

Pickleball Club Board Meeting - Feb. 20, 2021

The meeting was called to order by Bryan at 10am

Board members in attendance:

Bryan Rickman - President

John Mosher - Vice President

Judy Cameron - Treasurer (via Zoom)

Fran Groot - Secretary

Darwin Pugmire - Court Maintenance

Karen Tratiak - Tournament Coordinator

Diane McGee - Player Improvement

Donna Maxwell - Player Improvement

Peggy Douglas - Social Committee

Nancy Carlson - our new Ratings Committee Chairperson

Bryan's opening remarks:

Despite the ongoing COVID situation, things are going well. Structured play and lessons have not resumed yet.

Upgrades are water bottle stations and windscreens on courts 3 & 4

Agenda: there were no changes or additions to the agenda for the meeting.

Minutes from the Jan. 16 meeting: Karen Tratiak moved to approve the amended minutes and Peggy Douglas seconded the motion. The amended minutes were unanimously approved (it was noted that the minutes are not official until they are voted upon).

Treasurer's Report:

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The bank balance as of Feb. 19, 2021 is \$8,433.01 so we are down about \$5000. We have had no income this year because we have had no tournaments or socials. The Club decided not to endorse any kind of training/classes so we have no income from that either. Fran asked about the \$5 that the club would have earned from the \$20 Roger charges for his lessons, but the lessons aren't endorsed by the club so that money is not going to the club.

John Mosher moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and it was seconded by Karen Tratiak. There was unanimous approval of the minutes.

Old Business:

Grandfathering of gold medal winners of past years: Dave Sarafinski summarized the situation that last spring the ratings committee came up with the idea about offering a higher rating so a player who participates in 1 of 2 Voyager-sponsored tournaments at a higher level than the player's rating and the player and his/her partner won the gold medal, that player (those players) would be elevated to the higher rating. So if 2 players with a 3.0 rating entered the 3.5 category and they won the gold medal, both players would be awarded a 3.5 rating. Dave and Judy Tormohlen reviewed tournament results going back 5 years and found 18 people who fit into the category. The players have not been notified but their names are listed on the ratings master list on the bulletin board (some of the people have not returned to Voyager). When the motion was offered to accept the grandfather rule, Bryan asked those in favor to raise their hands and all but one person did so there was one nay vote.

Court Usage:

John said the players are doing a good job with social distancing. There can be a log-jam at courts 13-16 at times. The pod system is working well also.

Court Maintenance:

Darwin has put out the bag with the heater to put the balls into when the temperatures go below 45 degrees at night and asks everyone to remember to put the balls in it at the end of the day.

He will ask the Activity Office to maintain the water stations.

The concrete slab by court 3, which was a tripping hazard, has been removed.

Crack repairs on courts 9-12 are ongoing and he has sprayed the weeds by the courts.

The white bench, which tends to flip if one player sits at an end, has been returned to the tennis courts. Two more picnic tables are supposed to be given to us also. Darwin will also ask for a recycle bin to be replaced in the area of courts 1-6.

A wind screen was placed between courts 2, 3, 4, & 5. \$139 was paid by the club and \$295 by management.

The gate closure on court 10 has been repaired and "holes" around the gates on courts 4, 5, 6 & 13 have been filled.

Dave Sarafinski questioned by Management is not doing a lot of the work which Darwin is doing.

New Business:

Lessons:

Jane Gilmore, with the approval of the Board and the Activity Office, would like to restart lessons on Monday & Tuesday to the end of March. The lessons would be for beginners and beginners plus. They would be on courts 3 & 4

but she is flexible on that. The lessons would be free and be limited to 8 participants. A signup sheet will be posted on the Activity Office bulletin board. Diane brought forth a motion to accept Jane's proposal and it was seconded by Donna.

The Board unanimously approved it.

A player who attended the meeting said that the lessons on courts 15 & 16 at 10:30 interrupted play at a prime time so Donna made a motion to move the lessons to 1-3pm on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday to start immediately. The motion was unanimously approved.

Donna requested a sign be put up requesting that players put balls in the tubes after disinfecting them in the solution in the buckets.

Nominating Committee:

The committee members are Karen Tratiak and Peggy Douglas. Jane Gilmore offered to be on the committee also.

The committee will search to fill the positions of Structured Play Coordinator, Social Coordinator and Maintenance Coordinator. Judy Cameron has agreed to continue as Treasurer.

Chromebook Computer:

Last year the Board authorized the past secretary to buy a computer and he bought a Chromebook Computer for \$275.75. But it is not compatible for our needs so Bryan suggested we put it up for sealed bids starting at \$75. He will send an e-mail to the community for bids. Judy put forth a motion to accept this idea and it was seconded by Karen. All voted "aye" on the motion.

There was a motion by John to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Darwin. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40am.