SCC Board Meeting

Wednesday, January 20th, 2021

Virtual Zoom Meeting – 6:00 pm

Present: Dave Podratz (President) Holly Stein Tim Bradshaw (Treasurer) Jim Lehto

Brian Crawford Trent Wickman

Absent: Doug Runnoe

Guests: Scott Laven, Irv Mossberger

Called to order 6:05pm

**Secretary Report** - A motion was made by Tim to approve the December meeting minutes. Seconded by Trent. Motion carries.

**Treasurer Report** – The deficit from last year has been covered with donations if predictions were accurate. At this time the club has received $39,697.13 in donations from members which puts the budget in a good place for break-even. There is currently $40k in total revenue. The club is financially in good shape, all things considered. There has been $2,000 budgeted for Scott. Credit card processing is up and running on the website. Issuing returned dues checks and cleaning up the books is currently being worked on. As of now, all donations have been acknowledged. Tim has looked into setting up an investment fund and will be drafting an investment policy.

**Club Manager Report** - Online payments are now able to be taken on the website. We are looking to be able to accept online dues and bonspiel payments next season. More testing and research will be done with this in the future. Test payments have been successful. Utility bill through mid December has been received and was $700. It needs to be discussed with Dan with HOLF after next bill is received about why electricity portion of bill was so high and gas was so low. Scott will be doing further research. Scott will also be sending this bill to Dave. We have our scraper blades back and they are in Duluth’s compressor room. Jim Lehto and Chris Warren have been signed up for emails regarding thermostat alerts.

**Donations -** A donation of $25,000 has been received in the form of a check with no restrictions. The club has also been included in the members will. The use of the donation was discussed with the member. Dave discussed a capital fund with the member for items such as new rocks, building towards a new club, new fireplace, ect. It was discussed if this can this be segregated as a separate fund, such as CD’s, but kept in cash form. Because this was given as no restriction, the board will take a vote on what it could be used for and it can be changed.

A motion was made by Jim and seconded Tim to set up a board designated capital fund for the Superior Curling Club. Motion Carries.

A motion was made by Jim seconded by Trent to add Florence’s $25,000 donation to the capital fund. Motion Carries.

Florence always wanted the fireplace fixed or a natural gas fireplace put in. Scott will reach out to Donna B to see what kind of recognition Florence would like for her donation and let the board know the answer.

**Club Manager Pay-** A motion to approve Scott’s pay of $2,000 was made Trent. Seconded by Tim. Motion carries.

**Advertising-** 11 sponsors donated their payment for their ad this season. 10 asked to apply their payment to next season. 10 never signed up or made payment. Joe expects most of these will return next season.

**Insurance/Waiver -** We are now under a Jan1-Dec 31 liability insurance policy with Holden Insurance which saved roughly $500. Cyber security is included as well as 10k in medical coverage. USCA insurance program looks like a good deal. Cost is about $6/member. Includes coverage for participants on the ice. Our policy with Holden also covers this. Dave will be sending the policy to Tim for further review.

**USCA Dues-** USCA made temporary bylaw amendments that allow clubs to not pay member dues provided they have good reason. Scott has not yet gotten the packet for updating USCA with the membership roster. Dave has received it and will be sending it to Scott to send in. We will be using last years roster. Dave will be writing a letter stating that our club did not open this season and would like to be exempt from this years USCA dues.

**Winter Projects-** At this time there are no winter projects planned. Could the fireplace be done this winter? Scott will be looking into this and talking with Jess. He will have a quote for this project for the next board meeting. Could the electric fireplace that would be removed be raffled off at a future bonspiel?

**Audit Committee -** Dave and Brian are still looking into the details of this committee. Tim will be sending them the check register for review.

**Spring Meeting -** How will this look this year? Board elections are needed as four board members have expiring terms. Dave will try to have a nominating committee in place for the next meeting.

**Membership Communication-** Last update was December. Not much has happened since then. Do we need to communicate the capital fund and/or donation to membership now? Do we wait until the spring meeting for communication? An update on what the board has been up to over winter, as well as an update on the option for online payments should go out. Dave will draft a membership update and sending it out for review.

**Ice Festival-** At this time, we have not heard of any new movement. Hockey will not be a part of this and curling in the event has not been addressed.

**Future Board Meetings:**

Next meeting Wednesday, March 24th @ 6:00pm location TBD

Adjourned at 7;26pm

Motioned by Tim - seconded by Trent - motion carried.

Secretary

Holly Stein