



CALGARY INTERCLUB SQUASH ASSOCIATION

Special General Meeting and Regular Monthly Meeting. Wednesday August 17, 2016 – 7:00 p.m.

Location: The Glencoe Club, 636 – 29 Ave SW

CLUB /EXECUTIVE	REPRESENTATIVE(S)	Yes	No
President	Peter Schwartz	Y	
Vice President	Rick Spyker	Y	
Treasurer	Chris Watson		regret
Secretary	Patty Lew-Lapointe	Y	
Director	Ron Coggan	Y	
Bankers	Graeme Edge		regret
	Derek Ring	Y	
	Stephen Kaltenhauser	N	
Bow Valley Club	Ken Gellatly	Y	
Calgary Winter Club	Colleen Hicke	Y	
Eau Claire Y	Rick Spyker	Y	
Fifth Ave	Arash Ardeshiricham	Y	
Fish Creek	Charles Fair		regret
	Alex Altamirano	Y	
Fit Plus	Peter Schwartz	Y	
Glencoe	Craig Hutchings	Y	
Mount Royal University	Anthony Reimert		regret
	Patty Lew-Lapointe	Y	
SAIT	Ron Coggan	Y	
Southland	Stuart Rose		regret
	Karen MacKeil	Y	
U of C	Wanda Popadynetz		regret
	Steve Zerr	Y	
Western Canadian Place	James Jelinski	Y	
West Hillhurst	Mark Hartley	Y	
World Health	Chris Watson		regret
	Keith Wellon		regret
	Larry Allen	Y	
	Mariette Rabacal	Y	
Squash Alberta	Grant Currie	N	
	Tim Landeryou	Y	

AGENDA OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

Protocol: Robert's Rules of Order

1. Welcome and Call to Order of Special General Meeting at 7:06 p.m.
 - a. There is a quorum at the start of the meeting
2. Read the motion to Adopt the revised By-Laws

Motion: To adopt the proposed bylaws as distributed on July 28, 2016.

Motion made by: Mariette Rabacal, World Health

Seconded by: Alex Altamirano, Fish Creek

Discussion Concerns:

- Craig Hutchings, Glencoe Club notes a change to bylaws was requested by Squash Alberta
 - As written: 1.4 (b) Rights of a CISA member: The right to attend and upon recognition by the **Executive Committee**, to speak to any motion, issue, or matter under consideration at a Board meeting of the CISA
 - Changed to: 1.4 (b) Rights of a CISA member: The right to attend and upon recognition by the **Chairperson of the meeting**, to speak to any motion, issue, or matter under consideration at a Board meeting of the CISA
 - The change is to acknowledge that there might be a meeting where the full Executive Committee might not be in attendance.
- Ron Coggan, World Health revealed that he was the person that voted "No" to adopting the bylaws when it was presented to the Board for a vote
 - He still disagrees with the bylaws in particular with 1.6 stating that any one individual can represent only one Club at any given meeting

Amended Motion: To adopt the proposed bylaws as distributed with the recommended change to 1.4(b) as requested by Squash Alberta. See the discussion concerns above.

Motion made by: Larry Allen, World Health

Seconded by Mariette Rabacal, World Health

Voting Results: In-Favour/Yes = 15 Opposed/No = 1 Abstained = 1

Motion to adopt the bylaws with the recommended change has been passed. The new bylaws will be in effect when they have been registered at Alberta Registries

3. New Business of Special General Meeting
 - a. None
4. Adjournment of Special General Meeting
 - a. Motion by: Steve Zerr, U of C
 - b. Seconded by: Arash Ardeshiricham, Fifth Avenue
 - c. Special General Meeting adjourned at: 7:14pm

AGENDA OF THE REGULAR GENERAL MEETING

1. Call to Order of Regular Monthly Meeting at 7:15 p.m.
2. Approval of Previous Minutes
 - a. Motion to approve the Minutes of Meeting, June 15, 2016 as written and distributed
 - Motion made by: Rick Spyker, Eau Claire Y
 - Seconded by: Ken Gellatly, Bow Valley Club
 - Minutes for June 15, 2016 are approved as written and distributed
3. Officers
 - a. President Peter Schwartz
 - Down to the wire of starting the next Interclub season
 - b. Vice President Rick Spyker
 - Nothing to Report
 - c. Secretary Patty Lew-Lapointe
 - Nothing to Report
 - d. Treasurer Chris Watson, presented by Patty Lew-Lapointe
 - Bank balance is approximately \$20,000
 - An invoice from SportyHQ was just received, and it is in the amount of \$1500.00. This invoice is for the 2016/2017 season.
 - e. Director, Community Relations Ron Coggan
 - Starting a relationship with Jesters to help with their outreach to Juniors
4. Committees
 - a. Team Selection Peter Schwartz
 - Nothing with ladies 2 at MRU, U of C, CWC but held hostage by other certain teams this year. Next year, how you finish will incur a movement – not fair to other teams that want to move up or move down. Not much of an issue with level 1 (men or ladies) moving down as they are the ones that want to stay in level 1

