

Jefferson City Pickleball Club
Executive Board Meeting
February 24, 2023 5-7 P.M.
YMCA Conference Room

MINUTES

Those attending the February meeting were Kevin Haslag- President, Tom Kirchner-Board Member, Mike Gerling-Vice President and Alice Bax-Board Member. Jan McGeorge-Treasurer attended via phone.

Kevin Haslag, President

- **Permanent Courts Proposal** – Since the last meeting several organizations have talked about installing permanent outdoor pickleball courts. **Parks and Recreation** are in the planning stages of building 8 outdoor courts on an old ballfield (I believe Duensing) in the Washington Park area. They got the project approved and are surveying the area to be used. **YMCA** approved a project to add multipurpose courts at the Firley location. Construction has started on the old outdoor tennis courts. The old fence was taken down and the retaining wall was rebuilt. Planning is underway for what will be built there and we were told it included permanent outdoor pickleball courts. We offered our help in the planning and construction process and are waiting to hear back from them. **Soccer Complex** is still planning to build courts at the Special Olympics location. They are still in the planning stages and we were told it would be in phase 2 after the soccer fields are built.
- **Winter Ladder Leagues** –The winter ladder league concluded February 11th and it was one of the most competitive leagues to date. The standings were closer than ever. There were a couple hiccups with the courts but everyone was patient and we worked through them. I would like to thank everyone who helped me set up and take down. I couldn't do these things without you. I still have to hand out medals and get pictures taken. The winners were:
3.5+ 1. Scott Loethen 2. Tom Pitera 3. Diwa Desig
3.0 1. Javed Choudhry 2. Bruce Scovil 3. Caroline Andriano
2.5 1. Loreen Mall 2. Kalpana Diwakar 3. Sheryl Miller
Congratulations all!

- **Scramble** – A scramble was initially planned at the end of leagues but scheduling didn't work out. A scramble is in planning and information will come out shortly. I'm hoping to get medals handed out either before or at the scramble.
- **Newbie Event and Clinic** – Dennis Gragg has taken over the planning and organization for the newbie events. He is planning to run quarterly newbie events followed up by extended teaching sessions. I have heard nothing except positive feedback on Dennis and his teaching style. A very special thank you goes out to Dennis! Great job!
- **League Medals** – The league medals were delivered and look nice. We should be set on medals for a while. Thank you Kurt Dudenhoeffer for arranging a great deal on the medals..
- **League Balls** – We received 2 cases of new pickleballs just in time to replace league balls and replenish new member balls.
- **Facebook New Member Post** – We are up to 895 members on our group page.

Mike Gerling, Vice President

Mike Gerling had no new information to report at this time.

Sara Gretlein, Secretary

Sara was not able to attend meeting but reported information from committees:

- **Facility Committee** – The committee continues to look for more indoor playing options.
- **Fundraising Committee** – No new information to report at this time.
- **Player Development Committee** – Dennis emailed a summary report of the newbie events held in December and January. Dennis emailed his thoughts about future events- “My thought is that we should schedule four similar events each year. I would like to schedule the next one outside, perhaps late March or early April. I think the 3 follow-up sessions were valuable to the new players”.

Tentative thoughts about future schedule:

1. Late March – early April
2. June-ish
3. Early September or mid-October (I will be out of the country in late September – early October)
4. December

Dennis discussed with Kevin and Alice some thoughts about organizing a used paddle swap sale to be held in conjunction with the Newbie events. They will be able to share the basic thoughts with the board.

Dennis would like some ideas from the board about what things (if any) the Development Committee could offer to club members other than newbies.

- **Social Committee** – Tim is thinking about a gathering at Last Flight Brewery when the weather is warmer and we can get together outside. He is requesting money for pizza that could be purchased for the event. Maybe \$75 or asking members to bring something to share. He stated it would be nice to get approval before the event.
- **Membership Committee** – The club now has 237 members. 57 of those members are brand new members to the club. 11 members have not picked up their t-shirts and 46 members are wanting to be in the directory but have not had pictures taken at this time.
- **Communications Committee** – Monthly newsletters continue and are sent to members as well as posting on FB. Printed copies are posted at the YMCA.

Jan McGeorge, Treasurer:

- **February to Date Checking and Permanent Court Funds**

Checking – \$4,950.27

Permanent Court Fund – \$16,626.43

Total Assets - \$21,576.70

2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Income – \$8,951.77

Expenses – \$6,561.72

Net Gain – \$2,390.05

The Financials for November, December 2022, January 2023 and the current to-date February Financial were attached to agenda for your review.

- **November Financial - Donation Expense**

Donation to Samaritan Center Santa's Workshop from the Club was \$500 and the donation from the club members was \$520.

- **December Financial Supplies and Miscellaneous Expenses:**

Club Pickleballs - 134.54

Microsoft 360 software for Kevin's New Computer - 69.99

- **January Financial Supplies Expenses:**

Medals for Competitions - \$613.21

- **Winter Ladder League – Total:**

Income - \$1,937

Expenses - \$77. Still owe the YMCA for court rental.

New Business Discussed:

- **November Minutes** – Motion by Mike Gerling to approve, Seconded by Alice Bax. Minutes were approved.
- **Holiday Party** – The holiday party was held at Bones side bar and was a success. The food was good and the socializing was awesome. It was suggested that we book a location for next year to get that locked up. The Prison Brews Side Bar is available and the charge is \$100 from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm. The dates discussed were December 1 or December 8. Attendees can choose to buy food and drinks if they want. It was motioned by Kevin Haslag to book the room, seconded by Mike Gerling. Alice Bax will book the room for an early December date that is available.

- **Future Events** – Need to talk with the Social committee about some future events. I think it would be a good idea to have functions that support our members that have businesses. I talked with Stephen Gao about possibly having a social event at his restaurant in Fulton and he said he would make that work. Also I had someone tell me we could rent the bowling alley in St Elizabeth for \$25 an hour. This would be a fun, cheap event for the club. Other suggestions are welcome as well.
- **League Funds to Permanent Court Funds** – Need to move funds from winter league to permanent court funds.
- **DUPR Ratings** – I plan to revisit the DUPR rating system. It would help immensely with running leagues, plus it would give everyone an idea of where their rating is.

Alice made a motion to end the meeting and the motion was seconded by Kevin. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Alice Bax and Jan McGeorge