PEI Curling Association Special Meeting Crapaud Community Curling Club 6:30 pm Monday, Oct 26, 2009 Minutes

Item I: Call to order and roll call

President Shirley Lank called the Special meeting to order at 6:45 pm. Present: Stephen Marchbank (Executive Director), Kim Matters (Crapaud), Bill Hope (Ch'town), Paul Durant (Cornwall), Roger Gavin (Western), Audrey Callaghan (Vice President), Shirley Lank (President), Derek MacEwen (Secretary), Cliff Poirier (Silver Fox), Bob Leard (Montague), Roddie MacLean (2nd VP), Rod MacDonald (Silver Fox).

The quorum requirements were met, so the meeting could proceed.

Item II: Review Agenda

Shirley and Stephen handed out the revised PEICA Manual, and explained that the purposed of the Special Meeting was to review the Bylaws and Rules of Play. She explained that no changes were being requested in the Constitution.

Item III: Bylaw change

Article 5 - Governance

Shirley presented a proposed bylaw change to Article 5.1 that would give voting privileges to the Treasurer, and the Past President. She outlined the status quo, explaining that voting members are currently the seven club representatives, along with the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, and Secretary. She pointed out that the Past President has little incentive to attend meeting since the position has no voting power, despite the fact that the incumbent would have a great knowledge of the activities of the Association, and could provide useful advice to the Executive. She also pointed out the Treasurer is a voting member in most organizations.

Discussion: There was some concern expressed that having two additional executive members with voting privileges would weaken the power of the curling clubs. Vote: the bylaw change was passed.

Item IV: Policies and Procedures changes Shirley outlined a number of changes that had been made, to policies and procedures at previous PEICA meetings, but had not been updated in the manual. Article 4 - Committees Items 11 (Curl Atlantic) and 12 (Joyce Meyers Legacy Fund) These two new committees were added. Article 5 – Job Descriptions Changes were made to reflect the current duties of each position. The Technical Coordinator's position was expanded to include new duties, while some duties were removed from the Junior Coordinator position, which is not currently staffed. Event management duties were removed from that position.

Executive Director: this position was brought up to date to reflect current duties.

Event coordinator: This position's job description was rewritten, and expanded from 9 to 24 duties.

Article 7 Events Calendar

Corrections were suggested at this meeting to add missing asterisks to Tankard Open, Seniors, and Mixed events.

Article 8 Expense Policy/Honoraria/Prizes Sponsorship

This was revised to remove payment for timers, draw official, and Draw master (unless required).

Ice rental:

Concern was expressed over the 10% of entry fees payment if it was greater than the \$100 ice rental fee for an event.

Motion: Bill Hope moved that this 10% fee option be removed.

Roddie MacLean seconded the motion. Carried.

This was removed from the Article.

Motion: Roddie MacLean moved that the ice rental be set at \$100 for all events except Scotties, Men's Open, Men's Final Eight, and Mixed. Seconded by Bill Hope. Carried. Honoraria: revised to remove specific amounts.

Prizes for Provincial Events

This section was changed to balance out the prizes, and help ensure that the events did not lose money. Jackets will be provided only in the event that the player has not won before. Travel monies to the winners are eliminated, as travel expenses are for the most part covered by the CCA. 17 and Under will be awarded Jackets if they have not won before, to be consistent with other events (previously they had to use borrowed jackets). It is also stated that Masters winners will receive jackets, but runners-up will get loaners.

Sponsorship Commission Reduced to 10 from 15%.

Article 9 – Forms

Expense Claim rate reduced to \$.25/km instead of \$.35 (this amount appears to have been a typo as it was never approved).

Entry form: As entries are now online, it was suggested that a printout of the online form be substituted instead.

Article 13 – Meetings Dates Specific dates removed. To be determined each year.

Article 16 – Rules of Play

Much discussion ensued on this item.

Item 7: A motion was made to add an extra clause to this:

Motion Bill Hope Moved and Rod MacDonald seconded, that teams who wish to drop out of a competition, after the entry deadline, and without a valid reason as determined by the PEICA, would face a penalty of not being able to enter PEICA events for the balance of the current season, and for a full year thereafter. This would include all registered players, including the fifth, if applicable.

Round Robin events section

Skills Based Team ranking process. Suggestions were made that the best time to do the skills ranking may not be after the first game, but after the last round robin games, when only the affected teams would be involved. Suggestions were also made that practices should be 10 minutes per team or one rock up and back per player.

Item V - Adjournment

Having run out of time for the meeting, it was decided to continue with a second Special meeting next month.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:15 pm.