

UCC Board Meeting
Sunday, May 20, 2007 @ Marty Jones' Home

Present: Fred Hicks, Marge Moore, Joe Gaebel, Dean Kelly, Duane Farr, Marty Jones, Stu Card, Joyce Shaffer, Julie Chanatry, Carol Jones

Excused: Brad Anderson, Chuck Harter

In Attendance: Dave Russell, Barb Felice, Roger Rowlett, Charles Marshland, Carol Jones
Meeting called to order @ 4:00 pm

Secretary's Report: Minutes from the previous meeting approved

Financial Report: None given in Brad's absence

OLD BUSINESS:

Assessment-Duane: Duane reports that we are assessed as a "Special Purpose Facility", Replacement Cost Less Depreciation. Per Haynor-Hoyt, replacement cost on our building approximately 1.6 million. Our taxes are in line with our assessment. It is not be feasible to pay \$1,200-\$1,500 for another appraisal.

ACTION: Duane will check to see if our ice making equipment can be eliminated from our assessed value to bring down the tax base.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jr. Curling in Leagues-Charles Marsland: Charles presented a proposal for Jr's to curl in leagues. (ATSM) Purpose is to improve junior curling by allowing them to curl with experienced curlers. Fred reports that the Men's Schedule Committee is receptive to the proposal, but there has some concerns over the mechanics: i.e. interfering with full-dues paying members, Jr. Ranking, Sims oversubscribed. Barb reports the women also are receptive to the proposal & will accommodate the Jr. Women. The Board is supportive of Charles' proposal. Any dues classification/change must go before the general membership for a vote. Time is critical as dues statements are due to go out soon. Secretary must give membership five (5) days notice of meeting. **ACTION: The Men's Committee needs to come up with a proposal for the Board to implement so that the membership can vote on bylaws amendment.**

Silver Man Catering: Sam & Margaret sent the Board a proposal with a list of concerns/suggestions/needs for next season (ATSM) Discussion as to how board/membership can comply. It is noted that communication between the caterers and the members is critical i.e. breakfasts/outside food. Joe Gaebel agreed to replace Dan.

ACTION: Joe will keep the Silvermans informed of club activities, work with them on upgrades etc. Joe will tell the Mixed Committee.

ACTION: Marge will post a sign up for members to let the caterer's know when they are out of town.

Coffee Machine: It is suggested that it be moved near the bar area. Discussion. **ACTION: Move coffee machine & ask if % \$ for the Club & check amp service.**

Bottle Event: Joe reports all went well

House – Dave Russell: Dave Russell reports problem with ice machine, leaks in roof, lowering lights in ice shed. He asks whereabouts of building plans/specs. Building will be in need of repairs. Duane indicated that Paul MacEnroe has an electronic copy that he can put on a disc. Stu will contact Paul about getting an archive copy. **Rubber Matting for Ice Shed:** The membership approved selective application of rubber matting at the Annual Meeting. Since we are having the quilt show in late September and hope to have an ice technician

House-continued:

seminar in early October, Fred will ask Donna Caleo to arrange for receipt of the matting in early October for installation (by member volunteers) in the middle of October. There is a consensus that the cost to paint the club the same color should be minimal. Especially if Dean (others) would contribute the paint and volunteers would supply the effort. It is noted that there are parts of the kitchen that have never been painted. Perhaps carpet can be replaced in sections. **ACTION: Joe will prioritize repairs (painting/carpet)**

Wheelchair funds: Dean met with Sen. Joe Griffo. The Sen. said he would consider the UCC for up-to a \$20,000 “Member Item” in next-years budget. He wants a formal request from the UCC stating the following information: “*We are a 501 c3 organization, the scope of the project, the total of grants we already have confirmed, and most importantly, who this project will benefit and how that benefits the community. It might also help to have a letter of support from the Sitrin Home, which Dean may be able to help get*”. **ACTION: Fred will inform Carla**

USCA Dues Increase: Discussion. **ACTION:** Fred will send a letter informing the USCA that “*We are willing to pay USCA dues for the following season as they are established on or before the date of our annual meeting, which is held in early April*” as per request of membership at Annual Meeting (ATSM)

Katie Beck Fund: Fred shares a “thank you” from Katie’s Family

Membership: Carol requests Board’s input on spending to recruit members. Discussion: Marge suggests sub committees under Carol. **ACTION: Marge/Stu/Barb/Roger will work with Carol on Recruitment Retention Strategy & Organizational approach.**

Ice Technician School/Certification: Discussion as to where our ice people will learn to install ice & get certified, Sudbury/Schenectady/Utica, Schenectady cannot host, Cost to pay Darren to come to the UCC, teach installation of ice (allow us to vidiograph) and give us written instructions. ***Motion made to pay Darren up to \$2,000 fee, seconded. Motion revised to \$3,000, seconded. Motioned made to increase to \$4,000, seconded, passed.*** If the Club pays the expense for the Ice Committee to go to Sudbury, they will be asked to train others in the Club. **ACTION: Fred will contact Darren & negotiate fee (email ATSM)**

Budget: Reviewed – Discussed: dues/expenses/bar. Detailed discussion on shortfall/dues increase/raising revenue/5-year plan. The Kayser, which is being held at our club next year. It will be run by the Mixed Committee and their profit target will be increased accordingly. Budget adjusted per review. Shortfall expected-needs to be addressed. (Original & Revised Budget ATSM) **ACTION: Need more accurate information from Brad**

GNCC-Roger: Items tabled

Summer Schedule: **Set for Thursday, June 7, Joyce’s @ 6:00 PM, Tuesday, July 10, Fred’s @ 6:00 PM (bring swim suits and come a little early if it is hot), Thursday, August 9, Stu’s at 6:00PM, Thursday September 6, UCC @ 6:00 PM.**

Meeting adjourned @ 8:00 PM Total volunteer 56 hours

Joyce A Shaffer

Respectfully submitted
Joyce A Shaffer, Secretary UCC

