

# Maple Leaf Lawn Bowling Club

Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting December 1, 2025 10 AM Charlotte Centre

## 1. Quorum

### In Attendance:

President: Phyllis Dalglish  
Vice President: Janet Power  
Treasurer: Jim Judge  
Secretary: Ron Logel  
Past President:

### **Committee Chairs:**

Publicity - Guy Montanaro  
Tournaments - Cheryl McBain  
Social - Susan Butler  
Membership - Lynn Searby  
Instruction - Heather Comba \*\*  
Drawmasters – Ernestine Montanaro  
Property – Jim Matthews

\*\* attended via ZOOM

Regrets Property – Al Misener Greens - Dave Burrows

2. Approval of Minutes of the November 11, 2025 BOD Meeting. M – Guy S – Susan : **Carried**.

## 3. Business arising from the previous Minutes:

- Phyllis to train Guy on website maintenance
  - Reserve Fund discussion –
    - Option A - Designate \$5000 as a reserve fund.
    - Option B - Designate amounts raised through fundraising as capital funds
    - Option C - Don't make any changes to how we report our finances
  - Janet suggested just a line item; Jim met with Wells Fargo; they suggested a CD at 3 to 3.5% with 3, 6 or 9 months maturities; flip them at maturity; penalty if early withdrawals.
  - Board approval to change the \$5,000 reserve fund amount;
  - Spending the Reserve Fund requires a motion approved by the Board Executive;
  - Cheryl asked about increasing the Reserve Fund amount; Phyllis said that it would be address at an AGM if we wanted to increase it.
- BIRT:** \$5,000 be invested in a CD with interest being paid to our chequing account. The \$5,000 be reported as a separate line item on our Financial Report. Spending of the reserve fund will require a motion to be approved by the Executive.

. Mover Ernestine Seconder Lynn : **Carried**

- Promotion Banner installed on 14<sup>th</sup> tee box fence; on the green side do we want another banner the same size? Cost ~\$50



**Welcome**  
**We're Glad You're Here**

- After a brief discussion, the Board approved Janet to purchase the back fence banner.  
**BIRT:** We purchase the above banner for the back fence,

Mover: Guy Seconder: Jim : **Carried**

- Front banner or sign – metal sign 12" x 36" cost \$57.86 + tax



- Janet suggested that the sign should try to attract new bowlers;

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Guy training

Jim to establish the Reserve Fund reporting and purchase the \$5000 CD

Janet to order the Back Fence Banner

- Phyllis to discuss with Mitch if we can attach a sign onto the Charlotte Centre front wall or have hanging sign like pictured above;
- Pending the Mitch discussion, we can then discuss the sign wording at our next BOD;
- Ron mentioned that we should remove the old, outdated sign facing the tennis courts;
- Phyllis will determine the strategy of how to discuss this old sign with her approach on Mitch on the sign for the front wall;
- Janet recommended that the promotion sandwich boards need to be spruced up;
- Music Bingo Event: do we proceed with a Jan. 24 fundraiser at the CanAm?
  - Ron gave an update that he has completed the 200 Bingo sheets with 4 game cards on each sheet; there are 300 different songs on the cards and approximately 120 songs will be played to complete the 4 different Bingo games;
  - Ron then covered some of the main features of the Proposal: ticket prices will be \$10 verses \$7 for DJ Bingo but our prize money is higher;
  - Janet and Ernestine have agreed to join Ron on the Bingo Committee;
  - The Committee will address the “Other Considerations” identified in the Proposal including the snacks to be possibly served etc.;
  - The Board then unanimously approved to proceed with the Music Bingo.
- All Board Members were to review their Position Descriptions
  - All BOD members to review and send updates to Janet with deadline of Christmas.
  - Janet will then send updated document to Board members;
- Review 4321 on Monday versus regular jitney; is 4321 best fit for new bowlers?
  - After a brief discussion, Mondays will revert back to a regular jitney

Phyllis to meet with Mitch to discuss our options for a Front Sign at the Charlotte Centre

The Music Bingo Committee (Janet, Ernestine & Ron) shall begin planning our Jan 24 Music Bingo Event

Christmas deadline to update your BOD Position Descriptions

Phyllis to notify members of Monday jitneys

#### 4. Officer Reports:

#### Action

President

**Phyllis Dalglish**

- Before leaving Ontario, I got the tickets ordered for the Chicken dinner fundraiser and had them shipped to Ron. This is considerable earlier than in the past & has us in a very good position for the dinner already.
- Been very busy since arriving in the Park. I would like to Thank Janet and Ron for all their work on Party in the Park. There were many behind the scenes headaches but it worked out well. I would also like to thank Jim M. for getting the Christmas lights up already.
- The green looks great but is very spongy and plays quite slow. I have talked to Dave Boyce about it and hopefully they will dethatch and top dress today. We do need to address some rotten ditch boards and possibly raising the plinth.
- Our communication to our members still needs a little work. I feel like we need to just get a little further ahead of the calendar. We sent out the reminder for the Thanksgiving social the day before and only had about 15 people there. For Last Bowler Standing, which is just days away, we haven't done any planning or sent anything out yet.
  - Last Bowler Standing will be moved from Dec. 5 to our Fun Day on March 23; Wednesday night bowls will be cancelled until January 2026.
- There was a request to survey our members to see if there is another evening people would like to bowl. I said sure but haven't got that done yet.
- Not sure why but very little uptake on Bowls and Beverages so far. 2 people each night (one of which was me)

