

Bemidji Curling Club

Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2020

Opening

The regular meeting of the Bemidji Curling club was called to order at 5:32pm on February 19, 2020 by Kirby Bahr, President.

Present

Kirby Bahr, President
Eric Johannsen, Vice President
Amanda Kelly, Secretary
Mackenzie Ritchie, Board Member
Myles McDanel, Board Member
Eileen Campbell, Board Member

Absent

Steve Johnson, Treasurer
Eric Fenson, General Manager
Josh Bahr, Board Member
Lanny Cyr, Board Member

Approval of Minutes

Motion made by Mackenzie Ritchie to approve the January meeting minutes. Second made by Myles McDanel. Motion carried.

Approve Agenda

Motion made by Amanda Kelly to approve agenda. Second made by Eileen Campbell. Motion carried.

Financial Report

- Pending

GM and Ice Report

- Misspelled banners are down and are being prepared for correction.
- Eileen needs the key to take out the water coolers but will take care of them.

Committees

Membership

- Kirby plans to at least share a pricing excel worksheet that will aid the club in planning future pricing if he isn't able to get a decision made prior to the end of his term.

Marketing

- Joel is currently working to get the information on the Paul Bunyan bonspiel out.

Finance

- No information available

Paul Bunyan Bonspiel

- No information available

Juniors

- Juniors will be doing a 50/50 raffle for the mixed doubles nationals, as well as taking over the kitchen. They will be led by Karen Gaasvig and Angie Berg.

Kitchen

- Myles has continued deep cleaning the kitchen and is doing more organizing. He is hiring a company to clean the floors.
- The floors in the kitchen are very bad and should be replaced. This should be a priority for the club moving forward.

Events/Club Rentals

- No information available

Strategic Plan Committee

- Amanda needs to get the list of participants from the board, as well as the board's recommended additional participants from membership.
- She will be hanging up a sheet in the entry way to see if any club members have an interest in participating in a greater capacity.
- She will also get an email out to all members with that information as well.

Old Business

Posting of minutes monthly

- Send all minutes each month to Rob to put on website

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Janitorial Job Description – Eileen (Due in March)

- No information available

Ice Maker Job Description – Josh (Due in March)

- No information available

Mixed Doubles Nationals 2020

- Everything is going well, and the hiccups have been minor.
- \$17k raised so far.
- Expecting a good turnout so should have more cash than expected after it is over.
- Kirby is concerned about seating at this point but there is nothing more we can do now.
- Amanda made a tv appearance on 'Almanac' to discuss the mixed doubles nationals and some curling basics.

Lakeland Screening Event

- Expecting approximately 100 people for this event.

Open Curling

- This has been going very well – has been a huge success this year and is growing in momentum. Having open ice time is very important for our club.

Cleaning Trophy Case

- This has been completed and looks great. There is updated lighting inside now and Liz Johnson added labels to everything

Beltrami Electric Grant

- Eileen is currently working on this and will update us soon.

Private Curling Groups success

- This has been going well this year.

Mission Statement Sign

- The original sign maker cannot work on pieces of wood that large. We are looking into other options. Myles suggested that Tessa Wagner's dad may be able to do it so he will work on getting a bid.

Curling Club Manager

- The payment gateway needs additional testing to determine why some transactions get denied prior to processing being attempted. This suggests an issue with the form itself. Amanda thinks it is the spacing between segments of the card number.
- All tickets on the glass are sold except for 2

- Will look into how we can offer voting submission online for members regarding the new board member elections.

LED Upgrades

- Kirby had thought that there was a problem with the dining area causing lights to flicker. However, he discovered that there is a dimmer slider next to the switch that was turned down. It is working correctly.

Pickleball

- Eric Johannsen and Kirby met with Mark Fodness, the president of the Bemidji Pickleball Association to discuss the association's needs.
- Kirby suggested BCC teaming up with the pickleball association as a sponsor of sorts.
 - o BCC would allow the pickleball association to access to the facility at no charge by providing a key.
 - o We will allow them to put their courts in & leave their equipment inside.
 - o They have approx. 45 members at this time, but they have key connections in the community. They also host tournaments that draw over 300 competitors and host social events. BCC would run the bar and kitchen during their events and keep all proceeds.
 - o BCC would also be listed as a sponsor on their ads.
 - o This is a great opportunity for the club to introduce new people to our facility and curling during the off-season with minimal expense, and an opportunity to make some extra income.
- Motion made by Amanda Kelly to approve the sponsorship of the Bemidji Pickleball Association. Second made by Myles McDanel. Motion passed 5-0.

Deep Clean Rugs

- No information available

Broadcasting League Games

- Eric Johannsen is testing our microphones to see if they are suitable for this.
- Amanda asked Eric to contact 12th End Sports Network (tesn.us) to see what their requirements would be to add our club to their league streaming list.
- We would need volunteers to switch the camera view during each end.

New Business

SafeSport Compliance

- Received notice from USCA that BCC is not in compliance with SafeSport requirements and is at risk of losing its USCA approved status.
- All BCC board members MUST complete the training ASAP, or they will forfeit their position on the board.

- This should be the first step of becoming a board member each year. The board should be very intent on enforcing the requirement.
- Mackenzie sent out an email to all board members as a reminder.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Myles McDanel. Second made by Eileen Campbell at approximately 6:45pm. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting is at 5:00 pm on Thursday March 12th, at BCC.