

# Minutes of the 2018 Spring Meeting

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## 1 Agenda.

Gord Bignell called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM on 24 April 2018 in the members lounge, Riverside Golf Resort. He noted that there were 21 members present (Appendix A) and this represented a quorum of members.

He drew attention to the draft agenda that had been circulated in advance of the meeting.

Bill Bergman asked that we discuss the operation of the monthly cup under New Business.

Rick Charter moved adoption of the modified agenda, seconded by Bob Milloy. Motion approved by a show of hands. (Appendix B).

## 2. MINUTES OF SPRING MEETING 10 October, 2017

Kirk Dawson noted that the draft minutes had been reviewed by the executive and circulated prior to the meeting and that additional copies were available at the desk if required.

He further drew the attention of the members to the 2 specific matters referred for a decision at this meeting. (Appendix C) Specifically the question of uniform does and the future of the doubles competition and these would be addressed in the following sections

Ken Munro moved adoption of the minutes, seconded by Roy Nelson. Motion approved by a show of hands.

## 3. TREASURER'S REPORT

Gord Bignell reported that the cash on hand from last year was \$1600 and that the executive had requested the treasurer to develop a balanced budget this year. He noted that Members had requested 2 years ago to have the cash position of the club brought more in line with the needs of the club and that this had been achieved.

James Kozlowski introduced the proposed budget for 2018 (Appendix C). He stated that the budget was based on a membership of 35 members which was the actual number of members

who paid last year. The social membership dues proposed by the executive were \$60 with that member covering participation in the season long eclectic and skins.

At this point Gord asked the members to consider the matter of uniform fees. He recalled the direction of the Fall AGM to make a final decision on the matter of uniform fees at this current meeting.

The matter presented at the Fall AGM was: Uniform Fees rather than a la carte fees. Specifically that; a) the weekly game have a single levy rather than a levy for the game, kp and deuces with members able to opt in for one and not another. His rationale being that 1) the record keeping for who was entered into what component was insufficient to ensure that the correct people were paid and 2) it was always necessary to round off payments so that parts of collections for one component were often used in small part for another. (Those members present were strongly in favour of this change); b) the annual dues automatically include entry into skins and the eclectic competitions. Specific entry into the singles/ doubles and club championships would still be by separate payment. Many members, but not all, expressed the view that there should be a single membership fee that covered all events and completions organized by the club.

The Executive based on this referral proposes to this spring meeting that: a) The Game day fee is \$8 and this covers team, kp and deuce prizes. b) The annual Membership dues be set at \$60 and that this includes participation in the season long competitions of skins and eclectic. c) The singles, doubles, club and seniors championship be funded by those members entering into the events at \$5 per event.

However the membership may wish to consider the suggestion of some members made at the AGM that the Annual dues include all events including skins, eclectic, singles, doubles, club and seniors championship or skins, eclectic, singles, club and seniors championship. These would be at the annual rate of \$80 or \$75 if the decision is taken not to organize the doubles.

There followed a significant discussion on the merits and problems associated with the both proposals.

Russ Hemsing moved that the proposal of the Executive for a single game day entry of \$8, an annual membership of \$60 with singles, doubles, club and seniors championship events being \$5 for those who participate. Seconded by Bill Bergman. The motion was approved by a show of hands.

There followed a discussion on the budget. Gord noted that it might be necessary for the club to acquire its own computer as we were currently using one owned by Darrel Fretts. He was investing Darrell's wishes for the future of this loan. This might mean a one-time expenditure of some \$600 that was not in the budget. The question was asked on the use of the refurbished laptop provided by Larry. Gottfried replied that the computer did not have sufficient power for our application.

Russ Hemsing moved adoption of the budget as published and that the Executive continue to explore continued usage of the current computer. Seconded by Randy Leskie. The motion was approved by a show of hands.

Kirk Dawson noted that our treasurer of the past two years remained in serious condition in the Foothills hospital and proposed that we ask the Captain to express our thanks to him for his contributions to the workings of the club and a speedy recovery. Carried unanimously

## **4. CAPTAIN'S REPORT**

Gord Bignell drew the attention of the members to a new member who was present. Ed DeYoung. And that Dick Sparrow and Gottfried Mueller were returning from a year's absence due to ill health.

He noted that members seemed to celebrate member's successes this past year and that that would continue.

He also noted that the attendance of 22 members at this meeting was encouraging and that morale seemed generally content.

Lastly he noted the need to encourage recruitment of new members and this was an agenda item.

## **5. FHSR UPDATE.**

There being no representatives of FSHR present due to the failure of the secretary to send them a copy of the agenda and meeting date there was no report.

Members did report that the course was playing extremely well given the difficult early spring weather conditions.

Members who spent the winter in Fairmont appreciated the efforts of FSHR in clearing walking paths of snow on the courses this past winter. It made walking so much pleasanter.

## **6. BUSINESS ARISING**

Gord Bignell noted there were 4 matters to be addressed under this item.

- 1) Sign Up. He drew the attention of members to the 3 ways in which members could sign up for the weekly game. The preferred method was to sign up on the sheet in the club room.

Alternatively they could call the pro shot and ask to be added to the list. Lastly they could email Gord himself.

- 2) Doubles. The future of the doubles competition remains an irritant. A minimum of 8 teams is required to make the event meaningful. But getting 4 people to appear on the same day appears almost impossible. There had been a suggestion that we designate the third Tuesday of each month as the final day by which a doubles match must be played. Preferably it will have been played before then. If not on that day the participants would be expected to play their match. If only one team or member of a team turned up then that team was designated to have won. If only one member of team was there to play the other 2 members of the other team he could select an alternate for the missing member from those present with the caveat that the alternate would have to have a "similar" handicap to the absent person.

