# Maple Leaf Lawn Bowling Club

Draft Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting February 5, 2022 10:30 am Charlotte Centre

1. Quorum

<u>In Attendance</u>:

President:Phyllis DalgleishCommittee Chairs:Alice MacLean - InterclubVice President:Frank PhillipsHeather Comba - InstructionJerry MacLean - SuppliesTreasurer:Jim JudgeMary-Louise Mathews - GreensPat McEvoy - Social

Secretary: Ron Logel Laurie Fitzpatrick – Membership Cheryl McBain - Tournaments
Past President: Jan Collings Brian Butler - Property Guy Montanaro - Publicity

Regrets: Archie Reach - Drawmaster

2. Approval of Minutes of January 8, 2022 meeting: M – Jan S – Pat: *Carried* 

#### 3. Business arising from January 8 2022 BOD meeting included:

- a) Budget for 2021-2022 Budget Board vote, proposal was approved by 10, 3 abstentions. The budget was circulated to the members on Feb. 1, 2022; Jim stated our current expenses are close to projections. Mary Louise stated that the Club saved \$90 as we did not do the extra lawn cut for 2 tournaments. Jim stated the Club has no fund raiser events planned for coming year. Various ideas were discussed but nothing finalized.
- b) Elections at this AGM The Constitution states "The Officers shall be elected to serve for two years or until their successors are elected, and their term of office shall begin at the close of the annual meeting at which they are elected."

BIRT The next elections for MLLBC be held at the March 2023 AGM. Mover: Jim Seconder: Guy

Carried

c) Sun Shades – In the meeting with Mitch regarding the wind damage, we were told that, if we want to utilize a different solution to provide shades to our greens, then we will need to make a proposal to the Park Board for consideration when they do capital expenses. Past practice is that, if we are successful, it would be a 50:50 cost sharing split with the park. Cost estimates are \$30,000 AUD (approx.. \$26,000 USD) or a \$13,000 USD expense for Club. Expense may be paid back to Park over a time period. Discussion then centered around how other ML Clubs have had their structures built by Park and they were successful getting a 50-50 funding as long as the Club's proposal included the 50-50 funding. Proposal should also ask the Park to do the install.

BIRT A proposal for purchase of Shadex Sun Shades for 3 sides of our green be prepared prior to Nov. 2022 for presentation to the ML Board. Mover: Brian Seconder: Mary Louise Carried

Action

Ideas needed for Fund Raising Events

Develop Proposal for Sun Shades

# 4. Officer Reports: Action

a) President

Phyllis Dalgleish

- Busy month, nice to get tournaments underway once again. Learned a bunch from doing the singles. Like the double elimination format to make sure we get the most deserving Champion. Need to have 3 games the first day to better balance the lengths of days. Tiebreakers need to be 3 ends decided on number of ends won. Combo 4's went very well. Congratulations to Cheryl & volunteers.
- As reported by email, the meeting with Mitch was very positive. Patrick (the new Wade) took notes and said he would get going on the repairs to the benches & umbrellas. No mention of costs.
- As reported, the Expo was very successful with 18 individuals expressing
  interest. Really positive influx of interest. Thank You to Mary-Louise and
  Laurie for manning our booth for the afternoon.

- Spoke with Chris about procedure when there is a frost delay. Chris will email me and I can contact the Drawmaster for the day, if a delay is needed. Either Chris' crew or our Drawmaster can erect the "Green is Closed Sign"
- Modifying the approach for the **Super Seniors** from what we talked about at the last Board meeting; we will go back to the traditional format (2 ten end games). There was considerable push back to the perceived "watering down" of the event. Towels are in samples circulated. List of past members who are still in the park circulated to see if we need to specifically invite anyone. After lengthy discussion, the Board decided there will be no invitee list. Attendees will be those who signed up on the sheet and all (including social members) will pay the \$5 lunch fee. Only the Seniors, who actual bowl, will receive the new Club towel. We will order a cake and Phyllis will cut the cake.

