

## Minutes from Board Meeting - July 29th, 2004

### I. Call to Order at 7:37pm

Board Members in attendance: John Bittner, George Shirk, Barry Nichols, Michael Fry, Barry Bass (VP), Nick Datlowe, FL Ettlin (Secretary), Anne Drummie, Rich Collins (Treasurer)

Board Members absent: Kate Monagan, Dominique Banville

Other members present: Brian Galebach, Howard Griffin, Rebecca Baxter, Derek Surka, Charrissa Lin

### II. Secretary's report - to be discussed via email

### III. Treasurer's report - was emailed in advance of the Meeting. Highlights include:

Sandy Spring has agreed to release the Escrow funds they had been holding. Discussion about how best to apply the refund of the Escrow account amount ensued.

**MOTION:** Direct Collins to have \$7500 deposited to our checking account, and apply remaining balance to the Sandy Spring Principle. (1<sup>st</sup> - Nichols, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Shirk)

**VOTE:** Motion Passed

### IV. Old Business

- A. **2004-2005 Dues Structure:** Fry & Bass presented proposed Dues structure and 4 items for discussion:
- 1 Full membership dues amount: Bass & Fry feel that an increase is not necessary and suggested we leave the dues where they are.
  - 2 Half-Season curling: Discussion about half-season dues and 2 or 4 payment plans ensued.
  - 3 Rookie Membership dues: Suggested making a 3-tier rate structure to ease new members into the full cost of a curling membership. \$100/\$150/half-season for the first 3 half-seasons of a rookie were agreed to.
  - 4 Social Membership benefits and rights: Updated definition and rights agreed upon.

The Summary of actions was:

Leave \$450 as full dues

Allow one half to be paid plus \$25 to curl in first half of season, second half of season is half of full-season rate without the \$25 additional cost.

Rookie membership is now \$100/\$150/full dues in a three tier half-season.

Social membership no longer includes ice privileges.

Reciprocal members must have full membership with ice privileges at another club.

No other changes to 03/04 dues structure have been made

**MOTION:** (1<sup>st</sup> - Bittner, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Datlowe) - accept changes as described

**VOTE:** Motion passed

### V. New Business

#### A. Capital Projects

- 1 Lights, Scoreboard: Both had complaints last year, however the Board will not release monies for updates. A donor has offered to pay for the scoreboard fix.
- 2 Kitchen/Bar update: Not much happening, work may be started prior to the season.

**B. Donations of Stock** - Collins is working with Sandy Spring Bank to set up a broker account, they may be able to provide it Gratis.

### **C. 2004-2005 Schedule**

Update on the calendar discussed

### **D. Wheatcroft Curling Clinic**

Shirk gave an update on the latest info (also via email) regarding the details of the proposed clinic. We would need to give an answer by the end of August.

### **E. Other**

- 1 Bittner gave a reminder that Saturday is a workday – 9am to ?
- 2 Bittner presented a badge of the office of Treasurer to Collins. (A Brass Change maker, engraved with the words “Treasurer, Potomac Curling Club”)
- 3 Ettlin gave an update on the Scottish Festival and passed along information about being listed in “The Piper” – a newsletter for one of the Scottish clans.
- 4 Fry – asked about an update on the Ice Committee. Nichols has been in contact with some prospective members of the committee and will contact more before the next Board meeting.

### **VI. Next Meeting**

Tuesday August 24th - 7:30pm.

### **VII. Adjourn**

**MOTION:** Adjourn (1<sup>st</sup> - Fry, 2<sup>nd</sup> - Ettlin)

**VOTE:** Motion Passed