

FIRST DRAFT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

GOLDEN EARS WINTER CLUB

June 23, 2023

NOT YET APPROVED

Meeting was held at the Golden Ears Winter Club

The panel: (board members unless otherwise designated)

Jason Peckham (president); Glen Shipp (treasurer); Janet Dunkin (secretary); Terry Hawley (past president); Gord Urquhart (director at large); Shannon Joannis (management team representative)

Chair: Jason Peckham

Recording Clerk: Janet Dunkin

Attendance list follows at the end.

Quorum was reached.

Call to order: 7:06 pm

Jason read the Notice of Meeting

Quorum has been met (see list at end of this report)

1. Additions to the agenda

none

2. Approval of Minutes

Moved: Jason Peckham, seconded Derek Seaton: that the minutes of the AGM of 2022 be approved as written. Carried unanimously.

4. President's report

Jason Peckham:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Thank you, everyone, for attending on this beautiful evening. This is my 13th season at the club and the organization has come a long way.

- Financially Sound
- Starting To Invest In The Organization Again

- Shifting focus to some key priorities
- Financial Health Restored (Kudos to Glen)
 - As our treasurer will speak to, we are back in the black and trending towards 500 members
 - That being said, as we are all well aware, the cost of doing everything has increased (fees will be increasing)
 - As well, a new fee will be introduced to support and drive the volunteer program
- Starting To Invest In The Organization Again
 - New bar equipment
 - Now serving hot food/snacks
 - Investing in new Audio/Video equipment with the goal of being able to broadcast games
 - New Website is close to completion
- Shifting focus to some key priorities
 - Adjusting how the organization is governed
 - Board
 - Management
 - Key Portfolios (Report To Management, Up Into Board)

Volunteering (Thank those who year over year, drive many of our offerings with their volunteer efforts)

- Change is needed to drive this key portfolio forward
- Highlight and structure a catalog of volunteering opportunities
- Help our management team focus on operating the club
- Shannon is driving this with support from a key contributor (Corey Hodges)
- Grant Writing: an area we are seeking help with

I really enjoyed the opportunity to hold this post over this past season and want to ensure everyone is aware of what a great team of board members we had, supported by management and you, our membership and volunteer base.

Questions/comments: none

3. Treasurer's report for 2022-23

Glen stated that the March 31, 2023, year-end financial statements were sent with the Notice of the AGM. While those statements were labeled "Draft for Discussion purposes only", they are identical to the final statements which club members had in front of them. He noted that for the past two years, the statements were prepared by PVSC, the club's external accountant under a compilation engagement, which is not a review or an audit. For this year, PSVC conducted a review engagement, which while still not an audit, is more extensive than a compilation engagement.

He explained that this statement shows a return to a positive result after 2 years of Covid related losses, to wit a surplus of \$4,322. This is after the losses incurred in the years ending March 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022, which totaled \$58,797.

The balance sheet remains healthy, with \$164,847 in cash and term deposits. (He noted that \$40,000 of the term deposits is for repayment of the CEBA loan due on December 31, 2023 and shown in the liability section of the balance sheet). Liabilities are only slightly up from the prior year, and that is due to an increase in deferred revenue resulting from a BC Gaming grant that was not spent by March 31st.

On the income statement, total revenue of \$308,225 increased due to a return to almost pre-Covid membership and activity levels, a significant increase in rental income (including for parking lot movie rentals) as well as increased lounge net revenue.

On the expense side, the increases were in accounting fees (due to the review engagement), equipment, repairs, and maintenance expenses due to one-time equipment purchase of \$30,709. The remaining expense lines are reasonably in line with the prior year's levels.

Moved: Glen Shipp, seconded Jason Peckham: that the financial statements of the 2022-23 year be accepted as given. Carried unanimously.

Moved: Glen, seconded Derek Seaton: that the firm PSVC be approved as auditors at the end of the 2023-24 season. Carried unanimously.

Questions/comments: none

5. Nominating committee and Election of directors

The Nominating committee is made up of board members at this time. We need new board members, as three have resigned and one is coming off after serving 6 years (Terry Hawley). Nominations are also accepted from the floor.

Terry was thanked for her service with a rousing round of applause.

Paul Dunkin was nominated from the floor (Glen/Derek) and agreed to stand. No other nominations were forthcoming. Paul was voted onto the board by acclamation and will serve as treasurer. Glen Shipp will serve out the remainder of his term as member at large.

Question: is there a minimum number for the board? *No, but the maximum is 12.*

6. New business

Appointment of **Honorary Lifetime Membership: Earl King.**

Shannon spoke about Earl's many years of service to the club. He was also given a framed print done by Art of Curling and a standing ovation.

