

CAPE FEAR PICKLEBALL CLUB
BOARD MEETING
July 14, 2021 2pm via Zoom

Board Members present: Jeanne Login-Vice President, Brent Young-Treasurer, Lisa Cunningham-Secretary, Jackie Niedermayer-Director of Membership, Ken Huff-Director of Competition, Suann More-Director of Social Events, Joe Reina-Co-Director of Training, Patty Hochwalt-Co-Director of Training.

Board Members absent: Kevin Chandler-President, Ray Freiberg-Director of Communication.

Non-board Members present: Henry More

Attendance is sufficient for a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 2:03pm.

Jeanne motioned to approve the minutes from June 11th, 2021. Motion seconded (Jackie Niedermayer). The Board approved the motion unanimously.

President - Kevin Chandler

No Report. Absent

Vice President-Jeanne Login

No report.

Treasurer – Brent Young

Current bank balance, \$9637.66, includes Pay Pal and First Citizens bank. Income, \$485.00 (membership dues). Expenses include PayPal fees \$17.19, Lib Wanner reimbursement for foam balls \$43.45. Web Expenses for 2020 was \$191.86 offset by his donation of \$191.86.

Secretary - Lisa Cunningham

No report.

Director of Membership - Jackie Niedermayer

We have 407 members, currently a record for the CFPC. That's an increase of 25 members since our June meeting. Of those, five are returning/past members. Increase in membership appears to be by word of mouth.

Director of Communications - Ray Freiberg

Absent. No report.

Director of Competition-Ken Huff

Replacement nets have been purchased for Ashley and MLK. New Core balls have been distributed to Ashley, MLK, and Greenfield Lake.

Co Directors of Training - Patty Hochwalt/Joe Reina

Saturday morning trainings at Greenfield Lake average 6-8 new players each week. We are having enough people to run two courts for training. Training program continues to be popular with a new people in several age groups.

Director of Social Events – Suann More

Last social event was very well received. Possible social event at the end of September at NRP with opportunity to play pickleball, and eat, Suann will follow up to see if we are able to reserve courts and pavilion and what the cost would be if we can reserve both. Board will decide if a small fee will be charged for event.

Permanent Pickleball Courts Committee-Henry More

On the county side, there is currently no money in the New Hanover County budget for pickleball courts including the Arrowhead courts.

On the city side, Adams Consulting Group is doing a survey for the open space plan for the city. Once this plan is in place, the plan will be available for public input. If there is an open public forum, we would likely ask CFPC members to attend meetings. CFPC needs to look at other opportunities for funding permanent pickleball courts.

Outreach Committee-Jeanne Login

Training programs are currently being run at the Davis Center and Robert Strange Park. The biggest issue is inconsistent number of attendees and the ages of participants. Teaching 5 and 6 year olds is difficult, ages 7-12 seem to be enjoying the instruction and play. Outreach committee suggests focusing on middle and high school age students who have coordination and focus.

Three objectives of program:

1. Basic racquet skills and footwork 2. Interactive pickleball play at age appropriate skill level. 3. Good sportsmanship.

Patty Hochwalt and CFPC member Rudy Thurman have created a lightweight styrofoam paddle for the younger children who have consistently been coming to the Davis Center. This paddle can be created for less than \$1, club will consider giving paddles to younger children who attend regularly.

City of Wilmington Parks and Recreation Advisory Board has requested the Outreach Committee attend the September 15th meeting and present an update of the progress of the training that the committee has been doing.

There is an ongoing need for volunteers. Ray will repost the request for volunteers for the training program on website and social media.

Two questions the club needs to consider:

How will the distribution of donated pickleball paddles work?

How do the individuals that we have trained have access to the pickleball equipment?

Committee is considering afterschool training at local schools including GLOW Academy and also at the YMCA. Also under consideration is a event that will include parents and training NHC public school teachers.

Full report submitted by Lib Wanner, attached at the end of the minutes.

Old Business

Parkinson's Tournament – Lisa Cunningham

In the past, CFPC donated \$1000 and also provided volunteers to help with food, silent auction and day of record keeping.

Tournament will be October 15th-17th.

Board would like more additional information on how the money they donate is spent. Lisa will provide a more specific breakdown of how the money raised is spent. Board will post volunteer request on social media.

New Business

New business from treasurer-credit for Pickleball Central (\$98.68) was used for last equipment purchase that Ken made \$753.70. Key income is \$45, and will be delivered to Brent by Patty. Rent for post office box was paid \$145.00.

CFPC Board Meetings

Next meeting 8/11/21, 2pm. New Hanover Regional Library.

Jeanne motioned to adjourn meeting. Motion seconded (Jackie Niedermayer). The Board approved the motion unanimously. Meeting adjourned 3:27pm.