

KMCC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

6:00 PM February 15

KMCC Clubhouse

A. Call to Order - 5:58 pm - Present - Jerry, Tess, Jeff S., Tom G, Jeff N., Herb, Michele, John, Phyllis. Also present - Larry L. (rock committee), Craig S. (rock committee), Bob F. (KMCS), Absent - Dave L.

B. Secretary's Report (J Nelson) - Prior board meeting minutes approved and posted to the website. Special January meeting minutes were revised and not fully approved. Jeff N. moves that we approve the special meeting minutes and post to website. Seconded, motion carries.

C. Treasurer's Report (J Holding) - Report provided. Question from Tom re: location of corporate event revenues. Those are located under club use revenue.

D. Agenda Additions - 1. Roof 2. Security cameras 3. Club five and under

E. Old Business -

1. The Rock Project - (L Laux) - Report provided by Larry L. 109 of 165 club families responded to request for donation. Average donation is \$545. 89% giving rate of those that responded they would give something. Current promised donations total \$59,368. Fundraising committee requests 1. The green light to investigate purchase of rocks through the USCA rock program and develop, send and collect a 1 page "brochure" with pledge card to allow KMCC members to make and/or confirm their contribution. 2. Support the opportunity for members to donate to the KMCS if they wish, with the proviso that KMCS will use the donated money to purchase the rocks to support their mission. 3. Would like to develop a recommendation to the board on how to recognize donors. 4. Start the process for a special voters meeting to approve the purchase of the rocks by the general membership. Tom G. moves to accept the recommendations of the fundraising committee (as noted above) with the understanding that #3 will be handled at a future time. Phyllis seconded, motion carries. Potential dates for a special voters meeting are 3/4/18 or 3/8/18. Membership will be notified per the bylaws.

2. Roof - John G.'s contractor revised his prior quote for replacement of the flat roof and with a 20 year guarantee it would be approximately \$31,000. Gerry was contacted again and provided structural drawing of the building and his comments

on the potential of changing to a pitched roof, stating that he would be surprised if it was less than \$150,000 and could exceed \$250,000. The board supports continuing the process of replacing the flat roof.

F. New Business -

1. Club Rental Payment due dates - Payment is due the day of the club use event. Jerry moves to amend club use policy to reflect this, Phyllis seconded, motion carries.

2. Junior/High School Safety Agreement implementation - Michele will revisit the safety agreement and possible implementation of the Safe sport program through USCA given recent events in other sports (gymnastics).

3. Question posed on whether junior curlers could curl in the club 5 and under this coming weekend. Only junior adult members are allowed to participate at it is a KMCC event and juniors only members are part of the curling school.

G. Adjourn - John moves to adjourn, everyone seconds, motion carries. Meeting adjourned 6:59 pm

House and Grounds Report  
February 15, 2018  
Jeff Seboth

This month we had a minor problem with our furnace. The day before the Classic there was no heat coming from the heating vents and the clubhouse temperature was falling below comfort level. Steve Hogan called our HVAC people and it was found that a drainpipe was clogged which caused the furnace not to come on line. The problem was corrected and everything is running fine.

Other than that, everything is running smoothly.

**KMCC Events Report**  
**February 15, 2018**  
**Phyllis Kirchner**

**Upcoming events**

**Five and Under Intraclub Spiel** – February 24, 2018. Phyllis Kirchner substitute chair. Sign-up is posted on the bulletin board

**Bacon Spiel** – March 11, 2018. A new intraclub event! Tess mUnich and Phyllis Kirchner, chairs. Watch for information coming soon!

**The WILLY** – March 17-18 at Exmoor Curling Club – Jim Ellis and Phyllis Kirchner, Chairs.

**Closing Party** – March 24, 2018 – Janet and Scott Banaski, Chairs.

**Mini-Spiel** – March 25, 2018 – Tess Munich and Phyllis Kirchner, Chairs

**We are looking into providing more “intra-club” fun events/spiels at KMCC. Please forward any ideas that you might have!**

**CHAIRS NEEDED!!!**

**We have KMCC events that are in need of chairs!!!!**

**KMCC/MKE Challenge**: . We need chairs to run the event next year to be held at KMCC on November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Please let me know if you are interested

**Miller Men’s**: We are looking for a men’s curler to run the event next year to be held at KMCC in early December. Please let me know if you are interested

