

# EVPC Board of Directors Meeting 3/24/24 on Zoom

Present: Roger Schaljo, President; Chris Achtien, Vice President; Christine Payne, Secretary;

**Garrett Gilchrist, Doug Dalebroux, Tim Lay** 

Absent: Maureen McCauley, Treasurer; Nellie Schafer

A quorum was present.

Minutes from the 2/25/24 meeting were approved via email 3/15/24.

1. Review Agenda - Roger

There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

2. Welcome new Directors - Roger

Tim Lay and Nellie Schafer have joined the EVPC Board.

3. Elections - Updates and timing - Roger

Roger, Maureen and Tim are up for reelection this year.

**Garrett will make sure Election Buddy is up-to-date (Done 3/25)** 

Chris and Roger will get together to make sure we're prepared for the election.

Roger suggested that the last position be decided by membership at the May meeting. \*Christine motioned that the last open Board position be decided by membership at the annual meeting. Chris seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Board Member availability for events

Tournaments are our biggest concern. Tabled to the next meeting because Maureen, the Tournament and Event Chair, was unable to attend tonight.

5. Recruiting Club members for committees - Roger/Garrett

Garrett suggested we email members now about committee opportunities and then make a push at the annual meeting.

Doug suggested a list of volunteers.

Tim acknowledged there are many Club members willing to help.

Roger stated that the committee structure is how we move forward, and Committee Chairs need to be clear on skills and goals to make it easier for people to volunteer.

The Memorial Day event will be Monday 5/27 at the YMCA. Christine volunteered to handle checking people in at the door along with a Club member volunteer. Roger will be teaching. Chris thinks Nellie may be interested in helping. Garrett will give organizational support prior to the event. Doug said he could help with instruction.



Roger will come up with a timeline for Memorial Day by April 5 to include registration, instructors and format.

Tim suggested that we develop a system that can be replicated for each event.

Tim will familiarize himself with our committee structure and give input and other feedback to the Board at our next meeting.

The Board Development Committee, Business and Finance Committee and Membership Relations Committee Chairs do not wish to use volunteers at this time. Garrett would like to assign different volunteers to handle various aspects of the IT committee. Most support will be on the social side, and Roger reminded Directors to consider where we will be in two years with the Regional Facility.

## 6. On-line Marketplace.

Joel Halberg was unable to attend so this was tabled to the next meeting.

# 7. Google Drive/Sharing Docs - Garrett

Garrett gave a demonstration on how to share documents on Google Drive.

#### 8. Foundation Update - Chris

The 2024 budget was approved. The Foundation will receive the \$500,000 from Lane County in April which will allow pre construction work to begin. The Geotech study has been completed, but the written report hasn't been received yet. Funds have been set aside to select an architect and general contractor which should happen in the next quarter. Club member Bill Seider, a retired architect, has volunteered to be on the Foundations's Design and Planning Committee. The Foundation should hear about the \$750,000 in SDC funding from the City of Eugene within the next month. The Foundation should also hear shortly about their application for a grant of \$20,000 from the 3 Rivers Foundation.

The Foundation wants to have a major event that could involve a dinner and silent auction with the goal of generating \$200,000. More information will be forthcoming. Foundation members will also be hosting "house parties" where they may provide drinks, food and ask for donations.

# 9. Special Events - Roger

The Club has been invited to participate in the annual Backyard BrewFest at the Fairgrounds on May 4. They are adding backyard sports and have asked EVPC to be a part of that. They will waive the booth fee and set up a Pickleball court. The event begins at 11:00 am, and we could start breaking down at 9:00 pm. The goals would be to promote the Club, promote the Foundation and Regional Facility, and there would also be an opportunity to teach some people how to play. People must be 21 or older to get in. The BrewFest plans to have a wide range of sports displays, racquet games and apparel.



Roger thinks we'll need at least four solid Club representatives and at least 6 more volunteers to work in shifts. Doug and Tim both said they could possibly do two hour shifts, and Garrett volunteered to provide a sign up form that would close after we have 10 volunteers.

Roger will check on requirements for insurance at the event.

## 10. The Mission Classes - Roger

These will begin April 8th, once a week for 12 weeks in the wellness and social part of the Mission's Life Change Program. It will involve the same eight people each week. Jul Gray will be the instructor. They hope to rent Westmoreland Courts in the afternoon. Though this is not a Club event Roger asked about possible publicity for the Club.

Garrett will talk with his contact to find out whether publicity would be acceptable.

## 11. Requests for tournaments - Roger

Roger has received requests from the American Cancer Society and a local Parkinson's group. He wanted to let the Board know that he has been saying no because we don't have good court conditions, parking or restrooms. He lets groups know things will change when we have our own facility. Christine reported that she has been approached about an Alzheimer's fundraiser on June 21 in Coiner Park. Neither the Grover Pickleball group or EVPC would be involved other than to loan EVPC equipment if needed.

Chris has been approached by BiCoastal media about helping promote a tournament to raise money for the Foundation through their network of radio stations. This could possibly involve some celebrities. Roger thinks this would fall under Foundation events. Chris said EVPC would be needed to run an event. National Pickleball Day August 8 might be a good day to have something like this.

Roger and Chris will meet to discuss this opportunity with BiCoastal Media.

#### 12. Update - City of Eugene - Roger

Bob Block and Roger had a Zoom meeting with two City employees. The City has some funds that can be used for things such as a youth clinic, and financial assistance for teacher certification. The money can't be used for anything already existing. There is a need for more certified instructors, and they would like to have training that the City could help subsidize this spring or summer. The City is also interested in taking over the Learn to Play Clinics. With registration for those clinics they would have information about how many people are interested, and then possibly could continue with Levels 101 and 102. Money could also go to co-sponsoring an August 8 event with the City.

## 13.Update - Willamalane

Roger recommended balls for Willamalane to order.

A Club member has designed a paddle holder, similar to what we had before at Meadow Park



and is working with the maintenance crew on how to attach it.

Doug will be meeting tomorrow with Willamalane about classes, and there will be a clinic for about fifteen 4J PE teachers on 4/1.

#### 14. Venue updates

The rollers at Meadow Park are broken.

Tim and Chris will check to see whether they need to be repaired or replaced. Resolved 3/25 Westmoreland courts will be closed April 8 and 9 while the lights are being replaced. Portable nets are being used on the tennis courts at Westmoreland. No decision was made at this time on whether they should be removed from the storage box. Kennedy MS may be putting in Pickleball Courts.

Roger will ask the City of Eugene and Willamalane for permission to hang PlayTimeScheduler banners.

15.Action Items are in red. Christine pointed out that there is a revised Action Item Form. The Secretary will fill in the Action Items following each meeting. Directors only have to document the date the item was completed and comment if needed. The form is in Google Drive ->Meeting Minutes & Agendas ->2024 Meetings.

Next meeting Sunday April 28 at 6:30 pm. This will be a Quarterly Meeting.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.

Signature of Secretary: Christine Payne Date: 4/7/24