

## **PTPC Board Meeting**

**April 11, 2023**

### **Call Meeting to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm by President, Lynn Pierle at the Pink House. Present were Lynn, Jim Dow, Carol Gartlan, Annette Joyce, Jeannie Ramsey, Kirk Rowdabaugh, Eric Seder and Sharlene Shiroma. Absent was Mark Finco.

The minutes of the March 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting were submitted and corrected online. Jeannie moved to approve the minutes as corrected. Eric seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **Officers' Reports**

#### **Treasurer – Lynn Pierle for Kirk Rowdabaugh**

Lynn mentioned that her total of the Capital Campaign is different from Kirk's total. She and Joel Janetski had been keeping vigilant track of the pledges that came in and who paid. She would like to use the total that Joel has as the official total. She thinks that when those funds were paid they got comingled with the General Fund and it would take too much effort and time to figure it out. The records that she and Joel kept show that we collected \$38,890. Everyone who pledged paid, except for one.

#### **Facilities – Eric Seder**

Eric mentioned that at the Courthouse Courts a couple who lives closest to these courts have complained about the noise. They talked to Matt Tyler about having a sound barrier around the fence. Matt is not too keen on that because it will block the view of the Courthouse. He has asked Eric about suggestions on this issue. Some of the ideas that Eric thought of are limiting the hours for court use, using quieter equipment that can be specified, or basically shutdown play. Matt doesn't expect the club to be the ones to police it. He is aware that not everyone who plays there is a club member. He just wants some suggestions that might help appease the couples' noise issue. As a start, he might want to change the hours to see if this will appease them. Lynn mentioned that she feels the issue is with the hours in the morning. She suggested changing the morning start time from 8 am to 9 am. She also mentioned that the noise issue was only with one couple so far. There was another neighbor that is pleased that there are pickleball courts at the courthouse. She feels that there are more neighbors that do not seem to mind the noise. Matt says that this couple is getting more persistent about the noise issue, they might present it to the commissioners, and he is not sure what would happen then. Jeannie mentioned that at Cape George they have switched to quieter balls and have a list of quieter paddles as recommendations. Eric mentioned that the USA Pickleball Association has put out a 'Green List' that lists quieter equipment and a 'Red List' that are not as quiet. He also suggested that the club could consider asking for donations for a sound barrier around the courts and see what happens. Lynn will post it in a Blast to help mitigate the noise issue at the Courthouse.

#### **President – Lynn Pierle**

Lynn mentioned we need to convene a Nominating Committee to replace the outgoing Board Members which are, an At Large, a Court Ops, a Secretary, a President, and a Vice President. Lynn suggested asking Jim Maupin to fill out his term as the Vice President position which is for another year. Carol

Gartlan filled in temporarily for him when he stepped down. Lynn will ask Carol if she can be the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

Lynn mentioned that as Jeannie steps down as the At Large Board Member, she has volunteered to stay on to do the events for the club unless the new person would like to take over for her.

Another agenda item that Lynn has is scheduling the Annual Meeting in June on a Saturday. It was proposed to have it on June 17<sup>th</sup> after 1:00p at HJ Carroll Park. But since then, the venue is not available. It has been decided to have this event at the Mountain View courts on June 17<sup>th</sup> starting at 1:00p. If there is anything in our Bylaws that we want changed, it has to be brought up to the members before the Annual Meeting and they get to vote on those changes. Lynn would like to make one change to the Bylaws. Right now it specifies that the local ambassador for USA Pickleball has a seat at the Board Meetings. Since we don't have a local ambassador and this program is no longer feasible, she would like to move to have it omitted from the Bylaws. She asked the Board Members to look at the Bylaws and if there are any other changes to be made, we can take a look at those, too.

### **Old Business**

#### **Update on MV Scheduling – Lynn**

Lynn mentioned that for the scheduling of the MV courts, we were waiting for the signage to be posted before we sent out information on the designated hours for the club which is from 11a – 3p. We have Susan Green as the monitor who is enforcing the rules for signing up on PlayTime Scheduler.

Another issue at MV is that players who have reserved the Multiuse Court on PlayTime Scheduler are being asked to leave when the Y Kids are there. Lynn talked to Ara about it and she said that should not have happened. The Y staff knows that they need to sign up on PlayTime Scheduler to reserve the Multiuse court for their program. She will talk to the staff on it again.

Lynn would also like to number the courts, 1, 2 & 3. So that when people sign up, they know what court they have signed up for.

#### **Planning for the Gala – Jeannie, Lynn**

Lynn mentioned that we have the Grand Opening event tomorrow. Officials John Mauro, Carrie Hite, Steven King, Michael Todd and Ara Pelz are coming to this event. They represent all the different entities that we had to work with to get these courts installed. There will be a ribbon cutting ceremony and she will hand John Mauro a plaque from the club. Signage of the rules, the scheduling of hours and the plaque will be posted by the courts. Jeannie will demonstrate how to play Mortimer and have refreshments.

Annette mentioned for the raffle she would like to recommend having the option of either a gift certificate to Pickleball Central or to the Quimper Mercantile. That way she can sell more raffles to non-pickleball players as well. She would also like to suggest that if a Board Member won the raffle, they would donate it back for a non-Board member to win. This would create a 'feel good' opportunity for Board Members to convey their connection and dedication to the club. The Board agreed to this recommendation.

Lynn mentioned for the raffle if we make it a gift certificate of \$200 instead of using some of the rewards the club received from Pickleball Central, we will be able to use that whole amount towards items for the club. Eric made a suggestion, since we are going give the Mercantile business as an option for the winner to choose, it would be good to ask them if they would be willing split the cost of the gift certificate with the club which is \$100, half of the amount of the certificate. Annette will ask them if they are willing to do this. The Board agreed to these options. The drawing of the raffle will be held at the Annual Meeting.

#### **Chat Room – Lynn**

Lynn mentioned that a chat room for club members only was approved by the previous Board and she would like to bring this topic up again. Stan Jonasson mentioned he knows someone that can develop one through a private portal on Nextdoor. She talked to Mark Finco about it and he feels that it would be better if we had a chat room through our website/portal. The Board feels that it would not be a good idea to have one through PTPC. It could become toxic. Lynn suggested that Stan and others can do it on their own, but it would not be endorsed as a PTPC activity. Lynn made a motion to the Board to not have a club sponsored chat room. Eric moved to rescind the previous Board's approval of starting a chat room. Jeannie seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Court Operations – Jim Dow**

Jim mentioned that Michael Todd would like to put up a basketball hoop at the Multiuse court at MV.

If we purchased a bench through their program, they would install it for us. If we purchased one outside of their program, they would consider installing it for us, but it is not a guarantee.

He asked Michael about the legal agreement with the City to do work like concrete or pavers and he thought that is still in place. If we don't contract, we are okay.

Also, Jim mentioned that Stan talked to the staff at Fort Worden on getting pickleball courts there and they are not interested at this time due to the noise issue and they have guests that stay there.

The chips in the MV courts will be fixed this summer.

The next Board Meeting will be on May 9 at 2:00 pm at the Pink House.

Annette moved to have the meeting adjourned. Jim seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharlene Shiroma