

Jefferson City Pickleball Club Executive Board Meeting
August 18, 2021, 5-7pm
Missouri State Troopers Association-1729 E Elm

Present: Kevin Haslag, Casey Parnell, Shawn McCall, Brian Douglas, Jack Anderson, Carol Oetting, Mike Gerling, Dan Holt and Janet McGeorge

Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Officer Reports and New Business

President:

- Kasandra Gehrke – Kevin announced that after discussions with Kasandra she will be hosting events in Jefferson City October 22-24, 2021. She will be putting on clinics and lessons and will then host a scramble on October 24th. She will send information on the costs. The courts have been reserved. Kasandra is going to show Kevin how to run a scramble tournament. Due to the increased cost of her clinics from a couple of years ago, there will not be a club discount for members. She has no objection to the club adding a fee above her costs. However, the feeling is that any fee added on by the club would keep people from signing up and attending the events.
- BBQ Fundraiser. Casey was able to get Tom on the phone regarding the BBQ tentative date of September 4, 2021 (Labor Day weekend). Tom advised that he will not be negatively impacted if the club doesn't have the BBQ. Nor did he think it would prevent us from having a BBQ in the future at Schulte's. Discussion regarding having the BBQ. Issue is short amount of time and not enough time to make the event more efficient and cost effective. The board felt there was not enough time to get the event together. The board voted by a majority not to have the BBQ on September 4th. Brian Douglas offered to inform Tom of the board's decision.
- Committee Discussions. Kevin is still looking for people to assist with the Activity committee. He does not have time to full fill requirements as President and Activity chair.
 - Board members were asked to help recruit people for the committee.
 - The point was made that the activity committee is in charge of the non-pickleball social events for the club. Such as the potluck supper, Christmas party, go to a Cardinal game, ride the Katy trail etc...
 - Discussion that Covid may still impact the ability to host these types of events.
 - Shawn will send out an email requesting volunteers for the Activity Committee.
 - 501(c)3 committee – Brian and Kevin are working with Jan McGeorge to get the financials in order to obtain 501(c)3 status.
 - Janet McGeorge needs the following information from the Club:
 - Copies of the savings statements for the club.
 - Janet had questions about checks that were not cashed; checks prior to the club receiving book of checks; discussion about money from tournaments and who received benefits; discussed voided checks.
 - When making deposits need to break down the source of funds: new membership; ladder league fees, etc. (picture of deposit slip is acceptable).
 - She needs the membership and ladder league forms so she can match up the money.

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- Budget Proposal. Kevin presented his proposed budget for this fiscal year. Kevin will send the board copies of the proposed budget for further review. A final vote regarding the proposed budget will be taken at the next meeting.
- Ladder League. The last ladder league netted an approximate profit of \$1600.00. The announcement of the fall ladder league was sent out yesterday and 51 of the 80 slots are already filled. There will again hopefully be men's and women's divisions. The ladders will be broken into three ladders: beginner; intermediate; and advanced. The goal is to encourage the beginners to continue with the sport.
 - Expenses for the fall league will be greater because new balls will have to be purchased and the cost of balls has significantly increased in the past month. Up to \$180 per 100 balls (a case) want to order 3 cases. A budget proposal had also been to purchase nets to be solely used for leagues and club events. The nets will not be used for open play and will not be kept in the box at LU courts.
 - Discussion regarding absences from league this fall. The absent player will be given an average of their groups score. This is because people were missing league nights and moving up the ladder. The suggestion to give people a zero for missing was determined not to be fair because the player could never recover and work up the ladder.
 - Kevin advised that Show-Me Pickleball Club is also hosting a ladder league during the same time frame however, on a different night. Their league will be flexible allowing players to schedule their own times for matches. This is because they are unable to reserve courts through the Columbia parks and recreation.
 - Because we have Columbia players in our league will advertise their league to our members.
 - Their league is different because not as social.
 - Discussion of hope to eventually have a travel league going between Jefferson City, Columbia and other towns.
 - If anyone has ideas or suggestions for ladder league Kevin is happy to listen. Leagues are a trial and error of what works.
- Newbie Nights – The next series of Newbie nights will begin on August 19, 2021 at the LU Courts from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Believe we will have a good turnout. Karen Douglas has agreed to head up the Newbie nights that will be running through September 9, 2021.
 - JC Parks and Rec will again be having Pickleball Classes for beginners and intermediate players.
 - Hopefully we can give basics and if players desire further instruction they can sign up for the Parks and Rec program.

