

# **Board Member Meeting Minutes**

# October 08, 2024 | 491 McCoy Road, McKees Rocks, PA 15136

Members Present	Steve Buffington, Rich Palagallo, Dustin Devine, Quintin Lovicks, Trevor Mathey, Burt Cubbison, Don Cober, Zach Romitz, Allison Devine, Jacki Temple, Sarah Fissella, Joe Walton, Gerry Kyle
Members Absent	
Observers	Marie Rose
Called to Order	7:00 PM

**Approval of Previous Minutes** 

Discussion							
Conclusions							
Approval of September board meeting minutes. D. Cober / Z. Romitz; carried unanimously							
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline				

# **Member Comments**

# Discussion

• Mike Allen wants to practice on weekday mornings. We don't yet have the staffing to support this. As we continue to grow, we can address this in the future. He was directed to approach the board with his request

# Conclusions

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline

# **Financial**

Pittsburgh Curling Club Financial Rep	orts													
As of 09/30/2024		Months of Solvency if no additional income												
Current Assets		Current Income		Curr	ent Liabilities					Curren	t Liabilities for October			
End of Month Balance		Income Deposited		Р	aid Liabilities		PAID	NOTES	EXPENSE TYPE	PI	anned Liabilities		SCHEDULED	NOTES
Dollar Checking	0.00	PNC - Money Market Interest	0.04		Duquesne Light	684.54	9/4/2024	AUTO	Utilities		Duquesne Light	3,072.23	10/7/2024	AUTO
Dollar Savings	10,455.59	Dollar - Savings Interest	3.63		Iron City Express	129.89	9/9/2024	AUTO	Utilities		Comcast	314.46	10/5/2024	AUTO
PayPal	0.00	Memberships	100.00		Comcast	314.46	9/9/2024	AUTO	Utilities		Iron City Express	129.89	10/7/2024	AUTO
PNC - Money Market	11,816.00	Leagues	700.00		West View Water	22.72	9/10/2024	AUTO	Utilities		West View Water	22.72	10/9/2024	AUTO
PNC - Primary Checking	6,311.06	Donation	19.20		Columbia Gas	32.38	9/12/2024	AUTO	Utilities		Columbia Gas	34.93	10/10/2024	AUTO
PNC - Secondary Checking	2,703.63	Stripe - Credit Card	41,452.56		Intuit Qbooks	68.90	9/14/2024	AUTO	Office Expense		Intuit Qbooks	64.20	10/14/2024	AUTO
Total Cash/Checking/Savings	31,286.28	Stripe Fees			PAMS	7.80	9/18/2024	AUTO	Utilities		Dollar Bank Loan	3,695.55	10/15/2024	Loan
Other Current/Restricted Assets		Donation			PAMS	0.40	9/18/2024	AUTO	Bank Fee		Dollar Bank Interest	6,010.14	10/15/2024	Interest
122001 · Giant Eagle Gift Cards	-	Bonspiel			Dollar Bank Loan	3,394.54	9/20/2024	PAID	Loan		PAMS	7.80	10/18/2024	AUTO
12100 · Prepaid Expense	134,752.45				Dollar Bank Interest	9,311.15	9/20/2024	PAID	Interest		PAMS	0.40	10/18/2024	AUTO
Other Current/Restricted Assets	134,752.45				WM T Hutchinson Co	141.49	9/23/2024	PAID	Interest		GNCC Legacy Loan	52.78	10/23/2024	Interest
Total Current Assets	166,038.73	Square - Credit Card	996.04		WM T Hutchinson Co	2,566.26	9/23/2024	PAID	Loan		GNCC Legacy Loan	1,294.87	10/23/2024	Loan
		Square Fees			GNCC Legacy Loan	56.01	9/23/2024	PAID	Interest		PairDomains.com	22.80	10/2/2024	Website
					GNCC Legacy Loan	1,291.64	9/23/2024	PAID	Loan		Commonwealth of PA	100.00		Sales Tax
Movement Between Accounts					Cash	482.50	9/28/2024	PAID	Logo Shop Cash	Total P	lanned/Current Liabilities	14,822.77		
Transfer from PNC - Secondary Che	cking to:	Total Income Deposited	43,271.47		STO-ROX School District	5,482.17	9/30/2024	PAID	School Tax					
PNC - Primary Checking	35,000.00				STO-ROX School District	3.50	9/30/2024	PAID	Bank Fee					
PNC - Money Market	10,800.00			Total	Paid/Current Liabilities	23,990.35								
Transfer from PNC - Primary Checking	ng to:													
Dollar Savings	20,000.00			Long	-term Liabilities	PRINCIPAL	CHANGE							
					GNCC Legacy Trust Loan	21,111.07	-1,291.64							
					Dollar Bank Construction Loan	1,123,176.66	-3,394.54	6.5% Now						
					Rose-Buffington Loan	113,250.00	250.00							
					Hutchinson Loan	8,752.68	-2,566.26							
				Total	Long-term Liabilities	\$1,266,290.41								

- Ended September with a balance of \$31,286.28
  - Solvency (end of September): 1.74 months if no additional income
  - Income last month: \$43,271.47

- o Paid liabilities in July: \$23,990.35
- September's anticipated liabilities are \$20,569.95
- Total long-term liabilities owed: \$1,266,290.35
- Small financials report from Marie Rose
  - Deposited funds
    - 09-07-24: \$800.00 memberships paid by check
    - 10-01-24: \$43.20
  - Undeposited Funds
    - None
  - o Donately
    - Members: \$110.00 (recurring); in kind \$1456.62 (property tax lawyer fees, AC repair)
    - Non-member: \$100.00 (recurring, previous member)

### Conclusions

We need guidance about property depreciation and loan amortization to provide more accurate info to our accountant.