- Latest version out of the Interclub team levels have been distributed. Please have feedback to Peter ASAP, as Steve Kaltenhauser want to start scheduling this Friday, August 19
- SAIT Ladies 1 might be at risk due to an injured player
- Fish Creek Mens 5 may need a player or two but might be able to fill with Mens 7 players
- Ladies 5 only has five teams this year which will cause an imbalance in scheduling

ACTION ITEM: Please provide feedback on Team movements as distributed on Aug 16 to Peter Schwartz ASAP, before Friday, August 19

- b. Player Eligibility Alex Altamirano
- Some players have started buying Squash Alberta memberships
 - Team captains, please request players to buy their Squash Alberta memberships early rather than later; July 1 was the renew date
 - No tolerance for not having a Squash Alberta membership for the first Interclub match
 - In the process of transferring the info from Squash Alberta into SportyHQ
- c. Rules/League Inquiries Ron Coggan, Mark Hartley
- Leona Faller is requesting to play Mens 1

Motion put forth by Ron Coggan, World Health:

Leona Faller requests to play Interclub at Mens Level 1 for World Health while playing Ladies Level 1 at World Health as a sub.

Seconded by: Ken Gellatly, Bow Valley

Voting is **UNANIMOUS**, Motion is **PASSED**

- Ron Coggan, World suggests an experimental policy or a modify to a current rule
 - i. There are teams that need a spare from time to time, so as not to default an interclub match. The proposal is to modify the spare policy to allow subbing between clubs within the same level. Intraclub subbing allowed only twice, with the third time locking the player to the that team. After the third time, the player is no longer allowed to play for another club
 - ii. Concerns of this proposal:
 - a. Craig Hutchings, Glencoe, brings up the concern or difficulty of tracking player eligibility.

- b. Alex Altamirano, Fish Creek, suggests that the captains learn the rules and apply it properly. Right now, SportyHQ does not check the rules frequently enough and penalties are assessed later
- c. Colleen Hicke, CWC, suggests that it could be unfair to the level if there is one 'ringer' that plays across the level but not evenly to all teams in the level
- d. Mariette Rabacal, World Health, questions the possibility of a player subbing across different levels and subbing up or down a level within a club when playing only two matches on each level. How would this be tracked or controlled to maintain integrity of teams

ACTION ITEM: Rules Committee to take a closer look at this proposed rule for the new season

- d. Playoffs & Banquet Colleen Hicke
 - Invoicing and Revenue is complete for last year's playoff banquet
 - Next year's (April 22, 2017) Playoff matches and Banquet needs a location
 - Playoff location requires a minimum of 6 courts to host and banquet can be hosted outside of the club
 - Changes also need to be made to attract more attendance – food choice/style, poster, entertainment

ACTION ITEM: Let Colleen know by next meeting (Sep 21) if you are able to host the Playoffs matches. Also provide Colleen with any suggestions/ideas for the Banquet

- Currently, CISA charges \$50 per team to play Interclub. This has not changed for the last 10 years. For the 2016/2017 season, there are 137 teams
- Question was proposed to why individual membership fees could not be increased by \$5 per person.
 - i. For this year, it is too late, as the individual fee comes from Squash Alberta, and the 2016/2017 membership fees have already been established. Squash Alberta is willing to work with CISA to make this adjustment for next season (the 2017/2018 season)
- The CISA Board determines the team fees

Motion: To increase the team fees from \$50 to \$60 per team for the 2016 / 2017 season

Motion made by: Craig Hutchings, Glencoe

Seconded by: Ken Gellatly, Bow Valley Club

Discussion Concerns:

- Ron Coggan, World Health notes that budgets have already been discussed with the teams
- Alex Altamirano, Fish Creek notes that there is a difference between being the rep of a club vs being the owner of a club. An increase is asking the owners to pay more with minimal notice at three weeks before the start of the season
- Arash Ardeshiricham, Fifth Avenue would need to talk to club owners about this increase and suggests postponing a decision until the next meeting
 - Peter Schwartz notes the next meeting would be too late for this season, as invoices will be distributed shortly. The additional incremental cost is \$10 spread over 6 players or \$1.67 extra per player
- Larry Allen, World Health asks why are we concerned with money when there's a balance of \$20K currently, when in the past a balance of \$5K or \$6K is enough
- Colleen Hicke, CWC, notes that every year the cost of the banquet keeps rising
- Ken Gellatly, Bow Valley indicates that sponsorship is not as strong as has been in the past
- Ron Coggan, World Health, notes that the cost of website development is an unknown
- Rick Spyker, Eau Claire Y feels that this increase is a small amount. For next season (2017/2018), we should work on getting some money from the individual players via Squash Alberta

