

PEACE ARCH CURLING CLUB
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING Sunday, October 26, 2025

1. Call to Order

President Christine Makasoff, having confirmed a quorum was present (20 members constitutes a quorum – 45 members signed in), called the meeting to order at 3:05pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved/Seconded (Dianne Berry/Doug Wrong) and carried that the order of business available in hard copy be adopted as the agenda for the meeting.

3. Approval of Minutes of the AGM held on October 27, 2024

Moved/Seconded (Stan Turner/Don Moe) and carried that the minutes of the Oct 27, 2024 Annual General Meeting available in hard copy be approved.

4. Approval of Financial Statements

Financial Statements for PACC as of April 30 were distributed in hard copy at this meeting.

Ross Scott thanks Michelle McKinnon for assisting in the preparation of these financial statements. Ross also clarifies that these are not audited financial statements, but they have been reviewed by Saklas.

Highlights of the financial statements:

- PACC ended the 2024 fiscal year with a net profit of approximately \$55,000. Much of this is a result of the updated fee structure
- Sales in the pro shop and the bar increased significantly last year
- An increase in facility rentals and increase in rental rates resulted in increased rental income

Question from the audience why there was such a big increase in interest and bank charges this year Michelle McKinnon responded that last year there was misallocation so bank charges should have been higher. Michelle noted that approximately \$7,000 of the bank and interest charges result from using curling.io.

Question from the audience about the significant reduction utilities cost this year. Ross responded that we lowered the dehumidifier so it doesn't turn on as often. That is the only significant change that we know of.

Moved/Seconded (Michelle MacKinnon/Blaine Makasoff) and passed by a show of hands to engage Saklas to perform Compilation Report (Notice to Reader) for fiscal 2026.

5. President's Report (Christine Makasoff)

Attended City of White Rock council meeting to raise awareness of PACC and communicate the financial struggles we are facing.

Thak you to Mark Evans for assembling the grant application for the Capital Gaming Grant and other community grants. Decision is expected in December.

Bruce Buchanan and Linda Wei want to invest in the curling club's future. They have donated funds for new ice scraper already. They will also contribute to the ice plant and floor replacement.

We have been pursuing CWR for matching funds, but with limited success thus far. John Bogar and Bruce have pursued other government funding sources. We have further meetings with CWR planned to assess reworking the operating agreement as a potential source of financial support.

Candlelight Cuisine update: Patti has retired and wanted to sell her business. The Board performed adequate due diligence and backed Patti in her endorsement of the replacement owners. It hasn't been the good situation that we expected. There have been a number of issues thus far. The new owners have since changed management and are now focusing on Patti's core business. Board recognizes the challenges.

Question from the audience if the board can force the new Candlelight owners to leave. Christine responded that we can only do that if they don't meet the terms of the contract, which they have been thus far.

Question from the audience if we have the opportunity to mutually agree to dissolve the Candlelight contract. Christine responded that the new ownership is keen to make this venture work.

Ross shared that the new Candlelight owners have passed food inspections in the past, and there is another one coming up. Ross shared that there are two other interested parties willing to take over if this current arrangement fails.

Christine thanks the following:

- Board members for their contributions this past year. Christine shared that Mark Thorvaldson is not returning to the board next year, and thanks him for his contributions

- Michelle McKinnon for helping with financial activities this year
- Ross Scott and Doug Boynton for running successful learn to curl programs this year
- Martha McArthur and Kim Kavanagh for maintaining the website

Christine acknowledged that we have a club full of individuals that are willing to step up and volunteer, and there is a real feeling of community spirit.

Christine sends congratulations to the Earl Marriott Secondary boys curling team, coached by Ed Holland, who placed 2nd in BC finals.

Question from the audience about preparing a budget for the coming year. Christine communicated that the new board will do that, and the budget will be published as part of minutes of Board of Director meetings.

6. Manager's Report presented by Ross Scott

Ross noted 13 people from the learn to curl sessions are in attendance at AGM today. Great to see that involvement.

In 2023 PACC had 815 purchases. In 2024 there were 846 purchases. These were primarily from league registrations and learn to curl.

Our learn to curl sessions were fully booked last year. We created a whole new draw on Saturday AM from learn to curl participants. We did attempt a Monday night league but that didn't work out, primarily due to the late draw time.

We added one new league last year, the Monday Appy league. It was fully subscribed.

Ross noted the bonspiels that the club presented last year were all successful, as were other club events such as Day of Champions. PACC was also able to send 4 teams to the Sleeman's Cup interclub playdowns.

Ross summarized the club's financial picture from last year. The club ran a \$55K surplus last year. We have also secured long term sponsors such as Aspira and Asahi.

Question from the audience about the ability to stock the bar with product due to the BCGEU strike. Ross responded that we cannot purchase any liquor for resale now except for kegs of draft beer which we can buy directly.

There was a suggestion from the audience that PACC consider reviving our Men's bonspiel next season.

