

SCPA BOARD MEETING

March 11, 2024

6:00 p.m.co

SPCA Office – Tyus Park

SCPA Members

- I. **Call to Order.** Wynn Harris motioned to have the meeting called to order at 6:15 p.m. Connie Baldwin seconded the motion.
- II. **Invocation.** Mike Gumbinger offered an opening prayer.
- III. **Attendees.:** Brandon Barkley, Wynn Harris, Connie Baldwin, Mike Gumbinger, James Corbett, Stew Stewart, Everett, Linda Vaughn
- IV. **Approval of Minutes** (February 5, 2024 meeting). The following edits/corrections were suggested:
 - A. Connie Balwin shared that Alan Conger spells his name – “Alan,” and Kristi Allred spells her name, “Kristi.” Linda agreed to amend minutes accordingly.
 - B. James Corbett mentioned the need for a correction in the Board Minutes for Item X (1) Sponsors section – “The total commitment amount was \$15,250.00 (of which we have not received \$165.00 ... not \$165,000). Linda agreed to amend minutes accordingly.

Wynn Harris made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Stew Stewart seconded the motion. YAYS-7 NAYS-0
- V. **Financial Report.** James Corbett, SCPA Treasurer, presented financial updates:
 - A. James paid SCPA balances with Sterling Volunteers (for background checks), provided the board members with a detailed register of spending, and provided/reviewed the SCPA Budget for 2023 and 2024 (attached). Connie made a motion to accept the proposed 2024 budget – Wynn seconded the motion. AYES-7. NAY-0. Motion carried.
- VI. **Old Business**
 - A. Open-Play Policy:

The board members agreed that they liked the present posting about overcapacity situations, however, if this ends up not working, we’ll readdress this at a later date.
 - B. Accountability for SCPA Trainers:
 1. Mike said that James will be contacting SCPA trainers at the beginning of each month to receive their accounting sheets and percentages due to SCPA. Mike reminded us that, with regard to trainers, it is the County’s policy that no one can use these courts to make money to train others unless they go through SCPA or the County.

C. Dogs on Courts and Parking

1. Mike reminded the board members of the County policy that dogs need to be on leashes and not on the courts. Also, if someone is parking in the back-parking lots, we need to let them know that this area is reserved for County employees.

D. Contract with Southern Pickleball Association (SPA)

AJ and Mike have signed the contract with SPA. Copy may be obtained from Mike Gumbinger.

E. Bylaws Changes

Mike distributed changes that were proposed to the bylaws in last month's board meeting. Linda Vaughn motioned that we accept the bylaws changes which were presented by Mike Gumbinger. Wynn Harris seconded motion. AYES-7 NAYS-0 Motion carried.

VII. **New Business**

A. Doc Holliday Event

Mike Gumbinger spoke about upcoming needs for the Doc Holliday event (April 12-14, 2024). As of now, there are only 42 players who have signed up.

B. County-approved Items

Mike asked all board members to accompany him outside to show them the items that the County has approved for SCPA. Mike had a recent meeting with T.J., and the following projects have been approved:

1. Overhang on Covered Courts
2. Pavilion – The County has agreed to build a pavilion in the pickleball.
3. Practice Board – The County is going to provide a practice board for SCPA.
4. Movement of Bleachers – Smaller bleachers to be moved back to area between outdoor/indoor courts.
5. Screens and Nets – The County will provide a few screens and nets per year.
6. Speakers Rewired - The SCPA speakers will be rewired.
7. Fence Repair – The County will perform fence repairs needed.

- C. Minutes on Website – A question was posed for discussion, i.e., “Should we publish minutes on the website?” After discussion, Wynn motioned that we should continue to publish the condensed minutes on website. Stew seconded the motion. AYES-7 NAYS-0 Motion carried.

D. Non-profits Hosting Tournaments

Mike has had four different groups approach him about tournaments. He said that the Board has to decide:

- Do we want non-profits hosting events at our facility?
- How many non-profit events a year do we want to allow?

The four groups who have approached Mike include:

- Fayette County Environmental Education
- Communications and Partnerships at Griffin-Spalding County School System.
- Habitat for Humanity
- Midwest Food Bank

The following criteria for non-profits requesting use of the courts were decided among the board members:

1. The requesting organization must have a current status as a 501c3 organization.
2. The request organization should benefit Spalding County.
3. The requesting organization will be limited in use of courts, i.e., number of days and number of courts on a case-by-case basis.
4. Limited number of non-profit events per year to be handled case-by-case.

James Corbett made a motion that the Board handle each non-profit request for tournament-hosting on a case-by-case basis [with the above criteria in mind]. Wynn Harris seconded the motion. AYES-7 NAYS-7

As a result of the above vote, the following decisions were made about the four organizations who have approached Mike:

- Midwest Food Bank request was approved prior to this Board Meeting.
- Communications and Partnerships at Griffin-Spalding County School System (not on Memorial Day weekend – SCPA preferred day of week: Sunday). Stew Stewart made a motion to approve this request; Wynn Harris seconded the motion. AYES-7 NAYS-0 Motion carried for approval.
- Fayette County Environmental Education Center – James Corbett made a motion to deny this request from Fayette County; Stew Stewart seconded the motion. AYES-7 NAYS-0 Motion carried for denial.
- Habitat for Humanity – We haven't heard back from them yet.

