

## **Nomination of Phil Shyrock for Member-Elected Position on Board of Directors**

The Pacific Northwest, Mountain Pacific, and Alaska Curling Associations nominated Phil Shyrock as their candidate for the United States Curling Association (USCA) Board of Directors. Phil was chosen by a selection committee consisting of nine curlers from the three regions.

In accordance with USCA By-Laws, his nomination was reviewed by the Nominations and Governance Committee which interviewed Mr. Shyrock and endorses his nomination.

Phil has been a member of Granite Curling Club of Seattle since 2010, where he is a past president and board member, and currently sits on the finance, strategic planning, merchandise, and communications committees. He has also served as vice president of the Pacific Northwest Curling Association. He is certified as both an instructor and official and remains very active in a wide array of aspects at the club, regional, and national levels. Phil has a career background in consumer behavior and market research analytics in the retail and real estate field. He brings a wealth of experience in leadership, strategic planning, finance, marketing and sponsor engagement, as well as an enthusiasm for our sport and the community around it.

## **Nomination of Brian Kopp for Member-Elected Position on Board of Directors**

I am from a curling family and have grown up with the sport. I started curling when I was 5 and it has been a significant part of my life ever since. I have a vast set of knowledge gained from involvement in all aspects of curling including playing as a junior and adult (both recreationally in leagues and bonspiels as well as competitively), running events, ice making, volunteering at my clubs wherever needed, holding leadership positions within clubs I've been members of, coaching/teaching, and most recently have been fortunate enough to find time to become more involved in leadership at a regional level. My 3 children have grown up with curling as a part of their lives and they have recently started playing in more competitive U18/U21 events where I look to pass on some of the on-ice knowledge and insight I've gained over the years as their coach. I have a passion for the sport, including an appreciation of its' rich history as well as an understanding that growing curling's reach across the country is imperative to its' success not only at the club level, but also on the international stage.

Outside of curling, I work for the University of Wisconsin – Madison as the Director of Verona Operations, which houses the university's Material Distribution Warehouse and Surplus Property departments and has a staff of 30 that report to me. I am responsible for all facility activities and financials for those departments, each supporting the entire UW-Madison campus community.