

WOODSTOCK BADMINTON CLUB

BOARD MEETING AGENDA

October 8, 2013

Woodstock Badminton Club

Kevin welcomed everyone and the meeting opened at 7:00.

Present: Carol Bossenberry, Adam Clark, Wendy Clements, Kevin Cougler, Ron Cougler, Drew Fallowfield, Darlene Hull, Eric Kendall, Nancy Shaw, Bob Trowhill

Regrets: Dave Truscott

Not Present: none

1. Review and Approval of Minutes from September 10, 2013.

Correction- Wendy's name is to be recorded under "Regrets." Motion to accept made by Adam, seconded by Eric. Approved.

2. Treasurer/Finance report

Ron supplied the 30/09/13 Balance Sheet, Comparative Income Quarterly Statement and the Bank Reconciliation as of September 30, 2013- \$16,509.68 (see attached).

Motion to accept this report was made by Bob, seconded by Darlene. Approved.

Ron also distributed a revised Expense Account sheets for Board Members' use.

3. President's Report

Kevin brought forward details of the Farm Credit Grant "Rural Recreation Sustainability Project" he successfully submitted on behalf of the Club. A brief description was given including Club requirements to: issue a media release, recognize the FCC's financial contribution by fixing permanent signage in the club, maintain adequate financial records, etc. The City of Woodstock has agreed to receive and administer the

\$15,000 which should be received shortly. The Deadline to use the funds is December 31, 2015.

Kevin also shared information on the Ontario Volunteer Service Award which is designed to give recognition to volunteers for years of continuous service to specific types of organizations. The deadline for nominations is January 25, 2014. Nancy agreed to take responsibility for this endeavor.

On Dave's behalf, Kevin raised the prospect of renting advertising space as a means to fundraise. The pros and cons were reviewed. Further discussion will follow before any decision is made.

Lifetime Achievement Award discussion- deferred.

4. Governance

Ron advised the Governance committee has met regularly and made great progress in updating our Mission Statement, Constitution and By-laws. He expects the final draft to be completed soon; this will be circulated at next month's Board meeting for feedback.

5. House/Renovations

Eric reported the repairs on the roof should start soon.

On behalf of the pickleball players Eric asked if there could be time set aside on Saturday afternoons for play. Others such as the High Performance group and the Preschool program have also expressed interest in Saturday court times. Those involved will work together to decide on the schedule.

Drew added to the House/Renovation update: As well as the work on the roof, repairs to the outside step on the east entrance of the building are to start soon. Then the renovation of the front entrance way will begin.

6. Tournaments

Adam noted the Woodstock Masters' Championship will be held in December. He also plans to run a club championship in January for both badminton and pickleball.

Wendy added that at the Junior Tournament held the end of September, the OBA used a new format which was found totally unacceptable. Many courts sat empty while players had to wait for their foursome to become available. Most in attendance were not interested in using this format again. Wendy will write to the OBA to advise them of the same.

7. Membership

Wendy is happy to report there have been many new/ renewed memberships and our numbers are expected to exceed 100, a level we've not seen in over three years!

One player had asked about having a half year membership. The pros and cons were discussed and the Board decided to **not** approve this request.

8. Publicity

Kevin advised that Little Caesar's Pizza will provide a coupon for one free visit to the Club in their pizza boxes. This should occur very soon.

Kevin also asked the Board to consider an arrangement to have members greet and welcome new players at all court times. Further discussion to follow.

Date of next meeting: November 12, 2013.

A motion to adjourn was made by Drew, seconded by Bob. Approved by all. Kevin closed the meeting at 8:45.

Minutes submitted by Nancy Shaw