



Annual Members Meeting

1:00 – 2:30 p. m. Saturday, April 21, 2012

8:00 a.m. Sunday, April 22, 2012

Hilton Minneapolis/St. Paul Airport MOA

Agenda

1. **Convene Members Meeting** - welcome, introductions (Sjue)
2. **Roll call** (Pelletier)
3. **Appoint parliamentarian** (Sjue)
4. **Certification of votes and proxies** (Silver)
5. **Approve minutes of last Members Meeting** April 30 – May 1, 2011 (Sjue)
6. **Admission, suspension or removal of members** (Pelletier)
7. **Secretary's report:** recording of member-elected and affiliate member-elected directors (Pelletier)
8. **New or unfinished business** (Sjue)
 - a. Governance Vote
 - i. Member proposed amendments to proposed by-laws as adopted by the Board of Directors (proposed amendments to be posted on the USCA's website);
 1. Member initiated by-laws changes; and
 2. Council of State and Regional representatives.
 - ii. Proposed by-laws as adopted by the Board of Directors [\[click here for posting on USCA Website\]](#)

Suspend meeting and Call to Order Board of Directors Meeting (Sjue)

Reconvene Annual Meeting (Sjue)

9. Adjourn

ANNUAL MEMBERS' MEETING MINUTES

1. **Convene Members Meeting** - welcome, introductions (Sjue)
President Sjue convened the meeting at 1:03 p.m., and welcomed and asked individuals to introduce themselves.

2. **Roll call** (Carlson)
Secretary Pelletier took the roll and noted that the meeting has a quorum.

USCA member state/regions and at-large clubs present: Alaska (represented by Alaska President David Flippo); Colorado (represented by Chris Sjue); Grand National (represented by GNCC Carl Thomas); Great Lakes (represented by Gordon Mclean); Illinois (represented by Sean Silver); Minnesota (represented by Minnesota President Kent Beadle); Mountain Pacific (represented by Gabrielle Coleman); Nebraska (represented by Gabrielle Coleman); North Dakota (represented by Jan Legacie); Washington (represented by Gabrielle Coleman); Wisconsin (represented by Rich Lepping); At-Large Clubs: Dallas-Fort Worth (represented by Jonathan Havercroft); Oklahoma (represented by Jonathan Havercroft).

AAC members present: Maureen Clark, Dean Gemmell, Richard Maskel, Allison Pottinger (represented by Ann Swisshelm), Ann Swisshelm, and Craig Brown (represented by Ann Swisshelm).

Absent: Curling Club of Houston (no proxy submitted); Kansas City Curling Club (no proxy submitted); Lone Star Curling Club (At-Large club, no proxy submitted); St. Louis Curling Club (no proxy submitted)

Present via teleconference (voice but no vote): Colorado (represented by Pam Finch), Mountain Pacific (President Nick Kitinski), North Dakota (President John Kram)

3. **Appoint parliamentarian** (Sjue)
President Sjue appointed Andy Anderson as meeting Parliamentarian.

4. **Certification of votes and proxies** (Silver)
Treasurer Silver reported on the certified votes and proxies, and provided a memo dated April 21, 2012, with the vote counts:

- A. Alaska Curling Association: 447
- B. Colorado Curling Association: 324
- C. Grand National Curling Club of America: 3,260
- D. Great Lakes Curling Association: 804
- E. Illinois Curling Association: 366
- F. Minnesota Curling Association: 1,699
- G. Mountain Pacific Curling Association: 720
- H. Nebraska Curling Association: 83
- I. North Dakota Curling Association: 861
- J. Washington State Curling Association: 486
- K. Wisconsin State Curling Association: 3,508
- L. At-large Club Members:
 - i. Curling Club of Houston: 16 – no proxy submitted
 - ii. Dallas-Fort Worth Curling Club: 65

- iii. Kansas City Curling Club: 0 – no proxy submitted
 - iv. Lone Star Curling Club: 46 – no proxy submitted
 - v. Oklahoma: 46
 - vi. St. Louis – 0 – no proxy submitted
- M. AAC Members:
- i. Craig Brown [represented by Ann Swisshelm] – 545.875
 - ii. Maureen Clark – 545.875
 - iii. Dean Gemmell – 545.875
 - iv. Richard Maskel – 545.875
 - v. Allison Pottinger – 545.875
 - vi. Ann Swisshelm – 545.875
- N. Total votes 16,376.25

Discussion: Thomas (GNCC) objected to the AAC Board members having additional votes, interpreting the by-laws' provision that no person be counted twice to prohibit this.

President Sjue noted and overruled the objection, indicating that the USCA had been advised that our by-laws require such representation in order to be compliant with the Ted Stevens Act.

- 5. **Approve minutes of last Members Meeting** April 30 – May 1, 2011 (Sjue)
 - A. **Lepping moves/Mclean seconds approval of the minutes. Motion is approved.**
- 6. **Admission, suspension or removal of members** (Pelletier)
 - A. None.
- 7. **Secretary's report:** recording of member-elected and affiliate member-elected directors (Pelletier)
 - A. **Current member-elected directors**
 - i. Paul Badgero – Great Lakes
 - ii. Kent Beadle - Minnesota
 - iii. David Carlson - Wisconsin
 - iv. Nancy Haggemiller - Minnesota
 - v. Jonathan Havercroft – At-Large
 - vi. Cyndee Johnson -- Minnesota
 - vii. Gwen Krailo – Grand National
 - viii. Rich Lepping – Wisconsin
 - ix. Jerome Larson – Mountain Pacific
 - x. Jan Legacie – North Dakota
 - xi. Gordon Maclean – Great Lakes
 - xii. Bob Pelletier – Grand National
 - xiii. Jim Pleasants -Washington
 - xiv. Leland Rich - Alaska
 - xv. Sean Silver - Illinois
 - xvi. Chris Sjue – North Dakota
 - xvii. Mark Swandby - Wisconsin
 - xviii. Sam Williams – Grand National
 - xix. Jennifer Stannard – USWCA

8. **New or unfinished business** (Sjue)

- A. Governance Vote. President Sjue indicates that he is not going to call for a vote on the by-laws at this time. He notes that, based on discussion, it is clear that the members do not

support the revised by-laws as written. The members have provided information about concerns. Sjue concludes by affirming that the Governance Task Force has enough information to proceed and progress with work on the Bylaws.

9. Suspend meeting and Call to Order Board of Directors Meeting (Sjue) 4-21-12 – 1:16 p.m.

10. Reconvene Annual Meeting (Sjue) 4-22-12 – 8:36a.m.

11. New or unfinished business (Sjue)

A. None

12. Adjourn – Motion to adjourn Thomas/second Beadle. Motion is approved. Meeting adjourned.
9:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Pelletier, Secretary

RS:sr