

Jefferson City Pickleball Club Executive Board Meeting  
July 20th, 2022 5-7 p.m.  
Jan McGeorge- 1832 Valley Hi Rd, Jefferson City, MO 65101

*Present:* Jan McGeorge, Kevin Haslag, Alice Bax, Mike Gerling, Sara Gretlein, Wanda Mehrhoff, Gale Bailey and Matt Zeitz.

July Executive Board Meeting Minutes

**Officer Reports and New Business**

**President:**

- **Club Stickers** – Jan volunteered to go through the process of ordering the decals for the club.
- **Spring Ladder League** – The Spring Ladder League ended and the majority of the medals have been handed out and pictures taken. I posted the winners on Facebook and the club website. This was the most competitive and fun league thus far. The expense report was finalized and handed over to Jan for processing. Half of the income from the league will be put in the permanent court fund. I would like to thank all the league players who chipped in towards a gift card, it was not expected but appreciated.
- **Permanent Courts Proposal** – There are no updates on the permanent court proposal. The project is still on hold. When we get the Facility Committee staffed that will be a priority for them.
- **Scramble** – I'm waiting for the weather to cool down just a little to hold our first scramble.
- **New Executive Staff**

President – Kevin Haslag

Vice President – Mike Gerling

Treasurer – Jan McGeorge

Secretary – Sara Gretlein

- **General Membership Meeting** – The meeting was held on June 18, 2022 at the Lincoln University Tennis Courts. Grilled burgers, hot dogs, chips and cookies were served. A very special thank you to Jack and Jo Anderson for grilling the food, and Brian Douglas and Jan McGeorge for picking up and delivering supplies. Also a big thank you to Joel Mietzner for donating water on the very hot day. I would also like to thank all the volunteers that help set up and take down for the event.

The mini tournament was well received and turned out to be fairly competitive and fun. I was stuck between making sure everyone had enough games but not too many, but it seemed to be about right for most. In the end the following teams were the final three:

1. Dan Holt and Tim Banek
2. Sara Gretlein and Caroline Andriano
3. Joe Mertzluft and Darin Hackmann

Congratulations to everyone who participated and thanks to the volunteers that helped me at the tournament desk, especially Carol Oetting who kept me organized.

Giveaways – Congrats to everyone that won prizes at the event.

- **LU Court Updates** – Mike Gerling, Jan McGeorge and Kevin met with Aaron Grefrath and Anthony Weeks at Parks and Rec to talk about the status of painting lines on the back courts. We were introduced to Anthony and informed that he will be in charge of all pickleball related functions for Parks and Rec. Aaron advised that they got bids and have the funds to paint the lines, they are waiting for approval from Lincoln University Maintenance Supervisor to actually complete the work. Lincoln is still concerned how painting permanent pickleball lines will affect tennis players. We also asked if they could put a bleacher by the water fountain and were told they would check with Lincoln to see if that is possible. We thanked them for installing the storage box and asked if we could make some minor adjustments to it. They were ok with that. Also the windsock and a paddle holder was brought up and Aaron is going to check into those items for us. We also thanked them for the two new nets and said we would try to make sure members take care of them. We also informed them that the timer for the front courts doesn't seem to be working correctly. They sent maintenance a message about it. I would like to thank Aaron and Anthony for being receptive to our club and considering our requests.
- **Newbie Event** – Now that we've had "train the trainer" we can plan another newbie event. I plan to set up a new committee that this will be housed in. We will follow the procedures that were set in the train the trainer event so the new committee will have to discuss how to proceed with that.
- **Member Renewals** – Numbers are down a little with renewing members. Members that joined before July 7<sup>th</sup> are entered into a drawing to win prizes. The winners will be announced at the meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Vice President: Welcome Mike Gerling.**

**Treasurer:**

- **Membership – 2022-2023**  
171 Renewal Members  
3 Lifetime Members  
23 New Members

New Members since last meeting are: Caroline Andriano, Bill Whitfield, Anne Rackers, Tom Cockrum, Greg Wene, Gary Thomen, Heyes, Sarah, and Charlotte Fessler, Jennifer Stephens, Steve and Melissa Rockers, Mike Hittner, Clara McGowin and Richard Coffey.