**Kettle Cup Golf Outing** – TBD – still looking for interested party(ies) to chair the event

Communications and Major Assets Report  
February 15, 2018  
Herb Rasmussen

Communications

- New Web Site Tess and Phyllis have a report on progress
- KMCC Facebook page Not being used very much, we should encourage more postings as to Bonspiel participation and results. Sarah Kirchoff has posted our 'Learn to Curl' events and received notice of people attending because of seeing our Facebook posts.
- For short quick messages should we look into texting instead of emails

Major Assets

- Parking Lot Nothing to report
- Septic System Nothing new to report
- Roof The roofing committee will be submitting a recommendation to the board in the next month or two and I would like us to discuss and remove one idea (constructing a peaked roof over the flat roof). When I asked Gerry Maier if he had any 'as built plans' of the club he obviously asked why and I told him I was looking into rebuilding the roof so we could shingle it. I would have tried to get a quick assessment from an architect as to approximate cost for a fee of around \$500. Attached are Gerry's diagram and thoughts that he feels make that approach prohibitively expensive. Remember, we are changing the structure of a building different from what it was engineered and constructed for, so it should be re-engineered to determine what additional reinforcements are necessary. If additional reinforcements are necessary the costs are in addition to removing and replacing our e-ceiling. The current flat roof is approximately 25 years old and a replacement is in the range of \$32,000 with a 20 year guarantee. Gerry would not give a ballpark estimate but his comment was 'I would be surprised if the cost would as little as \$150,000 and not surprised if it was over \$250,000. One last comment, Gerry has the most knowledge of our club's building than anyone else and has contributed his time and expertise as a contractor and engineer for all our building projects over 50 years without ever receiving any compensation.

Ice Report  
February 15th, 2018  
Submitted by John Geason

A flood was put down on Jan 16<sup>th</sup> to help level out a few problems areas on the ice surface. All equipment is up to performing at its normal capacity.

Club Promotions  
February 15, 2018  
Tom Godar

Stats

5 events complete (bringing in ~\$2.5k for the club)  
4 events upcoming  
5 events pending (4 most likely are no-go's)  
33 event inquiries

Noteworthy Items

- Otis Elevator has confirmed an event in March with 25 participants. They had to cancel last year due to payment issues (we didn't take credit cards and they couldn't cut a check in time). Now that we take credit cards, they are able to hold an event with us!
- ~45% of events are paid by credit card.
- There are 2 events scheduled for next week and I still need volunteers. I've had a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board for 2 weeks and have gotten minimal response. Need to figure out how to get more volunteers! The group on Feb 23rd is 40 people, so ideally I'll have 10 volunteers, but minimally 5 (I currently have 4 including myself)

Kettles Report  
February 15, 2018  
Michele Heinze

The Kettles have Judy Maier's team representing them at the USWCA Nationals in Durham, North Carolina. We wish them luck! We have 9 teams playing for the Tuesday Night Owl Event. There has been much discussion about how to continue to move players up to new positions, while keeping everyone happy. This discussion will continue into next season. There was talk about possibly reinstating a rating system. It has in the past and continues to be difficult for the game chairs to make all the ladies accommodated and happy!

**LEAGUE/CLUB GAMES REPORT**  
**February 15th, 2018**  
**Dave Lewis**

Monday Wisconsin Event  
**No communication at this time (NoCom)**

Tuesday Moon Rocks/All American  
**No communication at this time (NoCom)**

Wednesday Biersach  
per Herb Rasmussen  
**All is well. We are on track for this time of the season. We need nothing**

Thursday Granite/All American  
**NoCom**

Thursday TATT  
per Rick Baldry  
**TATT continues to provide a Fun format. Good participation. All is good.**

**Rick**

Thursday Open Competitive  
I should be removed from any leadership status for the Thursday league. I do not curl in the league and do not attend. Michele is doing all the work of the chair.  
Mike

Thursday Drop in  
**NoCom**

Friday Oakwood  
NoCom

Saturday Mixed  
per Neil Feil  
**All is well. We are on track for this time of the season. We need nothing**

Sunday Mixed Doubles  
per Neil Feil  
**All is well. We are on track for this time of the season. We need nothing**

**Major Bonspiel Report**  
**2 - 15 - 18**  
**Dave Lewis**

**The Stick Spiel**

per John Geason  
20 teams - Net Profit \$898.58

**The College Bonspiel**

per Mike Schuder  
12 teams – Net profit \$1821.92

**The Classic**

per Rick Stegehuis  
See attached, next page

**The Mixed**

per Carey Alber-Milazzo  
Report looks good for the mixed. All checks have been handed in to Jerry Holding.  
Carey