7. Questions from the floor

Is there a strategic plan? *There is one but it dates to 2011 and needs to be redone. This will be a focus this coming year. (Covid interrupted the process which had begun in 2019).*

Did anyone from this club go to the International Tankard this year? *No. Terry explained that she had been asked to go, but that no one ever got back to her.*

What's going on with the website? *Jason explained that it is almost done and will be visible by the end of the month.*

Please explain what a 'volunteer surcharge' is. *Jason explained that, like many sports, curling runs on volunteers and that many clubs and other sports organizations have gone to this model. Each curler will pay a fee but can 'earn back' the fee by volunteering. There will be a long list of volunteer options on the website.*

Adjournment: 7:36 pm

Following adjournment, the league winners were announced:

Awards presentations

League winners

Shannon acknowledged the board; each was named and given a Tim's card in thanks. Special thanks to Terry Hawley who is finishing her 6th year on the board.

Thanked league coordinators – those present received a Tim's card

Masters league: winner: Bernard Bonenfant rink

Monday night open: winner: Fox rink

Tuesday day ladies: winner: Dunkin rink

Tuesday night men's: winner: Peckham rink

Wednesday night open: winner: On the Rocks (Adam Martens, Mitchell Currie, Colin Richards, Matthew DeLeeuw)

Thursday fun/open (9 teams): winner: Fran King rink

Thursday learn to curl: Terry is organizer. This was a huge success with 61 new curlers – the goal is to get them to join another league. Started with Fred Fox in 2000. Now Doug Patterson, Trevor Nisbet and Amanda Brittain, Rob Smith organize and run it.

Friday night mixed: Amanda Brittain is coordinator/Trevor does draw

Winner: team Van Shatsyck (Stacey and Lindsay Shannon, Andrew and Jolene Watsyk)

Junior program: 31 juniors

Eric Wardroper/Oliver Lowe won the Merv Stadel Junior award as voted on by their peers

Sunday open doubles: 2nd season Cory Hodges is league coordinator

Started with 3 teams and ended with 12 teams. Winners: Kyoko and Takeshi Kitamura

Special kudos to:

Young junior boys team Reid – came 2nd in U21 and represented us at Nationals

Thomas Reid, Preston Ballard, Neil Yamada, Miles Reed; coaches: Craig and Karen Lepine

Two young teams went to BC Winter Games – team Andrews (coach Jason Peckham) and team Meunier (coach Al Kersey)

Team Kinnear: got an 8 ender on Monday night; Jim Kinnear collected the 8 ender pins for his team

Special mention to Fran King who ran the concession all year. She and her team were instrumental in keeping everyone fed in bonspiels.

Volunteer of the year: Linda Kazulin

She helped with school visits, coordinated Tuesday day ladies; stepped up to coordinate juniors, helped with bonspiels, concession. She was given a pin and an Art of Curling framed print, and a standing ovation.

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Attendance record (41 present or by proxy)

Craig Hill	Linda Kazulin
Paul Dunkin	Lindsay Terepocki
Janet Dunkin	Jason Peckham
Keith Fiddler	Gord Urquhart
Shannon Joannis	Peg McNichol
Dean Joannis	Andrew Watsyk
Will Menkveld	Jolene Watsyk
Lucie Menkveld	Bob Terepocki
Fran King	Glen Shipp
Earl King	Mary Dyk
Amanda Brittain	Kathleen Ferguson
Trevor Nisbet	Corey Hodges
Ken Madu	Vince Hodges
Brenda Kalanj	June Booth
Erika Garcia	Judie McCrindle
Brian Raymond	Derek Seaton

Jim Kinnear

Terry Hawley

Doug Patterson

Kyoko Kitamura

Takeshi Kitamura

Lindsay Shannon

Stacey Shannon

By proxy: Jay Wakefield, Chris Martin

ATTENDANCE RECORD (41 attendees)

Jay Wakefield

Janet Dunkin

Terry Hawley

Shannon Joannis

Johanna Reed

Glen Shipp

Jason Peckham

Kathleen Ferguson

Ken Madu

Sharon Silver

Amanda Brittain

Albert Stimpson

Earl King

Francine King

Linda Kazulin

Mitch Trybuch

Chris Martin

Peter Koehler

Russ Carmichael

David Christensen

Simon Matthews

Paul Dunkin

Kirsten Fox

Chris English

June Booth

Mel Zemliak

Gary Skelton

William Gardner

Doug Patterson

Derek Seaton

Trevor Nisbet

Jerry Batryn

Shannon Touchette

Andrew Watsyk

Jonathan Smyth

Terry Lajeunesse

Laura Stadnik

Jolene Watsyk

Rob Smith

Verna Patterson

Don Huber

