# Pittsburgh Curling Club Board Meeting Minutes

3/14/2023 7:00 491 McCoy Road

MEMBERS PRESENT	Dustin Devine, Ryan Fissella, Joe Walton, Gerry Kyle, Sarah Fissella, Allison Devine, Burt Cubbison, Debbie Spang, Constantin Koehler,		
	Leonard Jarabeck, Daphne Roberts, Sean Mizerski		
MEMBERS ABSENT	Travis Eiler, Steve Buffington, Erin McManus		
OBSERVERS	Quintin Lovicks, Nicole Samson, Matthew Clark		
CALLED TO ORDER	7:05 PM		

# **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

DISCUSSION			
CONCLUSIONS			
Approval of Previous N	lonth's Minutes: Kyle/Fiss	ella; Spang abstains, motion	passes
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# **MEMBER COMMENTS**

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# **BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **BOARD MEMBERS**

#### **DISCUSSION**

- Selling Rocks:
  - O We are still in discussions with Mark Lachendro, President of Nittany Valley Curling Club (NVCC). i) NVCC board of directors had some questions about our rocks and how we came about the pricing. ii) Steve also contacted Canada Curling Stone about the value of our rocks.
    - Have offered a quality set of our rocks for \$4000 with handles
    - If they accept the deal, they will likely pick up the set on Easter
  - O Discussion about trying to auction/raffle off our worst rocks at upcoming events
- Comment box
  - O Suggestion to move the comment box to a place that is a blind spot in the camera's, so that it is as confidential as possible

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

Motion to sell best set of rocks to Nittany Valley, use worst set of rocks to auction/sell individually: Mizerski/Fissella; motion carried unanimously

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#### **MEMBERSHIP**

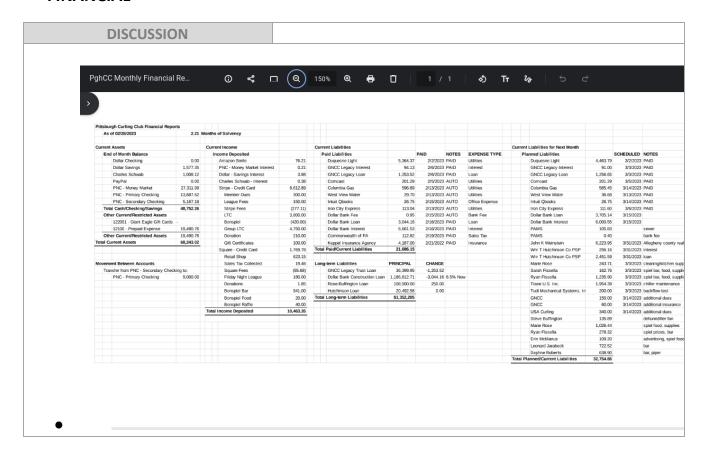
#### **DISCUSSION**

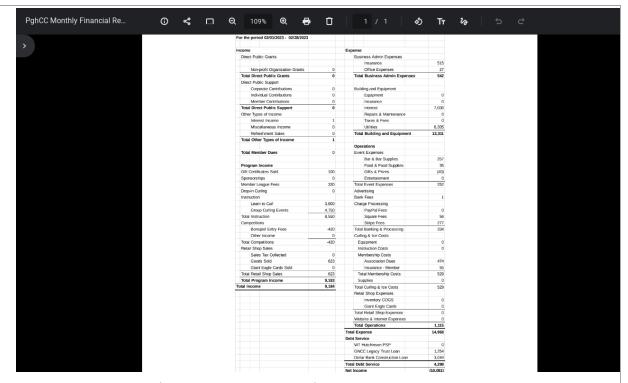
- Discussion regarding best way to implement committee's
  - O Discussion that selecting committee heads from the board who can then approach members to join might be a successful approach
    - Will need to fill out subcommittee's
  - O Discussion regarding selecting committee heads
    - Events

•	Ryan Fissella volunt	eered	
■ Finance	e		
•	Joe Walton volunteer	ed	
<ul> <li>Facilitie</li> </ul>	es		
<ul><li>Member</li></ul>	ership		
•	Gerry Kyle volunteere	ed	
o Committee he	ads will meet next Tue	esday to form agenda for mem	bership meeting
• Spring session:			
O Currently 12 m	nembers registered		
	t some members have shouldn't have to join	e expressed that they believed again	they signed up fo
<ul><li>Discuss</li></ul>	sion that the dates we	re specified for fall/winter who	en they signed up
• Raffle:			
O Need to contir	nue selling tickets		
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## **FINANCIAL**





