

Minutes Annual Meeting April 30, 2022

Chair: Lesley Durham-McPhee

Present: Dave Pierce, Laura Ritchie, Elaine Miskimmins, Ken Robinson

Also in attendance 32 club members

-Leslie welcomed the group and introduced the executive and welcomed Ken as a new executive member as interim treasurer replacing Dave Pierce.

-She also took time to thank Dave for all he has contributed to the club over the years as he steps down from the many duties he has always performed for our club and moves in a new direction.

-We were also pleased to see several new club members attending their first meeting with us.

Strategic Plan

-our plan moving forward involves promoting the sport of lawn bowling in a safe, fair and inclusive environment where we can encourage a positive club with opportunities to learn, play and volunteer.

-so far we have received 15 new email inquiries for open house days, 10 new interested parties from Applefest anxious to join us this season.

Committee Updates

Finance

-Ken is our new treasurer and executive member

-Dave read financial reports and budget for 2022 and thanked Sara for the preparation of our financial statements and accounting skills she contributes to the club.

Highlights of report

-All things considered with covid restrictions etc. the club finances look good

-we had reduced sponsor income, no rental income, no tournament income, no euchre or 50/50 draw income.

-but membership was up and expenses were down.

-we had income from 3 grants (2 federal and 1 provincial)

- members had the opportunity to read financial reports online and a paper copy was available at the meeting as well.

- projected budget for 2022 was based on 2021 figures and should be reviewed mid year for accuracy.

John Wheat made a motion to approve financial reports

Seconded by Charlotte Urbanowicz

Unanimously approved by membership

John Wheat made a motion to approve 2022 budget

Seconded by Rick David

Unanimously approved by the membership

BG&G

- our new light standards were installed in early March so we will have new LED lights for this season

- unfortunately damage was done to the green during installation but our team is working diligently to repair the damage. We thank them for all their hard work.

- we are anticipating a May long weekend opening but that will be dependent on the weather and the condition of the green.

- a thorough cleaning of our clubhouse took place on April 23. Thanks to our many volunteers it looks spic n span and ready for a great bowling season ahead.

- we lost one of our flowerbeds this year to make room for our new shade canopy to shelter us from the sun during our tournaments and fun days.

Membership and marketing

- our ParticipAction grant of \$700 was denied this year

- this grant usually helps to finance our postcard campaign but our budget still allows for a smaller scale mailing at a cost of approximately \$500, this is to promote 3 open house events taking place in June.

- our focus this year will be on member experience, skills development and return to social events.

- Earla has volunteered to co-ordinate the ordering of club shirts that are being offered this season, more details to follow.

Tournaments

- 9 tournaments are planned between May 28 and Sept. 14
- Dragon League is scheduled for Monday evening and Jr. Dragon League planned for Thursday evenings for those eager to bowl and would like to progress into competitive bowling, this will incorporate skills development.
- Laura explained how tournaments are run, how to sign up and how to enjoy being involved.
- \$20 per player for three, twelve end games.

Social

- we are planning to resume our social events this year such as Friday night socials.
- numerous events are in the plans such as Canada Day and a pool party on July 29.

Covid Protocols

- the club is wide open and restriction free this year.
 - the Province, County and OLBA have lifted restrictions.
 - we are planning a safe return to club activities this year with each member making decisions for themselves as to how they want to conduct themselves based on their own individual risk assessment.
 - anyone wanting to wear a mask, social distance or refrain from inside activities will be respected.
- Marilyn asked about a vaccine policy and it has been decided we will not have one. Charlotte suggested everyone be proactive and take care of themselves. Do what makes you comfortable.

Volunteer Opportunities

- Leslie discussed the need for volunteers in our organization.
- she stated that our goal is 10 hours per member over the season.
- no one will be looking over anyones' shoulder to enforce this
- Volunteer Opportunity forms were handed out and attendees split into groups to discuss and sign up.

Club Bowls Policy

Renee asked about club bowls and felt that after paying rental of \$50 members should be guaranteed the same bowls each time they visit the club. Dave explained the policy and said that no bowls leave the club. Bowls are available on a first come first served basis.

Debbie asked about bowls launchers and showed interest in purchasing one for herself and Martyn said he would facilitate the purchase of equipment.

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