

D/FW Curling Club Meeting Minutes

Date: August 11, 2008
Start Time: 6:37 PM
End Time: 7:37 PM
Present: Andy Bahr, Dan Johnson, Kelty Sue Harris, Janet Farr, Judy Willingham, Andrew Buckner, Mike Hunter, Shana Healer, Nick Myers, Jacqueline Poissant, Serge Poissant, Don Kleppe, Jonathan Havercroft (via teleconference)
Mtg. Type: General Membership Meeting
Location: Felcor
Prepared by: Shana Healer

The following is a summary of the topics of discussion, decisions and action items from the meeting. It is not meant to be a transcript of what was said and by whom. Please notify the author immediately upon finding any discrepancies.

1. Judy called the general membership meeting to order at 6:37.
2. **Sheet A Rocks**—Sheet A rocks are pitting due to putting them on and taking them off the ice, absorbing condensation, and a lack of inserts. Nick Myers presented 3 options for improving Sheet A Rocks (with re-profiled striking bands and new inserts). All options were significantly cheaper than purchasing new rocks. Packaging and shipping were also discussed. Nick did not ask if the inserts were for both sides. But, in his experiences, inserts are only on one side unless two sides are specifically requested. Serge said the rocks on sheets B, C, and D have double inserts. Nick will double check with the bidding companies to make sure the prices quoted are for the same amount of inserts. Judy moved to pursue working with Thompson Curling Supply to replace the inserts and striking band for the rocks on sheet A at a cost up to \$6,500. Dan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
3. **Ice Scraper**—A totally rebuilt scraper with a 4 ft blade and 1 year warranty is \$2200. One like it with a battery is \$4,000. The scraper would “break in” the ice and reduce the haze on top, so the rocks would run faster. Using a scraper, our ice will improve over time because it’s more precise than a Zamboni. However, prep time for 4 sheets with one of these scrapers is 30-40 minutes, which would result in about 8 extra hours of ice time that we’d have to pay for. This might be something to consider as we have more time, money, members, etc. Other things to consider in the future would be additional brooms, sliders, and possibly knee pads for use in open houses.
4. **Tuesday Night Curling**—The Stars Center has offered us Tuesday night ice from 7-9. Based on the survey results received from club membership, Judy will request to have an 8-week mini-season starting in January. The Stars Center schedule is not final, and they will try to accommodate an 8-week season. If we ran 3 sheets on a Tuesday for 8 weeks, at \$600/night, we would break even. Ideas were discussed about contacting potential new members. Don said he’d be willing to call the members who didn’t respond, and we can poll the membership again after the regular season has started. Regardless of Tuesday night curling, we will still have a full season on Sundays.
5. **Meeting Adjourned**—The meeting was adjourned at 7:37.

Accepted and approved by the undersigned on the date set forth below:

Signature: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____, 2008