



**The Board of Directors of
The Potomac Curling Club of the National Capital Area, Inc.
MINUTES: Season 2009-10 Meeting 10
March 21, 2010 4:30 p.m. Warm Room**

Board Members Present:

Susan Armiger
Rachel Beyerle
Richard Chin
Ann Drummie
Jeff Erickson
Sandra McMakin
George Shirk
Richard Warner
Ken Wray

Board Members Not Present: Bruce Black, Emily Morris

1) Call to order

4:37 p.m.

Drummie

2) Minutes

Beyerle

Amendments

Ann Drummie noted that World Rotary flyers were handed out in Ontario, not Chicago. A decision on World Rotary Championships will take place in March or April 2010.

Motion to Approve: Susan Armiger

Second: Ken Wray

Minutes approved.

Agenda taken out of order. Ann Drummie led a Board discussion about reaction to the 2009-10 season so far and the 2010 Olympic period.

Dates for follow-up meetings pertaining to the end of the season and 2010-11 season were proposed as follows:

Calendar meeting – April 11, 2010 at 4:30 pm. This meeting may possibly be combined with a Board meeting.

Bonspiel Chair meeting – April 25, 2010 Time TBA.

Leagues Meeting – April 14, 2010 7:30 p.m.

Leagues Meeting – May 5, 2010 Time TBA

Membership Meeting – May 8, 2010. This meeting may be combined with a Board meeting.

The April Board meeting will include an item on accepting the slate of candidates for the Board of Directors.

The May Board meeting will include an item on selecting award recipients.
Richard Warner stated that he is unable to attend the May 22nd annual meeting.

3a) Financial Report

Armiger

Susan Armiger distributed the budget sheet representing the time period through February 28, 2010.

The Board discussed getting a new warm room telephone and answering machine. Armiger stated that using Verizon voicemail that can be accessed remotely will cost approximately \$10 per month. The Board approved signing up for the voicemail service.

4a) Olympic Membership

Drummie

Covered under Board discussion.

4b) Training

McMakin

Sandra McMakin stated that Harvey and Virginia Chalmers are stepping down from running the Junior program. Emily Aubin and McMakin are discussing a proposal to split training and administrative responsibilities of the Junior program.

Richard Chin stated that there may be enough interest to run a college curling program in the 2010-11 season. Chin would be willing to coordinate the college program.

4c) Club Member Dues Credit

Drummie

Ann Drummie recommended offering a \$50 credit to all Winter/Spring 2010 members for Fall 2010. Drummie asked for Board approval of this measure.

Motion to approve: Ann Drummie

Second: Richard Warner

The Board approved the Fall 2010 credit for eligible members.

4d) Rotary World Championships

Drummie

Ann Drummie reported that the Rotary committee has created a PowerPoint presentation. Sandra McMakin has a copy of the presentation. McMakin thanked Emily Morris for her assistance with the presentation.

4e) Nominating Committee

Drummie

Nominations information has been posted on the Web site.

4f) Ice

Wray

Ken Wray reported that the dehumidifier and chiller are working fine. The club will experience some frostiness due to weather changes. The ice maintenance schedule has been extended by one week to support the club through April 18. The hot water heaters and sump pump are currently working. The kitchen hot water heater will fail soon. Wray recommended replacing the hot water heater over the summer. Wray has conversed with a new member who has HVAC experience. Wray will get a quote from another company to compare to Boland's contract proposal.

Wray mentioned that he is concerned about bags of bottles and garbage being left outside the warm room door near the bar. The Board agreed that the club will no longer place bags outside that door. Wray will make a sign to post with directions for club members.

4g) Rentals

Shirk

George Shirk commented on the great volunteer help supporting rentals.

4h) School/University Curling

Chin

Report covered under 4b.

4i) Leagues

Erickson, Morris

Jeff Erickson commented that Leagues issues will be discussed at the April and May Leagues meetings.

4j) Internal and Social Events

Beyerle, Morris

Rachel Beyerle reported that Final Fling plans are underway. Beyerle emailed the Board a proposed list of events and tentative schedule for April 10. The Final Fling will consist of a cookout, several league finals games, and open curling at the end of the evening.

4k) Bonspiels

Warner

Richard Warner reported that the Cherry Blossom preparations are underway. Volunteers are still needed. Thirty-two teams are entered. The bonspiel will not have a gift basket raffle.

Warner will check with the Meltdown coordinators whether there will be a cap on the number of teams entering the Meltdown.

4l) Membership Committee

Beyerle

Rachel Beyerle will prepare a roster for the nominating committee. A membership meeting will be held on May 8, 2010.

4m) Facility Update

Wray

Covered under 4f.

4n) Open Houses/Learn to Curls

Shirk

These events are completed for the season. Plans for the 2010-11 season will be discussed during the Calendar meeting on April 11.

4o) 50th Anniversary

Black

Pin competition information is posted on the Web site. The competition specifics were sent to the Board and are as follows:

Potomac Curling Club
The First Fifty Years: 1961 to 2011
50th Anniversary Pin Design Competition

Purpose: To solicit curling pin designs from Potomac Curling Club members in recognition of the Club's fiftieth anniversary.

Goal: To use the winning design to have Potomac Curling Club Fiftieth Anniversary made for sale and distribution to Potomac Curling Club members and others during the 2010 – 2011 curling season.

Reward: The Potomac Curling Club member who submits the winning design will receive \$100.00 off their 2010 – 2011 member ship fees, five free pins, plus one special anniversary pin.

Judges: TBD – Recommendation, have the designs posted on the PCC website and have all members vote for the winning design.

Dates: Submission – 28 March 2010 (Sunday of the Cherry Blossom Bonspiel). Submissions should be in electronic form – a .pdf scanned image or similar format. Hard copy submissions are acceptable, but they will need to be scanned and digitized to facilitate voting by club members. (NOTE: a decision needs to be made regarding where and how these are submitted. Can we have a specific in box on our website to receive the submissions?)

Preliminary Design Review (PDR) – The PDR will occur on or before 10 April 2010. The PDR is intended to reduce the number of designs for consideration by Club members to seven. If less than seven designs are submitted, then the PDR will be unnecessary. The PDR committee reserves the right to move forward with more than seven candidate designs if the quality of the submissions warrants it.

Candidate pin designs posted to PCC Website – 17 April 2010. The PDR committee will submit the seven candidate pin designs for posting on the PCC website for review by Club members.

Final Design Selection – 01 May 2010.

Eligible: All PCC paying members of any category that are in good standing.

Excluded: Members of the PDR are excluded from the competition.

4p) Spanner Banner

Morris

Articles are needed.

4q) Merchandise

Shirk

Nothing new to report.

5) Other Business

There was no additional business to report.

6) Next Meeting

Sunday, April 11, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 8, 2010 at 4:30 p.m.

6:25 p.m.