

CCPC Board Meeting

January 17, 2024

Attendance: Dan Dolan, Bob Schneller, Ralph Bakowski, Jessica Lehman, Gail Hawkins, Marilyn Appleby, Al Davison, Rickamer Hoover

Approval of Minutes: the minutes of the November 2, 2023 annual meeting were approved.

Marilyn Appleby reported at this time that we have 35 members who have paid; one affiliate who has paid; there are four members who have discussed payment with her; another member will pay for two affiliates and a member. There are two regular members and an affiliate who will not be renewing due to health issues and another member has moved. During the next few weeks, Marilyn will call ones who have not renewed to follow up with them or may ask other members for help. At this time, our collections for membership are approximately where they were last year at this time.

Treasurer's Report:

Previous Balance: \$4,708.84

Deposits: 890.00

Total: \$5, 589.84

Dan Dolan stated that Ralph Bakowski and former treasurer Rob Trevena plan to meet soon to develop a budget for 2024. Al Davison suggested that a separate budget be established for tournaments. This budget would include anticipated income and expenses in preparation of any tournament and prizes to be awarded. Expenses and reimbursements would come out of this budget. Any funds left over in this separate budget would go to the club's general fund. Gail Hawkins made a motion for the club to develop a separate budget for tournaments. Jessica Lehman seconded the motion.

Gravel for the terrains will be ordered this month to prepare for maintenance. Dan will take care of making arrangements with ACC facilities.

Sports Director Report: Attached

In addition, Al Davison stated that a terrain maintenance day would occur probably in late February once the weather is warmer. Strings will come up at that time and then be replaced once the courts are settled.

Because we have had squirrel damage to the scoreboards, a couple of members are trying to find material that the squirrels are less likely to damage. Alan Cassady has sent in an estimate of \$300 for reconstructed scoreboards. One idea is a product that can't be bent and is banded by sheet metal. Dan suggested getting samples of any prototypes in order to determine if the product would work.

Old Business

1. Bob Schneller suggested discussing dues for 2025. At one time, there were club dues and Federation of Petanque USA dues and members could opt to pay club dues or both sets of dues. Dan Dolan stated that he would prefer to review this after a budget has been set.
2. Marilyn Appleby stated that we had previously discussed establishing a calendar of meeting dates. Board members felt that every other month would work and that, if necessary, special meetings could be called. The following future dates are established for board meetings in 2024: March 12, May 14, July 9, September 10, and November 12.

New Business

Dan Dolan opened a discussion on expectations of membership to help with club duties. Many members take a very active role and others are willing but need some guidance. Areas for members to assist are work days, tournament assistance, and developing a welcoming atmosphere for members and people interested in learning about the game. In stating this, he also said that he did not want to develop a stringent set of guidelines but more of a structure so that people knew where they could plug in to help. The board felt the guideline should be, "Come when you can; leave when you must." To promote a sense of well being.

In addition, Dan suggested that we establish two additional committees – Social and Groundskeeping.

The Social Committee would set up quarterly get togethers of the club for current, new, and perspective members. The committee could also check in with members who are ill or away so that they are kept up-to-date and feel included. Jessica Lehman will chair this committee and will begin to recruit some members.

The Groundskeeping Committee would organize work days to take care of maintenance issues and grounds beautification. Rickamer Hoover suggested that this committee could have sub-committees dealing with leaf and limb work; heavy lifting work for repairing/maintain terrains; and, beautification such as scoreboards and other projects to improve the area.

As a way to meet members of the pentanque community, Dan suggested some interclub activities with the Atlanta League as a way to promote the sport and to get to know one another. Dan suggested that since Al knows some of the Atlanta club's members that he could facilitate this as a way to develop some activities together.

Other New Business

Al suggested that the hour before our regular play on Thursdays could be used for skill building sessions. He will draw up some plans to begin this in the spring.

Dan asked if there are still discussions within FPUSA regarding how the clubs/states are split into regions that make more sense for travel and tournaments. Al said that the discussions are ongoing.

Gail Hawkins made a motion to adjourn with Al Davison providing a seconds. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.