

GOLDEN GALS PROVINCIAL CURLING ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Golden Gals Curling Association was held Monday, May 12, 2025 at Riverview Curling Club, Brandon, Manitoba with registration of 9 members. President Kathy Cox welcomed all to the meeting.

Kathy called the meeting to order, and it was noted that Maxine Heritage of Virden and Velma Snitka of Dauphin had passed away. A moment of silence was observed remembering the deceased. Roll Call answered by attendees from District 1 – 0; District 2 – 4; District 3/5 – 1; District 4/6 – 1; District 7 – 0, District 8 – 0; District 9 – 0 and Districts 10, 11 & 12 – 3 for a total of 9 members. Regrets received: Beth McLeod, Dela Chilson, Linda Newton and Ivy Heapy. It was noted that quorum is not a requisite of the meeting's motions.

Minutes of the last annual meeting have been entered on the website and are included in the annual report and it was Moved by Norma Johnson, Seconded by Terri Todoruk that the minutes of the meeting of May 14, 2024 be approved. Carried

Treasurer's Report: Linda Wilson reported a balance of \$3,162.05 in the chequing account and GICs totaling \$9,091.05 for a grand total of \$12,253.11. Moved by Deb Carnegie, Seconded by Marian Whalen that the Treasurer's Report be accepted as presented for information purposes. The GICs will remain invested and will be redeemed as they become due and funds are required.

Signing Officers: Moved by Deb Carnegie, Seconded by Marian Whalen that the signing officers for the Golden Gals Curling Association commencing May, 2025 be Cathy Burtnack, Kathy Cox and Linda Wilson. Carried. Linda will attend at Westoba Credit Union with the minutes and request that the signing forms be submitted to Assiniboine/Westoba Credit Union in Winnipeg for Cathy and Kathy to sign.

Committee Reports:

Ways & Means – Reported in annual report. Districts are reminded that Riverview cash calendar sales was the only fundraiser undertaken by Golden Gals in 2024.

Charms & Trophies – Reported in annual report. Kathy reported she was asked at Provincials if a 5th player participated on a winning team, could a charm be provided to her? This topic was discussed, and it was agreed that as the charms are dated and if a winning team had 4 players, the charm would be redundant and an expense to Golden Gals. If a winning team wished their 5th player to receive a charm, they may contact Ressors Jewelry in Brandon to order a dated charm.

Provincial Bonspiel: Charleswood Curling Club hosted 2024 Provincials with 16 teams attending. The Host Committee was chaired by Kathy Isaac aided by a Committee of Sandi Ferguson, Wendy Nykoluk, Shirley Smith, Mardie Newton and Cathy Burtnack. A detailed report is included in the annual report.

Correspondence: None

New Business:

- 1) 2025 Provincials: Petersfield Curling Club has offered to host the 2025 Golden Gals Provincials on November 27 – 30, 2025. Cathy Burtack will be chairing the 2025 Provincials Committee and she reported umpires have been arranged. The draw will be prepared by the 2025 Host Committee utilizing the four sheets of curling ice. Registration, team briefing, practice times and meet & greet time will occur on Thursday. It was agreed that one draw would be held Thursday evening to allow more time between draws on Friday. Program printer will be Nesbitt Publishing in Shoal Lake. Linda will contact Nesbitt Publishing to inform them. Opening ceremonies and the banquet will be held Friday evening after a short meeting. Cathy reported she has not booked a caterer.
- 2) The caricature of the Golden Gals lady will remain as there are several pins depicting her in stock. If districts do not wish her to be on their forms, she may be removed at their discretion.
- 3) Hosting team pays the \$60.00 entry fee if they have not participated in zone playdowns.
- 4) Website: It was agreed the website updating during Provincials was greatly improved and Golden Gals will remain with the current webmaster.
- 5) Zone Provincials: Some districts experience quite expensive ice time to hold their playdowns. One district reported two teams backing out of zones due to the expenses. Rural districts usually do not incur this additional expense. Kathy wondered if the winning teams from district playdowns could automatically be entered in the following year's Provincials. It was decided that this would not be feasible due to possible changing of team members.
- 6) Spare Lists: Marian reported she had been queried if losing team members from the district playdowns could be included on the spare list. Upon further review, it was agreed the Standing Rules should be updated to reflect this issue. Kathy and Linda will make amendments and forward a draft to Norma for review. Once the draft has been reviewed and approved, the 2025 Standing rules will be passed at the September semi-annual meeting.
- 7) Brandon meetings: The AGM has traditionally been held in Brandon due to a central location and the historic origin of Golden Gals Curling as being Brandon. The September semi-annual meeting is held at a location as chosen by the Provincial Host Committee.
- 8) Golden Gals Honorary Life Members: It was agreed that there would be no Golden Gals life members nominated, however each Host Committee could invite the life members of the host curling club to functions.
- 9) District Playdowns: It was decided to keep the current format of District Playdowns. The information will be provided to District Chairpersons at the September meeting. Dates and locations of district playdowns will be discussed at that meeting. It was decided that the districts would be able to enter teams as follows: District 1 – 2, District 2 – 2, District 3/5 – 1; District 4/6 – 1, District 7 – 1, District 8 – 1, District 9 – 3, District 10/11/12 – 4 and Host - 1.
- 10) Calendar Sales and 50/50 ticket sales: Two districts use the sale of Riverview cash calendars as a fundraiser to cover the \$100.00 donation per district to Golden Gals. Districts not selling the calendars fundraise in other methods or cover the donation in the zone playdown fee. The possibility

of each district selling 50/50 tickets was discussed and it was decided that Golden Gals could not cover all their expenses without the assurance of district donations being received. Following further discussion, it was decided that Golden Gals Curling would be able to sell 50/50 tickets at the 2025 Provincials. The district annual donation of \$100.00 would remain this year and could possibly be eliminated if the 50/50 ticket sales netted \$800.00. Those districts who sell the cash calendars could continue to do so if they wish.

Kathy Cox thanked everyone for coming and it was agreed that a semi-annual meeting would be held in September 2025 at a location as determined by Cathy Burtnack.

Meeting Adjourned