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Wisconsin State Curling Association Board of Directors

Saturday, Oct. 5, 2019, 9:00am

Conference Call

Phone: 1-866-469-3239 access code: 801 804 801

Video: <https://jamf.webex.com/meet/sam>

Minutes

1. Sam Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM
2. Roll Call (Kampen)
 - a. Present: Blackhawk, Centerville, Eau Claire, Green Bay, Kettle Moraine, Madison, Milwaukee, Portage, Poynette, Tri-City, Waukesha, Wausau, Wauwatosa
 - b. Absent: Alpine, Appleton, Arlington, Clintonville, La Crosse, Loch Wissota, Lodi, Marshfield, Medford, Pardeeville, Racine, Rice Lake, Stevens Point, Superior, Waupaca
 - c. Also in attendance: Mark Swandby
3. Approval of Board of Directors Minutes Spring 2019 (Kampen) Greg Dunlop moved to approve, Second – Dan Lilla. Approved
4. Treasurer's Report (Dunlop) Greg shared that the current cash balance is \$28,503 and the budget matches prior years.
5. President remarks (Johnson) Sam shared information on Safe Sport Training and the requirements of who needs to be trained. Tim Sommerville's Hall of Fame nomination was reviewed, but not brought forward. It will be on file for two more years. Went over the USCA Board of Directors elections that would be coming up later in the meeting to replace Rich Lepping who resigned because he took the interim CEO and also Steven O'Keefe, who accepted a position at the USA Curling office. Mike Elwing is shadowing Mark Olson to see if he is willing to take on the role of VP of Championships. The Executive Committee will need to find people willing to run for VP and VP of Championships (Mike Elwing may fill this position). If you are interested, reach out to Sam. Members Assembly will be held in Milwaukee on October 11-13.
6. USCA Directors' Report (Gleason, Perry) Terri Gleason just took over the USCA Director's position. She talked with Courtney Schmidt. Terri will be on the Communications Committee and the Growth and Development. She will be attending the Members Assembly and reported that the reduction in directors would be discussed there. She is also on the committee that hired a search company to find the new CEO. Rich Lepping is not interested in applying for that position. Garret Perry – no report.
7. WCF Report – No report. Rich Lepping, Jennifer Stannard, Leeland Rich, and Allison Pottinger are the directors.

8. Committee Reports
 - a. Rules (Maskel) no report
 - b. Website (Hartman) See Attachments
 - c. Bylaws (Russell) no report
9. Competition
 - a. Juniors (Hartman) No report
 - b. Mixed and Men's and Women's (Olson) Mark will be stepping down after this season. Men's and Women's Clubs will be held in Appleton Dec. 12-15. Mark noted that this is out of order because they volunteered to host it. Mixed is being held in Alpine, Jan. 31-Feb 1st or 2nd depending on the number of teams
 - c. Seniors – no report
 - d. High School (Shlimovitz) No report
10. New Business
 - a. WSCA was asked to do a \$1,000 sponsorship for the Members Assembly. The money would be used for the Welcoming reception. After a discussion, Tom Godar moved to commit up to \$1,000 for entertainment and hospitality at the Members Assembly Welcoming Reception. Second – Gleason. After a discussion, a rollcall vote was taken. The motion did not carry by a 4-7 vote.
 - b. Richard Maskel brought up the status of the Head Ice Technician and the head of the HP program. Currently, Sean Oleson, who was the assistant, is filling in as Head Ice Tech and Phil Drobnick is in charge of the HP program.
11. Election of USCA Directors
 - a. Both USCA Director positions are open due to the resignations of Lepping and O'Keefe. The Nominating Committee recommend Terri Gleason fill Lepping's position which is up in 2020 and Garret Perry will fill O'Keefe's position which runs through 2021. Discussion surrounded the process used to select the nominees. Sam pointed out that we can do a better job of posting these openings so others can express interest. Lucas Ostrowski nominated himself to fill the 2020 position. Second – Maskel. Nominations were closed.
 - b. Each person shared their background and qualifications.
 - i. Terri Gleason got her start in Madison in 1992. Her children curled. She has done a lot of bonspiels and has been instrumental in organizing bonspiels in Wausau. Her goals are to increase the number of curling events and to promote Wisconsin when she attends curling events around the US.
 - ii. Lucas Ostrowski started curling in Wausau in 1996 where he served on the board of directors. He now curls out of Tri-City and has served on their board and has been the president of the club the last two years. He has also been on the WSCA Board of Directors. His relationship with Kim Nawyn has taught him a lot of the ins and outs of the USCA.
 - iii. Garret Perry was not present to give his background, but if there is an election for his seat, that information

will be sent out to the voters.

- c. Elections for this position cannot be held during a conference call. Only people who were in attendance at this time will be sent an electronic ballot. Vietta will send out a confirmation email.
 - d. The current directors will remain in place through the Members Assembly and until the time the vote is taken.
 - e. Nominations were re-opened. Terri nominated herself to run against Garret Perry, if she loses the election for the first position. Second – Nick McLellan. Nominations were closed. Lucas is not interested in running for the other position.
 - f. Mark Swandby reminded the candidates that there is a financial obligation any USCA Directors who are expected to attend the meetings. He added that the USCA Board of Directors passed the motion to reduce the size of the board which is a two-year phase out, so all of this may be a moot point.
12. Election of Juniors Competition Chair: Jim Wendling has said that he is willing to fill this position. He has worked closely with Mark Hartman. A voice vote was taken. It was unanimous.
13. Next Meeting date and location: the spring meeting has been tentatively scheduled for Tri-City, April 25th, 2020 starting at 9:30 AM.
14. Adjourn – Vietta moved to adjourn, second – Dan Lilla. Meeting was adjourned at 10:36 AM.