Meeting of the Board of Directors
Navan Curling Club
November 23, 2025

Meeting was called to order by the Chair at 10:31 a.m.

Approval of agenda: No items were added (Dave seconded by Neil - all in favour)

Quorum: Present (Stephane, Dave, Sarah, Greg, Tom, Amy, Laura, Nicole (Recorder), Neil)

Minutes of last meeting: Minutes of October 26th were approved (Dave seconded by Neil – all in favour)

Manager Update:
Kelly reported that, 8 weeks into the season, operations are running smoothly. The plant is working well and the renovations were overwhelmingly well received by members. He reported that the men's bonspiel was another successfully delivered event and that bar sales were as expected (approx. $12,000).

Rental: The club was approached by a member to host a fundraising euchre tournament at the club in support of the Breast Cancer Foundation in April. Kelly has assured the board that he is prepared to take this on. The board was asked if it would consider waiving the usual rental fee as there is little cost to the club. This item was deferred for decision to later in the meeting where Neil brought forward the motion, seconded by Laura and approved by the board that "the rental fee to Rita Blais be waived due to the charitable nature of the event".

Emergency doors: Kelly advised that the club needs a new alarm system mechanism where the different zones can be identified quickly in the event of an emergency. The board agreed for him to pursue discussions on an upgrade with our current security contractors.

Non-compliant brush heads: Kelly gave a detailed briefing to the board on the exact nature of the concerns, validated by our ice contractor, relating to these brush heads. A lengthy discussion regarding the implementation of a pilot project prohibiting their use ensued, including a review of the existing policy direction on the matter. As there is no current club policy addressing this issue directly, the board was of the opinion that, where policy is silent, the World Curling Federation rules should apply.

The board agreed that communications material is to be distributed to the Tuesday and Thursday evening leagues regarding the project and will also be offered an information session where this will be discussed. The pilot project will begin in February 2026 and will be reviewed post season.

Lions Club update:
Stephane/Chair provided update regarding ongoing discussions with the representatives from the Lions Club. The club has taken note of their requests relating to space in the current trophy case, the Lions case which resided where the new vending machine currently sits, as well as the need to review our current agreement. As many of these issues can be addressed through the review of the “agreement”, discussions will be resumed in the coming weeks to address these as well as begin negotiations on updating the agreement. The position of the board representatives is that we are working from the 2009 (?) version for which we have signed copies. Despite claims that a new agreement was signed in 2021, to date, we have not been able to obtain a copy. The aim is to have a new negotiated version of the document for the beginning of the 2026-27 curling season. The board discussed officially adding the role of “agreement review with Lions Club” to the official role of the 2nd Vice Chair, supported by the sitting President. This needs to be reflected in the roles and responsibilities in our policy documents. ACTION: meetings to resume end of January.

2025-26 Season Information: Important dates sent out via email. Conversation deferred until next meeting.

Board Elections: Greg reminded the board that the following board positions are up for election at this years’ AGM:

2nd Vice Chair, Treasurer, House and Property, Social and Membership (did I get them all? What were the next steps?)

2026-2027 Key Dates: Neil provided the following key dates:

19 September	Swing and Sweep
6-8 November	“Wall to Wall” Men’s bonspiel
11 November	ice maintenance/no curling
?? Dec/Jan	New Year bonspiel tbd (Dec/Jan)
January 15-17	“Diresco” Mixed bonspiel
February 19-21	“COP” Ladies bonspiel (CammStruction/Opti-vision/Performance Mazda Ladies Invitational)

Proposed Sunday Night Open Changes: Cancel “friendly” games following bonspiels and review points system.

Replacement scoreboards: Colin brought forward the issue of our aging scoreboards and whether there was a need to replace or upgrades them. The item was deferred for discussion to the next meeting of the board.

Forfeit vs Loss: The board was informed that there appears to continue to be confusion about the application of the existing “default” provisions in the policy. The board was informed that convenors are applying to policy inconsistently. ACTION: refer to Policy Committee for further review and discussion.

Ladies Bonspiel Update: Board was informed that the bonspiel has been filled with 18 of 32 teams hailing from external clubs and that a fair and transparent process was used to confirm Navan teams. 5 Navan and one external team were put on the wait list.

Diresco Update: Planning is progressing well. Registration is complete with an increase in external teams.

Next meeting: January 11, 2026 at 10:30 a.m.

Motion to adjourn: The motion to adjourn at 12:11 p.m. was tabled by Nicole, seconded by Dave.