



# UNITED STATES CURLING ASSOCIATION

Board Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2023

In person and via Teleconference

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## 1. Call to Order -

Board Chair Bret Jackson called the meeting to order at 8:36pm

## 2. Conflicts of Interest on agenda.

No conflicts identified.

## 3. Roll Call

- a. **Board Members** - Alexandra Agre, Jeff Annis, Aileen Geving, Phil Shyrock, Bret Jackson (Chair), Tracy Lawless, Patrick McDonald, Roger Smith, Luc Violette, Paul Wilson, Colin Hufman (Vice-Chair). Absent - Brian Kopp
- b. **Committee Members** - Andie McDonald, Wayne Anderson, Jennifer Standard
- c. **Other** - Dean Gemmell (CEO), Dick Dawson (recording Secretary), Craig Perry (COO)

Quorum was declared with 12 Board members of 8 required for a quorum.

## 4. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes of October 15, 2023, Board Meeting

October 15, 2023, Minutes were approved by voice vote.

## 5. WCF Loan Applications

- a. CurlVegas, Dallas Fort Worth
- b. Discussion on the loan structure and background

Motion for USA Curling to indicate support for CurlVegas' application to the World Curling Federation for funding for their curling facility. USA Curling will review the funding bid more closely when it is complete before agreeing to be the guarantor. USA Curling will reserve the right to attach stipulations as it sees fit prior to agreeing to be the guarantor of this funding should it be provided. Moved by Roger Smith,

seconded by Terri Gleason. Approved by unanimous voice vote, with Paul Wilson abstaining.

## **6. Foundation Review**

- a. Structure, outreach

## **7. CEO Report**

- a. Membership Update
- b. Financial Statements
- c. World Junior Eligibility Issue and Changes Made
  - i. Language for all "date based" eligibility adjusted to fit WCF wording
  - ii. Qualification was done under existing USA Curling rules
  - iii. Discussion

## **8. Special Members' Meeting**

- a. Consideration to vote

Secretary will work with Parliamentarian to determine possibility of this

## **9. Discussion**

- a. Meetings / Get togethers
  - i. Board Meeting and Club Presidents Meeting
    - 1. Tentatively at Mixed Fours Nationals, Golden, CO, April 13, 2024
  - ii. Members' Meeting / Assembly to align with National Team Camp
    - 1. Dates to be determined

## **10. World Juniors**

- a. Petition WCF to increase field size

Agreement to direct USA Curling WCF representatives to make this motion at WCF meetings made by the Chair to be voted on at next meeting.

## **11. GNCC Update**

- a. Update on GNCC interactions with USA Curling and at the subsequent GNCC Town Hall meeting

## **12. Additional Business**

- a. Request from Patrick McDonald for consideration of including stick curlers as part of Club Nationals

## **13. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:47pm made by Bret Jackson. Unanimous approval. Next meeting via teleconference, Wednesday, January 3, 7:30CT