

Meeting Minutes

KMCC Board of Directors

November 9, 2017

- A. Call to Order – 6:32 pm, present Jeff S, Dave L, John G, Tom G, Jeff N, Tess M, Michele H, Herb R, Phyllis K, Jerry H.
- B. Secretary's Report – Previous meeting minutes approved and posted to website
- C. Treasurer's Report – No formal report. Current bank funds are \$164,000. The Stan brought in \$5,016. Fall fling report not yet available.
- D. Agenda additions – F1 – Locker Assignments, F2 – Sign up genius, F3 – Paypal, F4 – High school, F5 – Clean Up, F6 – Emergency building access, F7 – CCC survey
- E.
 - 1. Saturday Instructional sessions – They didn't happen on 10/21 or 10/28. Need to find dates that work for a couple sessions in the first and second parts of the season. Will try to tap a volunteer to help coordinate. Major need is for instructors (certified or not) to assist in the training. Also need to spread the word about the classes once scheduled.
 - 2. Ice Technician – No replacement technician so far. There have been meetings with the current ice crew. They have a decent plan in place for dividing out all of the current duties among the committee. 8 new pebbles were trained at the first ice prep class, 2 more classes scheduled. It is a continued work in progress.
 - 3. Thursday Drop-In – The drop in league is back up and running, a 6 person committee is in charge of the night.
 - 4. Grill Fan – No bare wires are present, just cracked wire insulation. This can be deferred to spring to consider replacing fan after the season is over.
 - 5. Roof Leak Repair/Replace – Herb, John, Jeff S, and Steve H met as a committee to discuss the roof problems. John met with Badgerland roofing to assess the condition of the roof. The leaking is coming through some small cracks in the flat roof. The cracks were caulked by John. This should last through the winter. It would cost \$30,000 roughly for a new flat roof with a 15 year guarantee from Badgerland. Pitching the roof is not feasible per Gerry Maier. We will gather further estimates for a new flat roof and have all information ready by Spring (April) so that we can select a roofer if we decide to replace and pre-schedule the work pending approval by the general membership at the annual meeting to assure the work can be completed next summer.
- F.
 - 1. Locker Assignments – Mary R needs to know who isn't joining first before re-assigning lockers so it takes an appropriate amount of time after the start of the season to get the locker assignments handled. No one should offer an open locker to a new curler.

2. Sign up genius – System works, the pay version isn't worth the \$25/month, will continue to use free version. Still requires phone calls to be made to drum up help as needed.
3. Paypal – worked well for the Stan. Consider usage for other bonspiels. Also consider for dues payment however some agreement will need to be made about a flat rate or making credit card payers pay the upcharge. No consensus as of yet.
4. High School – The schedule for Arrowhead HS going up soon. Only doing 2 days per class. Pewaukee HS has always come. KMHS will be in the spring session. Oconomowoc HS has contacted us. Pat VanTill felt we could handle this and this would cover the area high schools.
5. Clean Up – Need to discuss the clean up of the club. League chair will spread word to make sure everyone is cleaning up after themselves/their curling night. The club cleaning crew is not responsible for clean up of messes/dishes from league nights.
6. Emergency club entry – if the electronic door lock fails, Rick Baldry, John Geason, Jeff Seboth, Steve Hogan and the Heinzes are the keyholders that have a key to enter the club. The fire department and police have a special key for the lock box on the building which contains a key as well.
7. Chicago Curling club survey – a survey was sent to Tess from CCC requesting some budgetary information to help them with a multiyear planning for their club. The survey will be sent to Jerry for review and screening of the questions/information requested before anyone completes the survey.

Adjourn – Phyllis moved to adjourn, Herb seconded, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeffrey Nelson

KMCC Events Report
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Phyllis Kirchner

Opening Party: Janet and Scott Banaski organized this year's Opening Party on October 13th. Forty curlers attended a fun filled-evening of curling and schnibbles.

KMCC/MKE Challenge: Jennifer McCarthy and Mike Neimon are the co-chairs for this "friendly" event between KMCC and Milwaukee Curling Club to be held on Saturday November 25th from 8am – 5pm. Milwaukee is the host club this year. Sign-up sheets have been posted at the club. Breakfast and lunch will be served. Event cost is \$10/curler.