Cake required for lunch

Phyllis to notify

Pat by Feb 13 = # of Attendees

- Started the 2022-2023 Calendar development process so we can get space requisitions started.
- b) Vice President Frank Phillips
- Learning as I go on this position. Lots of information being provided by Board members.
- c) Secretary

  Ron Logel
- This is the first meeting where only the BOD Agenda is being photocopied and not the previous BOD Meeting Minutes. Seems to be working well.
- d) Treasurer

  Jim Judge

Financial Report for January 2022 is as follows:

January 1st Bank and cash on hand balance \$14,536.49

Income for January \$1644.30

Expenses for January. \$321.06

Net income for January. \$1323.24

February 1st Bank and cash on hand balance \$15,810.73

Income was a combination of memberships, sale of supplies, tournaments.

Expenses consisted of towels for Super Seniors and supplies for flee market

e) Past President **Jan Collings** 

No Report.

BIRT the Officers Reports be accepted as presented: Mover - Pat Seconder - Laurie : Carried

# 5. Standing Committee Reports

Action

Chief Drawmaster  Archie Reiach	There has been no change to the Drawmasters schedule since our last Board meeting.
Instruction Committee Heather Comba	<ul> <li>Thanks to Mary Louise for connecting all of the new bowlers that signed up at the Expo with coaches. Some are still in training and getting close to playing their first game. A shout out to our coaches.</li> <li>The challenge, this go around, has been couples. If one decides to drop out due to some physical problem, they both drop out.</li> </ul>

	<ul> <li>We are close to welcoming more new bowlers. My suggestion this time is for members to spread the word. The New Owner meeting is also a good place to get new members. Suggestion to print a Lawn Bowling Information Sheet handout for New Owner Meeting.</li> <li>Practice sessions began on the Thursday following the Aussie pairs.</li> <li>Add on the Calendar for Thursdays – NB / Practice</li> </ul>	Heather & Guy to discuss New Owner Information Sheet Phyllis to update Calendar	
Social Committee Pat McEvoy	Require notification by Sunday, Feb 13 of the number of attendees for the Super Seniors as well as the need to order a cake for this event.		
Greens Committee  Mary Louise  Matthews	<ul> <li>Nothing really to report but, just want to say, that I am impressed with the amount of maintenance that is being done on our greens.</li> <li>Each month, they aerate, verticut and top dress to ensure weedless, thatch free, fast and firm greens. In between, they fertilize with a liquid fertilizer (that makes the bottom of our shoes green).</li> </ul>		
Property Committee  Brian Butler	<ul> <li>Brian requested to purchase Brooms for removing dew from the rinks and will check his Property Budget for funds.</li> <li>Once brooms are purchase, the old dew roller can be taken to Firefighters for scrap.</li> </ul>		
Supplies  Jerry MacLean	No report		
Interclub Committee Alice MacLean	<ul> <li>Sarasota Club is down to one rink and 12 members and Sun &amp; Fun Club not interested in playing;</li> <li>Kingsgate appears to have no lawn bowling members either.</li> <li>Phyllis suggested we may want to consider running an Invitational Tournament in future years.</li> </ul>		
Publicity <b>Guy Montanaro</b>	<ul> <li>The February ACCENTS is out with information on lawn bowling inviting others to join and what a fun and exciting game it is. The Expo recruited a lot of interest and we now have new members in the club. The trainers have been doing an excellent job volunteering their time to teach the lawn bowling basics.</li> <li>Any information for the March Accents must be forwarded to Guy by February 20th.</li> <li>Suggestion made to develop promotional signs for our golf carts to advertise our Lawn Bowling Club.</li> </ul>	March Accents deadline is Feb 20	
Tournament Committee Cheryl McBain	<ul> <li>Since the last Board meeting, there was one tournament hosted - Combo Fours. We had 24 participants. The Treasurer will get \$48 from the tournament.</li> <li>The Aussie Pairs was on Feb 3. We had 16 Teams generating another \$64 for the Club. Suggestion from Guy to consider reducing the number of ends next year to 10 ends from 12.</li> <li>The sign up sheet is now posted for the Maple Leaf Tournament - Triples format Feb 12.</li> </ul>		
Rating & Nominating Committees Jan Collings	We now have 8 new vices. Lise Broeders, Rene Broeders, Brian Butler, Carol Meyers, Guy Montanaro, Court Wells, Lynn Searby and Graham Dunsmore. Also 2 new Skips, John Casey and Mike Searby. Congratulations to all!		

