

KMCC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
6:30 PM Thursday, October 11th
KMCC Clubhouse

- A. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order by President Jeff Nelson at 6:31. In attendance: Tess Munich, Phyllis Kirchner, Jeff Seboth, Jerry Holding, Dave Lewis, Tom Godar, Herb Rasmussen, Jo Ball and John Salsa
- B. Secretary's Report (Phyllis K) - The minutes from last month's meeting have been posted to the website.
- C. Treasurer's Report (J Holding) - Membership dues are due on October 15th. About \$50K has been submitted so far. There are 20 non-returning curlers this season; 10 from last year's Olympic League
- D. Agenda Additions - were added to Old and New Business
- E. Old Business -
1. Monday and Thursday leagues - 91 Curlers have signed up so far for the Monday Night league. The Thursday Night Open league is still recruiting teams and the schedule has not been set. It was agreed that the Monday Night League would have one Thursday/session to complete all of their games due to the high turnout of curlers. The Drop-in league will be chaired by Jim Ellis and Phyllis Kirchner. Once the other leagues have been set, there will be an announcement of when the Drop-in league will occur.
 2. Junior/HS Safety agreement - John reported that he has arranged for the background checks of the Jr/HS instructor/coaches and they must also complete in the "SafeSport" program before the start of those leagues. All waivers required for Jr/HS curlers are posted on the public side of the website and must be signed by the curlers and their parents before they can participate in the Jr/HS activities. A reminder to other club members; no one should be on the ice other than the Jr/HS curlers during their sessions.
 3. Security cameras - There was discussion regarding the security cameras. Members should not interfere with the operation of the cameras.
 4. Website update - Tess demonstrated the league feature being utilized for the Biersach League. Biersach curlers will see who they play, what time and on what sheet when they log into their account. The "sub" list is also online. The plan is to move all other league schedules to the website later in the year or by next season.

There was discussion regarding advertisers on the website. Tess demonstrated how we can retrieve the number of "hits" each advertiser receives. Tom will share that information with our advertisers.

5. Countdown Clock - Herb has had discussions with league chairs and they are in favor of the club purchasing a device to help with the speed of the games. He has done some preliminary work into clocks/buzzers. Herb and Jeff S will investigate options and bring to the next meeting.

F. New Business -

1. College Bonspiel - Mike Schuder has agreed to run the bonspiel one more time. We will need to recruit a co-chair to work with Mike and Irene this year to continue the spiel going forward.

2. Club organizational structure - Tabled until next month's meeting.

3. Curler's not paid up - Herb will notify Biersach skips to remind their teams that dues must be paid by October 15th or they will not be able to curl on the 17th. Other leagues participants must be paid up by their first game.

4. Club tablet - Phyllis suggested the club purchase a tablet/small computer to have at the club for recording scores/registrations/etc. The club does own an older computer. We will test out before looking into a new one.

5. New Brooms - We need 40 usable brooms for the High School PhyEd classes and others. Tom will ask the Ice Crew to sort brooms from our stash and determine how many to ask the curling school to purchase.

G. Committee Report -

1. House & Grounds (J Seboth)

2. Ice (T Munich)

3. Membership (J Ball)

4. Communications (H Rasmussen)

5. Club Events (P Kirchner)

6. Club Games (H Rasmussen)

7. Major Bonspiels (D Lewis)

8. Women's Rep (J Ball)

9. Curling Instruction (J Salza)

10. Promotions (T Godar)

H. Adjourn - The brooms and Tom moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 - the motion was seconded.

Respectfully submitted,
Phyllis Kirchner, Secretary

COMMITTEE REPORTS

House and Grounds Report

October 11, 2018

Jeff Seboth

All summer maintenance activities are now completed except for replacement of water damaged ceiling tiles. Hopefully they will be replaced by the end of next week. The new cabinets and countertop are now completed. The new dishware is completely washed and stored ready to use, in the new cabinets.

Everything else is normal.

Ice Report

October 11, 2018

Tess Munich

Ice is in place and we had very good curling conditions for the first night of Biersach last Wednesday.

Hot humid conditions are making it quite difficult to control humidity in the ice house; this has/will cause sub-optimal curling conditions and condensation on the wall-mounted ice ads. FWIW, John Geason shared that he feels those ads should not be put up, for that reason, until the end of October and I agree.

New DI sysem (2x capacity at roughly the same cost per set of tanks as prior supplier) now installed. Also we have a separate tank producing DI at a lower ph than the main set of tanks; just for pebbling.

Acquired another biter bar; now have one at each end.

Normal start up issues encountered. Replaced circuit board in East heater, about \$500. Replaced vacuum in SW corner, less than \$50. Bought a new scraper blade, cost about \$800 (we now have 4 total). Had 1 (of 2) compressor controllers fail; now getting a quote for modernizing the compressor controls system.

Ice Team of Dan Hundt, Melissa Spindler, Garet Galster and Dave Kaweck (with flooding help from Jeff Seboth) performed excellently.