In the discussion that ensued Bob Milloy suggested that other clubs experienced similar difficulties. He observed that his club in Calgary had resolved the problem by shortening the period over which the event was played to a week. On a normal club day when another event was being played that involved a 2 man team. Those teams if they wished could compete in a doubles completion. The top 8 teams would be the qualifiers for a playoff with those playoffs being scheduled over the next week. We would need 4 tee times then 2 and lastly just 1. Clearly there would be a need to avoid a Wednesday as a number of members were playing at mountainside on that day.

Phil Boyer proposed we try an event along the lines suggested by Bob. Seconded by Randy Leskie. Carried. Bob Milloy volunteered to organize the event in consultation with the Captain.

- 3) Away days. It was noted that there had been no away days last year. In the discussion that followed it was suggested that away days be organized to coincide with known scheduled events.
- 4) Monthly dinner. It was noted that there had been no monthly dinners last year. The schedule for this year had been set so that the monthly cup was always started at 12:01 so that dinners could be arranged for that evening. The majority of the members indicated they would be prepared to participate in those dinners. Gord said he would make the required arrangements.

## 7. VOLUNTEERS

- 1) Website content updating. Gord indicated he would ask **Bryan Tanney** if he would continue with this task on the latter's return from Australia. In the meantime Kirk indicated he would take care of major announcements.
- 2) Singles Match Play. **Brian Devenish** accepted to continue the organization.
- 3) Doubles match play. **Bob Milloy** had previously volunteered.
- 4) Club Championship. **Gord Bignell** agreed to continue.
- 5) Seniors Championship. **Rick Charter** agreed to continue.

- 6) Eclectic. **Roy Nelson and Gottfred Mueller** agreed to try to automate the process as the information was available on the computer.
- 7) Desk Duty. Gord Bignell noted we need 2 people for a game day. A technician to enter scores and compute results. A money collector/distributor of prizes. He believed that we had enough technicians but needed **all members** to participate in the money collection aspects. He proposed to place a signup sheet on the board where members could volunteer for the duty roster.
- 8) Away days. ?
- 9) Dinner coordinator. ?

## 8. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Recruitment of New Members. Gord reported that we were continuing to see a decline in membership and that we really should try to address this. Members were encouraged to talk to their neighbours and encourage their participation especially if they had at one time been members.

The executive was requested to draft a letter for Jeremy

- 2) Monthly Cup. Bill Bergman asked the members to consider the re-instatement of the monthly cup as a tournament singles event in the manner that had been used until the last 2-3 years. Specifically that there be a separate \$2 dollar entry and that the winner took that pot and that the nominal game day pot of \$4 be shared equally between the top 4 playes including the monthly cup winner.

There was considerable discussion of the issues associated with this format and a review of why the format had changed. The biggest problem with the current format was that it really was not a singles format and could not really be classified as a special event worthy of a tournament rating. The biggest problem of the previous format was its apparent emphasis on money and that there were members who were no longer really comfortable with singles play.

Phil Boyer proposed that we try a format where on a monthly cup day that; in addition to the member team game there be an optional singles event for the monthly cup with an additional entry fee of \$2. That the prize money for this monthly cup be split between the top 4 places (40%,30%,20%,10%). That these top 4 people be the inter club representative against Mountainside. Seconded by Roy Nelson. Passed.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

Ed DeYoung moved adjournment of the meeting at 11:15, seconded by Stan Baldwin. Motion approved by a show of hands.

## **Appendix A. Persons in attendance**

Randy Leskie

Gord Bignell

Rick Charter

James Kozlowski

Kirk Dawson

Brian Devenish

Roy Nelson

Beattie Ledingham

Garth Lillejord

Ken Munro

Norbert Schab

Phillip Boyer

Ed DeYoung

Stan Baldwin

Bill Bergman

Russ Hemsing

Jim Horne

Gottfried Mueller

Bob Milloy

Tom Richie

Noel Robitaille

## Appendix B. Agenda

Spring Meeting **April 24, 2018 9:30 AM Clubhouse**

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER -- Gord Bignell  
Quorum required 25% of Membership (10 Members)  
Approve the agenda
2. MINUTES OF FALL MEETING Oct 10,2017 -- Kirk Dawson  
(Available on website [Riverside Men's Club – Come play with us](#) )  
Acceptance
3. TREASURER’S REPORT – James Kozlowski  
Current Financial Position  
Budget -- Approval  
Dues for 2018 – Approval
4. CAPTAIN’S REPORT -- Gord Bignell
5. FHSR UPDATE -- Peter/Tom
6. BUSINESS ARISING – Gord Bignell  
Sign Up  
Doubles  
Away Days  
Club Dinners
7. VOLUNTEERS  
Website Update of content  
Match Play  
Club/Senior Championships  
Desk Duty
8. NEW BUSINESS – Gord Bignell  
Recruitment of Members  
Monthly Cup
9. ADJOURNMENT

## Appendix C. Budget 2018.

### Riverside Men's Club Budget 2018

<b>Revenues:</b>	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>	<b>Variance</b>
Social dues      35      \$      60	\$ 2,100		
Competitive event dues	\$ -		
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 2,100</b>		
<b>Expenses:</b>			
AGM	\$ 60		
Competitive events	\$ 490		
skins and eclectic			
Social events			
wind up and prizes	\$ 500		
rosebuds	\$ 250		
fryder cp/horserace	\$ 200		
misc	\$ 50		
		\$ 1,000	
Stationary/computer	\$ 150		
Member handbook			
Junior Program	\$ 200		
Banking fees	\$ 35		
Staff Gifts	\$ 175		
Member memorial	\$ 25		
Website			
G. Miller	\$ 50		
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 2,185</b>		
Surplus (deficit)	\$ (85)		