E. Pickleballs for Sale

Mike proposed that we offer pickleballs for sale on the SCPA website at \$2.00 a ball. Wynn Harris made a motion that we offer pickleballs for sale; Linda Vaughn seconded the motion. AYES-7 NAYS-0. Motion carried.

F. Learn to Play.

James Corbett said that the Learn-to-Play Program is going well, and new folks are signing up. James is also looking into the possibility of adding Skills and Drills classes; he mentioned that Gus could possibly help with this during the day as he already does voluntarily.

VIII. **Committee Reports**

A. Maintenance Committee – Mike Gumbinger/Ed Baldwin

Mike said that Ed Baldwin is heading up the Maintenance Committee – he said that the courts are being blown off every two weeks, and Ed has several guys who help him.

B. Membership Committee – Connie Baldwin

Connie said that the following SCPA members have agreed to assist on the Membership Committee: Patty Gumbinger, Teresa Copeland, Ginger Jackson, Doris Rountree, and Paula Grogan. Membership incentives and a possible SCPA Member Cookout were discussed.

C. Concessions Committee – Wynn Harris

We do need volunteers for Saturday and Sunday (Doc Holliday event) to cook on the new grill.

D. Volunteer Committee – Linda Vaughn

Linda is on standby to schedule volunteers for the Doc Holliday event as needed.

E. Social Media Committee – Brandon Barkley

Brandon said that he has been very busy, and there was nothing new to report.

F. Sponsorship Committee – Stew Stewart

1. Stew Stewart suggested that we consider offering an option for sponsors (who are part of Sponsorship Program) to pay for some windscreens and to put their company names on the screens.
2. Stew clarified that we received \$15,000 in sponsorships; of that amount, \$2,500 was designated over multiple years. Therefore, we actually received \$13,500 last year, but we collected \$15,000.
3. The Sponsorship Committee, including Stew Stewart, A.J. Pollard, Kristi Allred, Susan Pelchat, Ken Bozeman, and Larry Jones will be working on new sponsorships.

IX. **Miscellaneous**

A. Success of Learn-to-Play Program.

Mike said that the response to the Learn-to-Play program is positive already; the Pickleball 101 class filled up immediately. Connie asked if the Learn-to-Play instructors have to be certified. Mike said, “no.” He also said that there are currently 12 people on the waiting list. Stew Stewart helped Alan with Intro to Pickleball in Barnesville; there were 45 people who showed up to just learn about Pickleball.

B. AED Mounted Outside

Mike said that the County was not in favor of mounting an AED outside at first, because no other County sports facility has an AED mounted outdoors, and there are concerns about the AED being taken. Mike said that Linda had sent several sample boxes to him via e-mail, and he showed the only one that he felt would be feasible due to its compact size, its sturdiness, and wall-mount with touchpad for us to provide passwords to key people. Mike said he would present this to the County to see if they would approve this. However, if the AED goes missing, the SCPA will have to purchase another one.

C. Board Member T-Shirts

Mike showed the board members some dri-fit T-shirts that he wanted the board members to consider. The cost is about \$20 each. The round logo would cost \$17.00 a piece, because it's a multi-stitch product. The board discussed the design, the color, and the cost. Stew Stewart would prefer that we not use SCPA monies to purchase personal items. Linda Vaughn made a motion that all board members purchase their own T-Shirt. Connie Baldwin seconded the motion. AYES-7 NAYS-0 Motion carried. The shirts will be ordered from Griffin Trophy Shop.

X. **Adjournment**

Linda Vaughn made a motion to adjourn meeting at 8:55 p.m. Connie Baldwin seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

SCPA Budget 2024

2023 Budget

Revenues

Sponsor Support	\$ 3,500
Special Grants	\$13,000
Tournaments	\$20,000
Miscellaneous	\$ 0.00
Membership Dues	\$ 0.00
Concessions	\$ 0.00
All Others	<u>\$ 7,500</u>
<u>Total Revenues</u>	<u>\$44,000</u>

2024 Budget

Revenues

\$15,000
\$ 8,000
\$ 7,500
\$ 3,000
\$ 7,000
\$ 3,000
<u>\$ 7,500</u>
<u>\$51,000</u>

2023 Budget

Expenses

Geo Study	\$7,500
Security Cameras	\$9,000
Insurance	\$1,500
Supplies & Equipment	\$6,000
Other Expenses	\$1,500
Charitable Donations	\$3,000
Facility Enhancements	\$5,000
Tournament Expenses	\$8,000
Supplies Concessions	\$ 0.00
Equipment Concessions	\$ 0.00
Equipment General	\$ 0.00
Equipment Courts	\$ 0.00
Sponsorship Expenses	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
<u>Total Expenses</u>	<u>\$41,500</u>

2024 Budget

Expenses

\$ 0.00
\$ 0.00
\$3,500
\$6,000
\$3,000
\$3,000
\$5,000
\$3,000
\$2,000
\$1,500
\$2,000
\$2,500
<u>\$ 700</u>
<u>\$32,200</u>