Vice President:

- Ball Handout – Casey handed out a list of people who still need to receive the 3 balls for being a member. Board members will assist in handing out the balls. They will advise Casey when successfully delivered.
- Special Olympics – Discussion regarding previous work with Special Olympics. Brian advised that he understood that they were going to put in outside courts and perhaps we could approach about adding pickleball lines. Casey advised it was her understanding

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that they are putting in soccer fields and that the artist who did the drawings included pickleball courts.

- YMCA – Casey submitted an updated proposal to the Y regarding redoing their outside tennis courts to pickleball courts. Scott Loethen took a satellite image and dropped it into the proposal previously created for Parks and Rec. The proposal was presented to Lucas at the Y who advised he would forward it to their facilities manager.
 - Her impression is that the Y is serious but may want to incrementally add pickleball courts.
 - Casey advised that Lucas is listening to suggestions from the club about play at the Y. For example, the Y has been purchasing Franklin X-40 pickleballs.
 - Casey will contact Lucas regarding if a decision had been made by the Y to repaint the pickleball lines on the inside courts at the Y.
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- Dylan Frazier. Casey and Kevin advised that the event was well attended.
- Newbie Nights California, MO – Casey drafted a letter for Carol to utilize to present to California Parks and Rec on what they need to getting pickleball going at Proctor Park. Carol was able to get the city to put lines on the tennis courts there.
 - Carol will make contact with California Parks and Rec director.
 - Approximate costs: nets; balls; paddles; and box for storage.
 - Included information on USPA \$250 grant and that they want community match from local entity to demonstrate community is invested.
- Other fundraisers ideas tossed around but no decision was made. Working at a restaurant for 20% of profits; Doing another Boss of the Rind event next month.
 - Worried about having a 1 day scramble or tournament. Kevin will contact K. Gerhke to see if she has a program for the scramble she would share.

Treasurer:

- Brian updated the board on the current financial status for the club.
- Checking balance. \$5,622.23
 - \$500.00, total Deposits since July 18, 2021 (memberships, ladder league subs & misc.)
- Saving balance. \$6,000.00
 - \$3,200.00 was transferred from checking to savings for the permanent court fund.
- Upcoming bills/budget report
 - \$30.00 overpayment checks cashed by Irene Foster, Karen Hackman and Max Fisher
 - \$50.00 Pizza Haus Debit for gift cards for Ladder League winners.
 - \$632.00 paid to reserve Lincoln Courts for next ladder league, newbie nights and Cassandra Gehrke for lessons and Mini Tournament.
 - \$800.39 check to Tom Kirchner cashed-reimbursement for BBQ meat and supplies.
 - Miscellaneous expenditures from Staples for medal stickers etc.

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Secretary:

- Total membership. Our current membership stands at approximately 144
- Membership spreadsheet. Working on getting spreadsheets to work and organizing computer documents. Finally able to get Excel to count members working on Gmail.
- New members. New members/renewals in past month: 13 (Kay Barbee, Doug Bare, Karen Bill, Don Boes, Sheryl Bowles, Gabe & Shawna Brueggemann, Kyle Cason, LeighAnn & John Doyle, Tillie Dowd, Betty Herndon, and Jan Thompson)
- Membership Goals 200 is goal but board believes we can get more. Membership forms will be handed out at Newbie Nights.
- Pickleball Central Contact – Contact person is who can use reward money. Decided best if contact person is someone with authority to make purchases. Per Kevin and Brian I can send their information.
 - Will request discount cards from Pickleball Central.
 - Explained program gives club members 5% discount on purchases and 5% rebate on purchases made with club code.
- Dunham's – I will renew and pick the dates for the discount weekends. Try for one fall, Christmas and spring.
- Council for Drug Free Youth – Advised the board had received a request from CDFY about possibly doing a tournament as a fundraiser together. No meeting as of yet trying to coordinate meeting with Kevin and their director.
 - Per Kevin he's available Mondays and Fridays. I will forward the information to their director.

New business

1. Committee reports: No new meetings. Working on getting members to volunteer for different committees.
2. Balls – Cost increasing need to consider if handing out balls is something can afford to continue doing.
3. Float in the Christmas parade.
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There being no further business the meeting was adjourned. The next board meeting will be held September 15th at the MO State Troopers Assoc. Bldg., 1729 E. Elm Street, Jefferson City, MO.

Respectfully Submitted,

/s/ Shawn R. McCall

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Secretary