

## SCPA BOARD MEETING

May 6, 2024

6:00 p.m.com

SCPA Office – Tyus Park

### Minutes – SCPA Members

- I. **Spalding County Summer Program:** Will Doss, Executive Pastor, Eagles Way Church, in conjunction with Griffin-Spalding School System, made a brief presentation to the SCPA Board, seeking permission to host a Kids BBQ Challenge Pickleball event on June 28<sup>th</sup> for 100 – 150 students. A vote was taken among board members after the meeting was formally called to order.
- II. **Call to Order:** Wynn Harris motioned to call the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Connie Baldwin seconded the motion.
- III. **Invocation:** Mike offered the opening prayer.
- IV. **Attendees:** Wynn Harris, Brandon Barkley, Connie Baldwin, James Corbett, Mike Gumbinger, Linda Vaughn, and Doris Rountree (newly-added SCPA Board Member to replace vacating board member).
- V. **Approval of the Minutes (April 8<sup>th</sup> Regular Board Meeting & April 16<sup>th</sup> Called Board Meeting):** Connie made a motion to accept the minutes; Wynn seconded the motion. Minutes accepted.
- VI. **Financial Report:** James Corbett offered the current financial reporting and said that SCPA made \$6310.00 on the Doc Holliday Tournament. He also mentioned that we had an \$8,000 grant from the GSBTA for security for Doc Holliday Tournament and for court windscreens. At the of April 30, the balance was \$57,699.60. Linda motioned to accept the report; Connie seconded. 6 YAYS 0 NAYS Motion carried.
- VII. **Old Business:**
  - A. AED Box Outside Office. Mike said that we are still waiting on a reply from the County.
  - B. Code of Ethics. Mike asked for volunteers to review several Code of Ethics documents he had collected. Linda will attempt a first draft of consolidation of existing documents along with James Corbett's draft. Connie Baldwin and Doris Rountree agreed to review Linda's first draft.
  - C. Instructors Pay. At a previous meeting, we agreed on a rate of \$250 a year to be received by our SCPA instructors for their private pickleball lessons in addition to 20% of class proceeds.
  - D. Court Dividers. We want to get the SCPA logo on court dividers. An anonymous donor has offered to pay \$500 for this effort, and Mike said that we can use the grant money from GSBTA, also. Connie made a motion to order new windscreens; James Corbett seconded. AYES 6 NAYS 0 Motion carried.
- VIII. **New Business:**
  - A. Doc Holliday Medals. Mike shared that Linda did inventory of all Doc Holliday medals. Linda made the motion that we purchase the 366 medals to accompany existing lanyards in inventory; Connie Baldwin seconded the motion. AYES 0. NAYS Motion carried.
  - B. Computer. Mike has requested that we purchase another computer for SCPA for the office and check-in during tournaments. Wynn made a motion to buy the computer with \$500 limit; Connie seconded the motion. AYES 6 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

