

# Curl BC Board Meeting

## Meeting Schedule

Location: Curl BC Office or by phone at 1-866-512-0904, 4269208

**Details:** 9 January 2020 - 1:00 pm at Curl BC Office or by phone at 1-866-512-0904, 4269208

**Attendees:** Neil Campbell, Dale Gregory, George Horner, Teri Palynchuk, Keith Switzer, Scott Braley, Rebecca Connop Price

**On Phone:** Marg McKenzie, Janice Mori, George Horner

**Regrets:** Peter Muir, Burga Anderson

Teri: Calls the meeting to order 1:05pm

## Agenda

### Introduction & Previous Minutes

- Objectives:**
- 1 Introductions
  - 2 Approval of previous meeting minutes, motion at accept them Keith. Neil seconded. CARRIED.

### Finances

- Objectives:**
- 1 Update: We got through the audited financial statements, we are going to be in a much better position at year end than we thought earlier in the year. It shows as a small surplus so there's potential for us to do better than that.
  - 2 Motion: To confirm the 2020-21 budget as presented meets the requirement of ELs 1, 2, 3 and 5. Dale seconded. CARRIED.

### Governance

- Objectives:**
- 1 Update
- Peter is the chair of governance.** I think we should table any update on governance until Peter's return. We will look into Zone restructuring and bylaws.- 2 Board Nominations Update

We have three positions for sure that have to be replaced. Peter, George and Janice. We have to ensure for the revitalization of the board.

### Competitions

- Objectives:**
- Teri P: We are seriously looking at competitions which are pretty good in some areas but significantly down in other areas. We need to look a little broader in our scope for analysis of numbers. We are also looking at a more concise and direct survey going to athletes about what they want to see. I will continue to talk to any athletes I can and I would encourage board members to talk to athletes to find out what people are actually thinking.

Scott: We will also create a survey for regional hosting committee.

Scott: Club Challenge: You can now have competed in the BC Mixed or the BC Seniors and still be eligible for the Club Challenge. I think where we have left it is we will review it and see if it is working for BC.

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### Special Olympics Membership

**Objectives:** 1 Update on Special Olympic BC meeting with CEO and Vice President  
2 Membership Fee Decision

**The executive has reviewed this matter based on feedback and we support the recommendation to rescind the Special O fee. The executive motion is to rescind the Special Olympics fee implemented by electronic vote in July 2019. Dale seconded. CARRIED.**

Action: Scott to advise them and thank them for the feedback.

Janice: I have had their coaches at my courses before. How do we get around this?

Scott: I will talk to Kim to see if there is a way we can work through this.

George Horner left meeting.

### Master Associations Future Support

**Objectives:** 1 Update on Meeting with the organizations

**The groups wanted to maintain autonomous.** They did not want to form a subcommittee of Curl BC like the Stick Committee.

**The format is what used to be the format, which is a travel subsidy rather than a pay per user.**

**They are generating \$16,000 in membership fees.** Perhaps in the future there would be a way to simplify the membership system.

**We will carry on with the \$5,000 we give to this group.** But we will look for alternative sources of revenue. The New Horizons grant is one way we can go.

**They contribute a lot and they have been there a long time.**

**Dale (Secretary/Treasurer for many years):** I would like to think we have worked well together. I think we supplement each other. The difference is that our side is almost totally volunteer. At one time they paid me \$1,200 per year for my work and that was like a dollar an hour. We have none of the overhead and that is why we can afford to do what we do.

2 Update on Sponsorship with NextGen

**Connect Hearing has agreed to provide sponsorship but only if it goes through us, Curl BC, it will simply be an addendum to the agreement.**

### 2020 BC Games

**Objectives:** Sanction 2020 BC Games at a non-member facility (Fort St John).

Neil: The executive is looking to get a motion to sanction the 2020 BC Winter Games to be hosted at the Fort St John Curling Club. Janice seconded. CARRIED.

Scott: BC Games have also asked that we name them and the club as an additional insured. We will have to update the board when we know more.

### Membership

**Objectives:** Update on the Clubs not reported and/or paid

**Scott: The majority have reported and paid.** There's another 6 who have invoiced. Another three though has asked for an extension. Their deadline is Jan. 31. Four clubs have closed for a limited amount of time. Each year there seems to be upwards of 5 that close due to repairs. It calls attention to the fact we have aging facilities.

This highlights the need to have ambassadors.

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### Update on Peace Clubs negotiation

Neil: Seven clubs in northeast BC, Dawson Creek, Fort St John, Taylor, Tumbler Ridge, Hudson's Hope, Chetwynd, are affiliated with Curling Alberta.

But Curling Alberta is not registered with the Societies Act to operate in BC.

So this is the background to why we needed to recommend a bylaw change at the Curling Canada level. This didn't go anywhere due to political reasons. We had a draft agreement, but Curling Alberta did not feel they had a mandate to settle the matter.

We jointly agreed that Curling Canada look at amending the bylaws so that the affiliation should be with the governing body of the province you reside in.

Curling Canada punted the bylaw change back to the MAs.

We are set to have a telephone meeting on Jan. 17 to find out what the next steps are and how we can get a memorandum of understanding.

Our hope is to get an agreement. Curling Canada is supportive on our position but we have to wait and see.

We want the clubs to understand that they are now affiliated with an entity that does not have legal capacity to operate in BC.

### Disciplinary Matters

**Objectives:** Update on various matters dealt with this fall and any recommendations

There's been a significant increase in matters that come to us that have been escalated.

Keith is working on a discipline policy. We are making sure that all the policies that we have work together and don't contradict each other. We do want to take each matter seriously and make sure it is dealt with.

Keith: We are a ways away yet of building it to its final state. The idea is to not make it so overwhelming in depth so that it becomes too much. We also have to align it with the national policy.

### Safe Sport

**Objectives:** Implementation strategy and timelines. Any policy ramifications

**Scott: With Safe Sport, we did a presentation at the NCC (thanks to Kim Dennis) a preliminary draft of what we want our policy to be.**

**At this point in terms of policy ramifications, I think we need to table that. We just have to make sure what fits where. What needs to be a best practices document for each club. We have to remember we have 80 independent entities out there, it's going to take time, it will be well worth it.**

### Risk Management

**Objectives:** 1 How can we best make progress on the development of a Risk Registry?

**In our last two evaluations in viaSport in 2018 and Deloitte in the summer, this is the one area they flagged.** We need to have Risk Management and have a Risk Registry.

2 Board members to take this on or hire a consultant?

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This is a high priority and we will work on it in the coming months.

Teri: Anything else?

Neil: I wonder if there needs to be a discussion between staff and board.

Scott: Staff are welcome to add things to the agenda and pop in here to speak if they want to. Maybe it's a case of having staff do a presentation on different topics.

Neil: It just leaped out to me that we should get together on our purposes.

Meeting adjourned.