

WRPBC Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 2, 2022
2:00 PM The Ranch House

Call to order – Kelly Falkenberg, President **Roll Call** – Kathleen Gallegos, Secretary, **Present Kelly Falkenberg, Simon Schiff, Nancy Miller, Kathleen Gallegos, Greg Marugg, Julie Pon**

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of February 2, 2022 regular Board meeting were approved via email vote on February 7, 2022. Motion made by SS, 2nd by NM, the majority board members present at the meeting voted to approve the minutes as written: Abstain GM

Adjustments to the Agenda – **NONE**

1. Reports –

- A. Treasurer / Membership – Nancy Miller, **Nancy presented the Statement of Activity by the Month, and our Statement of Financial Position, and the 2022 proposed vs actual budget. Nothing out of the ordinary to report.**
- B. Vice President’s report – Simon Shiff,
 - I. **Implementation / Status of current project. Simon has been capturing the numbers and putting them in a graph format to further our position regarding more courts. Corby has asked us to continue to capture the numbers through March.**
- C. Director at Large – Greg Marugg
 - 1. **Structured Play – Structured play has been going smoothly, and livepickleball.com, is enhancing our ability to invite our club members out to participate in various types of play.**
 - 2. **Social Media – Julie Pon has been doing a great job at updating our FB page with pictures and updates on our activities here, and off property at tournaments in other cities. Good job Julie!**
 - 3. **Social Activities – Glow Pickleball? Greg has been actively looking into having us host a glow pickleball event. Greg is pricing out doing it ourselves vs having someone come in and do the work for us.**
- D. **2022 Tournament – Glenn Saucier, Glenn was not present, but provided updates via email. To date we have 113 players registered. This number is up from last month. Glenn has been emailing local clubs with a PDF promoting our tournament in April 2022. Glenn was also able to get a discount on the pickle balls needed for the tournament, from Franklin! The sponsorship team has done a great job to secure sponsors from local businesses.**

2. General Membership/Public Comment: This time is reserved for any person to address the Board about any *listed* discussion item or provide input to be considered prior to the Board voting on any of the following: **NONE**

3. Discussion Items

- a. **Board & Club goals for 2022 (discussion has begun on line on Jan 20, 2022)**
 - I. **Emphasis on the “community” aspect of the club, and keeping the club as inclusive as possible with our limited courts. It is the general consensus that the tenor of our club should be as welcoming to all players as we can manage. We have a lot of new people that are interested in playing pickleball. and with our limited courts we will naturally experience some crowded conditions. As a club we would like to manage those in the most equitable way possible. We will need to be open minded about how to best do that and we are working toward that end. (see item 3 II.)**

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- II. Should we institute a round table discussion w/ interested club members to hear what their “hot topics” are? **It was decided that this was a good idea and we have set the first Round Table discussion for March 7 @ 11:30 am at the Stadium Court.**
 - III. Shall we start an academy as a “next step” for beginners? **Yes! We think there is merit in providing another outlet for beginners to transition into member morning play. Although they are more than welcome to play during regular member play, many have expressed that they feel a little intimidated to just jump in. A few beginners have also expressed, they do not always feel welcome. Starting with the board, we want to actively seek out and welcome new people when we see them, and we hope our regular players will also extend a friendly hand. It was decided that Greg and Nancy will flesh out a format for an Academy that will focus on beginners. This might include such activities as skills and drills, stretching properly before and after play, conditioning your body to prepare to play, etc.**
 - IV. Should we focus on skills and drills? **See item 3. III.**
 - V. Should we institute a court reservation system? **After much discussion it was determined that at this time a reservation system, a. would have to be managed by Troon, b.it would probably be a much worse scenario than what we face now, as we only have 6 dedicated pickleball courts.**
 - VI. Reassign courts to 2/2/2? **Beginner / Intermediate / Advanced? This idea has merit and we will be discussing it at the Round Table meeting on March 7 @ 11:30 at the stadium court.**
 - VII. Should we survey low level participation club member to determine what would be necessary to involve them more? **It was decided to hold off on this. We may get an answer to this question during our Round Table discussions.**
- b. 2022 Board meeting calendar & Annual To-Do (attachments) February To Do.

I. Begin Board discussion regarding following years WRPBC Tournament (director, date, committees etc.) **We talked about a tournament going forward, and the general sense was, with all of the logistics involved in running a tournament, and with so many local tournaments being held, (that our club members can be involved in), it does not seem necessary. We will continue to entertain the idea and look into the feasibility of holding tournaments here at WR. This discussion brought up the fact that as a club, if we did not hold tournaments that raise a lot of money, we would not need our 501c3 status, and it would make running the club much simpler. If we want to go in that direction it would require a vote from the club members. We will continue to discuss this idea going forward and work toward a goal of making the best decision for our club as a whole.**

II. Website DOMAIN payment (\$41) due in 2025. **This payment is not due until 2025 but will remain on the To Do as a reminder.**

4. Action Items

- a. **Kelly will send out an email to invite all club members to the Round Table discussion to be held March 7th @ 11:30 at the Stadium courts.**
- b. **Nancy and Greg will work on the format for the beginner Academy, and present it to the Board.**

5. **General Membership/Public Comment:** This time is reserved for any person to address the Board with requests for *future* agenda discussion or action items **NONE**

6. Other Business

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- a. Agenda items for next Board meeting **NONE**

- 7. **Closed Session:** The Board reserves this time, as needed, to recess into a Closed Session to discuss and/or act upon any sensitive club issues, and will then provide any resulting report out of Closed Session

- 8. **Adjournment,** on a motion made by NM, and 2nd by GM, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn this meeting at 3:46 pm.