- **LOGO Items Order Forms** – We have 78 items ordered by club members, a total of \$1,422. I have placed the order for club member purchased items and the club free t-shirts on Monday the 18<sup>th</sup>. We should be receiving them the first week of August.

We had to have an order of 12 water bottles to purchase them from Custom Promotional Branding and we only have 6, we will be ordering them through EssenceOfEleganceGift and should arrive about the same time and at about the same price.

- **Club Stickers** – The stickers had been ordered from Vinyl Disorder and have arrived. I will have a sticker to pass around for the board to see. The stickers will be handed out when the shirts and photos are taken.
- **Spring Ladder League** – With the Board's approval one-half of the ladder league profit was moved to the permanent court fund after all expenses were calculated and confirmed with Kevin's calculations and the financial.
- **Dues and T-Shirt Funds** – A discussion was brought up last meeting, as to if we should transfer \$10.00 of every membership fee or a fixed percentage of dues to the Permanent Court Fund. No decision was made. We need to address this at today's meeting.

Forty-Three members declined the t-shirt and therefore, a total of \$430 was transferred to the Permanent Court Fund.

- **2022-2023 Budget** – The budget has been prepared for evaluation and will need to be reviewed and approved with any changes to be made.
- **June Final Financial for 2021-2022**

- **Cash** – \$9,252.54
- **Permanent Court Fund** – \$11,144.11

**Income** – \$1,015.70

Membership - \$896.70

Apparel Income - \$119.00 (This is from Members Purchases)

**Expenses** – \$1,738.68

Membership Expenses - \$436.75

Spring Ladder League - \$9.20

Website - \$199.99

Insurance - \$1,014.00

Equipment/Supplies – \$33.74  
Miscellaneous Expenses - \$45.00 (Sam's Club Membership)

**Net Gain – \$3,932.37**

**2021-2022 Fiscal Year**

**Income** – \$19,704.98  
**Expenses** – \$10,053.18  
**Net Gain** – \$9,651.80

- **July Current Financial**

- o **Cash** – \$8,972.53
- o **Permanent Court Fund** – \$11,144.11

**Income** – \$1,015.70

Membership - \$896.70  
Apparel Income - \$119.00 (This is from Members Purchases)

**Expenses** – \$85.71

Spring Ladder League - \$75.98  
Miscellaneous Expenses - \$9.73

**Net Gain** – \$929.99

**2022-2023 Fiscal Year**

**Income** – \$1,015.70  
**Expenses** – \$85.71  
**Net Gain** – \$929.99

- **990N Federal Income Tax** – Has been filed and approved by the IRS.

**New Business**

- **Member Renewals** – We currently have 197 members. The board used a random number generator using the members club ID and 16 winners were selected for the early registration

giveaways. The giveaways were for club events, pickles, shirts, water bottles and pickleballs. Kevin posted the winners on Facebook on July 21st, 2022.

- **New Board Members** – Jan McGeorge made a motion to vote on the 5 new board members and the motion was seconded by Mike Gerling. The executive board approved the 5 new members- Wanda Mehrhoff, Gale Bailey, Alice Bax, Matt Zeitz and Tom Kirchner.
- **Minutes** – Sara Gretlein made a motion to approve the June minutes and Mike Gerling seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.
- **Member Appreciation Day** – Kevin reported the club has lost 35-40 members from last year to this year. The board discussed hosting an event on Friday, August 5th at the Lincoln courts with open play and watermelon. The event will start at 7:00 p.m. Kevin will reserve the courts. Mike will check with Fischer farms to see if they have watermelons. Wanda suggested getting donations of watermelons. An estimate of 10 watermelons for the event with the option of getting more if needed. Jan will make a flyer to email to members. The flyer will also be placed at various places such as St. Martins, Taos and Wardsville.

There will be a check in list for members playing in the event.

- **Committees** – Kevin made the recommendation to break up the Activity committee into 2 committees (competition committee and social committee). Five other committees were discussed giving the board a total of 7 committees. Those committees are :
  1. Competition committee – handles leagues, boss of the brine and tournaments.
  2. Social committee – handles organized play with other clubs, various social events.
  3. Communications committee – handles monthly newsletter
  4. Permanent Court committee – researching options for permanent courts in Jefferson City.
  5. Fundraising Committee – discuss options for fundraising for the club (raffles, bake sale, 50/50, silent auction).
  6. Membership Committee – Organize the storefront. Work on retaining members, recruitment, diversity.
  7. Player Development Committee – handle newbie events, clinics and drilling.

