

**Circle City Curling Club, Inc.**  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
November 8th, 2023

**Opening**

The regular monthly meeting of the Circle City Curling Club was called to order at 7:00 PM on November 8th, 2023 (virtual)

**Attendance:**

Present: Jim Puckering, Matt James, Sharon Martin, Bruce Johnston, Jeff Timmons, Jim Gangnon, Andrew Sand, Jonathan Intravia

Absent: Keith Hammer

**Review and Approval of Minutes:**

- Oct. 11, 2023 regular board meeting minutes were unanimously approved

**Treasurer's Report:**

- Oct financial reports were unanimously approved

**Committee Reports:**

**Facilities Committee Report**

- We have received our occupancy permit
- Expansion space is essentially complete; looks great
- Exit sign for front entry door can not be seen due to wall; needs to be moved
- Sharon Martin meeting with cleaning company on Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> for orientation and to schedule first visit

**Bonspiels Committee**

- Patriot Games Spiel
  - Jim Puckering will be there for practice time on Thurs night after league if any teams want to come in
  - Signups for food and volunteers are in good shape

**Private Events Committee**

- Jim Gangnon has inquiry from Falls Creek Church for 30 middle school/high school students
- Need to develop a community outreach policy/program for events at a lower rate than our standard LTC rate
- **Action Item** – Jim Puckering and Jim Gangnon to work on private events framework and come up with a proposal

**Learn to Curl Committee**

- Rookie league is not quite full; recent LTC participants have been sent a followup email with options for joining/continuing and we continue to promote on social media
- Geoff Randolph is working with USCA to schedule a USCA-sponsored Instructor Clinic

**New Member Integration Committee**

- Pizza night was a successful event

### **Leagues Report:**

- Mon/Tue/Thu/Fri leagues are almost full
- Sat instructional league – only 5 so far but we may pull more from last rookie league

### **Old Business:**

#### **USCA Curling – Athlete Outreach Initiative**

- USCA has created a signup
- An email will go out to our members, limited to 18 registrants
  - 8:30-noon: clinic
  - Lunch
  - 2:00-4:00pm: Help with rookie league
  - Dinner – something casual; not “donor dinner”

#### **Senior Women’s Nationals**

- Level 2 Certified officials are needed; USCA said they can help with this
  - Classes can also be offered to our members:
    - Level 1: ½ day
    - Level 2: 8 hours the next day
    - Cost is \$125 per person; USCA gets first \$500 and club get everything after that
  - Action Item: Matt James to let USCA know that we do not have any Level 2 officials and inquire about recruiting some
- There is a free course on USCA for time keepers
- Signups for teams are now open until the end of December

#### **Women Curler Development**

- Ladies’ Night update: went well; enthusiasm was encouraging
- Hopefully we have some momentum for Women’s league in Session 3
  - General impression from talking to those present was that perhaps something less “regular” than a weekly league would be more attractive

#### **Technology Committee Status**

- Matt James preparing to talk to potential team members
- Ernie has put together a document on the security system – on the laptop in the office

### **New Business:**

#### **Midland Friendly**

- Registration filled up quickly and is a good mix of experienced and new curlers

#### **USA Curling Club Council Delegates**

- To meet monthly with Dean Gemmell and other USCA officials
- Every club can nominate one man and one woman as delegates
- First meeting is December 13<sup>th</sup>
- **Action Item:** Jonathan Intravia will serve as delegate for first meeting on December 13<sup>th</sup> and report back to board

### **Member-hosted Private Events**

- A policy and potential schedule (likely Sunday afternoons) is being developed
  - Need to make sure we have someone there to close facility
  - Member would need to purchase the alcohol for their group
  - Member would be responsible for ensuring all participants submit waiver
  - Pricing would be \$200 per sheet for members who are also instructors
  - Event would be run like a regular LTC including safety talk and drills
- **Action Item:** Sharon Martin to draft email for review

### **Indianapolis Cultural Trail Inquiry**

- Received an inquiry looking to partner with us for an outdoor synthetic surface “curling” program
- **Action Item:** Sharon Martin to follow up to see if they are looking for us to help staff the program or act as consultants/sponsor

### **Special Needs Curling/RHI (Rehabilitation Hospital)**

- Developing an adaptive sports program
  - We probably do not have the bandwidth to offer this kind of program at this point but it is something to look at for the future

### **Shingle Sign for Building Exterior**

- To increase visibility from parking lot and help people find us
- **Action Item:** Matt James to research options

### **Incident Report Process**

- Incident report forms are in a labeled cabinet in the warmroom

### **Next Meeting:**

- Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 7pm – Regular Board Meeting (virtual)

Meeting was adjourned approx 9:48pm

Minutes submitted to the Board by Sharon Martin