

Pickleball Executive Board Meeting 1-12-2022

The meeting was held at the Cottonwood Pool and started at 10:00 AM

Board Members in attendance: Mary Roper-President, Rex Daubenberger-Vice President, Terry Rutan-Secretary, Charlotte Nichol-Treasurer, Janie Grosman-Member at Large.

Invited Visitors in attendance: Wanda Siedlecki, Paul Nichol, Mike Anecito

Training Committee Report

Wanda Siedlecki and Jeff Dunn are coordinating this year's orientation and have Lois Marik, Mary Kay Hobby, Bud Johnson, and Scott Trautman as helpers. The Orientation is normally held on the 2nd & 4th Monday from 2:00-4:00 pm, but the time may change to 4:00 pm. Wanda will contact Jean Jones for the change with the HOA and will also inquire about possibly getting a new chalk board for HOA signup. Rex Daubenberger will also contact Jim Miller to find out if a new chalk board has been ordered.

Continued Training: Steve Jensen, Jeff Dunn, and Wanda Siedlecki have volunteered to do training and have met several times. Wanda will help the 1.5-2.0 players, Steve Jensen will assist the 2.5 group, and Jeff Dunn will instruct the 3.0 players. There is a possibility that Steve Jensen will do a follow-up refresher training session 2 weeks after the orientation. Wanda will meet with Steve and have further discussions.

Wanda will also attempt to schedule training for each level (1.5/2.0, 2.5, & 3.0) during their scheduled club time using 2 courts. The club will do a survey to find out how much interest the club members have.

Paul Nichol, filling in for Keith Ori, reported that they are looking into having professional training for trainers. The IPTPA (International Pickleball Teaching Professional Association) offers a program on what and how to teach pickleball lessons that also provides liability insurance for instructors. Our club would need 2 volunteers who would go through the training program, which involves a written test on rules, a specific skills demonstration, 4 hours of class time, 4 hours of instruction, and a final review. The IPTPA's website (IPTPA.com) has a list of dues & fees. Their level 1 workshop is called "Teach the Teacher", which is the entrée to the IPTPA teaching curriculum. The workshop is based on the IPTPA handbook

which outlines the appropriate skills, progressions, strategies, etc. for the beginner thru intermediate player as defined by the IPTPA Rating System. Sample lesson plans are developed and a list of appropriate drills to help each lesson are recommended as homework. Those completing the Teach the Teacher Workshop will be awarded a certificate of completion. The attendees who can successfully demonstrate the proper ball feeding techniques during their on-court teaching will be eligible for membership as an IPTPA level 1 instructor, which requires the annual payment of member dues. A level 1 instructor is certified to introduce the sport and work with beginner players up through the 2.5 level. The cost for the Teach the Teacher Workshop is \$200, the annual dues are \$120, the exam fee is \$75, and the observed teaching lesson is \$75, for a total of \$470. Jim & Christine Berney are 2 local certified instructors. Paul indicated that Keith Ori will inquire about what dates are available for the workshops.

There was some discussion about outside raters because the club does not have any at the present time, but no action was taken. Steve Manolis is a USAPA certified trainer and an IFP rater.

The HOA sponsored “Paddles without Partners” play every Friday from 6:00-7:00 pm on courts 5.6, & 7.

The Communication Committee will work on publishing pickleball articles in the Sun Lakes Splash newspaper.

Mary Roper will also contact the Communication Committee about publishing a pickleball rule each week and update the club on new USAPA rules for 2022.

Charlotte Nichol made the motion to accept the minutes from the 12/13/21 meeting, Janie Grosman seconded the motion, and the acceptance was unanimous by the board.

NIT Information: As of 1-12-2022 nobody has volunteered to coordinate this year’s NIT Tournament. Mary Roper will send all club members a notice indicating that the tournament will be cancelled if there are no volunteers by Wednesday, January 19th at 5:00pm.

SLPCC Financial Report: Beginning club balance: \$15,262.38

Deposits

Dues: \$320.00 Ball Money: \$369.00

Total Deposits: \$689.00

Expenditures

Chelsea: \$81.85 Social (deposit): \$398.41

Janie Grosman (EVIL League balls & first aid): \$301.89

Total Expenditures: \$782.15

Current Balance: \$15,169.23

Committee Updates: The rating committee is getting close to their recommendations. There are 20 members waiting in the rating pipeline and the website is not accepting any requests at the present time.

Mike Anecito had questions about PayPal continuation and credit card payments. Ascend is a service that WIX purchased and merged with. WIX will replace magic form builder & constant contact. The monthly fee is \$24.00 but may increase to \$48.00 with more forms & automations.

Charlotte Nichol made the motion to enable Ascend/WIX, Terry Rutan seconded her motion, and the acceptance was unanimous by the board.

Mary Roper made the motion to purchase Quickbooks & integrate it at no cost with WIX, Janie Grosman seconded her motion, and the acceptance was unanimous by the board.

One Paypal feature allows club members to pay reoccurring yearly club dues if the board approves. The board voted “no” to this Paypal option.

Mike Anecito has indicated that the club needs a credit card processor to accept credit card payments.

The Hamilton High School donation page is presently hidden but can be reinstated if the board desires to do so. Charlotte Nichol indicated that it should remain hidden for the present time but will reinstate it again.

Bylaws Amendments: The board reviewed all suggested changes or additions. Mary Roper will contact the bylaws committee with our questions, concerns, or changes.

Unfinished Business: Charlotte Nichol will update current records and will add PayPal & credit card expenses before an audit can be done.

The next Pickleball Executive Board Meeting will be held on Monday, February 21st @ 10:00 AM, place to be determined.

The January 12th, 2022 Executive Board meeting report submitted by:
Terry Rutan, Secretary & Rex Daubenberger, Vice President