

Maple Leaf Lawn Bowling Club

Draft Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting November 14, 2022 11 am Charlotte Centre

1. Quorum

In Attendance:

President:	Phyllis Dalglish	Committee Chairs:	
Vice President:	Frank Phillips	Heather Comba - Instruction	Guy Montanaro – Publicity
Treasurer:	Jim Judge	Lynn Searby – Membership	Mary-Louise Matthews - Greens
Secretary:	Ron Logel	Alice MacLean – Interclub	
Past President:	Jan Collings	Jerry MacLean - Supplies	

Regrets: Cheryl McBain – Tournaments Brian Butler - Property vacant - Social

Action

2. Approval of Minutes of the March 31, 2022 meeting: M – Jim S – Jerry : *Carried*
3. Approval of Minutes of the April 3, 2022 Special Meeting. M – Frank S – Guy : *Carried*
4. Business arising from the Minutes

- **Sunshades:** Sunshades have been received on site but did not get installed prior to Hurricane Ian. They were in storage at the maintenance compound but now on our Charlotte Patio. Frank spoke with Patrick Bell, Facilities Supervisor, who stated that the sunshades are on their agenda but they want to fix fences around our Greens first in order that sunshades are not interfering. No schedule yet set to doing this.
- We do want to get going on a **donation campaign** to pay for the sunshades. We will discuss under New Business the registration form to include a line for Sunshades donation to make tracking of donations easier and so people could pay with the same check as their registration.
- We were unable to set up e-transfers because any of our tests were blocked as Zelle would not grant access to anyone without a Social Security number. We voted in April that donations of greater than \$100 would be recognized with a name plaque by the green.
- **Other fundraising initiatives** – we do have the Can Am booked for January 14th for a Social/Fundraiser. Kermit Morse has agreed to be the lead organizer for the fundraiser and confirmed with Ron that he will be back in the Park Dec. 1. He was thinking of a soup event, I had suggested a chili cookoff. I think we go with what he is comfortable with. Ron approached Maureen Nelson who is willing to assist but not be lead. Frank said that Bev Murray may also be an assistant.
- We were hoping for an answer from the Maple Leaf Board about support from the corporation before approaching the Flea Market Committee for a donation. The last response we got from the board was “The Lawn Bowling request will be part of the 2023 budget deliberations. We will respond once the 2023 budget is approved. The Budget will be presented at the December 19 Board meeting.”
- We discussed if we want to approach the flea market committee now or wait until after Dec. 19? Everyone agreed to approach them now.

Phyllis to draft Flea Market letter

Motion : Approach the Flea Market now for \$1,000 donation for our sunshades.

M – Mary-Louise S – Lynn : *Carried*

- **Recognition Policy** – The recognition policy working group of Pat, Jim and Phyllis did not do any work over the summer. We will have to carry this forward to this season. Although Pat McEvoy has resigned Board, any member can be on a committee. Jim to ask her if Pat will still be on committee.
- **Board Vacancies/Volunteers Needed:**
 - We need to fill the position of the Board’s **Social Director**. Please email any suggestions to Phyllis so she can approach people. Mary-Louise suggested multiple people share Social Director as they do in her club.
 - We also need someone to replace Bill Scott and run the **Fixed League** for this season. Frank Pring has volunteered but would like to run it on a date other than Fridays. I suggest we encourage Frank to do this – looking at the calendar Tuesday afternoons are open.

Jim ask Pat to be on Recognition team

Consider multiple people for Social Director

Frank Pring to recommend format for Fixed League

- We also need a person or persons to take on coordinating the **Men's and Women's Single Tournaments** and decide on the format that will be used. Frank Pring and Kathy Smith have volunteered.
- We also need a volunteer to co-ordinate the **Super Seniors**. Please pass names onto Phyllis. Lynn stated that she will work on getting a volunteer.

Decision needed on dates & format for Singles
Lynn working on Super Senior volunteer

5. Officer Reports:		Action
a) President Phyllis Dagleish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I wish I was there with you in person but I am improving and looking forward to coming in January. • Many Thanks to Ron, Frank, and the rest of you for taking care of things in my absence. I really have give a special shout out to Ron for all his work in taking pictures of the damages, drafting emails, and being drawmaster for the first few weeks down here. Your efforts are truly appreciated! 	
b) Vice President Frank Phillips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • .Welcome everyone back and wish to echo praise for Ron's efforts. • I have spoken to Bev Murray who expressed interest to help with the Social Director role but not run it. • I was impressed with Patrick Bell, Facilities Supervisor, but we will need to wait the other Park priorities before we see our damage facilities and sunshades addressed. 	
c) Secretary Ron Logel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When I arrived at the Lawn Bowling Green on Oct. 30, I observed the following damages: • Our shed's roof ridge cap had partially peeled back. There was a 10 foot hole in the roof and a side wall panel was missing at the end of the shed closest to the golf course. • Five of the 8 LB metal frames that hold our scoreboards were damaged by Ian. • Several of the benches (that were restored last year) were damaged. • The 3 fences surrounding the green have been damaged. • Damages to our four LB Light Poles • All in all there were only minor damages to the green surface itself and they have been repaired with sod patches. • Some of the damage may have come from our benches that were not bolted to the concrete after they were repaired last year. • We still have the issue of the sprinkler head in the middle of the rink. During our first jitneys, we avoided using rink #5. • There is bad green surface on rink 8 where the grass cutting equipment enters the greens. There was a drain clearly visible in this area. • After the damages were emailed to Mitch, we were pleased to see our shed roof resealed and tarped with 24 hours. 	
d) Treasurer Jim Judge	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Our bank balance is \$5,168.18 on that date. • The most significant changes in this fiscal year are as follows: • Loans received of \$11,000.00 towards purchase of shades. • Payment to MLGCC for \$23,000.00 for sunshades. The final cost is not yet known as the exchange rate (AUD to USD) will determine it. • Donations from various members to help with purchase of shades of \$1,200.00 (11 members) • Rest of transactions were the normal March, April income and expenses. • A full financial report will be reported at next meeting once I return to Maple Leaf 	
e) Past President Jan Collings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All trophies name plaques have been fixed and I give them out to the individuals. • Pelican Preserve club are a go and would like some games with us. 	