Ross suggested that the club might want to consider shifting the curling season to start and end later due to warmer weather, like other clubs are doing.

Ross noted that there is strong volunteer involvement, but often from the same small group of volunteers. We need to expand our volunteer base, especially for activities such as learn to curl.

7. Facilities (presentation of facility revitalization plan) presented by Mark Evans

Mark Evans presented PACC's plan to replace aging ice making equipment. See attachment **PACC AGM 2025-10-26 Facilities UpdateR1.pdf**.

Question from the audience: Is PACC going to appeal to membership for financial contributions towards the facilities replacement?

Mark responded that this presentation is an opportunity to introduce the initiative and create interest in contributions from PACC membership.

Question from the audience: What is our level of confidence in the planned schedule to execute this work?

Mark responded that we have high confidence in the schedule for the ice plant as we have been working on that planning for a some time. We have less confidence in the scheduling of the floor replacement, but still fairly high. Floor contractors are limited and busy so if we want to replace the floor in 2026 then we need to secure the contractors very soon.

Question from the audience: Who would manage the project?

Mark responded that we would need a general contractor. If the scope was just the ice plant then Mark could manage it. But floor replacement is just too big a job.

Question from the audience about potential backup systems for power outages

Mark responded that we would need an alternative power source such as a generator. This is likely not a priority for the city.

Question from the audience about how much of the membership is from CWR?

Mark responded that 27% of current membership lives in CWR.

Question from the audience: What percentage of clubs are like Cloverdale/Mission where city has responsibility?

Mark responded that most of the clubs in Lower Mainland are like that and PACC is one of the exceptions. Outside of Lower Mainland there are more clubs like PACC.

Question from the audience: Have we considered naming rights for building contributions, for example the Lafarge cement floor?

Mark responded that it is complicated because we are part of the building that is already named for Horst and Emmy Weaver.

Question from the audience: Can we approach City of Surrey given the large number of curlers that live in Surrey?

Mark responded that that's what CWR is encouraging us to do. However we are not optimistic that Surrey would contribute given the club does not lie within the City of Surrey.

Question from the audience: Does the budget include lost rental revenue during the construction?

Mark responded that no, that has not been included in the budget.

Ross responded that we would stand to lose approximately \$13K in rental revenue. If the floor is complete by Aug then could potentially still do the Rotary Book Sale and maintain some of that revenue.

8. Analysis of PACC Fees (presentation) presented by Joel MacDonald

Joel MacDonald presented an analysis of PACC's fees. See attachment **2025-2026 PACC Fees v2.pdf**.

Question from the audience: Have we considered increasing the per-game building fee to something more significant such as \$5/game to build a larger capital fund?

Ross responded that the club membership would surely not support an increase of that magnitude, and it would make PACC uncompetitive in the market.

9. New Business

Faye Knutsman presented a message from Roberta Russell who couldn't attend the AGM. The concern is that senior PACC ladies are not able to compete in PCMCA events because they have not paid the \$8 annual PCMCA fee.

Dianne Berry commented that PACC ladies voted on this a couple years ago and decided to not pay the fee. Christine Makasoff clarified that vote occurred when the day ladies leagues operated as separate a entity from PACC.

Michelle MacKinnon commented that not participating in PCMCA fosters a culture of ladies not being competitive, when they really are.

Blaine Makasoff suggested that PACC cover the fees this year, and starting next year we pass the fees onto to the registrants via curling.io.

Motion (Faye Kuntsman/Sten Turner) that every female PACC curler over 60 will pay the annual \$8 PCMCA fee. Fees would be covered by PACC for this year, and for subsequent years it would be included into registration fees. Motion passed by unanimous show of hands.

10. Election of Directors

The election of Directors of Peace Arch Curling Club for 2025/2026 was held during the meeting.

A call for candidates for Directors was made by Blaine Makasoff.

The following current Directors expressed interest in continuing as a Directors for the coming year: Christine Makasoff, Joel MacDonald, Mark Evans, Greg Christofferson.

The following additional individuals expressed interest in serving as a Director for the coming year: John Bogar, Bruce Buchannan, Doug Holmyard, Aleta Andrew, Paul Mathias.

Christine Makasoff shared that she is representing Gary MacKinnon at this meeting as Gary was unable to attend. Christine shared that Gary would like to sit as a Director for the coming year.

Linda Wei expressed interest in sitting as a Director but subsequently withdrew her application.

Blaine Makasoff made a final call for other nominations. No other nominations were presented.

The following individuals were elected PACC Directors by acclamation (voice vote): Christine Makasoff, Joel MacDonald, Mark Evans, Greg Christofferson, John Bogar, Bruce Buchannan, Doug Holmyard, Aleta Andrew, Paul Mathias, Gary MacKinnon.

All elected Directors consented to act in their positions as the PACC Board of Directors for the period of one year until the next AGM in approximately October 2026.

Assignment of Directors to Officer roles will be done at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business to attend to and after being duly moved and seconded the meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:00pm.