

CURLSASK ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

September 16, 2026 – 2:00 p.m. – Virtual Meeting via Teams

Voting Delegates

Nicole Reiniger – Lloydminster Curling Club

Chris Haichert – Swift Current Curling Club

Gwen Kaminski – Prairie Lily Curling League

Pat Bibby – Prince Albert Golf and Curling Club

Rhonda Penno – Highland Curling Club

Landon Field – Curl Saskatoon

Dallas Burnett – Sutherland Curling Club

Pauline Ziehl Grimsrud – Estevan Curling Club

Board of Directors

Darcey Huyghebaert

Avry Cline

Adam Bukurak

Gaylene Simpson

Michael Leier

Jan Pogorzelec

Carla Speidel

CURLSASK Staff

Steve Turner

Michele Mathews

Jamie Regier

Kelcee Kennedy

Patrick Kippax

Lydia Zukewich

Lauren Speidel

Other Non-Voting Attendees

Brad Hebert

Garry Schultz

1. CALL TO ORDER

Darcey Huyghebaert, President, called the Annual General Meeting of the Saskatchewan Curling Association 1997 Inc., operating as CURLSASK, to order at 2:00 p.m. and welcomed those in attendance.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

CURLSASK acknowledged that attendees were joining from across Saskatchewan, including lands covered by Treaties 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10, the traditional lands of the Cree, Dakota, Dene, Lakota, Nakota and Saulteaux peoples, and the homeland of the Métis. Those present reaffirmed their respect for these relationships and partnerships.

3. MEETING PROCEDURES

The Chair reviewed the procedures for asking questions, using the Zoom chat and raise-hand functions, muting microphones, recording motions and indicating opposition to a motion.

4. PRESIDENT'S OPENING COMMENTS

The President reflected on highlights from the 2025-2026 curling season, including:

- Team Wood becoming the first Saskatchewan U18 women's team to win the Canadian U18 Championship.
- Saskatchewan earning a bronze medal at the World Senior Curling Championships in Switzerland.
- Team Saskatchewan, led by Marie Wright, earning bronze at the Canadian Wheelchair Curling Championship.
- Gil Dash winning a Paralympic gold medal as a member of Canada's undefeated mixed wheelchair curling team at the 2026 Paralympic Winter Games in Italy.

The President thanked Saskatchewan's athletes, coaches, volunteers, officials, clubs, ice makers, sponsors and fans for their contributions during the season.

5. NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice of the 2025-2026 Annual General Meeting and the related AGM materials were emailed to member clubs and posted on the CURLSASK website on August 11, 2026.

The audited financial statements for the 2025-2026 fiscal year were made available to registered voting delegates and posted on the CURLSASK website.

6. REPORT ON CREDENTIALS OF DELEGATES

The credentials report confirmed eight voting delegates.

Also present were seven members of the CURLSASK Board of Directors, seven CURLSASK staff members and two other non-voting attendees.

The majority threshold was five votes.

A member proposal received after the deadline or presented from the floor required a three-fourths majority of six votes to be considered. No member proposals were received in advance of the meeting.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No additions were requested. The agenda was presented for approval.

MOVED: Nicole Reiniger – Lloydminster Curling Club **SECONDED:** Landon Field – Curl Saskatoon

The motion carried.

8. MINUTES OF THE 2024-2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The minutes of the 2024-2025 Annual General Meeting had been made available online and circulated with the Notice of AGM. No changes or additions were requested.

MOVED: Landon Field – Curl Saskatoon **SECONDED:** Rhonda Penno – Highland Curling Club

The motion carried.

9. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

No business arose from the minutes of the 2024-2025 Annual General Meeting.

10. WELCOME TO BOARD AND STAFF

The President thanked the Board of Directors and staff for their leadership, expertise, dedication and contributions during the year. Returning directors were welcomed, and outgoing director Shannon Laventure was thanked for her service.

New staff members Patrick Kippax, Participation and Inclusion Coordinator, and Lydia Zukewich, Event Coordinator, were welcomed. Lauren Speidel was also recognized as she transitioned from Summer Camp Coordinator to the part-time Youth Programming Assistant role.

11. WELCOME TO SPECIAL GUESTS AND MOMENT OF SILENCE

Past Presidents were welcomed and thanked for their leadership.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of friends, members and curlers who passed away during the previous year.

12. FINANCE REPORT

Avry Cline, Finance Officer, presented the 2025-2026 audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2026. The statements had been posted on the CURLSASK website and distributed by email. No questions were raised.

A motion was presented to adopt the 2025-2026 CURLSASK audited financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2026.

MOVED: Pauline Ziehl Grimsrud – Estevan Curling Club **SECONDED:** Gwen Kaminski – Prairie Lily Curling League

The motion carried.

13. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR

A motion was presented to appoint Virtus Group as CURLSASK's auditor for the 2026-2027 fiscal year and to entrust the Board of Directors with determining the financial compensation.

MOVED: Rhonda Penno – Highland Curling Club **SECONDED:** Nicole Reiniger – Lloydminster Curling Club

The motion carried.

14. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee reports were included on pages 5 to 12 of the Annual Report. No questions were raised.

A motion was presented to approve the 2025-2026 Committee Reports.

MOVED: Pauline Ziehl Grimsrud – Estevan Curling Club **SECONDED:** Landon Field – Curl Saskatoon

The motion carried.

15. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

Steve Turner, Executive Director, reported that 2026-2027 will be the fourth and final year of CURLSASK's current strategic plan.

Over the first three years of the plan, CURLSASK worked to align its committee structure and staff responsibilities with the plan's four areas of focus:

- Finance and Operations
- Marketing and Media
- Community Development
- Competition and High Performance

CURLSASK will continue advancing the current plan while refining its systems and remaining realistic about organizational capacity and limitations.

Work is also beginning on CURLSASK's next four-year strategic plan. Lara Schroeder of Spark Solutions will guide the organization through the planning process. The process will consider the evolving needs of Saskatchewan's curling community and revisit the objectives related to Interaction, Capacity, Participation and Excellence.

No questions were raised.

16. BYLAW AMENDMENTS

Michael Leier, Vice President and Governance Committee representative, presented proposed bylaw amendments that had been circulated with the Notice of AGM on August 11, 2026 and made available on the CURLSASK website. The amendments were described as primarily housekeeping changes.

A motion was presented to approve the proposed bylaw amendments.

MOVED: Nicole Reiniger – Lloydminster Curling Club **SECONDED:** Gwen Kaminski – Prairie Lily Curling League

The motion carried.

17. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Nominations for Board positions closed on May 15, 2026. Nominee biographies were included in the AGM working papers.

One application was received for the one available Finance Officer position. Avry Cline was elected by acclamation to a two-year term.

Two nominations were received for one Member-at-Large position:

- Scott Henbury
- Steve Laycock

Both candidates were nominated for a two-year term. Registered voting delegates completed the ballot before the AGM, and Scott Henbury was elected.

A motion was presented to accept the results of the Member-at-Large election and the acclamation of Avry Cline as Finance Officer.

MOVED: Pauline Ziehl Grimsrud – Estevan Curling Club **SECONDED:** Landon Field – Curl Saskatoon

The motion carried.

18. INTRODUCTION OF THE 2026-2027 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The 2026-2027 CURLSASK Board of Directors was introduced:

President: Darcey Huyghebaert **Vice President:** Michael Leier **Finance Officer:** Avry Cline **Member at Large:** Scott Henbury **Member at Large:** Jan Pogorzelec **Member at Large:** Gaylene Simpson **Member at Large:** Amy Hogemann **Member at Large:** Carla Speidel **Member at Large:** Adam Bukurak

19. BOARD SELECTION COMMITTEE PROCESS

Michael Leier presented the results of the Governance Committee's member survey regarding the Board selection process.

Survey responses were approximately evenly divided between maintaining the current process and refining the Selection Committee's mandate to more closely resemble Curling Canada's process.

Under the proposed trial process, the Selection Committee would be composed primarily of CURLSASK voting members. Guided by the Board's skills and gaps assessment matrix, the committee would recommend one candidate

for each vacancy for the 2027 AGM. A mechanism would remain available for members to nominate additional candidates.

The proposed process would be reviewed and would require approval again at the next AGM.

No motion was made to adopt the proposed trial. Accordingly, the existing Board selection process will remain in place.

20. NEW BUSINESS AND QUESTIONS

Pauline Ziehl Grimsrud requested clarification regarding the allocation and geographic rotation of provincial events.

Steve Turner explained that CURLSASK continues to seek a fair geographic rotation of events. However, the preferred rotation cannot always be followed because of:

- National championship timelines
- The number of sheets of ice required
- Hotel and other amenity requirements
- Facility and rink availability
- The reduced number of provincial events following the removal of some qualifiers

When an event cannot be placed in the intended district, CURLSASK aims to return it to that district in a future year.

A member also commented on the time of day selected for the AGM. The Chair noted that the timing of future AGMs could be reviewed.

21. ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 2027 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2027 Virtual Annual General Meeting was announced for September 29, 2027.

22. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was presented to adjourn the 2025-2026 Annual General Meeting.

MOVED: Rhonda Penno – Highland Curling Club **SECONDED:** Landon Field – Curl Saskatoon

The motion carried.

The President declared the meeting closed at approximately 2:27 p.m.