

Pittsburgh Curling Club Board Meeting Minutes

11/11/2013

7:30 PM

RMU ISLAND SPORTS CENTER HAT TRICK CLUB

MEMBERS PRESENT	Dan Bliss, Steve Buffington, Michelle Crown, Amy Hannan, Amanda Marchitelli, Daphne Roberts, Marie Rose, Brian Stuart
MEMBERS ABSENT	Andy Banfield, Matt Berwick, Mark Robinson, Jacki Temple
OBSERVERS	Beth Cubbison, Len Jarabek
CALLED TO ORDER	7:35 P.M.

Agenda topics

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

DISCUSSION		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve the full and public versions of the October 2013 Board Meeting minutes: Hannan/Bliss – carried unanimously. 	
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

DISCUSSION		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion to approve the consent agenda for the October 2013 Board meeting: Rose/Marchitelli – carried unanimously. 	
CONCLUSIONS		
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MEMBER COMMENTS

DISCUSSION		
	None.	
CONCLUSIONS		

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BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

BOARD MEMBERS

DISCUSSION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ice Quality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The ice has not been very good so far this season. ○ Discussed with RMU and a flood will be done on Friday, November 15. If this process works, this can be done again in the future. • Darwin Grant Announcement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Darwin Grant has been announced on the USCA website with a list of recipients. It is official now. • Club Priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reviewed handout of a list of priorities for the club. ○ Any comments or suggestions, please let Steve know. 		
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FINANCIAL

DAPHNE ROBERTS

DISCUSSION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finances <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Club is solvent. • GNCC/USCA Dues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Need to work on spreadsheet for the GNCC/USCA dues. • IRS Tax Form <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The 2012 Form 990 will be mailed by 11/15/2013. 		
CONCLUSIONS		

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ICE OPERATIONS & EQUIPMENT

JIM MEYER

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		
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JUNIOR PROGRAM

BRIAN STUART

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		
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TRAINING

MARK ROBINSON

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

FUNDRAISING

AMANDA MARCHITELLI

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		

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OUTREACH

DAN BLISS

DISCUSSION
<p>I'm trying to make people aware of the big events we have as soon as possible, even though they will not be taking place until early next year. Details are still being worked out, but I want people to know the dates far in advance. I'm hoping this will help with volunteering.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pittsburgh Penguins Learn to Curl (2/11/2014) • Schenley Park Event (TBD) • Other Olympic opportunities (TBD) • Rock Insurance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ I received a quote for insurance on all of our rocks.

CONCLUSIONS

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PRO SHOP

BRIAN STUART

DISCUSSION
None.

CONCLUSIONS

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LOGO SHOP

JEN POESCHL

DISCUSSION
None.

CONCLUSIONS

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EVENTS

MARIE ROSE

DISCUSSION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rochester Friendly - Rochester's calendar has the Pittsburgh Friendly listed as April 5. (Easter is April 20th). Reminder: Brooms Up curling is scheduled for Nov 16th. Reminder: Friends and Family is scheduled for December 28. 		
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MEMBERSHIP

**AMY HANNAN
MARK ROBINSON
BRIAN STUART**

DISCUSSION		
<p>Amy Hannan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> As of November 11th, we have 81 members for the 2013-2014 season (we acquired one new member from Dan's October learn to curl). We also have another potential member with whom Brian and Steve have been in an email exchange with. Hopefully they will come check it out in the next few weeks. 		
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SCHEDULING

STEVE BUFFINGTON

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		

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LEAGUES

**DAPHNE ROBERTS
JACKI TEMPLE**

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		
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BUILDING COMMITTEE

**ANDY BANFIELD
STEVE BUFFINGTON
BRIAN STUART**

DISCUSSION		
Status Update		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Met a loan officer at a bank. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ The loan officer read the business plan and will need to talk to the loan committee. • Will continue to look at other banks. 		
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OMBUDSMEN

TBD

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		
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DOCUMENTS**DAPHNE ROBERTS**

DISCUSSION		
None.		
CONCLUSIONS		
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TROPICURL**ALL**

DISCUSSION		
<p>2014 Tropicurl Rink Fee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No decision on the 2014 rink fee until we know what RMU will charge the club. The assembling of registration forms and website information should begin soon since registration will begin after the first of the year. <p>PayPal Registration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> After discussing the pros of cons of using PayPal for registration, it was decided to not use the service and handle registrations via checks. <p>Early Registration for Previous Year's Participants</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed the early registration process and whether the club should continue this practice. Decision made to keep the same registration process as last year. 		
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PUBLIC RELATIONS**MICHELLE CROWN**

DISCUSSION		
None.		
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WEBSITE

MARIE ROSE

DISCUSSION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Website has been updated with March 22 as the Steelspiel and the 15th as Olympic Open House. 		
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

STEVE BUFFINGTON

DISCUSSION		
<p>OK - It's Curling Season.</p> <p>Many Club members have either already attended Bonspiels this year, or are preparing to do so. If you're interested in finding out what a curling tournament is all about, just ask somebody. Most of us would enjoy taking new members to a spiel.</p> <p>And pay attention to the top level curling that is available on the internet or on TV.</p> <p>A listing will be placed on the website and Facebook page soon.</p>		
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MEETING ADJOURNED	Motion to adjourn: Rose/Bliss – carried unanimously.
NEXT BOARD MEETING	December 9, 2013 at 7:30 P.M. – Hat Trick Club

EMAIL VOTES

ALL

DISCUSSION	
None.	
CONCLUSIONS	

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