

GOLDEN GALS PROVINCIAL CURLING ASSOCIATION

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

The semi-annual meeting of the Golden Gals Curling Association was held Monday, September 18, 2017 at Dauphin Curling Club, Dauphin, Manitoba with registration of 20 members. President Kathy Cox welcomed all to the meeting, calling the meeting to order and requested that all discussion remain on topic. There would be time under Other Business for non-agenda items to be discussed. 50/50 draw of \$19.00 was won by Donna Morken of Rivers. A moment of silence was observed for deceased members, Iris Carroll, Donna Bonner, Bernice Anderson and Marg Ritchie. Roll Call answered by attendees from District 1 – 0; District 2 – 9; District 3/5 – 10; District 4/6 – 0; District 7 – 0, District 8 – 0; District 9 – 0 and Districts 10, 11 & 12 – 1 for a total of 20 members.

Minutes of meeting of annual meeting of May 8, 2017: Minutes of meeting were read by Linda Wilson. Norma Johnson noted that Dauphin Curling Club offered to cover the ice fees to the Dauphin Communiplex Board for the 2018 Golden Gals Provincials. Moved by Norma Johnson, Seconded by Donna Falkevitch that the minutes of annual meeting of May 8, 2017 be approved as amended. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Wilson reported a balance of \$2,396.09 in the current account and GICs totalling \$6,826.00 noting no changes from the report included in the annual report. As our chequing bank balance is nearly \$700.00 less than May of 2016, Linda requested that the term deposit of \$1,600.00 which is due for renewal September 23, 2017 be reinvested in the amount of \$1,000.00 with \$600.00 plus interested remaining in the chequing account. Moved by Linda Newton, Seconded by Maxine Veitch that the Treasurer's Report to September 18, 2017 be approved for informational purposes as presented and that a new term in the amount of \$1,000.00 be purchased for a five year period. Carried

Committee Reports:

Ways & Means – Linda Wilson reported that Riverview Curling Club cash calendars were available for districts to take to sell. Each district is reminded that a donation of \$100.00 per district is required by Golden Gals Provincial organization to assist with meeting costs of running the Provincials. The donation can be raised in whatever manner the districts wish, however, one way is to sell cash calendars, of which Golden Gals receives \$5.00 per calendar.

Charms & Trophies – Ivy Heapy will order the gold and silver pendants for presentation at Provincials to the winning and second place teams respectively.

Ice & Draw: Once again Provincials will consist of 4 pools of 4 teams each with each team being guaranteed three games and knowing times of games. Lynda Draper has prepared the draw and same was presented to the Provincial Bonspiel Committee. Once the district winners have been declared, the teams will be placed in the four pools. 2017 Provincials will be held at Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club in Winnipeg.

Provincials: Lois Rozak reported that the organizing committee has been struck and meetings have been held. Registration and briefing will occur at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 1st with practice times allocated between 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. Opening Ceremonies and banquet will follow at 5:00 p.m. On Friday, February 2nd, draws will commence at 9:00 a.m. with practice time starting at 8:30 a.m. Four sheets of curling ice will be used, thus there will be no back to back games. There will be three draws on Saturday, February 3rd – the conclusion of the round robin games and the first game of the eight qualifying rinks. The semi-finals and finals will be held on Sunday, February 4th.

District reports: The following dates have been set: District 1 – unknown – Linda to contact Golden Gals curlers at Flin Flon. District 2 – December 8 – 10 at Dauphin with Gail Tycholiz chairing. District 3/5 – November 29 – December 1 at Rivers with Maxine Veitch chairing. District 4/6 – Mary Fenzke chairing with playoffs to be held in Brandon. District 7 – early December in Manitou with Bev Atkins chairing. District 8 – Late November in Stonewall with Arlene Farebrother chairing. District 9 – November 7 & 8 in Selkirk with Sally Cote chairing. Districts 10, 11 & 12 – November 15 & 17 at Assiniboine Memorial Curling Club in Winnipeg with Marian Whalen chairing. Spots have been designated as follows based on number of rinks entering playoffs the previous year: District 1 – 1; District 2 – 2 plus host team for a total of 3; District 3/5 – 2; District 4/6 – 1; District 7 – 1; District 8 – 2; District 9 – 2; Districts 10,11,12 – 4.

Correspondence: None

New Business:

(1) 55+ Games: Discussion held as to the best way in which to declare two teams from Golden Gals as being eligible to attend the 55+ Games. Linda will contact Lois Dudgeon to determine the criteria. If it is decided that Golden Gals winners are eligible to participate in the 2018 55+ Games, it was agreed that the winner of the 2017 Golden Gals Provincials and the winner of the 2018 Golden Gals Provincials be selected to attend.

(2) Eligibility of teams: Kathy reminded everyone that all curlers must be from the same district and cannot participate in more than one district at playoff level in the same year. This standing rule was passed at the annual meeting in May. Form A has been amended to state that the curlers are 60 years of age as of December 31, 2017 and that

one player may be 55 – 59 playing any position and that all curlers curl out of the same district. Form B has been amended in that the District chairperson is to sign the form confirming the eligibility of all curlers.

(3) It was agreed that the 16th team at Provincials would be a team from the area hosting Provincials.

(4) 2019 Provincials: Rivers offered to host the 2019 Provincials. Kathy reported that Springfield Curling Club of Oakbank had expressed an interest at the 2017 Provincials. Linda will contact the Springfield Curling Club to determine if they are still interested in 2019 Provincials and will report at the 2018 Provincials.

(5) Location of semi-annual meeting: Kathy wondered if the semi-annual meeting should be held in a central location, i.e. Brandon. It was the consensus of the meeting that it was a good idea to continue the semi-annual meetings at the location of that year's Provincials.

(6) Future of Golden Gals: Kathy reminded us that the continued success of the Golden Gals Curling organization depends on an increased number of curlers participating at district levels. Last year Provincials resulted in expenses being over \$700.00 higher than income realized. With \$6,200.00 remaining in term deposits, the end of the organization is in sight. Kathy hopes we will be able to celebrated a 40th Golden Gals Provincials. Linda offered to contact Asham Curling Supplies once again to determine if they might wish to become an annual sponsor of Golden Gals. Donna Morken suggested that Super Thrifty Drug Marts might be a possible contact for sponsorship funds.

(7) Joyce Trevellyan of Swan River invited everyone to Swan River November 12 – 18, 2017 to watch the Canadian Mixed Championships.

(8) Linda Newton reported that a curler from Oakburn who volunteered at the Canada Cup in Brandon last December may be selected to volunteer at the Continental Cup in Las Vegas.

(9) Next meeting: Monday, May 7, 2018 at Jodie's Restaurant in Brandon.

Meeting Adjourned – Barb Pettinger