

**Minutes of Cape Fear Pickleball Club Board  
Meeting Date December 14th, 2016**

The meeting was held at The Wilmington Basketball Center and convened at 7:00, President Kevin Chandler, presiding. Board Members present: Bill Shomo, Secretary; Jane Klippel, Treasurer; Harry Marriner, Communications; Brent Young, Competition. Feri Nejad, Social Events. Members absent: Elaine Chandler, Membership; Mike McGrath, Training; Carolyn Ryan, Social Events.

Attendance was sufficient for a quorum. The minutes from the Nov. meeting were approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Kevin stressed the importance of advocating for dedicated pickleball courts for the growing pickleball community.

The board discussed the ongoing controversy at several venues with players of different skill levels. Some players wish to play among friends or compete only with those with the same skills. This can often lead to hurt feelings and frustrations. Kevin emphasized that the club, though a volunteer organization, has devised schedules and guidelines to provide opportunities for all players to enjoy the game. Conflicts will continue to arise but all players should act in spirit of good sportsmanship.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Kevin welcomed incoming board members present: Sylvia Hales VP; Jeanne Login, Secretary; Mike Walz, competition.

The board passed a motion that in future years, anyone who joins the club in November or December and pays for one year membership, the fee will pay for the remaining month or months of the year as well as the entire twelve months of the upcoming year.

Four social events will be scheduled during 2017.

One Tournament will be scheduled. Initial work on a ladder system will begin.

The board began initial work on preparing a budget for 2017. The budget will depend on dues now being received through new memberships and renewals. Further discussion of the budget will continue in the January meeting.

Kevin will send an email advising members that used equipment can be donated to the club or sold on the club website.

## OFFICER REPORTS

**Secretary** Bill Shomo had no report. He stated that it had been a pleasure to help with the club for the past year and welcomed the new secretary.

**Treasurer** Jane Klippel reported that the current checking account balance for the club is around \$3000.00. As of the meeting date there are no outstanding bills or receivables.

**Membership Director** No report. Club membership is currently 260. Incoming Director of Membership Bernie Baker will be asked to explore ways to offer more club apparel

**Social Events** Feri reported that the December Social Event was a success Wilmington Athletic Club. There was about \$850 in expenses with \$700 income. A total of 4 events are scheduled for 2017.

**Communications Director** Harry Marriner had no report.

**Competition Director** Brent Young had no report. He welcomed the incoming competition director.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next board meeting will be on Wednesday Jan 11<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 7pm at the Wilmington Basketball Center.