



**The Board of Directors of
The Potomac Curling Club of the National Capital Area, Inc.
MINUTES: Season 2007-08 Meeting 12
May 8, 2008 7:00pm**

Board Members Present:

Susan Armiger
Ann Drummie
Michael Fry
Brian Galebach
Barry Nichols
Bob Pursell
Rachel Sethi
Benjamin Yeung

Board Members Not Present:

Dominique Banville
Emily Morris
Richard Warner

Members Present:

Charlene Macedo

- 1) **Call to order** *Fry*
7:10pm

- 2) **Approve minutes of April 22, 2008 Meeting** *Drummie*
Motion – Pursell
Second – Yeung
Vote – Passed

- 3) **Special Issues**
 - a) **Slate of candidates for Board and ballot** *Warner*
The following slate of candidates for the Board was presented and acknowledged:
Lisa Andrew
Bruce Black
Dave Bykowski
Jeff Erickson
Dann Karlson
Robert Leonard
Charlene Macedo
Sandra McMakin
Emily Morris
George Shirk
Ken Wray
Benjamin Yeung

 - b) **Annual Meeting (agenda, mailing)** *Drummie, Warner*
The Board reviewed and edited the agenda for the mailing.
The nomination committee plans to make the copies and stuff the envelopes and get it all in the mail, next Tuesday at 7pm.

 - c) **Annual Banquet (update)** *Banville, Armiger*
The invitation is going in the mailing. Dinner will be Pasta Plus.

4) **Closed Session**

Fry

a) **Awards Selection**

It has come to the Board's attention that some nominations were not included in the committee's packet.

Knowing that the committee takes their responsibility seriously, it was proposed that we ask the committee to:

- resolve it within a week
- look for the sheets
- ask nominators to resubmit
- consider using the e-distribution list

The Board can meet on Thursday, May 22 at 7pm to review the recommendation.

The right choice is more important than being prepared with the physical awards.

5) **Committee Reports:**

a) **Treasurer's Report and Finance Committee:**

Nichols, Armiger

i) **Treasurer's report**

We are in good shape financially. We have cash from accumulations from past years.

Against this year's budget, we would expect to essentially break even and not add to the surplus from last years.

We are considering going to a corporate reporting standard that shows not only against budget, but the dollars truly available, in relation to last fiscal year and future planning. It will show how we are dealing with surpluses from one year to the next.

ii) **Junior fund guidelines**

Harvey Chalmers is working on the document.

b) **Operations Committee:**

Sethi, Armiger

i) **Summer work days and list**

No change to the list.

Rachel Sethi is still waiting to hear from Doug Andrew on dates.

c) **Events Committee:**

Fry

i) **Golf outing**

Bob Pursell will work with Dominique Banville to chair the event.

ii) **2008-09 bonspiel dates**

Cherry Blossom: March 26-29, 2009. (The Bonsqueal is April 2 weekend.)

Inaugural October 16, 2008 weekend.

The USWCA Open 5 and Under bonspiel is looking for a host. The host keeps all the money. The date would be completely up to us. Would our calendar direct it to be in December and would that work for volunteers? It may be a good opportunity for getting some of the greener curlers further captivated. Who would be the chair?

Would probably need to pick this one or start Mixed doubles?

08-09 GNCC Mixed

09-10 GNCC Kayser

We will offer to discuss hosting this Open in 2010-11.

iii) **Business cards**

We want to have business cards again. Michael Fry will look into reordering.

iv) Mixed Doubles bonspiel

Brian Galebach expects that we will have a written proposal shortly. The event will promote the Saturday afternoon league's doubles component. It was noted that the planners should consider the impact of housing costs that can be double for teams that don't want to share a room, the coverage of a liquor license, and the balance of entries with cash prize commitments.

d) Outreach Committee:

Pursell

i) Small group rentals

Bob Pursell previously forwarded the fundamentals of an initiative to accommodate prescheduled instruction of small groups of 9-16 people during weekly drop-in instruction time periods. The Board had no objections, but offered suggestions on additional details to develop such as how to implement it on the website and how to coordinate it with the appropriate league coordinators. It is expected that these details would be developed over the summer.

6) Other Business

a) By-laws

The Nomination Committee has submitted a request for the By-laws Committee to review the reference to Prince George's County residency with respect to Board of Directors. It will be put on the agenda for the next by-law committee meeting.

7) Next Meeting

Barry Nichols is gone May 13th to the 29th.

Awards selection will be Thursday, May 22 7pm.

Next Board Meeting will be tentatively Tuesday, June 17 7pm, pending availability of the new Directors.

9:25pm

May 22, 2008

7:15pm

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Michael Fry
Brian Galebach
Emily Morris
Rachel Sethi
Richard Warner
Benjamin Yeung

Board Members Not Present:

Barry Nichols
Bob Pursell

The Committee has considered how to mitigate the issue of lost nominations in the future, and will likely do electronic submissions only next year, and to a single point of contact.

The final selections for 2007-08 are the following:

Junior Curler of the Year Award. Presented to the junior curler(s) that demonstrated outstanding curling skills, exceptional improvement, or superior training ability. Sportsmanship and volunteerism will also be considerations.

Recipient: *Alexx Macedo*

Introduction Writing: *Brian Galebach*

Spirit of Curling Award. Presented to a member in recognition of the Spirit of Curling in that individual who, in his or her first year of curling has exhibited outstanding qualities of enthusiasm, sportsmanship and dedication to the club. Endowed with the spirit of the true curler, he or she exemplifies the finest tradition of the roaring game.

Recipient: *Van Anderson*

Introduction Writing: *Howard Griffin (TBC)*

Presenter: *Scott Correia*

Curler of the Year Award. Presented to a member or members who demonstrate outstanding dedication to the sport of curling as evidenced by a combination of either outstanding curling skills, exceptional improvement in their curling skills and/or superior training ability. Sportsmanship will also be a major consideration.

Recipient: *Rachel Sethi*

Introduction Writing: *Karen Smith (TBC)*

Volunteer of the Year Award. Presented to a member who has demonstrated, through the significant contributions of time, talent and effort, a powerful commitment to the continuing improvement of the Potomac Curling Club and by his or her efforts has helped deliver a high quality experience to its members and guests.

Recipient: *George Shirk, Lisa Andrew*

Introduction Writing: *Susan Armiger and Dominique Banville, Rachel Sethi*

Matthews C. Waddell Distinguished Curling Award. Presented to a member in recognition of his or her ongoing dedicated service to the Potomac Curling Club.

Recipient: *Michael Fry*

Introduction Writing: *George Shirk (TBC)*

Follow-up:

- Ann Drummie will forward info to John Bittner for the Spirit certificate.
- Ann Drummie will get the Volunteer Plaque engraved.
- Dominique Banville will create the new certificates for this year.
- Ann Drummie will send an email with a deadline to RSVP for June 7, and to remind members that the lost and found will disappear thereafter.
- Dominique Banville will send Ann Drummie the templates for the certificates for the file.

8:10pm