

Pickleball board meeting notes June 19, 2023

ATTENDEES:

Rich Loose, Janice Vaplon, Jane Jakubec, Greg Krier, Jim Cooney, Lisa Penton

Also in attendance, 7 Spearfish Pickleball Club members.

Thank you for attending!

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the May 2023 Board meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Report given by Jane Jakubec. We currently have \$16,295.45 in our account. We had income from membership dues from 10 new members. We received 1 more payment from Amazon Smile program. Future payments due will be insurance in September, our payment to the city in October and payment for our Domain name.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT:

Report given by Janice Vaplon. We currently have 190 members.

BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS:

Craig Campbell was nominated and voted in as Communications/IT Director. Jim Cooney was nominated and voted in to continue as Fundraising Director. Jane Jakubec was nominated and voted in to continue as Treasurer.

Board positions:

The following people were nominated and voted into the following positions for 1 year.

Rich Loose - President

Greg Krier - Vice President

Jane Jakubec- Treasurer

Lisa Penton- Secretary

Janice Vaplon was appointed to continue in her position of Event Planning Director.

ITEMS FROM THE MEMBERSHIP":

Phil brought up the idea of doing something to help Chris West. Ideas were tossed around. Open for further discussion

Tournament was discussed. The DUPR rating system was discussed to rate players for brackets of the tournament. Round Robin was discussed.

Wendy and Robert Cota proposed League Play. Could be played in winter or summer. Wendy will be finding out if there is interest from the membership for League Play. Rich will send out an email to the membership to also see if there is interest. Robert was nominated to run the League. Wendy will keep track of the points. League would be Women's, Men's and mixed. Further information coming on this.

Question was asked and answered as to where the club's finances are going. Payments to the City for our share of the cost of building courts, Insurance, Web Domain, and other expenses.

The cost of dues was brought up. Majority in attendance felt \$20 was cheap. Discussion of finding more space for courts was brought up, whether inside or outside. Nets outside are paid for by the City, Nets inside are paid for by the Rec Center.

Where is the ball thrower? It is currently located in the shed at the outdoor courts. If you would like to use it, text a Board member and they will get you in touch with someone who knows how to use it.

There is interest in a backboard for the outdoor courts. A member has offered to pay for it and set it up. It was decided it should be located away from the basketball courts, most likely in the court nearest the shed. Jim and Rich will investigate what type of material would be best to use to have longevity of the backboard.

Spearfish Pickleball Club hats are available at The Alpine. Cost is \$12-15.

FALL TOURNAMENT:

DATE SET: 2 Days, Saturday, and Sunday -September 23 & 24
Sponsors needed; Door prizes needed.

Volunteers: Greg Kreier, Jane Jakubec, Janice Vaplon, Lisa Penton and Wendy Cota

When we do advertise and open the sign up, it will be for Members first. Then to others interested.

Open to 128 players at the most. 4 groups of 16, 8 groups of 8
Cost \$35 for members \$45 for non-members.

Registration will open August 1st. Open for 2 weeks for members, then open to outsiders.

No refunds for inclement weather.

COURT DRYER:

Vaptr 43 ½ purchase was discussed. This is a machine that is supposed to dry the courts faster than the current rollers we have. This is available in Florida. There is a possibility that a member may be able to go and look this equipment over. It stores vertically. Somewhere in the range of \$2,900 to purchase. Further research is needed into this machine before a decision can be made.

ITEMS FROM THE BOARD:

The new Trex benches have been made and are currently in place down at the courts. Thank you to
for their hard work in building them.

Schedule for the courts was discussed. Discussion was tabled for now. See how this next month goes with SUG. It is suggested to sign up on SUG if you are going to play, to get a better count. Those that drop in to play increase the numbers playing and the numbers sitting. There are only 3 mornings that all 6 courts are reserved for SUG. Tues, Friday and Saturday. The other mornings, there are only 4 courts available to SUG players.