

Boise Curling Club Board 5/06/15 Meeting Notes/Action Items

Attendees –

Board Members – R. Benson (late), R. Hanson, V. Carlson, J. Belsher, R. Holtgard

Non-Board Members – N/A

Action Items

RHoltgard - Provide recommendations on aligning fees to USCA membership timeline as well as other inputs on how membership tracking can be made easier from a Treasurer standpoint.

JBelsher – Follow-up with curler from Texas on plans for the marker jig, marker type, and how to best “mist” the lines.

All – Discuss/vote offline purchasing freezers for CL and IIW (?) to catch them while they are on sale.

JBelsher – Follow-up with CL to see if they can do 2-dots for each of the hacks and hog lines to allow us to square them easier.

RHoltgard/VCarlson – Follow-up why we had a >\$400 loss in the Fall league. Expected to be closer to breakeven.

VCarlson – Supply summer league options to Robo/Russ to add to EoY survey ballot.

RHanson - Follow-up with IIW to see which Council meeting the fees will be discussed so we can be sure to have BCC members there to support the recommendation.

RBenson – Russ to send reminder to the club for EoY party.

RBenson – Russ to follow-up with other interested board members to confirm that they are interested and add to the ballot.

RHoltgard/JBelsher/GHoltgard/VCarlson – Provide 1-2 slides by 5/12 for EoY party covering LC (scheduleleague), SEC (Stanley dedicated ice, new facility), and Treasurer report.

RHoltgard – Follow-up with Dale for EoY party food order with Ram.

JBelsher – Put together a photo clip to have playing during the EoY dinner.

Meeting Notes

Membership Dues

- Had a long discussion with regards to 1st time LTC participants and how to handle their membership fees.
- Past votes have allowed LTC participants to curl up to 3-games without paying a membership fee.
- This year’s Thursday night league was setup as a 4-week league which would have required LTC participants to become social members. The board voted to extend to 4 weeks and not charge a social fee.
- Board discussed possibly having a 1st time membership which was good for 1year after a LTC to play up to six games (not requiring social membership). The \$20 LTC fee would be the 1st time membership fee.
- Also, discussed the challenges of remember who/when people signed up for

- LTCs and when they're one year ended.
- Moving to a pro-rated membership was also discussed. Move away from social and 1st time membership and have a pro-rated based on the time of year a person joins.
 - We also discussed how our membership fee year does not align to USCA and MoPAC registration. It would potentially help the Treasurer to have them on the same calendar year.
 - Board decided to move this topic to a later board meeting as further ideas/discussion are needed.
 - Rachel to provide recommendations on aligning fees to USCA membership timeline as well as other inputs on how membership tracking can be made easier from a Treasurer standpoint.
 - One recommendation is to move back to invoices for the leagues. Invoicing resulted in less follow-up with curlers to pay league fees.

Century Link Update

- Jared provided an updated on the latest happenings with Century Link Arena.
- Communication required contacting the President of Century Link. Once that was done, good progress was made.
- Updates include:
 - Evaluated marking houses two different styles. Scratching and marker.
 - Both worked well, but marker was more visible.
 - Jared had input from a curler out of Texas who has done marker lines.
 - Jared to follow-up with Texan to get plans for marker jig, markers to use, and how to mist the lines.
- Jared has done some initial looking into freezers for CL and has recommendations.
- No voting was done on the freezers, but the board may want to follow-up offline to vote to be able to purchase them while they are on sale.
- Jared to follow-up with CL on the "dot" placement. Can we have 2 dots for each hack and hog line to ensure they are "square".
- Ice times. CL has set aside Sundays from 7:15-9:15 (not including setup time)
- Board had discussion on how best to proceed with CL. Currently two different thoughts:
 - Completely move all curling to CL
 - Curl at both IIW and CL.
 - There are pro's and con's to both options. The board (and future board) will need to review financial risks versus club risks (giving up Sunday slot at IIW) to determine how best to move forward.
 - Board to put together some survey questions for EoY banquet to get input from the club.

Financial Review

- Rachel emailed EoY financial details to the board.
 - Financial includes through the Thur night league assuming all members

- paid, but not EoY party. Need to collect final Thur night league payments.
- Items of interest.
 - Additional costs with Level 1 curling clinic
 - Fall league showed a \$400 loss. Vince and Rachel to follow-up to better understand why. Expected breakeven or less than \$200 loss.
 - Timing of membership fees and USCA dues also results in some unexpected differences to the finances.
- SOB and LTCs continued to be a good source of income for the club. SOB only included tangible dollar amounts and not all the volunteer hours and such.

LC Committee Update.

- Discussed summer league options.
 - Vince is looking into options and has not found a good time to host even a 3 week league. Would most likely end up as being a weekend league which we would expect has less support from the club during the summer.
 - VCarlson to supply summer league options to Robo/Russ for EoY ballot.
- New equipment
 - LC is looking into backpack pebbles to make pebbling easier as well as putting Styrofoam in the boxes to cushion the stones.
 - LC will update at future meeting on status.

MRC Update

- HSA Architects
 - They still want to have a corporate event. Looked at options in June, but no Fridays are available.
 - Need a new person to take over corporate event if we want to host the HSA architects.
- Open Curling
 - Rob had an update from IIW on open curling.
 - IIW has proposed dates for open curling during the summer. However, the fee structure has to be approved by the Boise City Council.
 - Rob to follow-up with IIW to see which Council meeting the fees will be discussed so we can be sure to have BCC members there to support the recommendation.
- MRC membership
 - Need 2-3 member support.
 - Russ/Robo to add to EoY presentation discussing committee needs beyond board positions.

EoY Party

- Current registration is <20 members.
 - Russ to send a reminder.
 - Need to remind attendees to both register their attendance and

- select/pay for their meal.
- Russ/Robo to handle the EoY presentation. Will need help with slides from LC, Treasurer, and SEC.
 - Topics including
 - How we're trying to work with IIW to improve ice.
 - Different committee opportunities.
 - SEC – Stanley dedicated sheet. Donation towards new ice facility.
 - LC – leaguescheduler software. League updates.
 - Treasure – current finances. Highlights of 2014/15
- Rachel to follow-up with Dale to ensure he gets the order in to the RAM for EoY dinners.
- Donations
 - Fleege's are handling the fundraiser donations. Rachel is supporting.
 - Discussed offering 1 ticket to all attendees for the prizes and then having more tickets available for purchase. Potentially not focus on "fundraising" as much.
- Photo clips.
 - Jared to follow-up on putting together a photo presentation to show during dinner.

World Curling Federation Event in Portland

- Discussed the upcoming WCF event in Portland
- Looks to be a good event to discuss how to grow clubs, etc.
- As we are looking at potential new curling facilities and how to continue to grow the club, the board thought it would be good to send two representatives to the event.
- Board discussed to cover the registration fees (~\$75/attendee) for two attendees and \$75/attendee on hotel costs. Attendees are to be selected by the board and to be future board members.
- Rob motioned to provide the above assistance and the two members to be Vince and Jared. Should Jared or Vince not be available, the board would select a new attendee.
- Attendees are expected to take concerns/challenges of the BCC to the event and provide feedback from the event to the board to be used in helping guide the club in the future.

Next Meeting- TBD

Russ motioned to close the board meeting at 9:15 and Rachel seconded. All in favor.