

WRPBC General Membership Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 7th, 2021

Watering Hole, 5pm

Glenn Saucier, President introduced Dale Marin (past president). Dale explained his role regarding nominating people to fill next years board positions and asked the members present to consider serving on the election committee.

Tournament Goals: Glenn Saucier, gave a brief explanation of some of the goals for the 2022 Tournament, to be held April 1-3, 2022.

We are hoping to have refs for all games, better (costlier) pickleballs, massage table, ice cream cart, raffle items, food to be provided for refs, players, and volunteers. Pro exhibition matches, after party, charity concert for the entire community.

Tournament Budget: Glenn went over the budget that had been uploaded onto the website for members to view before coming to this meeting. The general philosophy regarding the budget was to under promise and over deliver. The estimates for profit were calculated on the low side and the estimates for cost were calculated on the high side. That provides us with a fair amount of certainty that we will bring in more than estimated. Also, we will be donating a percentage of the proceeds to a recognized charity, as is required as a 501 c3. The moneys received are required to go to furthering the club and club play.

After fielding all the questions from the members present, Kelly Falkenberg made a motion to approve the budget for the WRPBC 2022 Tournament, the motion was seconded by Dale Marin, the budget was approved by the majority of the members.

Volunteers: We have several volunteer opportunities to make the Tournament run smoothly. The Leads for these groups were identified and the members present were encouraged to sign up for a group that they felt they may have particular interest or skills to add to the group. Volunteers do not need to belong to the club to participate.

Suggestions / ideas: At this point we went over all the suggestions gathered from the suggestion box at the courts and all of the suggestions emailed in prior to the meeting. Most of the suggestions were regarding member morning play and different scenarios for improving the paddle rack system that is currently in place.

After discussing each new idea, the conclusion was that the current system is satisfactory at this time, due to the limited courts we have. It was put to a vote and the majority of the members present voted to keep the current paddle rack and court set up. Courts 1 through 3 for competitive play, and courts 4 through 6 for recreational.

One concern that was brought to our attention was the issue regarding visitors and drop in players from town. For the summer we will more than likely not have an issue with too many visitors causing overcrowding on the courts, but by fall we will need to understand the policies regarding people that are here as renters for multiple months at a time.

It was emphasized that we all are obligated to be pro-active if we see others not observing court etiquette, such as, four players that will not come off the courts when others are waiting. Members should step up and politely point out that there are paddles in the rack, in other words players are waiting.

Generally, this meeting was a success as one of the goals of the WRPBC Board is to welcome and hear out all ideas and concerns of the members to enhance everyone's experience on and off the courts.