



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

**Date:** August 19, 2021  
**Time:** 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
**Location:** Zoom

1. Call to order – 7:02 pm

Attendees

Melissa Hogg Cunningham  
Sean Holman  
Danielle Inglis  
Michelle Wettlaufer  
Grace Bugg  
Michele Gower  
John Majnarich  
Sandra Booth – TCA Event Chair  
Bill Baker – TCA Event Chair  
Joanne Stewart – TCA Event Chair  
Greg King – WECC

Regrets

John Rudd  
Glenn Gabriel

2. Approval of Agenda

(Motion – Michele Gower, Second – Michelle Wettlaufer)

3. Approval of Minutes

July 29, 2021 minutes approved (Motion – Michelle Wettlaufer, Second – Michele Gower)

4. Member's Forum – August 17, 2021

- Highlights

- 13 facilities were represented
- Positive feedback received, particularly on updates to information on the TCA website
- A number of questions on the TCA vaccination policy

- Good response for the facilities that have opened registration
- Some facilities are accepting registration, but not asking for payment yet
- CurlION has created a commercial to promote curling; social media assets to be shared in the coming month
- Street Curling kits are available for those facilities looking to hold events to support their registration. Facilities can contact Michelle Wettlaufer for more information.
- TCA fees will remain at \$75 per sheet for 2021/2022 season
- Volunteers needed to serve on the TCA Board. Facilities are asked to promote the opportunities with their membership.
- Nominations for the TCA Outstanding Contribution award can still be submitted. Deadline for nominations has been extended to August 31<sup>st</sup>
- Update provided on WECC

5. TCA Events – Vaccination Policy

- Unanimous support for full vaccination requirement to play in TCA Event
- Open to considering medical exemption, in line with government guidelines (government criteria for acceptable medical exemptions are extremely limited)
- Clear communication on the policy is important
- **Action Item – Melissa to investigate what other organizations are doing regarding vaccination policy and share info with Board. John/Michele to share policies developed by facilities. Info share via email to be provided to Board to finalize position in advance of Sept Board meeting.**

6. TCA Events update

**Business Women – Joanne Stewart**

- Expect to run the event with 16 teams
- Will be moving away from anything requiring touching as much as possible
- Will not be providing a banner to the winning team

**Day Ladies – Sandra Booth**

- Expect to run with 24 teams
- Registration to open September 1<sup>st</sup> – will not be collecting fees at that time
- If the event is a go, will collect fees starting October 1<sup>st</sup>
- Have not determined whether a banner will be provided to the winning team
- Delmanor is on board as sponsor

**Men – Bill Baker**

- Expect that enough ice will be available during the day to host the Masters and Grand Masters in a consistent fashion
- If the main draw is reduced from 64 to 32 teams will need once less week night of ice
- Still considering a survey and communication to past participants to gauge interest

## General

- Event chairs have provided a summary of ice needs for 2021/2022
  - Having a Director of TCA Events would assist with overall organization of ice needs for all TCA events, including reaching out to clubs early on ice availability
  - **Action Item – confirm the ability to register, but not pay until events are confirmed as moving ahead**
7. Facility Manager Update
- Next meeting is August 24<sup>th</sup>
  - **Action Item – John Majnarich to provide update to TCA Board following the meeting**
8. WECC Update
- Data indicates that demand for curling ice in the west end exceeds the supply of curling ice in the west end
  - From the 5 options initially proposed there are only 2 options being considered. Both involve using under-utilized arena facilities. Option 1 is a dedicated curling facility and Option 2 is a shared use facility (curling, hockey, figure skating etc...)
  - Two consistent themes have been identified from interviews of users of the underutilized arena facilities and public consultation
    1. Existing users aren't supportive of either option
    2. Under-utilization is a day-time issue, not an evening issue
  - Toronto's next step is to present to Economic & Community Development Committee in October
  - **Action Item – WECC (John Rudd) will liaise with Melissa on next steps of who to engage politically and what the message should be**
9. Facility Information Requests
- Responses required from 5 facilities
  - There were a couple of responses that were not complete
  - League information will be populated on the TCA site to help drive participation and registration.
  - **Action Item – Michele Gower to follow-up with facilities.**
10. Preparation for AGM
- CurlION AGM is October 3<sup>rd</sup> – they will be doing a Symposium in September
  - AGM date – September 29<sup>th</sup>, Board meeting September 22<sup>nd</sup>
  - One nominee for the Board – 3 current Board members are leaving
  - Annual Report to be prepared for AGM – President, Treasurer and Secretary will prepare the report
  - **Action Item – Board members to provide AGM write-ups to Melissa by August 31<sup>st</sup>. Reports due from Treasurer, Secretary, Special Advisor Strategic Planning**

11. Roundtable
  - Nothing raised
12. Next Meeting: September 22, 2021 at 7:00 pm
  - Agenda items
    - Finalize Annual Report and AGM preparation
13. Adjournment at 8:13 pm