

**CAPE FEAR PICKLEBALL CLUB  
BOARD MEETING  
May 11, 2022 4:30pm via ZOOM**

**Board Members present:** Holly Manning –President, Jimmy Carlo-Vice President, Anne Coffee-Treasurer, Lisa Cunningham-Secretary, Carol Hunter-Director of Social Events, Jackie Sage- Director of Membership, Ken Huff-Director of Competition.

**Board Members absent:** Ray Frieberg-Director of Communication, Patty Hochwalt-Director of Training

**Nonboard Members present:** Lib Wanner-Outreach

Attendance is sufficient for a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 4:32pm, 5.11.2022

*Motion made to approve the April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes, motion seconded. The Board approved the motion unanimously.*

**President – Holly Manning**

Storage Unit update-we do need a storage unit and Holly has been unable to find a reasonable cost. We are still looking but one will be secured soon.

Springly Software Update-Holly and Brian Chandler have a meeting set up to meet with a developer, meeting will be May 18<sup>th</sup>. We are looking at early July for the software to be in use.

Ray Frieberg, Director of Communication is leaving the BOD. Position is currently vacant and we are hoping to fill it by word of mouth. If need be, we will post vacancy on the website and Facebook page.

*Motion made to give retiring Board members a lifetime Cape Fear Pickleball Club Membership. Motion seconded. Board approved unanimously.*

Cape Fear Pickleball Club Tournament raised \$6000 for The Domestic Violence Center. We will be presenting the Domestic Violence Center with a check on June 3<sup>rd</sup>.

*Motion made to purchase a reusable oversize check to use for charitable donations (budgeting \$150). Motion seconded. Board approved unanimously.*

**Vice President-Jimmy Carlo**

Jimmy received positive feedback on the tournament.

Jimmy now has equipment box key and is keeping track of the club members he distributes keys to.

**Treasurer – Anne Coffee**

Membership Dues income is \$3800 over our projected amount in this years budget. Current balance is \$16,676.19.

We will be donating \$6092.32 to the Domestic Violence Center in form of cash and checks made out directly to the Domestic Violence Center. A portion of the total donation amount will come from a CFPC check in the amount of \$1659.31

*Motion made to give \$1659.31 to the Domestic Violence Center. Motion seconded. Board approved unanimously.*

**Secretary - Lisa Cunningham**

Follow up on the YMCA informal "Senior Games" from Jane Klippel- event had about 70 people participate. The YMCA of Southeastern North Carolina is not planning on running the North Carolina State Senior Games. No definite date or confirmation from the Y about the Pickleball for Parkinson's Tournament.

**Director of Membership –Jackie Sage**

As of May 11<sup>th</sup>, we have 455 members (up from 414 in April). There have been some difficulties processing payments via Paypal, Jackie is reaching out to those who have difficulties.

BOD is revisiting the reduced rates that the club offered in the past start beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>. There is no information about reduced rates starting July 1<sup>st</sup> on our website.

*Motion made to keep the membership dues to \$25, \$45, \$65 all year long, Motion seconded. Board approved unanimously.*

Membership costs will remain consistent throughout the year. Club will revisit the idea of “membership scholarships” and membership drives.

We do have people using club equipment that are not currently members. Board of Directors is in agreement that people should be members if they need to use club equipment. We will not deny someone the opportunity to play if our nets are up and club members are playing.

**Director of Communication- Ray Freiberg**

Absent. Holly reported we are still looking for someone to replace Ray who will be resigning on June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Outreach Committee-Lib Wanner**

Summer Outreach Activities – see report.

Learned from last summer’s outreach efforts that working with kids ages 10 and above is the ideal age. Mary Jones recreational supervisor at MLK is an advocate for CFPC for youth training. MLK Center is available for the training beginning June 3<sup>rd</sup> through August 26<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12pm(12 weeks). Two courts are available, will need approximately 4-6 volunteers.

MLK Summer Camp –working with older kids ages 10-14, approximately 10-15 campers. Thursday 9am-9:45, need 4 volunteers.

Davis Center-Club has 4 H’ers (age 11-14) who will be trained for about 2 hours, then those 4 H’ers will then train other kids at the Davis Center on July 11<sup>th</sup>. 4 H Module will then move to MLK

In addition, there will be a Friday morning drop in at MLK, for kids that are not attending summer camp.

Next steps, Lib will meet with the CFPC training team to discuss a training template and will work on identifying volunteers and training volunteers. Lib will use the club volunteer list and will compose a volunteer information sheet about events. Lib will also working with Marcia and Amy and Holly is willing assist with volunteer recruitment.

Update on April 30<sup>th</sup> Outreach Events-

Healthy Kids Day with the city. 6 volunteers worked with 50 or so kids, wanted to know where we could play.

Also on April 30<sup>th</sup>, Davis Community in Ogden held an open house. Jane was there representing the YMCA, for a pickleball program for them at the Ogden YMCA. Light interest in pickleball from the attendees at this event.

**Director of Competition-Ken Huff**

Thank you to everyone for the support for the tournament. Ken and Holly will discuss a ladder league and need for additional support to run a ladder league.

Considering another tournament possibly in November, need about 3-4 months lead time.

Howard from Belvedere Pickleball has reached out to Ken, and Carol confirmed she has spoke to him in regard to a club social at the Belvedere Pickleball venue.

To reduce loss of pickleballs, Ken is looking for a new way to mark the club pickleballs.

A brief review of tournament logistics from Ken-Formal Check in would have been helpful, scheduling of events went late and in the future, club should pair the tournament with a social event.

**Director of Training-Jimmy Carlo for Patty Hochwalt**

Training on Saturday is drop in, and we have been getting new people. Drill-a-thon on Sunday, both events have been well received.

**Director of Social Events – Carol Hunter**

An event with Howard from Belvedere Pickleball (6 courts located in Hampstead) will be an upcoming next social.

Club 50/50 events could be used to support a Membership Scholarship, which would provide scholarships on a need basis to pickleball players who would like to become club members.

Next social event will be at Captain Bills on Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup> ,12pm-3pm. Cost to the club was \$30 and includes use of 3 volleyball courts. There will be no charge for members to attend and participants will purchase their own food and beverage. Currently have 30 people signed up. Carol will email Jeanette about getting the information about the social on the website.

Social event for June-Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> , 5pm-8pm will be at Club Golf. Venue offers simulators and outdoor activities.

Possible Volunteer Day in the fall.

Carol stopped by NPR, and the county pickleball program which is being run through the senior center had about 20 participants. Holly has been trying to get in touch with Kelly (with the county senior center) to coordinate additional training with CFPC.

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**Permanent Pickleball Courts Committee- Holly Manning (Amy Rusinak absent).**

Club directors and members attended drop in event at MLK and Greenfield Lake. Parks and Planning held the event to get feedback on court development in the county. Pickleball group was the most represented group at event.

Next steps are to get in front of the mayor and the city council about permanent pickleball courts.

Club suggesting possible site for permanent pickleball courts would be Legion Stadium.

Terry Smith is on the New Hanover County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. He has been in contact with Holly and Jimmy about permanent pickleball courts.

**Old Business**

Selling pickleball ID tags could be a possible fundraising opportunity for the club (club cost \$2/sell for \$5). Tags should be durable so emergency information is permanent and easily read. Money raised could support club tournaments/permanent pickleball courts.

**New Business**

Next Meeting will be 6/08/22, 4:30pm, New Hanover Regional Library North East Region.

Meeting adjourned 6:33pm.