Phyllis to discuss with Dave B who will pay for new ditch boards

Phyllis to notify members of schedule changes

Vice President  
**Janet Power**

- Party in the Park netted us \$161.93.
- Lots of chips etc left as well as about 1 case of water and 2 of pop. It can be used for tournaments or Music Bingo.
  - Discussion that we should reassess our 2026 PIP participation.
- Banner installed on back fence

Secretary  
**Ron Logel**

- Started Chicken Dinner (CD) sales campaign on Nov 10; sales going well.
- Emailed the CD Project Plan to CD Committee; first Committee meeting = Dec. 9
- Working on Music Bingo software to convert to a 4-card game from the 1-card game demoed at our March AGM.
- Reviewed my Position Description and forwarded update to Janet.
- Did a test run at our Potluck dinner of our 3 games which will be part of CD fundraiser Happy Hour.
- Assisted Janet with the Party-in-Park event where we sold 38 CD tickets!

Treasurer  
**Jim Judge**

Financial report for December 2 meeting:  
I'm going to give two reports today, one for March/April of last season and one for this season starting October.

**March/April 2025**

Opening bank balance for March 1/25	\$12,754.43
Opening cash balance for March 1/25	\$618.83
Income for March	\$866.00
Expenses for March	\$3,456.23
Expenses over income for March	\$2,590.23
Income for April	\$66.00
Expenses for April	\$1,200.00
Expenses over income for April	\$1,134.00
Closing bank balance at end of April	\$9,617.96
Closing cash balance at end of April	\$31.07
• Income items for March/April were Club champions tournament \$70.00, Fun day 50/50 \$58.00, Memberships \$60.00, Fun Day \$164.00, Bowling supplies \$504.00, cash box \$10.00 and dunk tank from Tennis club \$66.00.	
• Expenses for March/April were ink cartridges \$34.22, Benches \$2,463.31, Trophies \$130.54, Tournament lunches \$96.09, Maintenance \$107.43, AGM supply \$52.11, Taxes \$42.24, Fun day \$10.50, staff day bowling lunch \$71.62, Social and AGM food \$448.17, and donations \$1,200.00.	
• These were ending balances for last season and thus the beginning balances for this season.	

**October/November 2025**

Opening bank balance for October 1/25	\$9,617.96
October expense for purchasing chicken fund raising tickets of \$138.23	
Opening bank balance on November 1st	\$9,479.73
Opening cash balance	\$31.07
Income for November	\$4,409.00
Expenses for November	\$676.54
Income over expenses for November	\$3,732.46
Closing bank balance for November	\$12,860.85
Closing cash balance for November	\$382.41

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Income items in November were memberships \$2,135.00, chicken dinner tickets \$1,700.00, Party in Park sales of \$397.00 and bowling supply sales of \$27.00</li> <li>• Expense items were Banner \$49.37, Ink cartridge \$65.77, plants \$32.45, Web site host \$143.88, PIP supplies \$235.07</li> </ul> <p>○ Our Wells Fargo Signing Officers need to replace Jan Collings with Janet Power</p>	<p>Jim to arrange Wells Fargo meeting to change Signing Officers</p>
<p>Past President Position vacant.</p>	

