WNOPC meeting

September 16, 2026
40 Bay Rd, Sturgeon Falls

Present: Jacques Tardif, Lise Grenier, Susie Michaud, Raymond Truax (online), Gisele McMurray

1. Call to Order: at 10:03

2. Approval of the Minutes of July 3/26 – all in agreement

3. Treasurer's report – Raymond : as per document sent Sept. 7/26

Gisele discussed that the website was quite an expensive item, we will need to review its cost effectiveness. We presently have multiple links for our club, and we must justify the close to $700. Jacques explained that we had to pay for a domain and web marketing/web hosting. Will need to be reviewed prior to renewal.
It was also mentioned that, as per the constitution, all expenses over $200 must be approved prior to purchase.

4. President's report:

Incorporation: this is deferred.

Proposal: In July 2026 the Board of Caisse Alliance approached Jacques and invited him to submit a proposal requesting funding to explore the possibility of partnering on the development of new dedicated pickleball courts. Jacques and Denise Deschamps worked on a detailed proposal which was submitted to the Board of Caisse Alliance on September 16. We are awaiting a response.

5. AGM: to be held at the cafeteria of Franco-Cite on October 6, 2026 at 6:30 pm.

6. Play at School: Susie has sent in her request to the school board for use of the gymnasiums (multiple schools/multiple days). This is still pending except for White Woods Public School – available Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays.

Lise will order 3 more nets & 1 bag to accommodate the increased number of schools being used to play at night.

Play will start the week of Sept. 28.
Jacques briefly discussed ladder play. Everyone who wants to play intermediate or higher level will have to submit game scores weekly. More details will follow. Jacques explained that, on a designated night, all games will be recorded (scores for/against). This will help to delineate different skill levels. It is a flexible system that allows players to move in and out of levels as their skills and experience develop.

7. Other: Jacques has received an email from Stephan Poulin regarding interior pickleball. No details were provided. We are still waiting for an update from Stephan.

We are happy to report that members are sending letters to election candidates asking about their position on recreational programs for large groups of 50+ adults who live in the area. Please keep up the pressure.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 am.