

GEWC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Golden Ears Winter Club

May 22, 2025

APPROVED

In Attendance: Meeting was held via Zoom

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

Managers: Dean and Shannon Joanisse

Regrets: Jason Peckham

Chair: Shannon/Ken

Recording Clerk: Janet Dunkin

Call to order: 7:06 pm

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of April 17 were approved. Moved: Ken/Paul.

2 . Manager's report

Facility & City Relations GEWC MANAGERS REPORT – May 22, 2025

HVAC Repairs: Executive Air completed required maintenance, including belt replacements, fan blade replacement, and compressor servicing.

Front Door Repair: Anglo Glass was contacted to repair the sticking front door in advance of the Home Show.

Lounge Bookings: Summer bookings have begun for the upper lounge. Shannon will oversee open/close procedures and cleaning arrangements.

Home Show (May 2–4) An east-side exit door was damaged and subsequently repaired by Dean. Management's involvement in the Home Show has increased significantly. This will be part of upcoming discussions with the city regarding evolving summer operations, which have become increasingly hands on.

Volunteer of the Year Criteria and recommendations were shared with the Board on May 9. Feedback received from Janet and Paul to date. • The award will be presented at the AGM on June 20. • Action: Board members are encouraged to submit comments or suggestions.

GEWC AGM – June 20, 2025 Two member communications have been sent (thank you, Ken). Ken and Shannon to coordinate the next update. Action: Determine timing and content of the next communication piece.

Curl BC AGM Anyone can register for the virtual AGM. You can register by clicking on the link below: 2025 Curl BC AGM Date: Thursday, June 5, 2025 Time: 7:00 PM PST Location: Zoom Action:

Curl BC asks that each club appoint a voting delegate to: • Represent your club's voice on important matters; • Participate in governance decisions; • Help shape the direction of curling in BC.

Gaming Grant Application: Shannon has been working closely with Sarah Mah (Grant Writer), on the completion of the Gaming Grant submission, due date is May 31st.

Upcoming Briefing Notes

1. 2025/2026 League Fees • Budget development is underway. • Once finalized, it will inform any recommended fee adjustments. • Findings will be brought to the Board for review and decision.

2. Bonspiel Strategy • Management is conducting a cost-benefit analysis (revenue vs. expenses). • Exploring ways to improve both participation and event organization. • Findings will be presented to the Board for input and direction. Note: Management proposes a special meeting prior to the AGM to discuss both topics. Action: Schedule date for the special meeting.

Shannon explained that she will be using a new format for the report in the form of briefing notes.

Bar: Ann-Marie has agreed to take the lead on this.

Policy manuals: Shannon will begin to create these as they don't seem to exist. They can be online or electronic. Perhaps other clubs may have some we could base ours on.

ACTION: Shannon

Fee payment: No pay, no play. There are always those who don't pay their fees but still step on the ice. This could be added to the registration form. How to police this? Discussion followed. League reps will help in communicating this policy to curlers.

Jay said he will attend the Curl BC AGM on Zoom on June 5. Should he be unable to do so, he will let the board know so someone else can do it. **ACTION: Jay**

Future briefing notes: fee increase, bonspiel strategies. Should be discussed before AGM at next meeting June 18.

3. Treasurer's Report for May 2025

Paul submitted the financial statement from the accountant. Questions: Ken wondered why interest income is much lower than from last year. Is this the timing of term deposits? Paul will have a look at this. We could put more money into short term deposits and cash in as needed. Glen has done this before. **ACTION: Paul**

4. Action items

- a. Volunteer of the year: Board needs to give Shannon feedback (those that haven't already)
- b. New board members: Ken will continue to reach out to likely candidates. **ACTION: Ken**
- c. Curl BC AGM: all are encouraged to attend
- d. The board needs to discuss the management contract. Ken will get back to us on this process. **ACTION: Ken**

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 18 7 pm

Adjournment: 8:01 pm

Treasurer's report is in the form of a PDF and will be uploaded onto the website as such.