Membership Report

October 9, 2018

Jo Ball

Three Learn to Curl events were held to promote our club and the sport. Dates were Thursday, October 4th, Sunday, October 7th, and Tuesday, October 9th. Thursday registration was 31 people, Sunday had 25 and 4 ladies were registered for Tuesday as of the writing of this report. We had great volunteer support from our members. To date, we have 3 new members and 1 new member for juniors: Sally Anlin, Faith McGovern, Pete Tomes, and junior member, Mateo Lopez. Faith, Pete and Mateo are a family. We received another inquiry regarding membership today from friends of participants at our Sunday Learn to Curl. They have received information and instructions on where/how to sign up.

Communication and Long Term Assets Report

October 11, 2018

Herb Rasmussen

The new WEB site is in use for registrations and league sign-ups, it is a work in process and many thanks to Tess and Phyllis for the extra extra efforts to make this happen. I don't know if it's new or advanced but there are some that have problems and I think they have to use it and the comfort level will increase. My guess is that it's not the younger members.

The 'Learn to Curl' events have been on Facebook and by 'liking' they get spread to your friends. Great method to get additional exposure.

No report on Long Term Assets except the parking lot barriers were removed.

Events Report

10/9/2018

Phyllis Kirchner

Opening Party: Scheduled for Saturday October 20th at 5:00. Flyer has been sent to the membership. Thanks to Janet and Scott Banaski for organizing the event!. Looking for new chairs to run the event next year.

KMCC -Milwaukee Challenge - Will be recruiting chairs for this event.

Closing Party - Will be recruiting chairs for this event

Most other events are on the calendar and have chairs to run.

KMCC Games
October 11,2018
Herb Rasmussen

Following is a list of our leagues as of last Saturday with the number of curler responses, known number of teams and comments.

Tuesday Moon Rocks	33	8	expect additional curlers after LTC
Thursday Granites	20	5	some known curlers not signed-up
Friday Mixed	42	?	more sign-ups expected
Saturday Mixed		11	3 email sent out and
notable curlers not included			
Mixed Doubles	10	8	Additional calls being made
Thursday Open	10	?	some teams and some individuals,
additional teams expected			
Sunday 5 and under	13	?	nice response
Monday Wisconsin	75	20	expect 21 to 22 teams
Biersach	109	24	started

Looking at sign-ups, there were some known curlers not included, vacations or WEB challenges may have caused this to occur. League chairmen have be asked to follow up. There are also inconsistencies on how people sign up and I think this will be a process that gets better each year.

Mens Games Committee

We met last month and discussed the new 5 rock free guard rule and what it may mean to the length of our games. The topics discussed were starting on time, getting out on the ice early to shake, not waiting for the bell and the potential use of a large countdown clock. All agreed with alerting skips of getting their team ready to curl early and a countdown clock might help and certainly wouldn't hurt the game. The women on Tuesday and Thursday time their games with a kitchen timer and have done this for the last few years. The Kettles report refers to this use and suggest a larger clock would be useful (see Kettles report).

I will make a motion that we purchase a count-down clock to be used during league play.

Bonspiel Report
10/10/18
Dave Lewis

The Stan Invitational

All good. Filled and then not but given the Brewers, not bad as expected.

Fall Fling per Pam Stegehuis

Filled with one on waiting list. On Schedule. Need nothing but support from the entire membership.

Cash Spiel per Larry Laux

We have 16-17 teams in place using just the 2 KM teams. We have some additional interested teams and are working to reach our goal of 20. Our first choice is, of course, 20 teams. However, if we end up at 17 (for example) we will drop to 16 teams and reevaluate after the event if we should continue on. If we reach 19, I am sure we can find a 20th team. All other prep items seems to be in place and normal.

Kettles Report
October 9, 2018
Jo Ball

The cushions for the red couches have been replaced with new foam and reupholstered. The cost was approximately \$500 higher than originally approved by the Kettles and we will seek approval for the additional amount at a meeting to be held at the Kettles Fall Dinner. Special thanks to Jennifer McCarthy for taking care of this and getting the cushions back to the club in time for the start of the season.

The Kettles Fall Dinner will be held on Tuesday, October 16th, at the Butler Inn of Pewaukee. Thanks to Heather Betzhold for coordinating for our group.

A meeting was held with Games Chairs to discuss ways we can address some of the issues and concerns expressed by Kettles members. Several ideas were generated and we will be voting on a rules change for the draft at the upcoming dinner. We agreed that a game clock would be helpful to ensure we stay within the allowable 2 hour time frame per game. Something visual would be beneficial for skips and players alike. We also agreed that we need to make everyone aware of game start times, ring the bell sooner, and create more awareness of other leagues that members can take advantage of.

The Fall Fling will be held on October 25-26, 2016 and is being chaired by Pam Stegehuis and co-chaired by Sarah Kirchoff.