

**Minnesota Curling Association Board Meeting – November 7, 2009 – 10:00am
Via On-line Web Conferencing**

Members Present: Norma O’Leary, Cathy Erickson, Mike Floerchinger Tiffany Litman, Cyndee Johnson, Kent Beadle, Jay Osbakken, Darcy Ellerby, Phil DeVore, Jim Newman, and Nancy Haggemiller

President O’Leary called the meeting to order at 10:05am.

Minutes from the October 10, 2009 Meeting were reviewed. Motion by Darcy, seconded by Nancy Clasen to approve the minutes from May. Approved.

Treasurer Jay Osbakken reported account balances: General \$6,102.56 and Putnam \$21,811.16. There has been no activity since the last meeting so no action was required to approve a treasurer’s report.

President’s Report – Norma O’Leary:

Norma reported that everything is set for the Championships.

* There were some complaints on the dates of the State Junior Championships so close to Christmas. It was explained that the host club sets the dates to accommodate their schedules.

Norma reported that we are still in search of a new head official. This person will need to be a Level 2 Official.

Mike Floerchinger reported that the MCA calendar will be sent off this week. He was waiting to hear from 1 club. Norma would get him contact information.

Discussion on whether there were clubs that are curling in Canada but are considered US clubs. Do these clubs pay association dues to both Canada and the US? More research needed.

USCA Directors Reports – Kent Beadle:

Beadle reported on the following items:

- The USCA is continuing to work on Revenue Development Ideas
- The Elite Programs committee is creating a 4-year plan.
- The Mixed Doubles is set for Seattle in December. A good field has registered.
- The USCA did not have a dues increase this year, but they are considering smaller dues increases each year for the next few years, averaging \$1 per year.

Junior’s Report – Troy Gorans:

Gorans was unable to attend, but sent some information via e-mail. The State High School Championships will be March 19-21 at Itasca Curling Club.

Willmar will host a U-14 event January 22-24, 2010.

Regional Training and Instruction Report- Darcy Ellarby:

Darcy did not have a report.

Phil DeVore reported that a Level 1 clinic will be held Sunday, December 6 in Duluth.

New Business:

Kent reported that with the State Men's & Women's championships in Duluth this year the MCA Recognition Award focuses on the Northeast region. Norma would notify eligible clubs.

Kent reported that St. Paul Curling Club was awarded the 2011 WCF World Mixed Doubles and the World Senior Men's & Women's Championships.

Kent reported that 2012 WCF championships may occur in the Fall instead of April.

The next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, January 16, 2010 at 10:00am at the Duluth Curling Club and via On-line conferencing.

Motion by Phil DeVore, Seconded by Tiffany Litman to adjourn. Approved.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Erickson, Secretary