested in membership; Janet Pritchard might be a good candidate for the project manager of the web-based club management system.

6) Officer/director roles & descriptions - Kathy E. had begun to draft descriptions of the officer/director positions. This will aid current and new officers/directors to understand and fulfill their roles. Given time restraints, this discussion was tabled until the next meeting but Kathy E. was to put the descriptions on Google docs and she urged the board members to look at them before the next meeting.

7) Member requests - Kathy B. reported that Nina requested additional information with respect to the club's financials and wished to run a capital campaign for the club (seemingly targeted toward funding for a dedicated facility). Kathy B. suggested we consider posting year-end financial information on our website for members.

8) Donation

The following motion was made by Kathy B.:

That the club donate \$100 to the Evergreen Curling Club capital campaign.

Dick L. seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

9) Ice - Kathy B. reported that Dan Cho would like to be reimbursed for the \$50 fee for attending the ice clinic at the Triangle Curling Club. Janet Pritchard would also be attending. The Board was ok with paying for both provided they report back to the club and train us on applicable techniques.

The following motion was made by Kathy B.:

That the club pay \$100 total for Dan Cho and Janet Pritchard to attend the ice clinic at the Triangle Curling Club.

Kathy E. seconded.

The motion passed 6-0.

Also, the Board discussed the topic of whether we should try to paint lines in the ice at Cranston this fall. Dick L. advised that the time savings painted lines would provide would not be worth the lack of flexibility we have simply drawing them as needed.

10) Next Meeting - The next board meeting was scheduled for August 3rd at 6:30pm at the Learning Connection in Providence.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.