

GEWC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Golden Ears Winter Club

April 24, 2025

APPROVED

In Attendance: Meeting was held via Zoom

Ken Madu; Paul Dunkin; Janet Dunkin; Eric Samuelson; Jay Wakefield

Managers: Dean and Shannon Joanisse

Regrets: Pat Mellesmoen, Jason Peckham

Chair: Ken Madu

Recording Clerk: Janet Dunkin

Call to order: 7:01

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of March 13 were approved (moved by Ken, seconded by Paul).
Carried.

2 . Manager's report

GEWC MANAGERS REPORT – April 24, 2025

City Relations/Facility Update

- Ice shed transformation to dry floor went smoothly. We had sufficient volunteer support when required.
- New tables and chairs purchased for lower lobby. Delivery date set for early August.
- Ball hockey has been underway since April 1st, so far all has been going well.
- Met with Dave Speers (City) to discuss summer operations, key aspect of the meeting was the need to address the influx of user groups that are now interested in using the facility and how we staff those needs. This is a work in progress.

Home Show – May 2-4th

Home show is coming into the facility once again this season.

Janitorial staff will be put in place for this event.

Shannon has met with Graham Vanstone to discuss all the requirements and needs

Business of Curling Symposium – June 6-8th

Location – Kelowna Curling Club

Eric, Dean and Shannon will be attending.

Volunteer of the Year

To discuss as a group.

AGM

To discuss as a group

Discussion followed re last two items: are there criteria for Volunteer of the Year? Shannon will send an email with some recommendations and why she believes they would qualify.

All agreed that some specific criteria are needed, and this will be on the new board's agenda.

The AGM was discussed under Action Items (see below).

3. Treasurer's Report for April 2025

Report as submitted in pdf format. Highlights: revenue is up due to increased dues and rentals. Expenditures are also a bit higher, due to contract expenses, increased cleaning costs and other bits. The surplus is \$6952; however, as the March utilities bill has not yet been received, this will change and be slightly lower.

A question: can the volunteer fee funds be listed separately next year? Yes, this can be done.

Second question: can the management pay be e-transferred instead of having to find people to sign cheques all the time? Yes, this will be done after the AGM. **ACTION: Paul, new board**

Moved: that the Treasurer's report be accepted (Ken, Janet) Approved

4. Action items

1. AGM: only members may vote, but Ken had a question re the wording of the bylaw around this. Discussion followed. It was felt that all the bylaws may need a look, and this will be tackled by a board committee after the AGM.
2. Will we charge for practice ice next year, as do many clubs? Shannon said after they attend the Business of Curling meeting, they may have some other suggestions or comments as well. This question was tabled for now.
3. Eric has a draft strategic plan which will be looked at by the next board.
4. Ken will set up the election; Jay will look after the agenda and act as chair if Jason is unable to attend. **ACTION: Ken, Jay, Jason**

5. Curling memorabilia: this has not yet been done and is still an important item. The next board will strike a committee to decide which items will be put back up. Volunteers from the club will be needed!

Next meeting: May 22 @ 7 pm

Adjournment: 8:22 pm
