

CAPE FEAR PICKLEBALL CLUB
BOARD MEETING
August 10, 2022 4:30pm via ZOOM

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

Board Members absent: *all present*

Nonboard Members present: Amy Rusinak, Lib Wanner, Jay Hunter, Feri Nejad, Christian Kalwa

Attendance is sufficient for a quorum. The meeting was called to order at 4:32pm, 8.10.2022

Motion made to approve the 7.13.22, Board Meeting Minutes, motion seconded. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

New Business

Community Dinner Program Presentation-Jay Hunter

Northside Food Coop provides a community style dinner that serves 150-200 people, every Thursday beginning at 6pm, this began in June 2022. The dinner is served off Princess Street. Jay and another CFPC member have been volunteering. There is a section set aside for games, Jay is proposing that the pickleball club set up a net and offer some pickleball fun. He has spoken to the director of the Northside Food Program who is supportive of the idea.. Lib (Outreach Committee) and Jay will connect.

CFPC Apparel and Gear-Feri Nejad

Feri would like to promote the online apparel program on the club Facebook page. Items ordered online are tax free, shipping costs are \$3-\$4, club receives 10% on bulk orders and 5% on individual orders. Anne will follow up with Tori – the contact person for the apparel company and see if we have received any money from the orders. Feri will pass along the extra shirts she has to Carol Hunter, Director of Social Events so they will be available for club members to purchase.

CFPC Ladder presentation-Christian Kalwa

Christian would like to pick a night and offer a ladder league for the club. Christian has reviewed the Global Pickleball Network software and has found it user friendly. No cost to members to join league.

Next steps

- Assess interest in ladder league,
- -Begin with a certain night and certain number of people
- Goal would be to start this in the fall
- Club provides the ladder and players have to show up on designated time and location, this would be a manageable amount of work for Christian.
- Location would be MLK as they have the most court space/centrally located/lights. NRP has 6 courts and lights.
- As ladder gets established, would be provide a good opportunity to approach city about the need to utilize Legion Stadium as a pickleball venue.
- Ken and Christian will discuss additional details of ladder league.

Board Member/Committee Reports

President – Holly Manning

Holly and Ken have discussed the ball situation. Holly will order 100 Selkirk balls for \$129.95 to see if they are more durable than the balls the club is currently using (she also requested paddle donations for the upcoming tournament).

Kevin Chandler has been out and about and Club Ambassador Debb Pett will be setting up a sign up genius for meals.

Holly will be meeting City Councilman Cliff Barnett, in September to discuss city courts. Councilman Barnett wants to discuss several things including a tournament.

BOD members should have received an email regarding the storage unit, location, building and storage unit lock code have been included in that email. If someone removes an item from the unit, please email the BOD and let them know what you removed and how long you plan to keep equipment out.

Nourish NC will be holding "A Pig and Pickleball Tournament", entry is \$100, includes a welcome party and pig picking on Sunday. Levels 2.5 -4.0, entry fee also includes play in both your gender division/mixed. 100% of the proceeds will go to Nourish NC.

Vice President- Jimmy Carlo

Bag tags that he has in his possession have all been sold. Jimmy continues to distribute keys and the combination to the MLK box.

Jimmy has self purchased Pickleball Bags for the Outreach Committee to distribute to the participants of the 2022 Summer Outreach Program.

Treasurer –Anne Coffee

See report. Previous BOD had projected \$7000 in membership. We have almost doubled that as of today, with \$13,735. Ball machine rental has brought in \$106 income. \$494 Paypal fees have come in for the Beau Rivage event. Total Income to date as fiscal of year November 1, 2021 is \$25,448. Expenses this month include-Bag Tags, trophies for outgoing Board Members, storage unit & postal box & Blue Host have paid in full for the year, social committee chair has been reimbursed. Current Balance in the checking account is \$14,969.07. Only outstanding bills are locksmith and new ball machine.

Moving forward Ann will add line items into the budget as they are needed.

Secretary - Lisa Cunningham

Holly reported the YMCA Pickleball for All event has been postponed.

Director of Membership –Jackie Sage

Current membership is 576 members. Holly has added a field on the membership form "how did you hear about us". Lib will check in on Dick Early (Ambassador).

Director of Communication- Peter Burrows

Facebook posts will be kept brief and if more is needed "for more information" will send members to CFPC website.

Director of Competition-Ken Huff

Ken will meet with Christian about ladder leagues. Please look at the nets at various locations and let Ken know if net or complete net system someplace needs to be replaced. Going to try the Selkirk balls. Patty reports balls are needed at Greenfield Lake.

Director of Social Events – Carol Hunter

Due to inclement weather the Belvedere Social was held on two back to back weekends. Everything went well, we will consider doing it again in the future. Howard who runs Belvedere will offer a discount to CFPC members. When more information is about the Belvedere discount is available it will be posted on the website.

Wilmington & CB Parade applications not available yet.

Permanent Pickleball Courts Committee- Amy Rusinek

Still in communications with Wilmington Tennis Association, Chris Tatum & Candy Phelham, might consider a mixed tournament with them, keeping the lines of communication open.

Please save broken balls for the parades.

Wrightsville Beach Courts now open.

Outreach Committee-Lib Wanner

Thank you for supporting the summer Outreach program. August 11th is the last day of the summer program. Summer program included 3 sessions collaborating with the 4H, worked with a total of 43 kids, with 7 club member volunteers. MLK Summer Program had between 16-18 kids every week over 7 weeks. Eighteen club members volunteer over the course of the summer.

The City of Wilmington is hosting a Health and Fitness Expo on Saturday, September 24th. We will be on the upper courts at Robert Strange courts and Wilmington Tennis Association will be on the lower courts. Preliminary ideas include volunteers to demo, a see it try it court, use of ball machine and younger children court. Bring additional ideas/support for event to Lib.

YMCA of Southeastern NC Pickleball For All Tournament has been rescheduled to the spring.

The Central NC Latino Festival- November 5th, Ogden Park might be a possible outreach event for us to be involved in, more information at a later date.

Director of Training- Patty Hochwalt

No report.

Old Business

Fundraiser Bag Tags update-Holly Manning

Only 25 left. Put money in an envelope marked with the amount and deliver directly to Anne. Consider doing a fundraiser twice a year.

Arrowhead Park Court update-Amy Rusinak

6 courts, fencing is coming down, corners corrected and resurface, repaint and replace fence. There will be no lights due to proximity of homes. The park includes restrooms and playgrounds, would be considered for a club social event.

City of Wilmington, pickleball courts update- waiting to speak with Councilman Barnett. Holly has put in a request for court resurfacing on some city courts and has not heard back from the City Parks and Recreation department.

Fall Tournament update-Ken Huff

Saturday and Sunday, November 12th and 13th at Beau Rivage, 8am-5pm. Entry fee \$35 dollars for members and \$45 for non members.

Budget of about \$400.

If we get 64 players we will meet our goal of donating \$2000 to Disabled American Veterans. There is an additional opportunity for players to donate directly to Disabled American Veterans, on the tournament entry website.

Ken and Carol will collaborate about the silent auction and social aspect of the tournament.

Court number placards are in storage unit if needed.

Between our club members and Beau Rivage residents it is assumed the tournament will fill up quickly, 104 members participated in the April tournament.

Beau Rivage Social Event update-Carol Hunter

A second session has been opened up. Payment must go through Paypal.

Next Meeting will be 9/14/22, 4:30pm, at Seagrove Clubhouse.

Meeting adjourned 6:14 pm.