**BIRT** the Officers Reports be accepted as presented: Mover Cheryl Seconder Ernestine : **Carried**

### 5. Standing Committee Reports

### Action

<p>Rating &amp; Nominating Committees <b>Phyllis Dagleish</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rating committee meeting will be scheduled soon. Nothing for nominating committee.</li> </ul>	
<p>Instruction Committee <b>Heather Comba</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We had 6 attend the Taste of Bowls on November 13. Thanks to Phil Payne, Jan Collings and Lynn Searby for running this. At the end of the session the participants were given several options for their next step. They all chose to come back for another session. Thanks Phil and Lynn for doing this second session. Hopefully we will get a few new members.</li> <li>• 13 signed up at the Activities Expo. Thanks Janet Power and Lynn Searby for being there. After discussions with Janet and Lynn I sent the folks that showed an interest a list of options. I did not get any replies. Hoping they will come out for the Taste of Bowls on Thursday December 4 at 1:30. Thanks Phil, Bill, Lynn and Janet for running this. Thanks Phyllis and Guy for marketing these events on facebook and on the Park web site.</li> <li>• To date we have only one new bowler from last year sign up as a member this season. This will most likely change in the New Year.</li> </ul>	
<p>Interclub Committee Position vacant</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• . Phyllis is working on filling this vacancy.</li> </ul>	
<p>Greens <b>Dave Burrows</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phyllis reported that she had met with David Boyce and shared a copy of our annual calendar. She asked him to do what he could to try and speed up the greens and suggested it probably needed dethatching. David said they would dethatch, top dress and roll on Dec. 1st.</li> </ul>	
<p>Drawmasters <b>Ernestine Montanaro</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Going well and has been filling for Heather until she arrives.</li> </ul>	
<p>Property Committee <b>Al Misener</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jim Matthews reported that he has installed the Christmas lights at the Charlotte Centre and around our shed;</li> <li>• Doing other minor repairs such as attaching the hog line marker on the south side of green.</li> </ul>	

<p>Membership Committee <b>Lynn Searby</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We have 41 members, 8 social members. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Phyllis advised that the Board has the authority to do special pricing when it is felt needed;</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>BIRT:</b> We shall offer to new members a membership fee of \$25 for the 2025-2026 season. Mover Susan Seconder Lynn : <b>Carried</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lynn to rebate the 1 new member who has paid \$50.</li> </ul>	
<p>Publicity <b>Guy Montanaro</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assisted at our Activities Expo Booth on Nov. 20</li> <li>My focus is mainly on a weekly new flash informing the community of various functions and activities happening that week, along with the Chicken Dinner and encouraging people to purchase their ticket(s) asap.</li> <li>Also, I continue to inform the public of tournaments( when they are being held and results along with pictures of the event(s) and the winners and others in placement).</li> <li>The Music Bingo will be my priority right after the Chicken Dinner</li> </ul>	
<p>Tournament Committee <b>Cheryl McBain</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The last tournament was the Earlybird on November 29. We had 24 people signed up and made up 8 teams of triples. The eventual winners were <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First - Brian Butler, Bert Visscher, Beverlie Nelson</li> <li>Second - Cheryl McBain, Phyllis Dalglish, Janet Power</li> <li>Third - Phil Payne, Lynn Serby, Jim Judge</li> <li>Fourth - Kathy Smith, Martin Gray, Deb Parker</li> </ul> </li> <li>Next up is the Presidents Trophy on December 13</li> <li>Here is a reminder of the remaining tournaments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presidents Trophy - December 13</li> <li>Charlotte Trophy - January 17</li> <li>Combo Fours - January 29</li> <li>Aussie Pairs - February 7</li> <li>Leads and Vices - February 14</li> <li>Maple Leaf Trophy - February 28</li> <li>Club Championship - March 7</li> </ul> </li> <li>Good Bowling everyone <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Since the Flea Market is on January 29, we will move the Combo 4's tournament to January 31;</li> <li>The Open Singles tournament is now the same day as our Music Bingo; Phyllis suggested a ladder style event similar to what Pickleball does; After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Board needs to do more thinking on how Singles will be staged this season</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>BOD need more thinking on how Singles will be staged</p>
<p>Social Committee <b>Susan Butler</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First tournament had a budget of \$158; bar sales were only \$20 and we had no 50/50;</li> <li>Ernestine and Guy will be doing the food for Dec. 13 tournament.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>BIRT</b> the Committee Reports be accepted as presented: Mover – Janet Seconder – Cheryl : <b>Carried</b></p>		

## 6. New Business

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| <p>6.1 Calendar review – Music Bingo is now January 24 and we shall reschedule the Singles Tournament; Combo 4's will be moved to Jan 31 from Jan. 29.</p> <p>6.2 Right now we have SED Tournament tentatively scheduled for Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>. We still haven't heard anything back from SED but also haven't had anyone express an interest in organizing it. We shall drop the idea for this year.</p> |  |
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- 6.3 Next Year's calendar and space requisitions
  - For our Fundraising Events, we shall book the Queensway (if possible) for January 9 and February 20;
  - Phyllis will draft new calendar based on this year's requirements
- 6.4 New Membership Committee to be established
  - Lynn Searby to Chair this Committee and make recommendations on how we get and retain new members;
  - Lynn to suggest to Phyllis who should also be part of this Committee.
- 6.5 Ernestine mentioned that our Water Cooler needs repair as it is not cooling; Work order needs to be sent to Jane.

Phyllis will draft this years calendar and do the Space Requisitions

Lynn to recommend other Committee members

**7. Next meeting:**

**BOD      Monday, January 5, 2026   10:00 am Charlotte Center**

**Adjourn      Mover – Cheryl    Seconder – Janet      : *Carried***