PEI Curling Association General Meeting Cornwall Curling Club 8 pm Monday, Apr 26, 2010 Minutes

Call to order and roll call

President Shirley Lank called the meeting to order at 8 pm.

Present: Eddie MacKenzie (Charlottetown), Susan McInnis (Treasurer), Shirley Lank (President), Derek MacEwen (Secretary), Rod MacDonald (Silver Fox), Stephen Marchbank (Executive Director), Gayle Johnston (Technical Director), Audrey Callaghan (Vice President), Roddie MacLean (2nd VP), Marilyn Sutherland, Paul Durant (Cornwall), Dave Murphy (Curl Atlantic representative),

Absent: Darrel Kirev (Events Coordinator), Cliff Poirier (Official), Roger Gavin (Western), Bob Leard (Montague), Jerry Muzika (Hall of Fame), Vanessa Hamming (Crapaud), Glen Betts (Maple Leaf)

Review Agenda

The agenda was approved. No new items were added.

President's report

It was noted that banners are not provided for events, unless the sponsor provides them (Scotties). Pepsi do not provide banners.

Shirley noted that she would be sitting in on a CCA conference call on Wednesday, The AGM is scheduled for May 27 from 6:30-8:15pm, with ADL awards to follow at 8:30 pm. Both will be held at the Charlottetown Curling Club.

She noted that Executive and Committee reports are due a week before the Annual General Meeting, and that only a short summary be given at the meeting, in order to keep the AGM short. Draw boards – we need good looking draw boards.

A members survey was sent out on the website (http://peicurling.com/SurveyApril2010.pdf). Shirley also handed them out in Alberton.

Sponsorship: Shirley reported that, during the season we got two new sponsors and retained all existing ones.

She reported that three teams from PEI attended the National Stick championships in Winnipeg, and that it was a fun event, and they are interested in having PEI host it in a few year's time. She reported that she and Audrey attended the Sport PEI Dinner, and offered congratulations to Brett Gallant and his team, who won the Team of the Year, and the Bill Halpenny Award for outstanding international achievement.

Treasurer's Report:

Susan reported that most expenses and revenue are in for the year, with a projected revenue of \$23,000.

Motion: Susan moved that the PEICA write off a \$75 Summer Camp expense. Seconded by Eddie. Carried.

Club Reports

Silver Fox: Rod has no report, as the Fox Board were also meeting tonight.

Charlottetown: Eddie reported that they had installed new energy-efficient lighting in the ice house. They are supposed to be 1/3 brighter, but appear to be 1/3 dimmer. They will be fixing this prior to season startup in the fall. He noted that long-time Charlottetown bartender Don Callbeck had passed away suddenly.

Cornwall: Paul reported that the Club had finished the season in the black. The Dominion event went well. New plans have been drawn up for a new clubhouse. They hope to be in it by fall 2011. Everything will be on one storey, at the other end of the ice house, with facilities shared with the swimming pool area. The building will be accessible. The old Civic Centre building will be used for storage. He mentioned that Cornwall would like to take on the Senior mixed as an annual event at their club.

Western: Audrey reported that they are getting a new ice scraper and lights, and had a very good year, with enough money on hand to start up next year. Their end of year awards night was held. Shirley attended.

Committee Reports:

Rotation Committee – It was reported that they were looking at a few ideas such as designating a spot for holding the Scotties in Charlottetown for a three year period, as a trial. They would host 12 and 15 too. The new rotation would be for three years only. Another rotation meeting was being held.

National Dominion at Charlottetown and Cornwall. – Shirley reported that it was going ahead, but they need volunteers, including officials and timers.

1st Vice President: no report

2nd Vice President: Roddie noted that a ADL/Sport PEI awards committee meeting is scheduled for May 10.

Executive Director: Stephen reported that he is kept busy with day to day work.

Technical Director: Gayle reported that she was in Rothesay for the Atlantic Under 18.

There is discussion on holding an Atlantic 15 and Under.

Coaches meeting were held recently, with 17 coaches attending. Information was given out on next season.

12 and Under: in the future they are planning a number of one day fun events for preparation.

The Eastern Kings sports fair didn't have a large turnout, but was successful.

Next season: They are planning coaches and high performance sessions on Thanksgiving weekend.

She reported that she attended the Sport PEI awards night.

Eight-two have registered for the Atlantic Curling Symposium in Sackville

One of two sessions of the Whitecap summer curling camp in Halifax is already filled.

Curl Atlantic:

Dave reported that a they are looking at holding an Atlantic 15 and Under, similar to the Under 18, with PEI hosting every 4th year. They still need a go-ahead, and have to put together a sponsor package. We would need to hold our 15 and Under earlier in the season.

Audrey moved approval of all the reports. Eddie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

Cliff Poirier has received a letter regarding a takeover of the Canadian Masters Curling Championship by the CCA. He would like a letter of support from the PEICA in support of this takeover.

Motion: Roddie moved that we provide a letter of support. Susan seconded it. Motion carried.

Motions for the AGM

A motion is being proposed that we have a three year trial for separate Senior Men's and Women's events.

A motion is being proposed to hold the "Future Scotties" event, for those preparing to compete in the future in the main event. Criteria will include that players have not been in the main Scotties event for the past five years.

A motion is being proposed to change the Awards committee (page 27) so that the Executive Director, not the 2nd Vice President is the chair.

Motions for Ottawa Curling Congress

Some Ottawa motions have been received to-date, but there is no mention yet of expected revisions to the competitor cards.

Other Business

Shirley made a number of recommendations for next season:

- All clubs need an event person.
- New draw boards need to be made up.
- Clubs can decide if they want to provide food, unless it is specifically required for the event (sponsor requirement). A \$20 sponsorship voucher should be given to teams in events that don't have food provided, to be spent at the club.
- PEICA draw up a Players Committee Job Description, and an information booklet that includes sample draws
- An Event Coordinator/Junior Coordinator be hired. Consideration to it being one or two days a week, or ten hours a week, instead of per event.
- Single entry be added to Junior events not leading to regional or national, and every effort be made to make up teams from these entries. Medals should be given out instead of money.

Free websites: It was noted that Capital One is offering free websites for curling clubs.

Tour: There was a suggestion that we have a Scotties tour of schools, etc. with the O'Rourke/Carmody rink.

Joyce Meyers Legacy Fund: a reminder of the deadline for the grants is on the PEICA website. Volunteers: needed for both the Dominion and the Scotties.

ADL awards – nominee list being drawn up

Memorandum of Understanding: Curl Atlantic is looking for 5% of future national event profits. Ottawa Curling Congress. Shirley is going. The incoming president will be invited.

Adjournment:

Derek moved adjournment at 9:37