- Income in Feb almost \$10,500, liabilities over \$21,600 which includes normal monthly expenses and our general liability insurance
- About \$33,000 in expenses expected for March
- Have about 2.2 months of solvency left in accounts
- End of April the Stowe real estate taxes will be due.
  - O Can either pay \$13,790.07 for 2% discount
  - Or installments of \$3517.86, but lose the discount
    - Discussion that our only choice is to make it in installments as we do not have the budget to make the payment in full at this time.
- GNCC championships financials
  - o appears that we have made around \$10,000 from the dual event
- Reimbursement requests:
  - Marie Rose: \$1,026.44 for food/supplies for GNCC championships
  - Ryan Fissella: \$200 for prizes and \$78.32 for bar at GNCC championships
  - Erin McManus: \$30.20 for food at GNCC championships

- Leonard Jarabeck: \$722.52 for bar at GNCC championships
- Dephne Roberts: \$638.90 for bar and piper for GNCC championships
- Steve Buffington: \$135.89 for dehumidifier fan, will be paid out of maintenance budget
- Total: \$2,696.38
  - Have receipts for all except bar/piper, if approved these will not be paid until receipts provided
- Discussion that it would be nice to be able to track excess inventory after
   each spiel, so that we could more easily prepare for upcoming events
  - This is possible, but would require people to track the data and do so accurately (VOLUNTEERS)
- Discussion regarding what we are over budget on for the year, vs revenue shortfall
  - O Large contributor to being over budget is the Dollar Bank Loan, interest rates going up increased payments
  - O Revenue shortfall is primarily due to lower membership totals, and bonspiels not selling out
- Discussion about calling membership meeting to discuss financial situation
  - o March 28 at 7p
- Discussion about closing Charles Schwaub brokerage account and transferring funds into PNC account to help with solvency
  - O Discussion that this account was created when the board was considering investing club capitol many years prior to the new building construction
    - This was decided against and the account has remained dormant

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

Motion to pay Stowe real estate taxes in installments: Walton/Fissella; motion carried unanimously Motion to approve reimbursement requests for \$2,696.38: Kyle, Koehler; motion carried unanimously

Motion to close Charles Schwaub account and transfer funds to PNC account: Kyle/Walton; motion carried unanimously

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#### **EVENTS**

#### **DISCUSSION**

# GNCC Championships

- o i) The GNCC Sr. Women's and Women's Championships were a great success.
- o ii) Steve has received several thank you emails and even a mailed thank you card from some of the participants.
- o iii) Need receipts for the spiel turned in ASAP so we can calculate the financial success of the events. This is vital to accurately determine goals/benchmarks for next year's budget.
- Wheelchair Spiel
  - O Registration was open March 3rd
  - O No official registrations yet
  - O Have several teams that have reached out
    - Likely 3-4 teams
  - O Laurel Medical is likely sponsoring the event
    - Will make sure Burt is aware once this is solidified to update the website
- 4 club friendly (May 6th)
  - O Ryan has been in touch with Mara Murgo, Jeff Ryan, and Richard Shore. Richard from Nittany is the only one who was unsure if the date would work but was going to check with some other curlers. iii) Ryan sent the invitation flyer to Burt to look over before sending to the respective clubs. iv) Each Club sends 16 members. Teams will be made up of a mixture from each club. v) Point spiel based on 6-end games and trivia.
    - Will also reach out to Anthracite curling club

# • TropiCurl 2023

- o i) Still need to develop an evergreen event graphic for use in this year's pins/awards and future TropiCurls
- o ii) Steve has found pricing information for the event award pins:

# Based on a nominal 1.25" round pin

	Years at 32							
	pins/year	The Pin	People	Pincra	afters	The Pi	n Zone	lapel
		1-888-3	09-7467	1-802-3	83-0328	1-864-8	41-8106	1-800-
count		unit cost	total	unit cost	total	unit cost	total	unit cost
100	3.125	\$2.80	\$280.00	\$3.25	\$325.00	\$2.19	\$219.00	\$2.7
200	6.25	\$2.30	\$460.00	\$2.20	\$440.00	\$1.68	\$336.00	\$2.1
300	9.375	\$1.95	\$585.00	\$1.65	\$495.00	\$1.21	\$363.00	\$1.5
500	15.625	\$1.40	\$700.00	\$1.35	\$675.00	\$0.95	\$475.00	\$1.3

- 0 iii) Current number of registrations on the TropiCurl waitlist: 8
  - Discussion regarding expanding to 40 teams and inviting the 8 teams on the waitlist
    - Discussion about how this would affect the first draw times, and subsequent draws through the weekend
    - Discussion about discussing that teams being added may have an earlier draw time on Thursday
      - O Can also reach out to Pittsburgh teams regarding moving up their first draw time to accommodate the expanded field

## CONCLUSIONS

Motion to expand Tropicurl to 40 teams and contact the 8 teams on the waitlist for first right of refusal, while using the draw schedule from the Dykes tournament held at the club last year: Fissella/Mizerski; motion carried unanimously

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MEETING ADJOURNED	Motion to adjourn: Mizerski/Kyle; carried unanimously
NEXT BOARD MEETING	April 11, 2023 at PCC

EMAIL VOTES ALL

DISCUSSION	

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