

# GEWC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Golden Ears Winter Club

July 17, 2024

## APPROVED

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In Attendance: Meeting was held via Zoom

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Jay Wakefield, Jason Peckham, Janet Dunkin, Paul Dunkin, Ken Madu, Pat Mellesmoen, Eric Samuelson

Managers: Dean and Shannon Joannis

Chair: Jason Peckham

Recording Clerk: Janet Dunkin

### Call to order: 6:30

Agenda changes: moved (Paul) and seconded (Jay) that the agenda changes be approved. Carried.

The new board members introduced themselves and old board members did likewise.

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## 1. Approval of Minutes

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As the new board members had not seen the previous minutes of May, it was decided to delay approving these until the next meeting.

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## 2 . Manager's report

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a. See report attached

Of note: the Open house will be on Sep 14.

We need someone to chair the committee for the Master's Provincials that we are hosting. Curl BC has sent the Binder.

Corn Hole has associated their Nationals with our club on Google; this will need monitoring.

The city has not been giving money promptly; this is an annoyance but not a big issue.

Ken, Eric and Shannon will meet to discuss paying an honorarium to Junior program and Learn to curl volunteers. **ACTION: Shannon, Ken, Eric**

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## 3. Treasurer's Report for July 2024

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Paul is on the road so there is no formal report. He confirmed the bank balance is healthy at \$81,000 plus in the operating account.

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#### 4. Action items

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- a. Jason would like to compile statistics on club health, both financial and other (number of members, etc). This information to be compiled year over year will also be posted on the website. He suggested using colours (green, yellow, red). Jason will draft a format.  
**ACTION: Jason**
- b. Strategic plan: Jason suggested using Chat GPT to formulate one. He will draft one and circulate it to the board. **ACTION: Jason**
- c. Volunteer hours: it seems that the board is in agreement to keep the fee the same but what about the hours? Jason and Shannon will meet and hammer this out in the next few days, and communicate this to the board, who will then decide via email. **ACTION: Jason, Shannon, all**
- d. Men's spiel: this may need to be put on hold. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

Next meeting: August 14 at 6:30pm

Adjournment: 7:50

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#### GEWC MANAGERS REPORT – July 17, 2024

##### City Relations/Facility Update

Facility has been busy with user groups. As of July 9<sup>th</sup>, ball hockey completed their season, boards came out July 11/12<sup>th</sup>.

- BC Summer Games is in facility from July 15-22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Country Fest is in facility from July 23-29<sup>th</sup>.
- City is using the facility for a ball hockey camp Aug 6-9<sup>th</sup>.
- Cornhole Nationals using facility Aug 13-18<sup>th</sup>.

Club will get dry floor back on Aug 19<sup>th</sup>, refrigeration will go on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Ice will be ready for September 6<sup>th</sup>. League play will commence September 9<sup>th</sup>

##### City payments

Received April and May payments from the city for ball hockey/rentals/operating agreement \$ 28,503.38 was electronically deposited into our account.

Still outstanding are June and July payments – Shannon to continue to follow up on when we will expect payment.

##### Cornhole Nationals – Aug 13-18th

A volunteer crew needs to be established for this event. **Action** - Shannon and Jason to discuss further what the expectations are based on past meetings with this user group.

#### GEWC Volunteer Program

Shannon and Corey Hodges met to debrief the program. Corey is willing to help an additional season with getting the Sign-Up.com site up and running with all the tasks etc.

#### *Overview of program:*

*We had 66% of our membership participate in the program last season.*

*Overall, it was successful, still need more involvement when it comes to bonspiels and on ice rentals.*

*We need to better educate our membership on how to use the signup.com platform, a short instructional email will be sent to the members to give them more ease in how to use the system.*

**Action** - Board to determine what the fee and hourly commitment will be for the program this upcoming season.

#### Registration and Events

Shannon working on Curling I/O pages to roll out the registration for the 2024/25 Season.

Board agreed on a 10% fee increase for the upcoming season.

Recommend a small group be established to discuss the Junior Program and Learn to Curl Program. (Both programs require a volunteer base to run). How can we compensate these volunteers that commit time to these programs on a weekly basis during the course of the entire season. Can an honorarium be established? Note – our Jr. program is one of the cheapest in the Lower Mainland.

UPDATED - Club Calendar of Events for the upcoming season - see next page

\*\*\* GEWC Men's spiel – unknown

REMINDER - the club is hosting the Masters Provincial Championship Feb 19-23<sup>rd</sup>. A committee needs to be put in place to ensure this championship runs efficiently, this event will require a lot of volunteer help. **Action** - Need to find someone to chair this committee.

## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE 2024/2025 SEASON**

EVENTS	DATES
Open Summer Spiel	Sept 7-8, 2024

Open House	Sept 14, 2024
King Cash WCT Event	Oct 17-20, 2024
GEWC Ladies Spiel	Nov 16-17, 2024
Haney Masters Spiel	Nov 21-23, 2024
BC Junior Curling Tour Spiel	Dec 6-8, 2024
GEWC Men's Spiel - UNKNOWN	Possible Jan 18/19
High School Zones	Jan 2025 – Dates TBD
Open Doubles Spiel	*One Day Event* - February 1, 2025
BC Master Provincials	Feb 19-23, 2025
GEWC Open Spiel	Mar 1-2 2025
Year End Wrap	Mar 15, 2025