

Board Meeting Minutes
Cavendish Centre
March 19, 2026

Lethbridge Curling Club Mission/Vision

The Lethbridge Curling Club provides the best possible curling and social experience in the region.

PRESENT:

Bob Kurina, Kirk Mearns, Elaine Miller, Amanda Mackenzie, Daniel Hennessey, Robert Bedard, Dallas Valentine

ABSENT:

Mike Mulroy, Brittney Lopushinsky, Nic Rabl

1. Call to order at 5:31PM
2. Approval of Agenda- Moved by Robert and Seconded by Bob- Approved by consensus
3. Approval of Minutes from February 11, 2026 – Moved by Bob and Seconded by Robert - Approved by consensus
4. Manager's Report
 - 🏒 Financial Highlights
 - 🏒 Overall Revenue is still slightly ahead of last year, but February proved to be a very challenging month.
 - 🏒 **Annual revenue challenges**
 - 🏒 Catering down \$20,313. – University Ringette Canadians -\$7, 820, JC Bonspiel \$8,795, USports \$4,426, UofL Health Sciences \$1,845.
 - 🏒 USports Hosting Revenue \$31, 263
 - 🏒 **Annual Expense Issues**
 - 🏒 Bonspiel Expense up \$10,835. Added, Swing and Sweep \$6,100 and Ladies Bonspiel \$6,000. This includes meals and Prize Money.
 - 🏒 Board expense up \$28,898. Board Retreat \$20,493, GM Search \$10,920.
 - 🏒 Bank Fees up \$9,249. This is an ongoing issue. Have asked Global for a Fee Review. We currently have paid \$33,000 in Processing Fees. Have had quotes from other processors, and everything is basically the same. Numerous unexplainable junk Fees. This includes both our POS and Curling I/O fees, but the majority is the POS. Curling I/O fees are \$9,120 on \$286,176.93. Effective rate 3.2%

- 🍷 Professional fees are up \$7,600. Last year's audit was not reflected.
- 🍷 Repair and maintenance is up \$12,338.60. Back Wall painting \$13,195.00
- 🍷 **February Revenue/Expense Challenges**
- 🍷 Kitchen and Lounge down a combined \$37,500 virtually wiping out all our gains to date due to the absence of Japanese Canadian and USports events.
- 🍷 Payroll had a 3 pay-period month in February, so it is over last year.
- 🍷 Ice Rentals down as we had High School Zones last year and not this year. They are back next year.
- 🍷 **Actual to Budget**
- 🍷 Revenue challenges in F&B budgeting. Used trendlines to budget and they were mostly flat. Should end up around \$560,000 in sales.
- 🍷 Payroll will finish under budget or just over. Budgeted increase for rent did not materialize, saving about \$10,000.
- 🍷 Still confident in our ability to deliver a close to budget bottom line.

🍷 Bonspiels

- 🍷 MNP Mixed at 19 Teams. We will cut this off at 20, down from 32 last year. Hopefully we can lean on board members to help with 50/50 and bottle draws. Draws will be Fri. 6:30pm, Sat. 11:00am and 3:30pm and Sunday at 10:00am and 1:00pm. There will be platters on Friday, Banquet Saturday and Lunch Sunday

🍷 Information, Discussion, and Updates

- 🍷 New photo backdrop set up for last week. Also included our Socials if people want to share their photos.
- 🍷 Planning to do a Taco Bar for our Leagues starting next Monday. This will cost us approx. \$450.00 per night. They would run from 5:00pm to 7:00pm for everyone curling those nights. We will also put drinks specials on every night starting Monday.
- 🍷 April/May Concession hours attached. This has been discussed with the City and Ryan is up to speed. Recommend we close June 1 through Sept. 1 this season. The summer is exceedingly slow and this year they are taking one rink out in June and the other out in July. Have discussed this with Mike Tajiri from the City, and he agrees it will be a slow summer. Staff are aware of this recommendation as is Ryan.
- 🍷 Roller Derby booked for next April through July.
- 🍷 Quilting Show booked for May.

7. New Business
8. Old Business
9. Next Meetings
 - ☞ Board Meeting-TBD
 - ☞ Committee Meetings
10. Round Table
11. Meeting Adjourned at 6:23PM

Minutes approved April 23/26 [Date]

A. MacKenzie

Amanda MacKenzie, President

Elaine Miller

Elaine Miller, Secretary