The committees are listed in the by-laws and new committees can be appointed. Jan McGeorge made a motion to change the committees to the 7 listed and the motion was seconded by Wanda Mehrhoff. The motion was approved. Jan will put the committees and responsibilities on the google drive.

Alice asked when recruiting for the committees will start and that the list of members interested for various committees is listed on the drive.

- **Budget** – Jan had emailed and brought copies of the proposed budget for 2022-2023 for the board to review and approve. The board requested the following changes – increase in expenses for social events to be raised from \$1,200 to \$1,500. An increase in expenses for

the website to be raised from \$350 to \$500. Miscellaneous expenses to be raised from \$350 to \$450. The club does not currently use an attorney but it is listed in the expense section of the budget at \$500 if needed. The club currently has 6 pickleball nets and would like to add 2 more which would come out of the equipment and supplies expenses.

The board discussed the possibility of purchasing a computer for the tournament league director – Kevin or possibly the secretary. No final decision was made. A decision was made to purchase an external drive for backup of Kevin’s computer files. Jan noted that it is best practice to overestimate expenses and underestimate income when creating the budget.

Kevin made a motion to approve the budget and Alice seconded the proposal. The budget was approved and Jan has updated the changes made and put them on the google drive.

- **Goals** – The JCPC goals for 2022-2023 are listed in the google drive under goals. The board discussed the goals for the current year. The board will meet monthly and the committees will meet monthly either in person or by some other method of communicating. The chairperson of each committee will report any pertinent information to the executive board. The new directory will be completed by the September 21st board meeting. The board discussed donating to the Sellinger Center for the local charity and Wanda reports she is a member of St. Peters Church.

The board discussed needing a location for the holiday party this year.

The long term goal of finding permanent courts was discussed. The board is still doing research as the Washington Park courts, YMCA and the Special Olympics options are not viable at this time. The board discussed finding land to build courts and more information on this option will be discussed in future meetings.

- **Survey** – Jan McGeorge read out the proposed questions for the member survey. The board will use Survey Monkey and will send the survey in an email with a link. The survey is intended to get information from the members about what they want from the club. The survey will be sent to the board first before sending it to all of the members.
- **Newsletter** – The newsletter will be sent monthly to members and will consist of upcoming events, member highlights, club highlights, information about pickleball. The newsletter will be 1-2 pages in length. Sara Gretlein will check with Karen Wisch or Holly Withrow for help with the newsletter.
- **Future Events** – The club will host a newbie event soon but a date was not set. It was discussed when hosting a newbie event to keep the information simple for beginning pickleball players. New players don’t need to be overwhelmed with information or to learn to keep score. The board will ask some of the participants from the “Train the Trainer” event to help with the newbie session.

Mike Gerling will be in charge of the Boss of the Brine events and the board is considering offering those monthly. The board also discussed hosting a scramble which brings in more money for the club than hosting the Boss of the brine events.

- **Type of League** – Kevin is researching hosting a team league with a 3.0 division and a 3.5 division. Each division would have 16 men and 16 women. There will be 8 teams of 4 with 2 men and 2 women on each team. Each of the 8 teams will have a captain and the captain picks the other 3 members of their team.  
What to do when a player needs a sub was discussed. At this point the player needing a sub would get their own sub from the sub list.
- **Fundraisers** – Kevin asked the board to come up with ideas as to what kind of fundraisers the club would want to pursue. Some ideas discussed were raffles, 50/50, silent auction and bake sales. The board will discuss this further at the August meeting.
- **Bylaws** – The bylaws are in good shape and no changes will be made at this time.
- **Event Calendar** – Jan brought up the discussion of adding an event calendar to the JCPB website. The board will start with adding 1-2 months at a time on the website.

**Vice President:** Mike reports he is happy to be on board.

Alice made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Gale seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned and the next meeting will be held on August 18th, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Sara Gretlein*

Sara Gretlein, Secretary