Miller Men's: This "friendly" event between KMCC and Wauwatosa Curling Club event is on the calendar for December 9th from 8am – 4 pm. "Tosa" is the host club this year. Drew Urban is chair the event this year. Sign-up sheet will be available. Cost TBD.

Upcoming events

Five and Under Intraclub Spiel - TBD

The WILLY – March at Exmoor Curling Club

Closing Party – March 24

The Mini-Spiel – March 25

Kettle Cop Golf Outing – TBD – looking for a chair to run the event

Club Promotions

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Tom Godar

Directory

With Craig's resignation, I have tried to step in and better understand and organize the Directory for this year. Jerry has been called upon not only to sort names of members, which tends to be much more of a project than we might guess, but follow up in other areas. Thanks, Jerry, for sticking to it.

A really great photo has been offered by Stella for the cover, and, as always, some long timers have pinned eloquently about the old directories with all of its photos, etc. Please do not expect that this year.

Corporate Use

No new commitments are reported by Mike Browne, but a few possibilities are in the que. Most importantly, Sarah Kirkoff has asked to take the leadership role in this area, and I believe that Mike and Barbara Rampolla are eager to support this transition. Thanks to Mike and Barbara for their help, and please offer Sarah all the support that you can.

Bonspiel Report

10/7/17

Dave Lewis

The Stan Invitational

Approximately \$5,000 profit

The Fall Fling

No report as of this time

Cash Spiel

per Larry Laux, all is well. They have what they need. Starts Friday. As always, looking for volunteers to help host our paid guests and friends. Many of the participants attend at least two other spiels at Kettle Moraine Curling Club. This is the payment we receive when our volunteers produce curler friendly bonspiels. All members should be very pleased with their work.

Stick Spiel

No report as of this time

College Bonspiel

No report as of this time

The Classic

Good news, Pam and Rick have found someone to take over in the second couple position on a permanent basis. Jerry and Chris Holding said they would help them until they could find a couple and Tess and Tom Munich have stepped up. The four of them are in the process to form a long term committee to alleviate this issue in the future. Sign up for playoffs are on the board.

The Mixed

All is well. They have what they need. As with The Classic, they are attempting to set up a rolling committee to handle future problems. Sign up for playoffs are on the board.

The Juniors

All is well. They have what they need.

The Men's Invitational

All is well. They have what they need. Sign up for playoffs are on the board.

League Repot

11/07/17

Dave Lewis

Monday - Wisconsin

**Dave, we included two teams and request one player from each team to assist the ice team prior to the 6:15 draw. It seems we were getting pretty good cooperation. I'm not sure how it is going this year - Jim or Drew, comments?

When putting the schedule together, we split Dave Kawecki and Dan Hundt on opposite shifts so one of them is available to work the ice before the first draw and the other can help in between draws. DC

**From what I have seen, it's been good cooperation for doing the ice. I certainly think that will pick up more after the ice prep classes. The league is going great except for my team losing last week. The damn skip needs to be better. DU

**Both teams are expected to help on the ice. Best I know there has been someone there to assist. I have not heard of a problem. JL

Tuesday - Moon Rocks/Night Owls

**We have several ladies signed up for one of the ice prep classes in November. We have a couple who can do ice prep now. DG

Wednesday - Biersach

**Biersach running smoothly, it was about 3 to 4 years ago that we stopped assigning teams for ice prep help. It was stopped under suggestion from John Geason because so many times teams did not show up. I did consider assigning teams to prep ice between draws but looking at the sign-ups there won't be enough qualified people. After my qualification Saturday I learned some finer points on pebbling that non-trained pebblers don't know. I'm working on a system or assignments that may help. HR

Thursday - Granite/All American

Schedule and roster on website

Thursday - TATT

No report

Thursday - Drop-in League

A new committee has taken charge of this league and is moving forward. The committee is listed below and a general e-mail to the members went out Tuesday morning.

Janet Banaski – jbanski@yahoo.com Scott Banaski – blackoak100@yah.com

Chris Bull – cbull@lechner.net Brad Folkert - BWfolk60@gmail.com

Jim Ellis – ellisjr47@gmail.com Phyllis Kirchner – pkirchner30@aol.com

Thursday - Competitive League

Per Michelle they now have 4 teams set. Allowing teams to do "week of" games without a standard schedule of games was discussed.

