

BFPC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

4:00 pm, June 21, 2023

Meeting called to order by Sandi at 4:00pm.

In attendance: Sandi, Kim, Laurie, Bob, Joe and Amy. Excused: Dave.

Joe assigned to take minutes. (Again, Is there no end to this torture?)

Motion to approve minutes from last meeting; minutes approved by acclamation. Joe to send out the final copy.

Amy presented the financial report. She reported that there was \$14,400 in the account as of the end of May. We currently have 512 members and that the roster ties in to PayPal account. The refund was received for the Orange balls and we have purchases another 100 of the seamless balls.

Laurie began discussion of the work on the summer pool party. Date of the party is August 16. We will go from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. Catering will be by Middle of the Island and cost per person is \$17.99 to us. Laurie will also have to finish choosing the menu. She will be picking 2 meats and 6 sides. Included are tea, water and bread. We spoke about what we will charge members. There is sufficient money in the treasury to subsidize the party. Amy noted that we could charge \$10 per person and subsidized the rest. We will allow up to 200 people to attend but expect about 150. Caterer needs the number 4-5 days in advance. We believe that they bring their own serving tables, but Laurie will confirm. We will set up under the awning near the pool, but we can't reserve the spot, we'll have to get there early and claim it.

The other costs associated with the party will be by the DJ (\$250) and incidentals. Kim will set up the registration to start on August 2nd and run until August 10th. We'll track attendees by issuing wristbands on entry. Amy has one unopened packet of 500 wristbands in Caribbean blue for the pool party. They are paper-ish but should hold up in water. They are same ones used last year. She also has 2 rolls of raffle tickets should we need them.

Sandi brought up checking out venues for the (Christmas) Holiday Party. Sandi, Laurie, and other Board members who want to take part, will be heading over to check the Leland Cultural Arts Center and the Community College on July 12th at 1:00 pm. They may check over other places at the same time.

Bob report that we continue to use up balls. He has 100 new Franklin X balls to distribute as needed.

The plaque for Coach Pete is ready and will be presented on June 30th at 9:30 am at the Fitness Center Courts if he is able to be present. The plaque will be mounted at the courts. A large card was presented for the Board to sign. Joe signed for Dave.

Sandi noted that Dave suggested that we might want to use Brunswick Forest Magazine to publicize functions and promote our club. The Plaque Presentation might be a good starting point, apparently we would have to write our own articles and submit them with pictures. It seems like a good idea.

Dave had also suggested that we get a pickle ball machine for the club. The machines cost anywhere from \$600 to \$2100. We discussed it but made no decision as we don't know how we would control it or who would be allowed to use it. We will discuss it further at future meetings.

Joe reported that recent Round Robins have had problem getting enough people, especially in

the 7:00 pm spots. Sandi noted that some “people don’t like the current format and say we should we go to a ladder instead”. Amy spoke about setting up a spread sheet to run the computations required for one but determined that it isn’t feasible for the club as big as ours. Thoughts were that there are two problems with the current format; people don’t like having the same partner for the whole night, and the 7:00 pm time

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frame is a problem for some. Since there is only one more left until we stop for the summer, we won’t change for now, but in the fall we will try moving the matches to 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm and also rotating partners in a true round robin fashion. Laurie has a program which will randomize matches automatically.

The next meeting of the Board will be at 4:00 pm on July 28th. We will meet in the area under the overhang by the pool.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.