Voting Results: In Favour/Yes = 14 Declined/No = 1

Motion is passed. Invoices will reflect the new cost of \$60 per team

e. Sponsorship

Graeme Edge, presented by Arash Ardeshiricham

- Ron Coggan, World Health, had an inquiry from Chris Watson, World Health, regarding the value of sponsorship on the SportyHQ website. How to make sponsors more visible? Ron is working with SportyHQ to make sponsorship more visible on the website
- No other news from sponsorship committee per Arash Ardeshiricham

- Peter Schwartz, Fitness Plus, suggests that the sponsorship committee move forward more aggressively, and would like know the status of past title sponsors
- Alex Altamirano, Fish Creek, commented on a promotion presented by Charles Fairs re: insurance quotes. The insurance rep would like the promotion extended to all Squash Alberta members – offering \$25 to CISA for each quote to a max of \$500. The insurance rep also wanted to know where her logo might be on the SportyHQ website.
- Peter Schwartz, Fitness Plus, presents a request from Kevin Doucet, who would be willing to pay \$50 - \$100 to help promote his tournament in November in our next email delivery.

ACTION ITEM: The Sponsorship committee to decide whether to accept Kevin Doucet's request before the next email blast

- f. League Email Blasts James Jelinski
- Next email blast, the season opener email, will be coming out soon

ACTION ITEM: Any suggestions of items to be included in the next email blast to be sent to James ASAP

- g. Website Larry Allen, Steve Kaltenhauser
- SportyHQ is not robust enough to deal with scheduling – Steve will be scheduling the season outside of SportyHQ
 - Ron meeting with them on a monthly basis
 - Some challenges with SportHQ
 - Administration
 - Linking to Squash Alberta
 - Links appearing on the website for our sponsors
 - Needs a better editor – currently only a text editor
 - Small bugs
 - Determined priorities:
 - Alex's reports – interfacing with Squash Alberta – delivering results and checking eligibility
 - Scheduling
 - Set up to start the season – administration
 - Improve the text editor – better announcements
 - A hot button to enter scores but might bypass some sponsorship visibility
 - Part of the goals is to be able to send the information to Squash Alberta with the push of a button. But it's not there yet. Currently, Squash Alberta's goal is to post ranking results weekly or bi-weekly because of more anticipated movement with the new ranking system. CISA is providing playing results monthly, due to the work needed to verify the results.
 - #1 priority is to get this season started and going
 - Double schedule is complete and when approved will be on the SportyHQ

- h. Attendance Report Colleen Hicke
 - No penalties for last year
- i. Squash Alberta Tim Landeryou, Grant Currie
 - Tournament schedule is now complete and on the website. Posters will be distributed the 1st week of September
 - Also looking at anew Provincial Doubles ranking system

- 5. Other Business Arising
 - None

- 6. Round Table/Club Feedback All
 - a. Bankers Hall – excited for the new season
 - b. Bow Valley – all good to go, not a lot of spares- membership is down 16% from last year
 - c. Calgary Winter Club – all good, ready to go
 - d. Eau Claire Y – good to go with six teams
 - e. Fifth Avenue Club – M10 & M11 team excited for the new season
 - f. Fish Creek – nothing to report
 - g. Fitness Plus – down one team from last year
 - h. Glencoe – nothing to report
 - i. MRU – new M12 - Season opener Club tournament scheduled Sep 30 & Oct 1
 - j. SAIT – L1 team could use one more player & could be a junior player, this season six teams
 - k. Southland – could use another player for L4 or L5 – tournament to determine who will play which level
 - l. U of C – nothing to report
 - m. Western Canadian Place – nothing to report
 - n. West Hillhurst – could use another player for L2 – no membership obligation – junior player okay
 - o. World Health – teams are set – increased by 1, new M11 – experimenting with new start times - 4 starts at 6:00, 4 starts at 6:30 and late games at 7:30
 - p. Squash Alberta – nothing to report

- 7. New Business
 - None

8. Next Meeting Date: September 21, 2016 at the Danish Canadian Club

- 9. Adjournment
 - a. Motion by: Rick Spyker, Eau Claire Y
 - b. Seconded by: Karen MacKeil, Southland
 - c. Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

ACTION	Who	When	Status
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Bylaws to be registered by Alberta Registries	Craig Hutchings	ASAP	Open
Feedback on team movements for 2016/2017 season	All	August 19, 2016	Open
Proposed subbing on an intraclub basis	Rules committee	Ongoing	Open
Playoff & Banquet suggestions and/or ability to host playoff matches to Colleen	All	September 21, 2016	Open
Implementing the increased team fees of \$60 per team	Treasurer		Open
Kevin Doucet's request to advertise in next email blast	Sponsorship committee	Before next mailout	Open
Suggestion of items/topics to be included in next email blast to James Jelinski	All	ASAP	Open