

GEWC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Golden Ears Winter Club

January 5, 2023

APPROVED

In Attendance: Meeting was held via Zoom

Terry Hawley; Gord Urquhart, Andrew Watsyk, Jay Wakefield, Jason Peckham, Gary Skelton, Janet Dunkin

Regrets: Glen Shipp; Sharon Silver

Managers: Dean and Shannon Joanisse

Chair: Jason Peckham

Recording Clerk: Janet Dunkin

Call to order: 7:06

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of November 24 were approved as written.

2. Treasurer's Report for December 2022

Glen has sent the December/January financials to the board. (see attached)

3. Manager's report

- a. The city agreement is coming up for renewal. Glen and Shannon to put forth a letter with the intent to renew our existing agreement for a further term of three years.
ACTION: Glen, Shannon
- b. Shannon reported she is having issues with email. Discussion ensued on how best to address this. It is suggested we hire a reputable consulting firm to help solve this. Jason, Shannon and Jay (remotely) will meet tomorrow to discuss. Jason will share this info with Gord, who has volunteered to help. **ACTION: Shannon, Jason, Jay, Gord**
- c. For rest of report, see attached.

4. Directors' reports

- a. **Sharon:** not present
- b. **Gord** had nothing to report.
- c. **Andrew** : had nothing to report other than the freezer has been purchased and is now being used.

- d. **Juniors:** we have \$3000 from the Community Gaming grant we received to assist with the Junior Program; discussion is ongoing with program facilitators on best to spend the funds.
- e. **Jay:** only a few pages left to go in website rebuild. However, the email issue needs to be resolved before this can be completed.

5. Action items

- a. No meeting with Patrick Prade took place during the King Cash spiel. We will try again in the New Year. **ACTION: Shannon/Jason**
- b. Management contract: This is ready; the board needs to meet next week to formalize this, then meet with Dean and Shannon after. **ACTION: Jason, all**
- c. Junior money: does the Community Gaming grant mon need to be spent by March 31 or by the end of 2022? Shannon to confirm with Glen. **ACTION: Shannon/Glen**
- d. Curl BC 50/50: many club members have been buying tickets. Eventually we'll receive money in some as yet unknown fashion from Curl BC.
- e. Insurance: Complete
- f. Banking: Jason needs to added as a signatory. **ACTION: Glen/Jason**

6. New Business

- a. Would it be useful to impose a membership volunteer fee? Many other sports have this and it works thus: a curler/member pays a one time fee of \$100, and gets this money reimbursed if they volunteer a set number of hours, to be determined. Do other clubs do this? Discussion ensued. A working group was formed to do some research and make recommendations to the board. **ACTION: Jason, Glen, Andrew, Gord**
- b. There was an email from the liquor board: Shannon will deal with this. **ACTION: Shannon** She noted that the inspector was happy when he was here, although he said some Serving it Right certificates had expired. Shannon has pulled those from the binder.
- c. Terry notified the board that this is her last year helping/organizing the Learn to Curl.
- d. Food Safe courses: there are several places that offer this, including as a one-day course on a Saturday, if anyone wishes to take it. They would get this fee reimbursed if they volunteer for four hours. Shannon to make this info available to members. **ACTION: Shannon**
- e. The grant money has been allocated for Learn to Curl.

Next meeting: Wednesday Feb 8 at 7:15 pm **NOTE change of day!**

Adjournment: 8:25

GEWC MANAGERS REPORT – Jan 5, 2023

City Relations/Facility Update

HVAC bearing needed replacing on one of the roof top fans, Executive Air came in Dec 13th and made the repair – Cost \$360.

Glen, Dean and Shannon had a face-to-face meeting with Russ Brummer of the city on Dec 13th. Discussed dates for Home Show – May 5-7th, 2023 and Country Fest – July 29-30th, 2023.

Russ suggested that we create our own fee structure for our facility and present to the city, currently we follow the model which the city has put together which doesn't fully encompass what our facility offers/space we have. Shannon to work on.

Glen and Shannon working on an analysis of what it will cost the club to bring in staff earlier on a daily basis during ball hockey season. Ball Hockey has requested the club doors be open earlier than they have been in the past.

Feb 2023 we need to put forward our intent to Renew/Revise our Agreement with the city.

Bonspiels:

King Cash ran Dec 2-4th

Successful event all in all.

We had 10 women's teams and 16 Men's teams competing, this is an increase from past years. We moved the event from September to December which we believe had a huge impact on increased registration numbers.

Upcoming Bonspiels:

One Day Mixed Open Event – Feb 11th – poster in production, email/social media posts to go out
GEWC Mixed Bonspiel – March 10-12th – need a bonspiel coordinator for this.

GEWC is hosting a Competition Coach Workshop Jan 7-8th, three club members participating.

Registration/Curling 10

Still chasing some of the Master curlers for registration for the 2nd half, should have this complete by next week. League remained status quo at 15 teams.

Our Wed night open league has grown from 8 teams to 12 teams in the second half!! Amazing to see considering this time slot was originally the ladies league that folded.

Our Thursday Beginners League continues to thrive, registration for 2nd half is sitting at 46, anticipate a few more still to come in.

Wiring/Camera System project

Wiring post-poned to March 23-24th when ice is out, logistically made sense.

Ice Maintenance

Another flood and clean over the xmas break on both front and back ice was completed.

Treasurer's Report as of January 5, 2023

Financial results

The financial statement for the period from the April 1st through November 30th: the first eight months of the 2022/2023 fiscal year are not finalized as of today and will be distributed as soon as they have been completed. Preliminary drafts show total revenue of \$294,262 and total expenses of \$208,506 generating a surplus of \$85,756. However, as accruals for utilities and other items are included, net surplus will likely drop by \$15 to \$20k.

The balance in our operating account on November 30, 2022 was \$150,326. Our term deposits consist of a 1-year cashable deposit of \$30,000 at 1.1% renewable on April 17, 2023, a 1-year cashable deposit of \$15,000 at 1.1% also renewable on April 17, 2023 as well as two cashable deposits of \$2,500 each at 2.75% renewable on Oct 12, 2023.

Other

The \$10,000 grant from Gaming BC was received and is currently sitting in our special Gaming account with Prospera. The filing of required Gaming Annual Reports is current.

The club insurance has renewed for the current year. The premium has been paid and coverage does provide an additional \$10,000 to insure the new special cabling to be installed.

We have received written confirmation the \$40,000 repayable portion of the Clubs CEBA loan is not payable until December 31, 2023. The \$40,000 is currently invested in a one-year cashable term deposit at 1.1%. The deposit renews on April 19, 2023 and it is my intent to renew for 8 months until repayment is required.

