

Upstairs Gathering Room

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT Thomas Demke – President Sam Unruh – Vice President Kayla Unruh – Secretary Jeff Bradford Jeff Reiser Michelle McKim Mike Thomas Carla Simonis Greg Hiemenz Ben Sand Darryl Nucech Roger Smith

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT Ryan Legasse – Treasurer

MEMBERS PRESENT

Tucker Smith

GUESTS PRESENT

Mike Wald – Bismarck Parks

Michelle Myers

MINUTES

No members had any changes to the November minutes. Minutes approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ryan not in attendance.

YOUTH CURLING

Youth Boosters

Kids want to be in competitive curling, but parents aren't able to afford equipment. Boosters could help raise money for a scholarship and help the program grow. Boosters board would be made of parents. The teams will raise their own funds and boosters will apply for grants. The coaches will be invited to discuss the finances and will be able to give their opinion on the dispersing of funds, but would not be involved in the final decision. Any kid that curls in the afternoon program will be eligible to receive the funds. KidzCurl can go to the boosters for financial assistance if they want to be a little more competitive. The boosters will give quarterly or semi-annually statements to the board as well as any minutes during the boosters meeting. Boosters won't interfere with the current sponsors and are going to use local companies/vendors as much as possible. The boosters will give the board the by laws. Boosters would adjust their goals based on the direction the board want to go. Boosters committee run on 1-3 year terms so it would be up to their committee to recruit new people especially those with new kids to the program. \$4,400 is raised so



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far. A bank account was opened to be separate from the youth funds so that a debit card can be used rather than be reimbursed from the club. What happened if the program dissolves? There will need to be some research, but it is believed that the funds would be distributed to other non-profit organizations. Will also need to look into what happens if Team "A" raises x amount, but Team "B" raises less than Team A – Team A keeps their money. Need to look into what happens to the money if Team A dissolves. There is concerns about the boosters because the club can't tell the boosters what the funds can be used for.

Junior Program

The parents are very frustrated with the Craig Flemming to the point where parents want to pull their kids out of the program. Craig is telling parents that only certain kids that can curl at certain programs and Craig's decision is only his decision. It was clarified at tonight's meeting from Michelle McKim that there is nothing that prevents the kids from curling in one program vs. the other or for traveling. Craig is talking about splitting the juniors into more junior programs to which the board didn't know and expressed disproval. Craig also wanted to take some kids and travel internationally which, again, the board didn't know. It was decided that Roger will have a meeting with the parents about the whole youth program to listen to the parents concerns. There will need to be a quorum at the meetings.

LOGO

After discussion, Greg moved to approve the logo. Darryl seconded. New logo approved (See attached). It will be tabled how much to pay the designer. There is discussion whether to trademark the logo (about \$50).

CHALLENGE ROUND

Things went well Curlers said ice was great.

CALENDER

January 11 was decided for the winter learn-to-curl that Sam will run. Learn-to-curl and then 4 week sessions. Would prefer to put the curlers on a Sunday league, but if we aren't able, then place on a Tuesday or Wednesday late league as there are open spots. Sessions will go from 7PM-9PM. It would be nice to have a coach for each team. Charge \$10 per week per person which they can pay when they arrive at the club. Michelle will make a post to the club Facebook page. Roger will talk to Tucker about getting a Facebook ad. Jeff will send an email for volunteer to help with Sunday league.

U14 is February 16-18. Upstairs will is reserved. Dave Shireley will take care of ice.

Year end spiel March 16-18. Kayla will reserve hotel

LOCKS/SECURITY

Mike Wald will look into changing the door code. Jeff will email the skips about proper protocol to lock the doors.



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LEAGUE DUES

There is one person that hasn't paid. Need a discussion of what needs to happen next year to get people to pay their fees. If team hasn't paid by week 4, then team takes a loss? In the past, board has tried giving out sweatshirts to those that pay on time, penalized with late fees, write names on board for public shame, etc. Would be easier

to not allow checks. Need to have an enforcer.

Registration of USCA dues is due this coming week. Thomas will talk to Ryan about

the dues.

CORPORATE EVENTS Look toward a manager for corporate events in the future.

SPONSOR BOARD \$300 to print a board for this year. Fee was approved by the board. Ryan will talk to

Dave Nelson about the banner.

BOARD MEMBER TERMS Ryan, Roger, Jeff B., and Thomas's terms are up. Need to get a list of past board

members.

CORPORATE SPONSORSHIP Possible incentive for those teams that bring in a big sponsorship such as a 5-10%

discount off their membership.

NEXT MEETING February 18 at 7PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:50PM

Minutes submitted by Kayla Unruh



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ATTACHMENT - NEW LOGO

