

**Fergus Curling Club
Board of Director's Minutes
March 3, 2019**

Call to Order: 7:04 p.m.

Present: Debbie Burt, Mark Cripps, Kevin Curran, Avon Giddings, Steve Graham, Carl Gray, Greg Moulton, Bonnie Talbot, Krista Pedersen, Deb Wilson

Regrets: Bob Hook

March Agenda was approved and accepted.

January 6, 2019 Minutes were approved and accepted.

Treasurers Report was approved and accepted. Balance in the General Account is approximately \$35,000. The Capital Fund Investment is \$26,000. Bills forthcoming are OCA Loan Payment for dehumidifier and March utilities. The Utilities are on par with last year's total spend, but electricity costs appear to be down since the installation of the new lights and the VFD on the Brine pump.

Executive Update:

- a) Vaping Issue: Vaping business would like to advertise in our building. It was felt that because FCC runs a youth program it was suggested that this would not be a good fit.

ACTION: Avon to meet with said Business.

- b) Appreciation Breakfast: To be held May 4, 2019 for people who step up over and above their duty. ie. Pipe Band members.

ACTION: Avon to send a list of last years guests to executive.

Appreciation Breakfast:

ACTION: Upon receiving the list from last year Board members should respond to Avon identifying this year's list.

- c) Grant Writing Workshop: Avon attended. Felt it was more targeted to festivals and events rather than for capital funding,
- d) OCA Safe Sport Workshop: There is a need for concussion policy as well as accident response and reporting that needs to be reviewed and in place. FCC currently has accident reports that are completed and remain in the red box by the bookcase. Protocol was discussed. Conveners need to be aware of the secure location of the book of forms. When there is an incident, the Games Director and the Secretary should be contacted and completed forms should be filed by the Secretary.

ACTION: Greg to send communique to Conveners and Games Director.

E business: Pinty's Elementary School Provincial Curling Championship sponsorship request of \$500. donation was motioned and seconded to donate \$500 towards travel costs.

3 year Plan/ Project Updates: Committee: Avon, Bonnie and Steve

- a) Women's Locker Room: (Avon) Adam Dickieson, Public Works will investigate this spring and advise or work with committee. First priority.

- b) Entrance way and Club room redecorate: Funds from the “Wok with Scott” earmarked for this project. Looking at trophy, memorabilia display wall change. Krista and Avon committed to working on the paper archives and trophy archives over the summer.
- c) Bar redesign: (Bonnie) Gate the whole bar to make more space and for security reasons ie. Cash control and inventory control.

ACTION: Bonnie getting quotes on cage

ACTION: Debbie researching the inventory capability on the current till and coming back with a price on making it compatible.

- d) Rock Analysis Update: (Avon) Pictures of rocks were sent to Canada Curling Stone CCS and FCC is awaiting a visit from Kimberley Tuck of CCS. There are several options to discuss before a proposal can be brought forth. ie. Running bands refurbished to make usable for 3-5 years, etc. Moved to refurbish running bands contingent on CCS recommendation. Moved to strike a Fundraising Committee to come together to raise funds for new rocks over the next 3-5 years. Seconded. All in favour. Carried.
- e) ACTION: Avon is to draft President’s message as to the next steps.

New Business:

Greg would like to have a new Doubles trophy. It was suggested that a trophy be repurposed with old bars removed and remounted on a memory board.

Carl reported that 4 members have taken the Food Handlers Course. The Banquet will be held on April 27th and it will be catered and tickets will be \$30 per person and available soon for members to sell.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY MEETING

After the regular board meeting was adjourned, a group from the club asked to provide information to the board members regarding the acquisition of new curling stones for the club. Andy Maine was the spokesperson for the group. The group consisted of 20 – 25 members.

Andy stated that he had found a source for new stones which had been used for OCA tournament play. We could buy the stones for \$9,500 per sheet (\$38,000 in total).

Andy indicated he had contacted several sources who have committed funds to cover the costs of the new stones. No details on who, how much (although he did indicate he was over-subscribed), or what commitments were made to secure these funds. Andy also committed to buying the stones out of his own funds so as to not lose the deal and get the funding after the purchase.

The request to the board was to approve the purchase

The Treasurer made the following points and stipulations.

- We currently do not have the funds to purchase new stones for the club at any price.
- We could only support the proposal if the club was not at any financial risk or exposure.

- If the group was able to get the funds and provide them to the club, the Fergus Curling Club write the cheque to pay for the stones.
- Under no circumstances would we support a proposal that the club pay for the stones with a promise that the funds would come in later.
- The Board reconvened downstairs and [passed the following motion based on meeting the recommendations of the Treasurer.

Special Meeting of the Board on Sunday, March 3rd.

Present: Avon, Kevin, Carl, Deb, Bonnie, Greg, Mark, Steve (non-voting), Krista (non-voting)

The motion was:

Moved and seconded by that the Board approve the purchase of new rocks provided that the money comes to the FCC and the Club buys the rocks. A formal written plan re: sponsorship will be provided for the Board's approval.

All in favour. None against.

This was communicated to the member contingent.