

Jefferson City Pickleball Club

Agenda for April Executive Board Meeting

Lincoln Courts

4:07 p.m. April 24, 2025

Meeting Attendees: Dennis Gragg, Alice Bax, Jan McGeorge, Cathy McGeorge, Jane Abbott, Kevin Haslag, Mike Gerling, Doug Blaha and Penny Thomas.

Approval of the March minutes: Alice motioned to approve the minutes as stands, Mike seconded, all approved.

Old Business:

- **April 28 election and open play – The online registration form was completed and launched. Online election of officers for the Jefferson City Pickleball club ends at midnight on April 27th. Paper ballots will be available at our April 28th meeting and open play at Lincoln courts beginning at 5:00 PM for members who have not had a chance to vote. Results are being sent to a private email to keep results private and secure. Results will be tallied and turned over to the secretary.**
- **May Pickle-Dilly - The registration site has been created and launched. We have over 60 entries already. The Flyer has been sent out. May 8th is the last day for registration if they want t-shirts. We may have to reconsider the rainout days, because the following weekend is the Show-Me Games. Currently we have 35 sponsors. Janet Bloemke and Carol Oetting have agreed to help with the tournament again. Thanks to all who are helping. We will need to keep the banner deadline in mind. We are hoping the event will be at Washington Park courts and the concession stand will be open.**
- **The Spring Ladder League - starts Thursday, April 24th. We have 75 players. Play will start at Lincoln and hopefully get moved to Washington Park when the courts are repaired.**
- **April 12 social event with Columbia had 56 signed up and it was a nice event. Next year it is suggested the rounds are played 4 on 4 off.**
- **Online Marketplace – Due to lack of usage and it is a lot of work to keep updated, the Marketplace will be removed from the website. Alice made the**

motion, Mike seconded, all approved. If someone has a pickleball item for sale they can list it on the Facebook page.

- **Member Appreciation Day – Jane will set up a Saturday date in mid to late July for the BBQ to introduce the new board and committee leaders, report on the year-end financials, and plan the following year's activities.**

New Business:

1. **We hope to submit By-laws changes to the club members in July with an August target date for vote, possibly taking effect in December or next July. Cathy will inform members by email that we are working on changes to the by-laws. What was set up when we had 50 members needs revision now that we have almost 300 members. The by-laws committee consists of Doug Blaha, Mike Bloemke and Dennis chairs the committee. We will survey members for their input, we also ask the board to email JCPBC any items you think should be addressed.**
2. **Website and its future upkeep information by Karen Wisch was discussed with no decision made. Right now, we use (GoDaddy) WordPress, which is like renting a small apartment — limited space, fewer options, and less control. By switching to WordPress.org and hosting our site on a server, we'd be moving into a house we own — more space, more freedom, and better performance. A server is like a powerful computer that stores our website and sends it to people when they visit. A good server equals faster loading, fewer issues, and better experience for visitors. Why Switch to a Paid Version of WordPress?**
 - **Speed: A server is faster than WordPress's basic plan — our website will load quicker, which keeps visitors engaged.**
 - **Resources: We get more storage, power, and flexibility to grow our site.**
 - **Cost-effective: \$145 for 4 years of hosting. After that, it's about \$450 for the next 4 years — still cheaper than most.**
 - **Full control: With WordPress.org, we can install any plugin or design we want — no limits. Bonus: If we were paying a developer to host and manage everything, it could cost \$300 per year or more. By finding a server ourselves, we save money and get better performance.**

3. Using Sign Up Genius was discussed with no decision made.

Vice President: Mike, no report

Treasurer:

- **The Certificate of Deposit is due to mature on May 3, 2025. We will have enough funds in the Money Market account to pay our portion of the shade structures at Washington Park of \$16,585.67. I suggest that we renew the CD at \$27,000. I will check on the renewal interest rate on May 3rd.**

March 31, 2025 Financial

- **Checking – \$5,599.69**
- **Facility/Development & Enhancement Fund-Money Market – \$19,641.81**
- **Investments – \$26,540.55**
- **Accounts Payable – \$48.51**
- **Total Assets – \$51,733.54**

• **2024-2025 Fiscal Year to Date**

- **Income – \$13,178.94**
- **Expenses – \$6,268.67**
- **Net Gain – \$6,910.27**

Expenses:

- **Interest Income on Certificate of Deposit and Money Market - \$315.17**
- **P.O. Box Rental - \$192.00**

- **April 24, 2025 Current Funds as of today**

- **Checking – \$11,340.64**
- **Facility/Development & Enhancement Fund – \$19,641.81**
- **Investments – \$26,540.55 (7-month CD)**
- **Accounts Payable – \$48.51**
- **Total Assets – \$57,474.49**

- **2024-2025 Fiscal Year**

- **Income – \$20,453.80**
- **Expenses – \$7,802.58**
- **Net Gain – \$12,651.722**

Income:

- **Pickle-Dilly Tournament - \$3,586.72**
- **Spring Ladder League - \$3,296.17**

Expense:

- **Pickle-Dilly Tournament Expense for Courts - \$680.00**
- **Spring Ladder League Court Rental - \$240.00**
- **Website Web Hosting & PHP Extended Support - \$155.76**
- **Insurance - Accident - \$356.00**

Committee Reports:

Facility committee: Mike Gerling

The shade structures PO is still in the works, Parks and Rec will also include tables and chairs under the structures. The date for repairing court damage is still

not determined. P&R will put in steps to go to the women's bathroom when they remodel the outside of the concession stand.

Social committee: Jane Abbott

No report

Communications committee: Cathy McGeorge

- We need photos and articles for May 7th newsletter
- We would like to provide an events calendar for the newsletter and web site.

Fundraising committee: Donna Harden

Report by Brian in New Business.

Membership committee: Janet McGeorge

- Membership is 278 members as of today.
- We need to vote on the incentive item for 2025-2026 new and renewed memberships. Suggesting a \$10 certificate to the store-front to purchase merchandise. Alice made the motion to approve, Brian seconded, all approved.
- We need to update the Membership Registration and Welcome letter.
- We are planning to start new and renewal memberships on June 1st.
- General Liability & D&O Policy is due in May for approx. \$1,200.00.
- We need to get the 2025-2026 budgets done to approve in June.
- Janet will update the membership handbook.

Player Development committee: Dennis Gragg

The Intro to PB group has about 25 enrolled. We also had about 14 volunteer coaches. I scheduled the full-time offers, and I am using the PT volunteers as substitutes. We will use the Erne in the 4th week of the class.

We are planning to begin the next Intro class in June and a free mini ladder league for beginner level members in July.

Committee reports

Competition committee: Kevin Haslag report covered in Old Business.

Announcements from the Board:

Dennis will schedule the July Mini Ladder League for beginners and a drill court.

May meeting date May 21st 5:30 PM at Firley YMCA

Cathy made the motion and Brian seconded, all approved to schedule our meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 5:30 PM.

Motion to Adjourn by Dennis at 5:17 PM, seconded by Mike, all approved.