

**Woodstock Badminton Club  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, February 19, 2013**

**1. Attendance:**

Present: Eric Kendall, Wendy Clements, Brent Peltola, Darlene Hull, Bob Trowhill, Adam Clark, Kevin Cougler, Ron Cougler, Dave Truscott, Drew Fallowfield

Absent: Ashwin

**2. President's Report – Kevin Cougler**

Kevin thanked everyone for being here.

**3. Minutes of last meeting – Wendy Clements**

Wendy circulated minutes prior to the meeting.

**Motion to accept the minutes as circulated:**

**Seconded By:**

**Motion Passed**

**4. Approval of Director Reports**

Ron handed out financials. The General Account was \$24852.70 as at January 31, 2013.

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> is the Recreation & Leisure Fair. Kevin will organize this. We have some pamphlets and passes to hand out to interested persons.

We will have to pay Wilfred Laurier for our membership increase based on our agreement with them.

We need to submit our membership list to OBA for verification.

Li-Ning – we need birds! Ask Saj Malik because Len Carter hasn't responded to any of Drew's attempts to contact Len. We need shoes as well – people like Victor!

Adam has some ideas about the Club Championships and also having league play. Adam will observe the Bill Parkes Memorial before making any decisions.

Darlene suggested we go back to the old way of allowing keyholders to come and play off-hours. They should have a form to sign.

Eric reported that he has been shoveling and salting the walkways. We need to pay the Church for \$100.00 donation for this year. Rentals have been great this month! The fire extinguishers have been charged. VUTEC – waiting to hear from Eric on a date that we would have an Open House for Vutec, Toyota and Boshoku – pick a day during March Break is one possibility.

Proposal: Motion by Eric -

That we allow holds on a membership for injuries or surgery for a period of 2 months. It cannot be less or more than the 2 months. Injury does not have to happen at the club to be eligible. The member must turn in membership card which will not be returned until the 2 months are up.

Only one hold can happen during the one year membership period. Should we decide in the future to offer shorter term memberships they will not be eligible, only one year memberships will qualify for the hold. We will not hold memberships for vacations or during the summer off-season months (June 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>).

Seconded by Brent.

VOTE: 6 – 1 in favour

Carried.

Dave assisted Eric with our insurance renewal this year. Thank you, Dave!

Building – \$1.15 million to rebuild on a replacement cost basis

Liability in \$2.0 million

Ron will check into a company in Ottawa that covers Directors & Officers Liability insurance.

Dave suggested we line ourselves up with Bingo. Brent will arrange to have the owner meet with us. Another suggestion was muffin sales.

Dave also suggested we donate memberships as a way to get people in the door (ie. To the church)

Bob stated that Saturday morning lessons are progressing nicely with a good mix of participants. To date there have been 16 memberships sold that can be attributed directly to the lessons. That is 16 people that have been given the opportunity to understand the enjoyment of badminton or to just simply improve their skill at the sport. These people with luck, may just become returning members.

As most of you are probably aware, I have planned a “High School Clinic” for the 23<sup>rd</sup> of February. It is a very good opportunity for the kids to get some professional coaching at a very reasonable price. I have included a waiver in the package that states the program will not run with less than ten participants. This protects the club from incurring any loss that may be associated with this type of venture. The program will hopefully bolster interest in the upcoming Parkes tournament as well as possibly introducing our club facility to some prospective members.

The last few months I have notice a number of near misses with regards to eye injury. At this point I am more concerned with the junior members but certainly the point will need to be raised concerning an awareness with all of our members. An informal discussion has already taken place amongst the junior coaches and they agreed that the issue needs to be addressed. I would propose that a club wide policy be implemented as soon as possible that would require junior players to wear approved eye protection while on the courts. This is a policy that has been in place with Badminton Ontario as well as the high schools for some time.

## **5. Adjournment**

**Motion By:** Drew Fallowfield

**Seconded By:** Brent Peltola

**Motion Passed**

Meeting Adjourned