Friday - Oakwood

**We are good on Fridays. I think we'll wait and see who attends the ice prep classes that are being offered and then if we still need some instruction, we can let you know.

-Jeff and Carey

Saturday - Mixed

**Thanks for the note. We have one shift with 2 scheduled games. We do have several curlers that know how to pebble and nip the ice. I usually come in early and prep the necessary number of sheets unless I am unable to play on a specific day. We have several other curlers that are always glad to prep the ice before there games as well so this seems to be working well.

We do have general discussions with everyone before the games but nothing formal. And we have a great social dinner with everyone after the games. I think that is going great.

I think our league is running great. The biggest issue is that we were unable to get more couples to sign up for the league. I have discussed this with several curlers that said they could make it for several game but not all of them so they did not want to sign up. So we have several subs available and can always find someone to fill in.

I would like to grow this league for next year and would look forward to any suggestions that you or the board would like to offer. Everyone that plays on Saturday regularly or as a sub really seems to enjoy it. I just need to find a way to work around their scheduling issues and not wanting to commit to every week.

Please let me know if you have any questions on this.

Thanks,

Neil and Randi

Sunday - Mixed Doubles

**Thanks for the note. We have one shift with 5 scheduled games. Some teams come in early to play and some reschedule due to bonspiels, etc. So we usually do not have 5 full sheets at 1:00. We do have several curlers that know how to pebble and nip the ice. I usually come in early and prep the necessary number of sheets unless I am unable to play on a specific day. I have seen other curlers prep the ice before there games as well so this seems to be working well.

We do have general discussions with everyone before and after the games but nothing formal. I think that is going okay.

The Juniors curl after us but not until 4:00 PM so we are not there when they arrive. They can check the ice prep board in the ice room to see which sheets have been prepped.

I think our league is running great. The biggest issue is scheduling due to personal conflicts on Sunday but we have done a great job of rescheduling these games.

Please let me know if you have any questions on this.

Thanks,

Neil and Randi

Communication and Long Term Assets

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Herb Rasmussen

I have nothing to report on Communications except via an email I heard there are some problems working with our membership list on the web site to develop certain reports.

Long Term Assets (Liabilities)

We had a meeting on our roof with John Geason, Steve Hogan, Jeff Seboth and myself in attendance. We received some advice from Badger Roofing on patching areas where the asphalt is cracked and that will buy us some time to make decisions on more permanent repairs. The flat roof was patched three years ago and since then we have a small leak. We will continue to research solutions and report to this board our recommendation at a future meeting.

I also contacted Gerry Maier on the possibility of installing a peaked roof and his comments were close to 'X' rated, far too expensive and our building was not designed for those different loads.

Membership Report

November 9, 2017

Jeffrey Nelson

We held 3 open houses this fall with about 114 attendees. We had 20 new members join as a result. A very big thank you to all the members that have helped out at the open houses. In reviewing the waivers, the newspaper ad was noted by 6 attendees and the Highland games booth was noted by 5 attendees as their reason for attending the open house, and neither resulted in any of the new members. I will coordinate with Jerry to get detailed numbers on our current membership, now that the deadline for dues payment has passed. Rough count is we are probably down about 20 members overall from the end of last year.

We will be planning a single “learn to curl” on Thursday Dec 28th. Further details to follow.

No feedback received regards to the new member brochure, the club info pamphlet or revised membership application form.

Ice Report

November 9th, 2017

Submitted by John Geason

We are looking good after having completed over one month of curling, with that being said we did encounter a few minor problems with the equipment but nothing that interrupted any curling.

A committee has been formed to try and determine the future of the work process of the ice at our club. We have met twice already and so far have set up three training dates for pebbling and nipping. We had just completed our first class on Nov. 4th of which eight KMCC members had gone thru the ice preparation process. This class was conducted by Dave Kaweck and Dan Hundt who had mentioned very positive reports on the ones that attended and their abilities. The next two classes will be Nov 19 and Nov 30 – please encourage more people to sign up.

The committee is also asking more members to get involved in the ice making and learning about the ice making equipment and to think about joining this elite ice crew team.

In the future we would like to have enough individuals to be able to pebble and nip between draws on Monday and Wednesdays night. We must find a way to get members involved in helping on the ice and not just standing there and waiting for someone else to step up.

No Kettle's Report

No electronic copy of House Report