



**Olds Curling Club AGM
October 8, 2020**

1. Call to Order 6:32
2. Introduction of Board members, league reps and committee leads. Moment of silence was given for members who passed away in our last season.
3. Declaration of Quorum - 37 members who are in good standing in attendance.
4. Approval of Agenda
Tracy McCrimmon moved to accept agenda as presented, Leona Compton seconded.
5. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Chequing \$71,578.95, Savings account \$40,000(CEBA grant), Casino \$10,041.55, GIC \$174,143.25. Total of \$295,763.75.
Expenses for the chiller and related repairs of \$51,615 will be paid this month.

Tammy Schwass moved treasurer's report as presented, Darlene seconded. Carried.
 - b. As per Club bylaws, financial statements need to be audited at least once.

Jennifer Lutz moves to have local accounting firm Francis M. Joosten Accounting audit the Club financial statements, Larry Flessati seconded. Carried.
 - c. Comments about the Income statement as presented - Extra expenses are shown from the ice chiller from last fall. Some concerns as recent years show a deficit annually. The finance committee took into account increased costs, potential decreased registrations/bar sales, decrease in bonspiel and rental revenues and aimed to balance the income and expenses with an increase in memberships and drink prices in the lounge. Board took into consideration the Fall survey results (over 100 people responded) and aimed to stay within a modest increase in fees.
6. New Business
 - a. Long Service and Volunteer awards. Huge thank you to:
 - i. Jeff Miller, Past President who was instrumental in improving and growing the club as well as bringing the Pinty's Champions Cup to Olds.
 - ii. Brian Winter has been the ice maker for 30 years. He has done a phenomenal job in making ice and maintaining a high reputation for the club. As per OCC-026 Service Awards Policy, Brian was presented with a \$1000.00 award.
 - b. Club Strategic Plan and Goals - OCC had set four primary goals at the Fall 2019 Strategic Planning session 1) Growth 2) Communication 3) Member Experience 4) Curler Development. With the pandemic, the new Number 1 goal was how to re-open the club safely, with a balanced budget. The board is pleased we can open the club but recognize the possibility of losing money due to public health or Covid related requirements that are beyond our control. Our long-term goals

remain to have a progressive club and draw people to curl here. We are focusing on offering opportunities and clinics. Good governance is an important goal to the board and the bylaws were updated Oct 2019 and OCC received confirmation of our annual society paperwork in March 2020. Succession planning is of focus, with some thought being given to ice maker knowledge transfer and continuance. The website was revised with a contracted webmaster. There was a large increase in our social media efforts and 3 member surveys were utilized. The board is working to improve member experience by hiring a janitor to improve cleanliness and offering online registration. Developing curlers is of focus, including sponsored rocks and rings (seven schools last winter), one preseason learn to curl clinic, 2 Curling 101 Clinics (co-sponsored by Curling Canada) and the Rene Sonnenberg Clinic (with support of Nu2U grant). The number of curlers in the junior program has grown.

- c. Reopening - Covid Protocols - Curling Canada dictated some of the changes and we worked toward meeting expectations with social distancing measures instead of cohorts. The Board tried to simplify the protocols we are expected to meet with Alberta Health Services. We look forward to members working together to meet the guidelines (see attached).
 - d. League Updates
 - i. Thursday Morning Curling - Board has approved a drop in rate of \$10 with a paid \$40 membership for new curlers wanting to try the sport. League reps will manage the Covid waiver and collection of fees.
 - ii. 2 person mixed curling - Henry Czarnota - Would be a nice addition to the rink, this format is better for high risk individuals as social distancing is easier. One person throws four rocks, teammate throws four the next end. Potential to play Tuesday or Thursday mornings. Modified version could work well, with two other rocks in play. Info will be on the website, let Henry know if interested.
 - iii. Alice - store - will continue with curling equipment offered for purchase down stairs. Equipment can't be shared so existing equipment will be signed out for the season by members and juniors. Curlers will borrow brooms for the year with the hopes that the equipment will be respected and returned at the end of the curling season.
7. Old Business
- a. Champions Cup Update - Next year dates have been committed to but little communication has come since. Ticket refunds can be requested if desired. As more information is received the Board will be updated.
8. Election of Officer
- a. Vice President
 - Tracy McCrimmon nominates Wayne Heikkinen for position of Vice President, Jennifer Lutz seconded. Jennifer Lutz called for nominations three times, Larry Flessati moves nominations cease.*
9. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 by Tammy Schwass, Jeff Millang seconded.