BIRT the Officers Reports be accepted as presented: Mover – Lynn Seconder – Guy : *Carried*

6. Standing Committee Reports

Action

Rating & Nominating Committees Jan Collings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our committee will be meeting to review member ratings. 	
Greens & Drawmasters Mary Louise Matthews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I have prepared a rink rotation chart for the last two weeks of November which I will post Monday the 14th. We have drawmasters for all the days of the week except Sunday so far. I received a card from the Garners and they are doing well. I spoke to Chris Spense about reducing the watering frequency but they cannot do it as it is on a timing system. We need to cover centre sprinkler head for every jitney and remove it after play. Suggestions included artificial grass, grass plugs from golf greens. 	Need a 4-3-2-1 drawmaster
Instruction Committee Heather Comba	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most of the coaches are here but need time to assess their houses. So we will decide whether we have enough coaches to host the Open houses or new bowler clinics at a later date and use channel 195 to advertise if we plan to continue. However, we will open up on Thursday afternoons at 1:00 pm for members to come out and practice or get input from a coach 	
Property Committee Brian Butler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report 	
Interclub Committee Alice MacLean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jan to pass Pelican Preserve email & contact info to Alice. Sun & Fun club no longer a go; Sarasota Club questionable as they would have to play out of Sun City. Need to find the contact for Sarasota. Phyllis suggested a friendly Open Invitational Tournament for Pelican Preserve, Kings Gate & Sarasota for Sunday, Feb. 5, with no big \$ prizes. Kings Gate club is no longer but maybe some would still be interested. Alice to arrange a visit to Pelican but not on Feb 12 (Super Bowl) or Feb 19 (follows our Feb 18 tournament). 	<p>Jan pass Pelican Preserve info to Alice</p> <p>Alice to arrange possible Open Invitational event</p> <p>Date to visit Pelican Preserve.</p>
Membership Committee Lynn Searby	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Membership will be down this year and we may know better after Saturday registration. Phyllis stated it will be critical that we recruit and retain members. We need to try and figure out how other clubs, like Pickleball, are doing it. 	
Supplies Jerry MacLean	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry wanted to thank Frank for covering for him and will need to do so again until he returns in January. Frank stated the first order he did was 10 items short. 	
Publicity Guy Montanaro	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I put notices on Facebook and 195 announcing the start of jitneys this month. I contacted Joan about the December Accent cutoff date It will be mid-November. Please submit to me any items that you want to be in the next Accent. 	
Tournament Committee Cheryl McBain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The only item to report is the cancellation of the Earlybird Tournament due to the effects of Hurricane Ian. We look forward to hosting the remainder of the tournaments scheduled as planned for the season 	
Social Committee vacant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report 	
BIRT the Committee Reports be accepted as presented: Mover – Jim Seconded – Frank : <i>Carried</i>		

- a. Motion to put the attached Registration form into use for the 2022-2023 season. The form adds a commitment to act positively in relation to club activities (it is the same as the Canadian Belonging in Bowls campaign pledge) and a liability waiver. Phyllis is trying to gather information about the liability exposure of board members in case of a lawsuit.
- Jerry felt our liability would be covered under ML umbrella.
 - Phyllis heard of a previous situation where an owner could not sue the Park as you cannot sue yourself.
 - Jim stated the liability clause on the form was similar to Ontario clubs and Phyllis concurred it was but only shorter.
 - Phyllis to find out how woodworkers have addressed this.
 - All agreed to remove the liability waiver from the Registration form until we get more background for it.
 - Phyllis will amend form and send it out to all members.
- b. Do we want to make any other changes to the calendar for December to April?
- For January & February, move Fixed League from Friday to Tuesday.
 - Remove all current Interclub dates from calendar
 - Tentatively add for February 5 the Open Invitational Tournament for outside Clubs and Phyllis to add updated calendar to website.
- c. Developing a budget for 2022-2023. Please give input to Jim on what you think your committee area of responsibility will require. We can look at it at our December meeting.
- d. Other Business?
- Guy mentioned to Lynn that new bowler from last year, Martin Gray, would like a name tag.

Phyllis amend &
send Registration
Form to all members

Phyllis add updated
calendar to website.

Motion to Adjourn: M: Mary-Louise S: Heather : *Carried*

Next Board Meeting Thursday, Dec 1, 2022 1PM
Charlotte Centre