

Minutes of the Nanaimo Club Executive and Board of Directors
Saturday, January 9th, 2021 – on Zoom

Meeting Protocol:

Present: Brian McRory, Tom Weinreich, Mark Blackell, Mary Ellen Konyer, April Gale-Seixeiro, Terry Miller, Andrea Trepanier, Colleen Leslie, George Duffell

Regrets:

Brian McRory called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes:

- to adopt Mark Blackell's minutes of the December 10th, 2020 meeting. **Adopted unanimously.**

Correspondence – Mark Blackell:

- None.

President's Report – Brian McRory: Brian noted that Campbell River and Comox curling clubs are shutting down for the season after the latest extension of the public health order.

Treasurer's Report – Tom Weinreich: Tom noted that the finances are fairly good as we are not spending much money; as a result, we are about \$6200 under budget. We received over \$9000 for the Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) for December. Andrea added that we also recently qualified for the Canada Emergency Rent Subsidy, as it has been extended to utilities and other expenses for non-profit organizations. We qualified for the three periods that correspond more or less with October, November, and December. For October and November, we received about \$10,000 and will receive over \$5000 for December. This has helped us greatly, as will the fact that as of January 6th, the CEWS has gone up to 75% from 65%.

Team Reports

- a) Vice-president and Newsletter – April Gale-Seixeiro: see written report.
- b) Marketing – no report.
- c) Fund raising – no report.
- d) Membership and communications – no report.
- e) Bonspiels and Volunteers– Colleen Leslie: Colleen contacted Gillian, the sponsor for the bottle drive – this event has been postponed. She also cancelled the date with Nanaimo Recycling.
- f) Facilities – George Duffell: No report.
- g) Curling – Terry Miller: Terry gave a list of various clubs that are now closed.
- h) Nominations & Curl BC – Mary Ellen Konyer: No report.
- i) Strategic Planning – Brian McRory: No report.

Manager's Report – Andrea Trepanier: see written report. Andrea added that after selling off the liquor the total loss to the club for bar goods was about \$1500, which is minimal given how much inventory we could have lost. We are getting about 4-5 people per day practicing.

Old Business: none.

New Business:

- We discussed the plan for the next couple of months, given the extension of the PHO to February 5th, 2021. April noted a conflict of interest in that she benefits greatly from the practice ice and recused herself from the decision. We discussed some details of the various budget scenarios that Andrea had prepared. Brian noted no real benefit in cancelling now versus waiting and offering the youth programs. Mary Ellen noted the added benefit of keeping the ice tech employed. We discussed various other related issues and concerns. In the end, we decided to keep doing as we have been until the next meeting/next PHO decision in early February, when we will reassess.
- We discussed the Canadian Government loan application for an additional \$20,000 (with \$10,000 forgivable); this must be paid back by the end of 2022 and if we cannot pay it back the whole amount is rolled over into a loan with interest. Andrea noted that if we are able to get back to normal curling in the 2021-22 season that this repayment should be doable. This loan application would require another special general meeting and we have until March 31st to get the application in. We decided to apply and to have a special general meeting on Thursday, February 18th. **Motion** (April/Tom): to hold a special general meeting on February 18th, 2021 to ask members to approve this special resolution: "That the Board of Directors of The Nanaimo Curling Club be authorized, for the curling season 2020-2021 only, to borrow additional government funds in the amount of \$20,000 under the Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA) program, to assist in the operation of the Nanaimo Curling Centre." **Carried unanimously.**

Adjournment: (Tom/Mary Ellen) The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm.

- The next meeting will be on Friday, February 5th, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

Round Table.

Written Reports

Vice-president and Membership and communication (acting) report – January 2021

- Accomplished in the last month:

- Worked with Brian to communicate to our members on Dec 12 about the pause in curling.
- Shared news about our bottle drive being postponed on Facebook and Twitter.
- Shared a few NCC-related good news items from Curl BC on Facebook and Twitter.
- Communicated on social media that the board and manager are aware of the extension in the PHO orders and that we're meeting to discuss.
- Tasks to do:
 - Work with Brian to send communication letting our members know what is going to happen at the club in the next month+.
 - Cost of Curling presentation
 - I want to redo the work I already did so that the numbers match the financial statements our members voted to adopt at the AGM
 - Still need to address the "why is Friday night so expensive" etc. perspective.
 - Meet the Board Member posts on Facebook
 - Meet the Volunteer series preparation
 - New member guide

2021 BC Seniors

- I will not be able to chair this event in the fall.

Possible future Grand Slam of Curling

- Nothing to report

Respectfully submitted,

April Gale-Seixeiro

Nanaimo Curling Club - Managers Report

Jan 7, 2021

Facility

- Boiler repair parts are in. Work to be completed in the next month.
- Squeak in bearing was only loose belt, repaired.
- Rodent infestation seems to be under control.

Coffee Shop

- Closed.

Bar

- Closed.

Pro Shop

- Closed.
- Holiday sale was lackluster.

Staffing

- Nothing to report.

Building Usage

- All bookings cancelled at this time.

Bonspiels

- Bonspiels on hold.

Leagues

- All leagues cancelled until changes to PHO orders.
- Junior Program still operating.
- Practice Ice available to all league participants.

Other

- Interest in rental of upstairs kitchen.
- School program inquiries coming in.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Trepanier