**The Junior Bonspiel**

per Rob McCarthy  
**All is well. We are on schedule. We need nothing at this time**

**The Men's Invitational**

per Joby Boland  
**All is well. We are on schedule. We need nothing at this time**

2018 Classic Bonspiel Annual Report  
Chairs: Pam and Rick Stegehuis  
Committee: Tess and Tom Munich

The 2018 Classic Bonspiel was held on Saturday and Sunday February 3 and 4. The theme was "Get Your Kicks on Route 66". Many positive comments were received from participants, and the bonspiel profit goal was substantially exceeded. The 2019 Classic is tentatively planned for February 2-3. Participation from outside teams was excellent, making for a very diverse bonspiel. Teams participating were:

- Chicago – 1 team
- Delta Rocks / Blaine – 1 team
- Exmoor – 1 team
- Gurnee – 1 team
- Madison – 1 team
- Milwaukee – 5 teams
- Poynette – 1 team
- Racine – 1 team
- Waltham – 1 team
- Wauwatosa – 2 teams
- Waukesha – 1 team
- Kettle Moraine – 4 teams

Kettle teams taken from the ladder were Rob McCarthy and Dave Kawecki. The Jeff Moylan team was the sole entry for the playdowns.

Event results were as follows:

1W: Ceterski – Delta Rocks / Blaine

1R: Graff – Milwaukee

2W: Dowd – Gurnee / KMCC

2R: O'Connor – Madison

3W: Gailans – Milwaukee

3R: Haagensen – Wauwatosa / KMCC

4W: Durrant – Chicago

4R: Armstrong – Racine

5W: Geason – KMCC

5R: Kawecki – KMCC

Income for the event totaled \$4,960 and expenses totaled \$2,192 (excludes refunded entry fee from a team that cancelled), so the event cleared about \$2,800 before taxes.

Turnout of volunteers was outstanding. Ample help was available for all aspects. The chairs are humbled and thankful to have so many members volunteer for so many hours. Again this year, we had several newer members as first-time bonspiel volunteers. This is great to see new



members embracing the tradition of service to the club, and hope to see this continue as those mentoring new members emphasize the volunteer-run culture of KMCC.

Thank you to all of our members who contributed their time and talent:

Mike and Helen Bera

Tom and Tess Munich

Barb Jermyn

Sarah Kirchoff

Carey Alber

Sarah Droessler

Jim and Mille Buege

Heather Ragen

Jo Ann Matthews

John and Stella Geason

Scott and Janet Banaski

Bob and Flip Flemming

Ken and Pat VanTill

Dave Kawecki

Rick Baldry

Carol Stevenson

Mary Rasmussen

Harry Berg

Mike Heyer

Jeff and Lynn VanDam

Brad Folkert

Brian and Lori Carlson

Chad Ostram

Dave Southgate

Bob and Emma Cuomo

Steve Hogan

Dean and Diana Gettinger

Rob and Jen McCarthy

Jim Nelson

A proposal has been put forward by Dave Kawecki regarding rules surrounding the ladder and playdowns. Dave's proposal contains three points:

- Reconsider Item #8 under "Ladder" in the "KMCC Classic & Mixed Bonspiel Rules", which allows a team that has one of the top two ladder spots to enter the playdowns and either defer their ladder spot if they win the playdowns or use their ladder spot if they lose the playdowns. If this rule is retained, then consider stating this rule on the playdown sign-up sheet.
- Close the playdown entry list earlier (by early November) to allow more time for the playdowns to take place.
- Set a deadline for when the top two ladder teams must either accept or defer their ladder spot for the year. (While not explicitly part of Dave's proposal, it logically follows that playdowns must be completed prior to this deadline.)

The chairs are neutral on this proposal and defer rulemaking to the board. The chairs are generally supportive of any rule change that would simplify and accelerate the process of setting the KMCC teams. Toward that end, the chairs suggest two other alternatives for consideration of the board:

- Eliminate the playdowns altogether and take one more team from the ladder each year.

- Return to the prior policy of holding playdowns at a pre-determined date and time in mid-December.

Recent history of the Classic has included difficulty recruiting future chairs, and this year has been no different. While the Munichs' contribution to this year's event was invaluable, they have not expressed an interest in running the event next year. A larger standing committee (6-8 members) may be a desirable way to manage the event. However, additional members to make a larger committee have not been forthcoming. Stegehuis's are willing to take on the event again for 2019. Consideration must be given to what is in the long term best interest of the event and the club.