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline

#### **Old Business**

#### Discussion

- It's highly recommended that all board members become SafeSport certified because we host youths in Learn-to-Curls and plan to have youth programming in the future.
- Allison is wrapping up the 990 submittal.
- Ed & Day Webcast: held on June 1
  - Expected air date is in early 2025
  - We should advertise the webcast as a way to drum up more interest for new members. Several opportunities exist for cross-pollination
- GNCC Wheelchair Championship: April 11- 13, 2025.
  - o Can be national or international event.
  - More information is needed about a potential special membership category if participants are international and/or not members of the GNCC.
- Potential Penn State College Bonspiel March 28 to 30
- Possible In-House spiel near the end of the Winter Session
- Appalachian Friendly Need to move this earlier (mid-March?).

#### Conclusions

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Complete SafeSport certifications	All board members	ASAP
Reach out to Ed & Day production team and request they link to us (website, socials, etc.) to help us cross-pollinate	Dustin Devine	ASAP
Get more info about potential special membership category for GNCC Wheelchair Championship	Steve Buffington	February

#### **Events Committee**

#### Discussion

Sarah Fissella

- Three Rivers Over/Under: Dustin has created the draw; 12-team spiel in pools of 4
- Five and Under Open Bonspiel 25 teams registered, 7 spots remaining
- U5 World Championship Bonspiel: January 9-12; USCA has agreed to promote this event.
  - Logo exists, could be a good revenue stream for merchandise
  - o Agreed on a firm revenue of \$6,000. Expect to make \$4,500 + on this.
  - Will be able to market shirts and/or hats for added revenue.
- Party Spiel: January 24-28; registration opened October 5. 5 teams registered so far.
- Wheelchair Spiel April 11 to 13

#### Conclusions

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Make tutorial videos for helping members know how to use Warm Room Hero	Burt Cubbison	ASAP

# **Communications Committee**

Discussion	Burt Cubbison						
<ul> <li>Warm Room Hero: Working well but is a learning curve for everyone</li> <li>Social media: exploring Reddit as a way to get more engagement</li> <li>Scheduling emails: Zach is still digging through the backlog of LTC and private event inquiries</li> </ul>							
Conclusions	Conclusions						
Action Items Person Responsible Deadline							

#### **Finance Committee**

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Discussion	Allison Devine					
<ul> <li>School district appeal</li> <li>Meeting with the school district was today.</li> <li>School district still hasn't done anything, so our lawyer put his foot down and demanded an expedient resolution. School district claims they've hired a firm to do the appraisal.</li> <li>Hearing should be early December.</li> <li>The common level ratio has gone down again for 2025.</li> <li>Having at least a second person as oversight is being requested.</li> </ul>						
Conclusions						
Action Items		Person Responsible	Deadline			

# Membership Committee

Discussion Gerry Kyle

- Registration is currently at 93 members
  - o 19 are base members. Are they curling? Are they paying drop-in fees?
  - Not yet caught up to last year in terms of numbers and league fees.
- CCAC: 8 people signed up; Gerry is trying to drum up volunteers to play on Tuesdays to fill out the ice. Winter session will start Feb 25.
- Futures League: 3 people have signed up so far; really need to sell this to CCAC students and LTC registrants; how do we get more people interested?

#### Conclusions

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Email previous participants to drum up interest in joining and/or find out why they're not yet back.	Gerry Kyle	ASAP

# **Facilities Committee**

Discussion Steve Buffington

- All blades have been sharpened and are due out for shipping. Shipping details were due today but did not
  occur
- Streaming improvements: dedicated streaming with ability for commentating for the feature sheet, along with per sheet timers. Pre-existing streaming for the other sheets will remain in place.
- Fob access to the building: Front door is complete, back door will be done soon. Currently assigned to all board members and all drawmasters. Keys still currently work.

#### Conclusions

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline

#### **New Business**

#### Discussion

- Committee Health Check
  - Committee Reporting guidance doc from Trevor Please review this and comment if necessary.
- Competition Policy
  - June Xue's draft recommends that for league play, teams should be required to have at least 2 members present for it to be a legal game.
  - Intent is to have guidelines for all leagues, but each league can tweak the guidance for their own circumstances.
  - o Do we want to start using our game clock during leagues?
  - Do we want to institute the no-tick rule that's being used for events?
- Collaborate with PGH Home Brew Club
  - November 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:00pm at the curling club
  - Arrive by 12:30 to set up, followed by a light LTC, then sharing of beers
  - Expecting 15-16 participants
- Better board communication:
  - Zach Romitz is setting up a Slack account for the club; he is also applying for a professional ccount, for up to 250 members, based on our 501c(3) status
- Barre Fitness collaboration?
  - Still awaiting more details from potential collaborators
- New grippers: We need to restart the process for ordering new grippers

# Conclusions

Action Items	Person Responsible	Deadline
Review the proposed competition policy	All board members	ASAP
Flesh out details with Barre Fitness	Rich Palagallo	ASAP
Reach out to PGH Home Brew Club to finalize details	Dustin Devine	ASAP
Set up PCC Slack account & run a trial channel	Zach Romittz & Don Cober	ASAP
Reach out to Gary Susnavich (BroomsUp) about grippers	Allison Devine & Steve Buffington	ASAP

# Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned	Approval to adjourn R. Palagallo/ S. Fissella; carried unanimously
Next Board Meeting	Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm PghCC