



## **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes April 24, 2022**

The Board of Directors met on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

The meeting was held via Zoom.

The meeting was called by the Board of Directors.

The notice for the meeting was given more than seven days in advance in writing.

The directors present for the meeting were Eric Wold (President), Roger Schaljo (Vice President), Kat Beal (Secretary), Bob Block (Treasurer), Whit Hemphill, Bill Kunerth, Jeff Seldon, Chris Payne, and Sally Ruxton.

No directors were absent for the meeting.

A Quorum was present because there are currently 9 directors on the Board and 9 of them were present at this meeting.

### **1. Agenda Review**

- a. No additional topics were added to the agenda.

### **2. Finance Report**

- a. Bob presented the current balance sheet and profit / loss reports for the most recent quarter. The club currently has assets of \$17,549.01, including \$1,158.45 in Bottle-Drop funds. Income for the quarter was primarily from dues.
- b. Eric presented the proposed annual budget for next fiscal year (May 1, 2022 – April 30, 2023).
- c. The following motion was made by Eric Wold, seconded by Bob Block and unani-  
mously passed:

**RESOLVED to adopt the annual budget presented at this meeting.**

### **3. Adoption of 4 Policies**

- a. Four proposed organizational policies were presented at the meeting and discussed. The policies were: Conflict of Interest, Records Retention, Travel and Expenses, and Whistleblower.
- b. The following motion was made by Roger Schaljo, seconded by Jeff Seldon, and unani-  
mously passed:

**RESOLVED to adopt the four policies presented at this meeting. The secretary was directed to certify the policies and place them in the corporate minute books.**

#### **4. Increasing the number of courts**

- a. Jeff and Bob presented a lengthy proposal to address the need and desire for more courts in various areas of Eugene and Springfield. They called these LPFs (Local Pickleball Facilities). They also expressed a desire to see increased engagement of club members in the process of identifying and securing additional places to play.
- b. The board agreed to: (1) improve communication to members regarding on-going efforts with the City of Eugene and Willamalane by directing them (via email) to the minutes posted on the web site after the minutes have been approved; (2) create a web page that summarizes efforts to create and maintain new playing venues; and (3) put a form on the website that members can use to suggest potential new opportunities.
- c. The Board agreed to revisit the full proposal in 2-3 months after several ongoing efforts to increase playing opportunities have been resolved.

#### **5. Foundation fundraising and communications for LPFs**

- a. The Board noted that the Foundation's fundraising purpose is not limited to funding a single big effort, but can also include fundraising for creation and maintenance of smaller venues.

#### **6. Willamalane and Meadow Park**

- a. Eric presented details of recent efforts to work with Willamalane on maintenance of Meadow Park courts. The club organized a campaign to have members testify at a recent Willamalane Board meeting. 118 people testified, including 10 in person, and apparently made a positive impression on the Willamalane Board of Directors, who subsequently directed its executive leaders to meet and discuss potential options to achieve mutual goals.
- b. Eric, Roger, and Whit met with Willamalane and identified main objectives: The club wants to have the Meadow Park courts resurfaced and maintained on a regular basis (approx. every 5 years). Willamalane needs to identify funding to support this. Willamalane proposed a co- sponsorship relationship that would include having club members identify Meadow Park as a Silver Fit or Sneakers (a Medicare benefit) venue when they play, allowing Willamalane to dedicate funds received from the program to accomplish the periodic resurfacing.
- c. The committee focused on this effort responded by developing a modified proposal that will be presented to Willamalane next week.

## **7. Committee Report: Annual Club Tournament**

- a. The club will hold its annual tournament August 5-7, 2022 at Meadow Park. Registration is open on the club's website. Eric will send out names and playing levels of registrants to our members via email so people can see who is registered.
- b. We'd like to have club and Board members volunteer to assist with daily set-up, take-down, and booth staffing during the tournament.

## **8. Committee Report: Membership**

- a. Roger presented the Membership Report. The club has an estimated 532 members, and we have our first student membership and first use of the scholarship fund. Board member Chris Payne called members who were late renewing to encourage them to renew their membership with positive results.

## **9. Committee Report: Social Events**

- a. Kat presented progress on the Social Committee. Jeff Seldon and Kat propose two social events - the first in May would be a social and round robin for new players at Meadow Park suggested by Roger, and the second will be the traditional potluck social held in conjunction with the annual meeting in June.

## **10. Committee Report: Existing Court Issues/Maintenance**

- a. Whit and Bob provided an update on maintenance and supply issues at Meadow and Westmoreland Parks.

## **11. Committee Report: Learn to Play Clinics**

- a. The popular learn to play clinics will return this year. Eric reminded the group that all the planning materials from last year have been stored on the Google Drive. Sally will let the board know in the next week whether she will coordinate the clinics this year.

## **12. Committee Report: T-Shirts/Merchandise**

- a. Whit provided update on this year's T-shirts. He will likely stick with current design but may order a mix of cotton and athletic fabric Ts.

## **13. Committee Report: Marketing and Press**

- a. Bill let the Board know he is not running for reelection, but that he is available for any marketing needs before his term ends.

## **14. Committee Report: Information Technology**

- a. Jeff reports continued growth of the popular google email groups, especially the Eugene and Beginners groups. Jeff and Eric continue to update the website as needed. Jeff presented an analysis of web site traffic and a Facebook report.

## **15. Annual Meeting**

- a. The club's annual meeting will occur on Sunday, June 5th at 3:00 pm at Meadow Park, followed by recreational play and a potluck social. The format for this meeting is a little different from past year's - we will hold board member elections and conduct the minimum required business, then open the floor to questions from members.

## **16. Board Member Recruitment**

- a. We have five Board members at the end of their terms. Of those five, Bob, Roger, Kat and Jeff have agreed to run for election again. Bill is not running for re-election. Sally indicated she is resigning from the board in the middle of her term. Therefore, we have up to 6 spots on the board that can be filled through this upcoming election. Eric indicated that several people (other than current board members) have expressed an interest in learning more about being a board member. We definitely need a board member who might be interested in being the club treasurer.

## **17. Memorandum of Understanding with LCC**

- a. We provided a substantially modified and from our standpoint much improved draft MOU in response to the draft that LCC provided to us. We are waiting for their response to move forward.

## **18. Action Items**

- a. Kat will forward conflict of interest disclosure statements to the board for signature and return.
- d. Kat will sign the policies adopted today and store them on the google drive.
- e. Once board meeting minutes have been reviewed and approved the club will send emails to club members alerting them.
- f. Jeff and Eric will create and maintain a web page that provides updates on court maintenance and local playing facilities.
- g. Jeff will develop a form for the website that members can use to communicate with the board specifically about the potential for creating new courts.

**Next Meeting: Sunday, June 5, 2022 - 3:00 pm at Meadow Park, Springfield**

**Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.**

Signature of Secretary: *Kat Beal*

Date: May 12, 2022