

CAPE FEAR PICKLEBALL CLUB

June 13, 2019 Board Meeting Minutes

Present were: Bill Bradford, President, Carolyn Ryan, Vice President, Jane Klippel, Treasurer, Jeanne Login, Secretary, Grace Gilligan, Director of Membership, Emily Martinelli, Director of Communications, Mike Walz, Director of Competition and Feri Nejad, Director of Social Events. Guests present: Kevin Chandler. Absent: Joe Reina, Director of Training.

Attendance was sufficient for a quorum.

A Motion to approve meeting minutes from May 2019 meeting was made, seconded and approved by all present.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

President - Bill Bradford stated that the Liability insurance from June 2019 to June 2020 needs to be paid. Bill reported that he asked our agent if we can insure Steve as an outside trainer. The agent responded that was not possible. He also spoke to the agent about potential school programs we are considering. The agent needs to know how many children we would be working with, detail of the program, is the program approved by schools, etc. Carolyn has not heard back from school contact.

Bill reported that Blue Host, our website domain has been renewed from August 2019 for 1 year.

Vice President - Carolyn Ryan has been trying to get in touch with Jane Emma, head of physical education for NH county but Jane has not called her back. Carolyn will check with Kim Howard to see if she has any thoughts regarding Brunswick County.

Treasurer - Jane Klippel reported that the Bank has \$6,154.80 as a current balance. Jane also said she got two checks, 1 from inland greens for \$175 as a refund for rental and an additional \$175 for something we are not sure what it is for. Feri will follow up and try to clarify why we received two checks.

Secretary - Jeanne Login had no report.

Director of Membership - Grace Gilligan reported that, at present, we have 227 members. She asked if we should start reduced price membership fee, \$15 per person \$30 per couple for July 1st through December 31st. The Board agreed to putting the reduced rates in effect.

Director of Communications - Emily Martinelli reported that she went through the website and deleted outdated posts. She came across the guidelines for the Simon Pickleball machine. The PDF was left on the website, but the information is out of date in terms of where is it stored and what are the fees for renting it. Bill will take a look at it, revise as necessary and share with Mike before returning to Emily. We determined the link to our Pay Pal account: [paypal.me/CapeFearPickleball](https://www.paypal.me/CapeFearPickleball). There is also a post about keys for the boxes, just wanted to make sure the information is accurate. The Board confirmed it is accurate.

Director of Competition - Mike Walz spoke about the new net, Swiftnet. He reported that we bought one and the initial feedback has been positive. They do cost approximately twice as much as other nets which is a concern. He thinks it prudent to use the net for a couple of months to see what the wear and tear is like before we buy more. John Sherm has a Swiftnet and is offering to sell it to the Club. We did not accept. We have a lot of balls at RSP, but they are disappearing at a fast rate. We are also supplying balls to more places so the cost for them is increasing.

Director of Training - Joe Reina is absent but reported to Bill that nothing out the ordinary is going on.

Director of Social Events - Feri Nejad stated that the next social is Saturday 6 15. Carolyn, Bernie, Mike and everybody will help. We have almost 50 people signed up for the event. Kevin is concerned about leftover food and the plan for disposing of it. Feri has given it to the maintenance man at Northern Regional Park in the past. Fefi brought t-shirts for everyone, but she is going to keep some back as samples to hang

at the party on Saturday. Saturday will be the kickoff and subsequently will post order form on-line. Members will have to pay via check, we will not use PayPal. We reviewed email prepared by Jeanne for ordering of shirts. Bill will review, will attach the order forms and then send it out to the membership. Next social will be on 10 26 19 for Halloween to be held at North Regional Park.

GENERAL

Nominations for new Board members - We spoke about the need for nominations and the difficulty in getting people to volunteer to sit on the Board. Jeanne suggested that all board members start talking it up. She also suggested that each board member whose term is expiring and who has no desire to continue be responsible for finding nominees and if none can be found, the incumbent will agree to serve on a continuing basis. Carolyn said she has someone who is interested in serving on the Board. John Enie. He will be at the social on Saturday.

Lakefest - Mike reported that the Club is registered, we need to use one of the tennis courts for Pickleball. Will likely be some planning meetings as the date gets closer (September 28th).

Pickleball for Parkinson's Tournament - Jane needs to get the final forms to Emily to post on the website.

Transition table - Bill started a table listing the duties of each officer. The duties reside in the By-laws. Bill will review By-laws and prepare separate table containing the Board Member duties for use in the nomination process.

Use of proxies for Annual Meeting - Bill stated that if we did use them, the proxy would have to be for "presence" and to vote for whomever the holds the proxy. We probably won't need them, we will again offer free beer and wine to entice folks to attend. Feri will send a "save the date"

Pickleball Central - Mike reported that Pickleball Central has a program where a club receives paddles/balls which they want evaluated. Someone in the club uses the paddle/ball and needs to send in a written evaluation within 2 weeks. Mike feels that this could be a good deal because they are talking about some nice paddles. Bill is concerned about the 2-week time frame, seems too short. Emily suggests putting together a group of people willing to participate. The club would keep paddles and give them out as prizes. Mike will get some further information and we will evaluate.

Next meeting will be July 11th at 11 am at Midtown Y. Meeting adjourned at 12:18 pm.