# Membership Committee

# Laurie Fitzpatrick

• At the end of January 2022, membership reports are as followed.

Total of 84 members; Total of 13 social members. Total of 97 MLLBC members; 12 members store bowls; 3 members rent bowls and 6 members joined in January

On a personal note, you all are probably aware that we are selling our property here in Maple Leaf and a request was made for an end of February closing.

Regretfully, I will be unable to complete my membership duties for the month of March. Mary Louise has agreed to complete any reports and memberships in my absence.

I wish to thank the MLLBC for the opportunity to have been a part of your committee. This was a wonderful learning experience for me and I very much enjoyed doing this. I wish you all continued health and success on a personal level and am very proud of all the work you do as a committee to keep the MLLBC one of the best activities in the park.

BIRT the Committee Reports be accepted as presented: Mover – Jerry Seconder – Brian : Carried

6. New Business Action

a) Update to Bank Signing Authority

- Currently Bertie Henry, Jim and Jan have signing authority.
- The Bank requires us to record the change in signing authority in our BOD Minutes.

**BIRT** Bertie Henry be removed from the Club's Bank Signing Authority and be replaced by Phyllis Dalgleish. Mover – Alice Seconder – Laurie *Carried* 

b) Preparation for AGM

### **Constitutional Changes**

- The Board needs to notify our members at the next AGM of the proposed change that was made to the Constitution restricting outside individuals from using our lawn bowling facilities.
- Phyllis will circulate this clause to Board members.
- Jim requests that we amend the Constitution to allow for only 1 of 3 signatures be required to sign cheques etc. Currently 2 signatures are required and it awkward.

BIRT Only 1 of 3 Signing Authority Signatures be required on Club cheques.

M – Frank S – Heather *Carried* 

- Board should address Proxy and Electronic Voting.
- Pat commented that the Park is allowing electronic voting and we should follow their lead

Phyllis to circulate clause

Fee Changes	
<ul> <li>Increase Annual Bowler Membership Fee from \$45 to \$50</li> <li>Social Membership stays at \$10.</li> <li>All other fees (bowl rental, storage) remain the same.</li> </ul>	Members to on Vote Fee Increase at 2022
BIRT Increase Annual Bowler Membership Fee from \$45 to \$50  Mover – Pat Seconder – Guy Carried	AGM
<ul> <li>Discuss at our March 3, 2022 partial fees structures.</li> <li>One suggestion is to target first year members with \$25 membership if they come through the Training Program</li> </ul>	March 3 BOD to discuss Partial Fees
We need to finalize Calendar dates in order to reserve our space requisitions	Evants to against with

c) 2022-2023 Calendar Changes

We need to finalize Calendar dates in order to reserve our space requisitions requests for next year.

- Move Dec 9 Food Drive to Dec 2; Move Dec 16 Last Bowler Standing to Dec 9;
- Move Jan 14, 2023 Charlotte Trophy to Jan 7, 2023
- Cancel Jan 7, 2023 Pot Luck Games Night
- Heather to address if we change name of New Bowler Clinics to Taste of Bowling Clinics.

Frank to assist with space requisition bookings

Heather - Taste of Bowling (?)

**Next BOD Meeting:** Thursday March 3, 2022 10:30 AM Charlotte Centre patio