

Fergus Curling Club
Board of Directors Meeting
April 7, 2021

Chair: Calum McGeachie

Secretary: Deb Wilson

Attendance: Dale Beirnes, Richard Booy, John Ferguson, Brian Gibbon, Steve Graham, Bob Grant, Bob Hook, Calum McGeachie, Neil Miller, Bonnie Talbot, Chris Taylor, Deb Wilson

Regrets: David Aoki

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Minutes from February 24th were approved and carried.

Financial Report (Steve): The financial report was approved and carried. The Club's yearend is March 31st. Graham Parsons will be contacted for audit purposes.

Board Positions and Terms (Calum): One Director has completed his three year term. Future terms were discussed and Directors will report back with ideas at the next meeting. The position for OCA Representative is open.

AGM Date: The AGM will be held in the same format as last year, Curling Club parking lot and social distanced. The date is June 1st, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. with raindates of June 3rd and June 8th. Please bring your lawnchairs.

Clubhouse Chairs: Chairs that can be sanitized easily and frequently will replace the current fabric chairs. Viewing chairs will possibly be reupholstered with vinyl.

ACTION: Bob G. will get estimates to reupholster the viewing chairs.

ACTION: Deb will send quote to Directors for regular seating chairs.

Wightmans Contract (Calum): A renewal 3 year contract has been approved and signed. There should be a significant improvement in the internet speed. A site visit has been completed and service will be forthcoming.

Website Message (Calum): The Board will review the new message and provide Calum with feedback.

ACTION: Calum will submit agreed upon message to George for posting.

Road Work (Brian): Brian will continue to communicate with the Roads Department with regard to St. George Street work and the creek and culvert problem. Richard will try to contact as well and communicate with Brian.

“Curling Manager” Subscription (Neil): The Board would like to know more about this electronic program for scheduling, etc.

ACTION: Neil will arrange a demonstration for a future meeting.

FCC Strategic Plan 2021-2026 (John): John presented, on behalf of the committee, the advanced summary of the last few months work. This plan included an Introduction/Project Scope and Purpose; FCC Present Status/Current State; Voice of Our Membership; Club Comparative Analysis and Summary; Using SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats) which is a technique to assess these four aspects of the organization, recommendations were made to the Board. Acknowledgements were made to the members of the Committee, Calum McGeachie, Chris Taylor, Richard Booy, John Ferguson and Terry Cooper. The Pembroke Curling Club will be thanked for generously sharing their documents as an example.

ACTION: Strategic Planning Committee will provide a detailed plan to the Board for approval of direction.

Motion to accept the Strategic Planning Committee’s plan and move on based on the recommendations presented. Accepted. Carried.

New Business:

Promote Curling (Calum): Calum came forward with the idea to offer curling once a month to the public. The possible format would be learn to curl, lunch, jitney for a nominal fee. This idea was directed to the Strategic Planning Committee.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 19th, at 7:00 p.m. **Adjourned:** 9:00 p.m.