

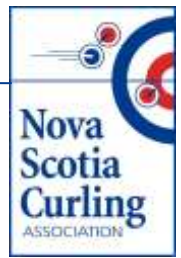
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**Minutes of the Nova Scotia Curling Association
 Board of Directors Meeting - APPROVED
 March 14, 2021 at 6:30 pm (via Zoom)**

In Attendance: Acting Chair Mike Strang, Andrew Abraham, Sean Bray, Tiffany Cuthbert, Alison Davidson, Alan Graham, Virginia Jackson, Jeff Lamb, Cameron MacKenzie, Scott Priske, Patti Simpson
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ITEM	ACTION	SPONSOR	ATTACHMENT/ ACTION
1.	Call to Order In the absence of the Chair due to illness, the meeting was called to order at 6:32 pm by Acting Chair M. Strang	M. Strang	
2.	<p>Budget Development A revised draft of the 2021-2022 Budget together with Balance Sheet and Income Statement to February 28, 2021 was circulated in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>a. Hosting Grants for 2021 -22 C. MacKenzie reported on discussions the Executive have had relating to requests from member clubs for an increase to the hosting grants for provincial events. The draft budget has an increase of 25% to those grants raising them from \$1000 to \$1250. Discussion followed relating to club expectations.</p> <p>Motion: That hosting grants for events leading to national championship (with exception of wheelchair curling) be increased to \$1,250 for the 2021-22 curling season. Hosting grants for club events will be increased to \$1,000. Moved by: C. MacKenzie. Seconded by: T. Cuthbert. Motion Carried.</p> <p>b. Entry Fees for 2021-22 It is proposed that entry fees for junior teams be increased by \$20 per team and men/women’s teams be increased by \$40 to cover the cost of higher hosting grants. Discussion followed relating to fairness of increasing entry fees.</p>	C. MacKenzie	





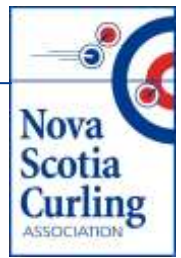
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	<p>Motion: That there be an increase to entry fees for the 2021-22 curling season from \$180 to \$200, and from \$260 to \$300. Moved by: C. MacKenzie Seconded by: T. Cuthbert. Motion Carried.</p> <p>c. Budget Development The area of most concern in the budget for next year is sponsorship. Coming off the economic impact of the pandemic, businesses may not be able to provide the level of past sponsorship.</p> <p>Virginia shared that with 3 extra provincial teams, the uniform budget will need to be reviewed so that increase is allotted. A draft budget will be prepared and circulated in advance of the next Board meeting for consideration and approval.</p>		
<p>3.</p>	<p>Proposed By-Law Changes Two by-law changes are being proposed to our members at the upcoming AGM. One relates to financial reporting moving from a review engagement to a compilation engagement (Notice to Reader) beginning in fiscal 2021-22.</p> <p>The proposed wording was circulated and read to directors. Discussion followed related to our funder requirements and the move to a 3rd party bookkeeping service for next year.</p> <p>Additional wording was added to indicate a more comprehensive review and letter of engagement will be secured every four years.</p>	<p>A. Davidson</p>	





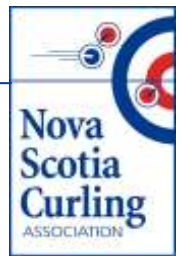
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	<p>Motion: Moved that updated wording of Article 10: Review of Accounts be approved by Board of Directors and brought forward to member clubs for their approval at the AGM. Moved by: P. Simpson Seconded by: T. Cuthbert Motion Carried.</p> <p>The second by-law amendment adds the ability to hold a virtual meeting and voting electronically by club representatives.</p> <p>Motion: That revised wording to Article 6: Votes of Members be approved by Board of Directors and be presented to member clubs for their approval at the AGM. Moved by: A. Davidson Seconded by: J. Lamb Discussion about numbering of the by-law. Motion Carried.</p>		
<p>4.</p>	<p>Nominating Committee Report Alison shared that the Association is still looking for a Director of Competitions along with regional directors in Central, Fundy and Annapolis Valley.</p> <p>Cameron has spoken to a potential representative for Central Region and will confirm with Alison next week.</p> <p>Virginia suggested that the Executive meet to consider two suggested names for Director of Competitions and decide who is the best person to ask the candidate to consider this vital role.</p>	<p>A. Davidson</p>	<p>M. Strang will call a meeting of the Executive Committee</p>





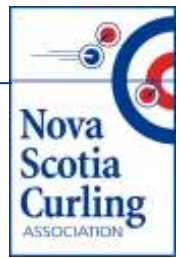
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<p>5.</p>	<p>2021-22 Provincial Scotties Tournament A request to reconsider the dates selected for the Scotties provincial playdowns has been received. The dates are December 9 to 13, 2021. Two members of one the teams hoping to participate will be attending the Canadian Seniors at that time.</p> <p>Discussion took place. Directors were reminded that teams participating in 2019 Scotties were canvassed for their choice of date for 2021 event. 70% of the respondents selected December 9-13, 2021 as the preferred date. A host site has been confirmed for either December 9-13, 2021 or December 16-20, 2021.</p> <p>National Scotties tournament takes place January 28 to February 6, 2022 in Thunder Bay.</p> <p>Discussion took place around availability of a host club if a date in January were to be considered. The site selected for December is not able to host in early January.</p> <p>Consensus is that NSCA has secured a host site for the 2021/22 Scotties tournament and dates of December 9 to 13, 2021 will go ahead.</p>	<p>V. Jackson</p>	<p><i>V. Jackson will draft a response and A. Abraham will respond to the written request.</i></p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Roundtable Alison noted that the next meeting of the Board of Directors is scheduled for Sunday April 4, 2021. It has been brought to her attention that this is Easter Sunday. Consensus is that the meeting will be moved to Sunday April 11, 2021.</p> <p>No other items were brought forward.</p>	<p>M. Strang</p>	





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7.	Adjournment The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held Sunday April 11, 2021 at 6:30 pm The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 7:37 pm.	M. Strang	
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Alison Davidson

Alison Davidson, Secretary

Mike Strang

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