

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
WALKER CURLING CLUB OCT. 9, 2007, 5:30P, BENSON'S**

Call To Order – Chairman Steve Baker called the meeting to order with the following members present: Sudy, Otto, Pam, Ineke, Melanie, Tanis, John Grimley, Dave Olson and Pete Rogers.

Secretary's Report – Sudy Johnson presented the minutes of the September 25th, 2007 meeting, which were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report – Ineke has obtained a tax-identification number and will now establish our own checking account. There will be approximately \$10,000 in the account. .

Old Business:

By-Laws, Insurance & Tax-exempt Status – Steve sent a letter to all local insurance agents and to date no one has responded. It was decided not to pursue establishing our own tax-exempt status. If anyone wants a change in the by-laws contact Steve. At a prior meeting, Otto suggested changing the Annual Meeting to the last Tuesday in March rather than May.

Equipment – Pete will pick up all necessary equipment including 2 sticks & measurer – no biter. He will also go down to Hallett Arena in Crosby to look over their storage set-up. Tanis has one set of rocks in her car, which we will transfer to the WACC after the meeting.

Community Ed – We decided to postpone participation with Community Ed until next year & use the funds to advertise in area newspapers.

Ice Painting – Kevin Madsen will be in Walker from October 28-31 to paint the ice. Pam is still working on obtaining ice ads at \$300 each to pay for this. So far, she has 6 paid up ads. (Charlie's, Lucky Moose, Boulders, Benson's, Outdoorsman & Zonas). Others are still possible but they have to be in by Oct. 22nd. (Legion, Dancing Fire, Lucettes, Patricks). We should order paint soon from R&R at 1-800-729-RINK for about \$1,400. At the last meeting, it was suggested having a painting party so the advertisers, members & prospective members can watch the procedure.

Clubroom – Because we have so many other pressing items, it was decided to postpone further discussion on the clubroom. Although bids on two, very expensive, steel stairways are in process.

Grand Opening - Curling Open House from 5-10. Tanis will look into getting instructors from Bemidji Curling Club .

Teams – A committee consisting of Steve, Dave, Melanie, Sudy & Otto was established for the purpose of surveying the general membership to establish their teams. Steve will draft a letter & Melanie will send out invitations. Committee to meet Tue, Oct 16, 5:30, Benson's.

Founder's – It was decided to continue Founder's Membership until 12-31-07 for \$200

Bonspiels – Tanis pointed out that USCA has a bonspiel scheduled in Walker on Nov 30. Melanie will correct this mistake. Moondance has asked to sponsor the bonspiel Feb 29. Some kind of an agreement should be drawn up. Otto volunteered to chair a NYE Bonspiel if there is interest.

WACC Agreement – Gretchen will have an agreement between the WACC & WCC to sign at next meeting. Question on 1 or 2 weeks notice to cancel curling.

Next Meeting - The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 23rd, 5:30 at Benson's.