

MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING CLPBC AUG 23, 2021 5pm –6:45 pm Legacy Park

1. Welcome and sign in – there were approximately 40 people in attendance
2. Secretary Report from May 26, 2021 Meeting- L. Johannessen
 - a. Report was read and approved
3. Treasurer's Report- W. Kiehler
 - a. Last year we had \$5996.00 in our account. Our current balance is \$16,588.
 - b. Tournament expenses are available for members perusal. We made a net profit of \$3514.00.
 - c. Expenses were higher this year due to increased per player charges by pickleballtournaments.com , Fila for shirts, and Operational Manager. We had fewer sponsors (4 this year in the \$250 group).
 - d. Audit- was conducted by Pam Owens and Carol Ann Baumann. No irregularities were found.
 - e. Report was approved.
4. TOURNAMENT DISCUSSION
 - a. Overall the survey results were very positive both in regards to the facility, the players, and the community.
 - b. The biggest two issues mentioned were the delays in play- in part due to rain- and the dirt/sand on the courts.
 - c. The date for the next tournament was discussed. Kalamazoo and Beer City are having their tournaments in the 3rd and 4th weekends in July. If we wanted to avoid conflict we would have to go earlier in August or into Sept. Unclear if one is better than the other. Possibility of moving to a different month entirely was raised. In June weather would be cooler and our tournament could be viewed as a Warm up for other tournaments. It was mentioned that we want to continue to build on our successful tournaments.
 - d. Discussion was held regarding the format of the Tournament. It has been suggested that the use of the round robin format would streamline the day and reduce delays. It was felt that we would still need an Operational Manager to interface with pickleballtournaments.com. It would be possible that with a better organizational structure for the Tournament committees we would not need to get another Tournament director. Everyone agreed that these jobs take a lot of time. Mary Taylor mentioned the use of several websites such as SignIn Genius that might be appropriate for our use.
 - e. When initially polled most members(approximately 37) were in favor of hosting another Tournament this year. Motion was made and passed to host a 2022 tournament. Other members brought up the fact that the same people seem to be involved and doing all the work and maybe every other year would be better.
 - f. The idea was then floated to have a Members only Club Tournament this year. We could try out the Sign in Genius or other organizational tool and well as the round robin format. After more discussion it appeared that most members were in favor of skipping

the large tournament in 2022 and holding the members tournament. Vote was taken and 32 of the present members voted to hold the CLPBC membership tournament only.

- g. The Board will look at possible earlier dates for a large Tournament as well as possible Operational Managers. We will look at the Operational Websites.
 - h. Other issues regarding the Tournament-
 - i. Having greater involvement of CLPOC- possibly holding some rentals or campsites for more local housing.
 - ii. Repurposing some of the CL tennis courts to provide access for more players
 - iii. Continued help with marketing/ sponsorships recognizing that the Tournament brings more outside people to CL than any other event.
 - iv. Setting up a better organizational committee structure and mobilizing volunteers as early as possible.
 - v. The creation by the Board of a Tournament Book so that all the information about sponsors, vendors, marketing etc is available for subsequent years.
 - vi. Getting more sponsors for possible raffles/give aways.
 - vii. Not doing shirts or anything that requires different sizes etc. Better swag would be towels or bagtags.
 - viii. Mark Zaun reminded us that when we had the first tournament it was in part to raise money for the CLPBC. We should continue to rethink our purpose for having a Tournament- maybe switch to a community support event such as raising money for Angels of Action. It was felt by members that an important purpose of the Tournament is to highlight the CL community.
 - i. Board will need to look more at all issues regarding Tournament or Club Championship for possible revisit with members.
5. INDOOR WINTER PLAY
- a. New Hope Church
 - i. NHC provided us with 2 options for this winter.
 - 1. 10/1/2021 to April31/2022 7 months at \$5/hr. for total of \$1750.00
 - 2. 10/15/2021 to April/15/2022 6 months at 5.25/hr for total of \$ 1757.00
 - ii. The membership voted and approved Option 1. Steven Brandt will let NHC know our results. We will still have to sign a COVID waiver if not already done last year. We will continue to use Playtimescheduler.com
 - iii. The floors are being resurfaced in the gym. We may want to put down lines for the 2 smaller courts and maybe one full court that could be used during certain times or if fewer players.
 - iv. Play at NHC will be Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9-11 am.
 - b. Mecosta Youth Center
 - i. Board will check into this as a possibility again. Is not the best venue but allows full court play.
 - c. Ferris
 - i. Will be open again this fall on Monday/ Wednesday from 5-7 \$5/player.
6. ELECTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS

- a. 4 names were submitted for consideration and the nominees spoke about why they wanted to be on the Board.
 - b. The results were Colleen Ligovet 42 Steve Brandt 41 Bernie Guggemos 36 and Dave Grizinger 30. Colleen, Steve and Bernie will be the new Board Members for 2021-2023.
 - c. Thanks was expressed to the outgoing Members, Nancy Henderson, Dave Baker and Wally Kiehler for all their input, support and hard work.
7. OPEN DISCUSSION
 - a. There was no further items submitted for discussion.
 8. The meeting was Adjourned at 6.45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Johannessen, Secretary CLPBC