- C. AED. While checking on expired pads with Defibtech, LLC. Mike said that the representative recommended that we put this 2007 AED out of use. Doris made a motion that we order a new AED; Connie seconded the motion. Further discussion clarified that we would include an extra set of pads in the purchase of the new AED. AYES 6 NAYS 0 Motion carried.
- D. Calendar. Connie suggested putting a calendar of SCPA activities on the webpage. Mike pointed out the importance of all activities being posted on the master calendar to avoid conflicts. Connie made a motion that a calendar be available for everyone to see on the website. Brandon seconded the motion. 6 AYES 0 NAYS Motion carried.
- E. Bylaws. Mike said that the 45 days for review of the proposed changes to Bylaws has expired. The new Bylaws will be officially adopted after May 10, 2024. The second adoption of removing the requirement that candidates for board positions must be SCPA members will be effective on May 31, 2024.
- E. SPA – Winter Classic – Nov 15-17 (three-day event). Mike said that SCPA would still make \$20 a person if we partner with SPA, and they would facilitate a larger draw for that Tournament. This is proposed to be a three-day tournament. Mike asked about the possibility of having local people play in the tournament; Paul with SPA said that there would be no restrictions for local people to be involved. SPA will also host the Summer Sizzler Tournament in June. Connie made a motion that SCPA partner with SPA for the Winter Classic Tournament; Doris seconded motion. 6 AYES 0 NAYS Motion carried.
- F. SPA – One-Day Team Tournament. SPA would like to rent our facility for a one-day team tournament hosted by Duper and Dink. Connie made a motion that SCPA allow SPA to hold tournament here; Doris seconded it. Discussion ensued about whether to allow Saturday or Sunday for their event. The decision was to ask SPA about their preferred dates. AYES. 6 NAYS 0 Motion carried.
- G. Volunteers for SPA Summer Sizzler – This event is 48 days away, i.e., June 22-23<sup>rd</sup>. This is a two-day tournament.
- H. Court Repairs. Mike is checking with the County; he said that they have purchased paint and crack-filler. It's probably time to have some of the courts resurfaced. Mike is going to see if the County will pay to have the front courts resurfaced.
- I. Spalding County School Summer Program (Referenced in introductory paragraph) – Connie made a motion to allow the Summer Program as presented by Wil Doss. James Corbett seconded the motion. We'll have to check on requirements for conducting these clinics. 6 AYES 0 NAYS Motion carried.
- J. Backpack for Kids Round Robin – Vicki McCall recommended that we consider holding this event in the evening. The typical voluntary donation is \$20 per backpack. James motion to move this event to the evening; Wynn Harris seconded the motion. AYES 6 NAYS 0 Motion carried.
- K. Nominating Committee for New Board Members. Mike reminded the Board that these elections should be completed in October. We need to create a nominating committee by next month. Mike doesn't think that board members who are up for renewal should be on nominating committee. Nominating committee should be from existing board members (who do not have expiring terms), i.e., Mike, Connie, James, and Everett. James made motion to accept this proposal; Wynn seconded the motion. AYES 6 NAY 0 Motion carried.
- L. Kids Clinics – Benjamin recommended that we have Pickleball 101 for kids. Mike mentioned the extra requirements. Background checks. This was tabled until requirements were verified.

M. Overcapacity at Nights: Mike said that we are reaching capacity on certain nights, and people are not rotating off courts. Mike received call from a member who came at night and just stood around, because those playing would not rotate off. We need to enforce our guidelines.

#### **IX. Committee Reports:**

- A. Concessions. A question was asked about the possibility of opening concessions during Round Robin and Ladder League events or during morning hours for about 15 minutes. Ginger Jackson, one of our players, expressed an interest in the installation vending machines. Wynn is checking into opening concessions halfway through the events. Wynn added that the Concession Committee is doing great and enjoying the new grill.
- B. Membership. Connie discussed the challenge of attempting to keep our membership numbers in the system under 500 actual contacts/members as we have a Community Membership with wildapricot.org. Linda made a motion that we convert our Community Membership status with wildapricot.org to Professional Membership status in light of continued increases in memberships. Wynn seconded the motion. AYES 6 NAYS 0 Motion carried.

Connie said that the Membership Committee's goal for membership is a total of 400 members by the end of the year.

- C. League Committee. Mike said that we are going to add Doris to the League Committee. Reminder: Those participating in Ladder Leagues and Round Robins must be SCPA members.
- D. Maintenance Committee. Ed Baldwin is heading up the Maintenance Committee.
- E. Financial Committee – James said that the classes are going well.
- F. Volunteer Committee. Linda will be out of the country during this tournament and will need a contact for volunteers to coordinate with. She will have all volunteers set up before leaving.

#### **X. Other Business:**

- A. SCPA Insurance Policy. Mike discussed our insurance policy and potential removal of umbrella policy. Wynn made a motion to eliminate the umbrella policy in our current insurance plan. Connie seconded. AYES 6 NAYS 0 Motion carried.
- B. Plaque. Mike said that the County did not approve a plaque to be placed on building; we can only put a commemorative plate on a bench.
- C. Positive Observation. Mike asked the board members: "What are the positive things that you've seen happen in the last four months. Responses included: (1) More clinics offered, (2) Skills and Drills classes, (3) a real sense of comradery at Doc Holliday event, (4) upgrading courts, and (5) an increase in sponsorship to 24 sponsors currently.
- D. Tournaments. Mike said that we're trying to host 4.0-level tournaments and college tournaments.
- E. Future Meetings: June 17, July (No Meeting), August 5, September 16.
- F. **Adjournment**: Wynn made motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m.; Connie seconded the motion. AYES 6 NAYS 0 Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.